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THE FESTIVAL OF WEDNESDAY NEXT.

WE must again remind our readers that the last of our Charitable Anniversary Festivals—namely, that of the Royal Masonic Institutution for Boys—will be held on Wednesday next, the 29th instant, at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, under the presidency of our Right Worshipful Brother the Marquess of Londonderry, K.T., Provincial Grand Master of Durham. There are now 236 brethren on the Board of Stewards, and there is even yet time for this number to be increased, so that we may anticipate Bro. Binckes will have a Board of average numerical strength, and zealous, perhaps, out of all proportion to its numbers. As we said last week, after the article we have already published, it would be out of place for us to reiterate at length the grounds which induced us to appeal so early to the brethren to support this Festival, and make it a grand success. There is no reason, however, why we may not recapitulate the main reasons we urged in the article in question. These are as follow :—

(1) The great excess of candidates over vacancies.

(2) The limited amount of invested moneys, and the consequent smallness of the permanent income.

(3) The excellence of the education and the moral training afforded.

(4) The proposed increase in the number of pupils.

(5) The late loss of money, which has not yet been made good by close on £800.

We need not do more than point out the irresistible force of each and every of these; they speak for themselves, and we feel satisfied our enumeration of them will not have been without some effect. It is necessary, however, we should give some particulars as to the arrangements.

A special train of first-class carriages will leave London Bridge punctually at 11.30 a.m., calling at East Croydon at 11.50 a.m. to take up passengers from Victoria, and reaching Brighton at 1 p.m. precisely. The Stewards and their friends are invited to be at the Royal Pavilion not later than half-past three o'clock. The special return train will leave Brighton at 8.30 p.m., and will call at East Croydon in order to set down passengers for Victoria. At the same time, visitors with special tickets may return by any train, except express, on the day following, on payment of an extra shilling. The Band of the 1st Sussex Artillery Volunteers, under the direction of Bandmaster Devin, will, by kind permission of Lieutenant-Colonel Tester and the officers, perform a selection of music on the lawn, on the arrival of the visitors, and throughout the afternoon. As is usual, no Masonic clothing or jewel is to be worn, while brethren and ladies are to appear in morning dress, the latter, at option, with or without bonnets. It only remains to add that the annual distribution of prizes is fixed for the day previous, at the School, Wood Green, the Marquess of Londonderry, as is customary on these occasions, occupying the position of Chairman.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST'S DAY AT MELROSE.

WE are indebted to a contributor of ours for the following interesting sketch of the way in which the anniversary festival of St. John the Baptist is celebrated at Melrose. It was quite by accident, he writes, that he came

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mouldering aisles, and round its orgeous ruins become singularly and striking relief. The whole ured step and slow' gone three *finale*, the whole Masonic body one grand semi-circle around it, ruce lies deposited near the high patriotic air, 'Scots wha ha'e wi' is overpowering. With showers lights the scene closes, the whole aturnalia held in a market town

Y IN INDIA.

e *Masonic Record of Western* nteresting and highly satis- ogress made by the Craft in ns in India. At the last he District Grand Lodge of Calcutta, there was a very en under the presidency of D.G.M.; among the visitors el W. H. Mackesy Past r of the Punjab, who was ted with the honours proper ng and confirmation of the mmunication, the D. Grand address, in the course of trong position occupied by the end of last year there lges on the roll of the Dis- ner which had been opened ; the present total exactly champ, No. 1422, had been nsequence of the absence of vice in Afghanistan, but it Another Lodge, "Star of , had been in abeyance for nks to the exertions of one of enabled to announce that he ied in reviving the warrant, mmitted some slight irregu- istrict Grand Lodge forbade rs from the time when any However, Bro. Prinsep's ble that the District Grand indemnified him from the ularity. Bro. Prinsep then nsideration of certain statis- nark, as clearly as possible, had made in the Presidency howed that in 1869 there and Lodge twenty Lodges; 1871 twenty-two Lodges; n 1873 twenty-four Lodges; 1875 twenty-eight Lodges; in 1877 twenty-six Lodges; Lodges; in 1880 twenty- ut year twenty-nine Lodges. there were 612 subscribing bers, the number of Initia- 9, the number of Passings ngs 169. In the course of ren left the District through t while under ordinary cir-

of the invested capital of the said Institution being 37,300 rupees, or £3,730 of English money. We are further told that in 1880 the working Masonic Funds realised, in round figures, 12,822 rupees, and the Charity Funds 13,615 rupees. On motion duly made and seconded, the Report of the Board of General Purposes was accepted, and the accounts of the District Grand Lodge and the Fund of Benevolence were passed as correct, after which and the transaction of other business a vote of thanks was cordially and unanimously voted to Bro. Prinsep for his energetic efforts on behalf of Freemasonry. After the customary collection, which realised over 100 rupees, in aid of the Bengal Masonic Fund of Benevolence, D.G. Lodge was closed with the usual ceremonial. We may add that from a statement of the Executive Sub-Committee of the District Grand Lodge Fund of Benevolence, it appears that in the three months ended 28th February 1881, the sums voted in relief amounted in the aggregate to 750 rupees, seven applications from as many brethren and widows being entertained, and only one application—from a brother—refused.

About the same time was held at Freemasons' Hall, Lahore, a meeting of the Life Governors of the Punjab Masonic Institution. The accounts for the closing portion of the year 1880 were examined and found correct. Four candidates, in whose behalf sundry recommendations were submitted, were nominated by Lodges. The Budget Estimate of Ways and Means for the current year was examined and approved, the receipts being reckoned at 9,510 rupees, and the expenditure at 6,965 rupees, leaving a balance for investment of 2,545 rupees. A month later—on 9th April—an Extraordinary General Meeting of Subscribers to the same Institution was held in the same Hall, when the Honorary Secretary's Report was read, This showed that during the past year the income from all sources had been 9,287 rupees, which, though less by 433 rupees than the total of 1879, must be deemed satisfactory, especially as the number of new subscribers and donors had increased by 136, there being twenty-three and 106 Vice Presidents and Life Governors as against twenty and ninety-one respectively at the close of 1879. The amount paid for School Fees was 5,582 rupees, or less by about 400 rupees than the sum for which provision had been made, in consequence of two boys not having attended school. There had been eighteen children—namely, eleven boys and seven girls—under education, of whom one boy and two girls had their School Fees contributed by the District Grand Lodge Fund of Benevolence. The reports received in respect of the progress and general conduct of these children were in every way satisfactory. As regards payments on this head from the foundation of the Institution till 3rd December 1880, these amounted in all to 20,107 rupees, while as regards invested moneys, these, by the addition during the past year of 2000 rupees to the capital account, amounted to 30,300 rupees, of which 18,500 rupees were at 4 per cent. interest, 10,000 rupees at 4½ per cent., and 1,800 rupees at 5 per cent., yielding a total per annum of 1,280 rupees. As one girl was removable, owing to age, from the Fund, and four children were nominated for election, in the event of the latter being accepted, there would in 1881 be borne on the Fund fifteen boys and seven girls. Various propositions, based on the recommendations made in this report, were submitted and agreed to, and the meeting then dissolved.

The same number of the *Masonic Record* has elsewhere in its columns a short reference to the work that is now

politicians into two parties—Masonic and anti-Masonic.

It will not surprise our readers when they are told that Bro. Massa has been so far influenced by a very natural resentment at certain epithets bestowed upon him by the G. Treasurer, at a late meeting of the General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, as to have laid a complaint before the Board of General Purposes against that Very Worshipful Official of Grand Lodge. It is equally on the cards that these same readers of ours will experience no sense of surprise on learning, as they will do from the correspondence we publish elsewhere, that the Board of General Purposes regards the offence of the Grand Treasurer against Bro. Massa as being outside the limits of their jurisdiction. Strictly speaking, of course, our Girls' School, though deriving annually a small subvention from the funds of Grand Lodge, is not Freemasonry. Therefore, the gross offence, of which, in a passing fit of ill temper, the Grand Treasurer was unquestionably guilty, is not cognisable by the ordinary Masonic tribunals. But it would be just as well if a hint were thrown out to the Very Worshipful Grand Treasurer that language, which would hardly be tolerated in a common taproom, and which certainly would not be allowed to pass unchallenged in the barrackyard must not be used at the Committees of our Institutions. Bro. Massa was guilty, in the first instance, of an offence against propriety and good taste in his reference to a deceased brother; but the disgraceful epithets hurled at him on the occasion referred to will create on his behalf a strong feeling of sympathy, which is quite comprehensible, if not wholly justifiable.

The Seventy-fifth Anniversary Festival of the Licensed Victuallers' School, Kennington, Lambeth, will take place at the Crystal Palace, on Tuesday, the 28th instant. Mr. Albert O. Worthington, of the firm of Worthington and Co., will occupy the chair, and will be supported by a strong body of Stewards, and there is good reason to anticipate that the Festival will prove a great success. There are 198 children in the School, and it is well known that as an Educational Institution it stands very well among establishments of a similar character. Dinner will be on the table at 3.30 p.m. for 4 p.m.

Connected with the Lodges meeting at the Huyahe Masonic Temple, Princess-place, Plymouth, there is a Lodge of Instruction, and it has been the practice, when real work is over, to have an excursion. This took place on Wednesday, the 15th instant, and the members and their Masonic friends left the temple in well-appointed wagonettes, provided by Bro. T. Wyatt, of the King's Arms. The route was through Sparkwell and Cornwood, to Awns and Dendles, where the brethren had a thoroughly enjoyable roam through the romantic scenery of this locality, and, under the experienced guidance of Worshipful Brothers R. Pengelly and W. Odam, all went well. A long walk was a good preparation for an enjoyable repast, which was provided by Bro. Glover, at the Cornwood Inn, under the presidency of W. Bro. Tout. The drive home was as pleasant as any other portion of the day's proceedings.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—There is nothing in the whole "Materia Medica" like these Medicaments for the certainty of their action in lumbago, sciatica, tic doloreux, and all flying and settled pains in the nerves and muscles. Diseases of this nature originate in bad blood and depraved humours, and until these are corrected, there can be no permanent cure. The ordinary remedies afford but temporary relief, and in the end always disappoint the sufferer. Hollo-

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On the banks of the Doon, just above the bridge alluded to, within sight of his birth-place and "Alloway's auld haunted kirk," as well, there is a cenotaph erected to the memory of the poet. It is a neat enclosure, covered by a dome. Within it is a glass case, in which is deposited the Bible which Burns presented to Highland Mary at their last meeting. It is open at the fly-leaf, on which is the poet's signature, and beneath it his "Mason Mark."

But you must excuse me for not going more into detail in this brief letter, so I will away to other interesting spots, and to scenes in which the poet became identified with the Freemasons.

Some six or eight miles from Ayr, beyond the Doon, is a small town by the name of Tarbolton. About the year 1773, St. David's Lodge was organised in this town, while Burns was living on a rented farm, Mossgiel, about three or four miles from Tarbolton. Burns was initiated in this St. David's Lodge, on the 4th of July, and passed and raised on the 1st of October 1781. In 1782 this Lodge was merged in an older one, St. James's, Tarbolton, and for the rest of his life, until near the time he removed to Dumfries, he was identified with St. James's Lodge.

On arriving at Tarbolton, I found an old brother who was a member of St. James's Lodge, who kindly consented to show me what was interesting in the place, and especially in connection with the poet.

The building in which the Lodge was held at the time of Burns' initiation, and for years after, was still standing. It was a low one-story building, with two rooms, one on each side of a central hall. The one on the left as you enter was the Lodge-room in which the illustrious poet witnessed what "none but Craftsmen ever saw."

The Lodge now meets in another building, and in the second story. I was taken to the Lodge-room, and desired to look over the minutes of its transactions at the time of Burns. But here was a dilemma. The records, jewels, and regalia of the Lodge were all deposited in a large oaken chest, bound around with heavy iron hoops, and looked as though it might stand a siege by half a dozen burglars. Besides, it was secured by three separate locks, the keys to which were in the possession of the Master and Wardens respectively; while the chest could only be opened in the presence of the three officers, and they all agreed.

I told them I was an American, and crossed the ocean to see and learn all I could of the great Mason-poet, and *must* see the contents of that chest; whereupon two or three started out and soon returned with the officers and the all-important keys; the mysterious chest was soon opened, and its venerable treasures submitted for my inspection. An examination of the records showed that Burns had presided over the Lodge for a number of years as "Depute Master," an office peculiar to some or all of the Scotch Lodges of that day. His name was duly signed to the minutes of each meeting, similar to the practice of the present time in the United States and Canada. I put on the jewel, and felt proud to wear the same insignia the poet had worn three quarters of a century before. Among the papers in the chest I found an original letter from Burns. It was addressed to the Lodge while the poet was in Edinburgh, perhaps in the early part of 1785, when he was revising and superintending the publication of the second edition of his poems. The last stanza reads:

> "Within your dear mansion may wayward contention
> Or withered envy ne'er enter;
> May secrecy round be the mystical bound,
> And brotherly love be the centre."

But I must out again in the town, for I have but one day to give to Tarbolton. While I am in the line of facts concerning the poet's Masonic progress, I may remark that he was afterwards made a Royal Arch Mason in Weymouth in 1787, receiving the degrees in St. Abb's Lodge, for the Lodges at that early day, and even in our own country as late as the early part of the present century, had the right to confer the Royal Arch.

In wandering about the town the old brother took me to the scene where the supposed meeting took place, and the argument ensued, between "Death and Dr. Hornbook." The latter was a medical quack, who, by his efforts to appear learned, made himself obnoxious to men of sense; the poem, therefore, was a bit of sarcasm, and the pretender felt it keenly. The presuming doctor was a man by the name of Wilson, and, though a member of the same Lodge with Burns, contrived to make himself disagreeable to all of the members. It was to quiet this pretender that the poem was written, and "Dr. Hornbook" was never heard of afterwards. The "auld kirk hammer" which "strack the bell" on that eventful night was in the possession of my friend, who secured it when the "auld kirk" was torn down many years ago, and a new one erected on its seat. By

who turned away from a star of the first magnitude, though its milder glories illuminated only the cottage and the home-circle, are first to offer their obligations when it has passed beyond the earth's orbit, and taken its place among the constellations. But the fame of Burns has been growing brighter with each passing year since his death. The world will continue to love his memory, and do homage to his genius until true poetry shall cease to be admired, and true genius fails to command a worshipper. But those who love poetry, and those who love Masonry, will remember Burns. In parting from him, I feel, like using the words of his brother poet:

"O, Robert Burns! the man—the brother!
And art thou gone, and gone for ever?
And hast thou crossed that unknown river—
Life's dreary bound?
Like thee where shall we find another
The world around?
Go to your sculptured tombs, ye great,
In a' the tinsel trash o' state;
But by thy honest turf I'll wait,
Thou man of worth,
And weep the sweetest poet's fate
That lived on earth!"

REVIEWS.

All Books intended for Review should be addressed to the Editor of The Freemason's Chronicle, 23 Great Queen Street, W.C.

Calandrier Maçonnique du Grand Orient de France, Suprême Conseil pour la France et les Possessions Françaises. 109e Année. Paris: Secrétariat-Général du Grand Orient de France. Suprême Conseil pour la France et pour les Possessions Françaises. 16 Rue Cadet, 5881.

THE Calendar of the Grand Orient of France for the current year contains all the requisite information as to Lodges, Chapters, Consistories, &c., in its jurisdiction. The arrangement is satisfactory, and concise as regards essentials. There is a full nominal list of the members of the Supreme Council and tables of the Lodges, &c., arranged under their several heads of Paris, the Provinces, Colonies, and foreign countries. In addition, we have a summary of such Lodges, a few brief particulars respecting Grand Lodges and Orients in other States, but in respect of these we cannot speak with the same degree of satisfaction. There are discrepancies between the Recapitulations of the Lodges at pp 209 and 217 respectively, which, though slight, are nevertheless of some little consequence. As to Grand Lodges, &c., other than the Grand Orient of France, if we may judge of the particulars furnished in respect of the United Grand Lodge of England, we cannot speak very favourably. The Earl of Carnarvon is set down as Deputy Grand Master instead of Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Lathom Deputy Grand Master is left out, Lord H. Thynne, M.P., and Bro. Okeover are named as Grand Wardens, and Bros. S. Tomkins and John Hervey, both of whom have been dead some time, as Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary respectively. It is nearly two months since Colonel Creaton was elected G. Treasurer for the third time in succession to Bro. Tomkins, and Lieut.-Col. Shadwell-Clerke has been Grand Secretary about eighteen months. We know how, in compilations of this kind, errors are apt to creep in, even with the greatest care and attention; but a very little such care should have sufficed to prevent the occurrence of such mistakes as we have just noted.

The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, offers prizes of £100 and £50 respectively for two essays on the subject of Life Assurance, with special reference to its influence, in promoting habits of economy, thrift, and sobriety; and the consequent repression of intemperance, poverty and crime. Its bearing upon the reduction of the Poor Rate, the cost of repression of crime, and in stimulating the productive industry of the country; and hence the National benefit conferred on the Community in lessening taxation, while giving increased power to pay; and finally its influence upon our social surroundings, in strengthening family ties, and in rendering sacred the

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Yours fraternally,

T. B. WHITEHEAD.

NEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

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FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

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4 Dowgate Hill, E.C., 23rd June 1881.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—The following is a copy of letter from the Grand Secretary, stating that the Board of General Purposes hold that it has no jurisdiction in a matter of a complaint against a Grand Officer by a private member of Grand Lodge.

I am unable myself to reconcile the decision of the Board with the law and landmarks promulgated in the Book of Constitutions (ex. gr. page 14)—"If any brother do you injury, you must apply to your own or his Lodge, and from thence you may appeal to the Grand Lodge, never taking a legal course, but when the case cannot be otherwise decided." Before appealing to Grand Lodge, I should be very grateful for any enlightenment.

I remain, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours faithfully,

THOS. MASSA.

(Copy.)

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.
22nd June 1881.

BRO. T. MASSA P.M.—SIR AND BROTHER,—Having laid before the Board of General Purposes, yesterday, your letter of the 28th ult., submitting a complaint against V.W. Bro. Lieut.-Colonel J. Creaton, Grand Treasurer, for improper language alleged to have been used by him at a meeting of the General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, I have to inform you that the Board held that the alleged offence, not having occurred in Freemasonry, the Board has no jurisdiction in the matter.

I am, Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally,

SHADWELL H. CLERKE (COL.) G.S.

MEETING OF THE LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

THE Lodge of Benevolence met on Wednesday evening, at Freemasons' Hall, Bro. Joshua Nunn Senior Vice-President, Bro. James Brett Junior Vice-President, and Bro. Samuel Rawson Past District Grand Master of China, occupied the chairs of President, and Senior and Junior Vice Presidents. The recommendations of grants at last meeting, amounting to £350, were first confirmed. Of the thirty new cases on the list, one was relieved with £200, one with £150, one with £100, three with £50 each, two with £40 each, three with £30 each, eight with £20 each, two with £20 each, two with £10 each, and two with £5 each, or a total of £960. Five cases were deferred, and two were dismissed.

THE FIFTEEN SECTIONS

WILL BE WORKED

By the West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction, No. 1623, at the Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's Churchyard, E.C., on Monday, the 27th instant, at 7 o'clock punctually. The attendance of brethren is particularly requested. Bros. S. E. Moss P.M. 184 W.M., R. Pearcy P.M. 228 S.W., A. W. Fenner W.M. 1227 J.W., Pennefather W.M. 1623 Preceptor, C. F. Goodenough S.D. 1445 Hon. Sec. First Lecture:—Bros. A. Tuck 1531, J. Gibbs 1580, C. Patrick 1227, I. P. Cohen 205, C. Lorkin 1254, H. J. Lardner 1745, and T. Cull 1446. Second Lecture:—Bros. J. R. Green 861, D. Moss 1275, C. Weeden 813, H. P. Isaac 1693, and J. King 1623. Third Lecture:—Bros. J. Lorkin 192, A. W. Fenner 1227, and R. Pearcy 228.

We are requested to announce that the ceremony of Installation will be rehearsed at the Finsbury Park Lodge of Instruction, No. 1288, held at the Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, on Wednesday next, 29th instant, by Bro. R. Pearcy P.M., the Preceptor of the Lodge. The chair will be taken at 8.30 p.m. precisely.

The next annual conclave of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania will take place in Alleghany. Surely no better place in the State could have been selected. It is a handsome city, and the people are enterprising, courteous, liberal and progressive. We surmise that the number of Sir Knights that will meet together on

was so proud. Bro. Gilman, in reply, congratulated the brethren on the fact that they were now emancipated from the depression of debt, thanks to the untiring exertions they had made. Other toasts followed.—*Western Daily Mercury.*

The *Masonic Review* of Cincinnati is responsible for the announcement that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, who is chief of the Knights Templar, intends conferring on President Garfield the Grand Cross of the Temple. Only one Knight in the United States is known to have that Order, namely, M. Em. Sir John Q. A. Fellowes, of New Orleans, who was Grand Master (Templar) of the United States at the time it was conferred.

The Grand Lodge of Utah, at its organisation in 1872, had a membership of 125, confined to three Lodges. Now it has seven Lodges and 392 members, with a large and valuable library.

THE THEATRES, &c.

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The names of Brethren willing to act as Stewards may still be received. Support is urgently needed, the number of Stewards being below the average of recent years.

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minder would have the desired effect. The joint Committees of the two Provinces meet in the afternoon of the days named, at 33 Golden-square, at such time as will enable the brethren to afterwards attend Grand Lodge. The financial statement of the Treasurer proved eminently satisfactory, a good balance remaining in hand, after all liabilities had been discharged. The Charity Fund also was pronounced to be in a condition on which the members might be congratulated. After the Provincial Grand Secretary had reported the condition of the Lodges in the Province, the Provincial Grand Master referred to the steps being taken for the formation of the "Hervey Fund," and explained how it was proposed to give monetary assistance to the unsuccessful candidates at the several elections of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. Sir Daniel stated the scheme had his concurrence, and Prov. Grand Lodge adopted the suggestion made by voting £5 in aid of that Fund. The next business was the election of the Grand Treasurer for the Province, and Bro. C. Stephens was unanimously re-chosen to fulfil the duties of that office. On a show of hands, Bro. Hemmings was re-appointed Grand Tyler. The Prov. Grand Master then briefly addressed the brethren. He congratulated the members on the fact that during the twelvemonths three additional Lodges had been added, two of them being already working, and that most satisfactorily. All present could not but be gratified at this, and likewise at the state of efficiency displayed throughout the Province. Personally he felt convinced all would do their best to maintain this state of prosperity. After Bros. John Tompkins P.M. 945, Robert Nicholson S.W. 1566, and Edward P. Plenty J.D. 574 (the latter brother by deputy) had been invested with the Provincial Charity Jewel, the appointment and investiture of Provincial Grand Officers took place, as follows:—

Bro. Thomas Taylor 1410 - -	Prov. Grand	Senior Warden
John Wilson 209 - - -	"	Junior Warden
Nicholas T. Garry 414 - -	"	Chaplain
Henry Gilbert Layton 591 -	"	Assist. Chaplain
Charles Stephens 414 (re-elected)	"	Treasurer
Ephraim Davey 1566 - -	"	Registrar
Robert Bradley 414 (re-appointed)	"	Secretary
Leopold M. Nixon 771 and 1501	"	Senior Deacon
William Ferguson 1101 -	"	Junior "
Charles Edward Belcher 1770	"	Supt. of Works
William Biggs (re-appointed)	"	Acting Dir. of Cer.
Stephen Knight 574 - -	"	Dir. of Ceremonies
Dick Edwards Radclyffe 209	"	Assist. Dir. of Cer.
Edward Margrett 1101 -	"	Sword Bearer
Edwin Carr 1410 - -	"	Organist
William F. Large 840 - -	"	Pursuivant
Charles Newell - - -	"	Assist. Pursuivant
Edward Blackwell 1101 -	"	Steward
Richard Dowsett 1101 -	"	"
John W. Martin 414 - -	"	"
Joseph E. Sydenham 414 -	"	"
C. A. Charubin 591 - -	"	"
J. Wilson Thorpe 1787 - -	"	"
W. Hemmings (re-appointed)	"	Tyler

It was announced that Provincial Grand Lodge would be held next year at Reading, at about the same period of the year, and then Prov. Grand Lodge was closed in due form.

The customary banquet took place at the George Hotel, where upwards of a hundred brethren sat down. Sir Daniel Gooch presided, and on the removal of the cloth, proposed the toasts customary on these occasions. Bro. Samuel Rawson P.D.G.M. China responded for the Grand Officers. The Rev. J. Studholme Brownrigg proposed the health of the Prov. Grand Master Sir Daniel Gooch, Bart., M.P. When he (Bro. Brownrigg) first came into that part of the country the operations of the Province were somewhat limited. However, the Province had extended the sphere of its operations, and this was due to the zeal displayed by the Provincial Grand Master. He would call on the brethren to give the toast a hearty reception. After a song—"The Gallants of England"—by Bro. Charubin, the Prov. G. Master replied. He thanked one and all for the hearty manner in which they always received him. It was intensely gratifying to him to meet with such a reception. Time rolls on very fast, and he could scarcely hope to be spared many more years. He urged on the brethren to remember that Freemasonry, if properly understood, had a tendency to make men better than they were before they had a knowledge of its principles. If these were properly carried out, the brethren need never be ashamed of having their inner life looked into. He trusted one and all would endeavour to carry out those principles in the conduct of their Lodges as well as in private life. In response to the next toast—The Very Worshipful the

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ND PROV. G. OFFICERS.

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TO THE GRAND REGISTRAR.

Cirencester, 14th May 1881.

ER,—I feel sure that you will kindly
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Grand Registrar.

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question, at Gloucester, the Provincial Grand Offices of Gloucestershire, *being within their own District*, ranked there as Grand Officers of the grade they respectively held, equally with Officers of the Grand Lodge of the like grades respectively; precedence in these cases being governed by the seniority of their respective appointments.

If not troubling you too much, I should esteem a reply, stating your opinion upon the questions raised, a favour.

Believe me to remain, Dear Sir and Brother,

Very truly and fraternally yours,

GEO. FRED. NEWMARCH,

Past D.P.G.M. Gloucestershire.

The V.W. Brother ÆNEAS MCINTYRE, Q.C., M.P.,
Grand Registrar.

2.—THE GRAND REGISTRAR TO BRO. NEWMARCH.

1 Park Square West, Regent's Park, N.W.
21st May 1881.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I have been very much pressed with court work during the past week, and consequently have not been able before this to reply to your letter of the 14th instant.

Your argument in favour of the precedence of Provincial Grand Officers in their respective provinces is doubtless very specious, but I cannot bring myself to think that your views are correct.

I have always thought that the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of England are Grand Officers of England in every Province thereof, and in each Province take precedence of the Provincial Grand Officers, in like manner as the M.W.G.M., by whom they are appointed, takes precedence in *every Province* of the Provincial Grand Master by whom the Provincial Grand Officers are appointed. It appears to me that if your argument were pressed to its logical conclusion, *that in his own Province* the Provincial Grand Master would take precedence of the M.W. Grand Master of England.

I am a Past Senior Grand Warden of a Province, but *in that Province* my Provincial rank has always been subordinated to my position as a Grand Officer of England. The great authority in matters of precedence is SIR ALBERT WOODS, who, as Garter King-at-Arms, is I think, better versed in questions of this kind than any one I have met with.

I remain, yours faithfully and fraternally,

ÆNEAS J. MCINTYRE.

G. F. NEWMARCH, ESQ., Past D.P.G.M. Gloucestershire.

3.—BRO. NEWMARCH TO THE GRAND REGISTRAR.

Cirencester, 24th May 1881.

DEAR SIR AND V.W. BROTHER,—I thank you for your letter, but, as you characterize my argument in favour of the precedence of Prov. Grand Officers in their respective Provinces as "*specious*," I must ask you to permit me to press you, as a lawyer, to say, whether the plain words of the Constitutions admit of any other true legal construction than that I give to them.

I quite agree with you in this, "that the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of England are G. Officers of England in every Province thereof," but (as it seems to me) clearly *only* of the rank they may respectively happen to hold; for example: a Grand Deacon is *only* a Grand Deacon, and if a Grand Deacon of England visits a Province in which a Provincial Grand Officer, of higher rank than a G. Deacon, say a Prov. G. Warden, *of that Province* is present, the latter, being by the Constitutions a *Grand Warden in his own Province*, ranks before G. Deacon, though he may be a G.D. of England.

The case you put of the M.W. the G. Master (forgive me for saying so) is not, I think, in point. He is supreme, the head of the whole Craft, the fountain of its honour, with *express power, by the Constitutions*, to take precedence of, and even to supersede, a Prov. G.M.

Very truly and fraternally yours,

GEO. FRED. NEWMARCH.

The V.W. The Grand Registrar.

4.—BRO. NEWMARCH TO THE GRAND REGISTRAR.

Cirencester, 7th June 1881.

DEAR SIR AND V.W. BROTHER,—A fortnight has elapsed since I wrote my second letter to you, and I have received no reply to it. If it was your intention to refer me to SIR ALBERT WOODS, I would remind you, that, fully admitting his authority on matters of precedence within his cognizance as Garter King-at-Arms, the question at

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ment, and a most successful one it proved to be. Under the title, "Seaside Jottings, the Adventures of Theophilus White in Search of Quiet," Bro. Smith gave a sketch, in which he introduced very many of his well-known humorous pieces, as well as some new songs, interspersed with wit and humour. At the conclusion of Bro. Smith's entertainment, Bro. Raynham W. Stewart rose to propose "Success to the Benevolent Institution, coupled with the health of Bro. Terry." The present, he said, would undoubtedly be the last time they would assemble in the hall in its well-known form. He hoped the additional accommodation it would afford when enlarged would be duly appreciated. In making that alteration, as in all other matters, the House Committee had but one desire in view—the welfare of the Institution, and such being the case, they could but acknowledge how much they were indebted to Bro. Terry, a most energetic and zealous official. If it had not been for the activity he displayed in connection with the last and previous Festivals, they could not have been the success they had proved to be, nor would the Institution be in its present proud position. Bro. Terry was at all times willing to do anything in his power to add to the happiness of the annuitants, nor did he omit aught that might make them feel they were not forgotten by their old friends, or by the friends of their deceased husbands. He was so intimately associated with the Institution that its inmates really looked upon him, in conjunction with Bro. Norris the Warden, as their father. The toast was heartily received. Previous to Bro. Terry's reply, Mrs. Bonorandi, one of the inmates, assisted by two friends, sang "The Vacant Chair," to the great delight of those assembled. Bro. Terry, in reply, said nothing gave him greater pleasure than to see the many friends who were then present. When they considered that on the next occasion they would have an opportunity of meeting in the hall, and would have double the space at their disposal, he could confidently express the hope that their future gatherings would be larger than was the present one. The Committee was perfectly well aware of the important fact that the Institution's welfare must rest upon a very sound basis. They should be at one with their supporters in every way, and secure their hearty goodwill. Bro. Terry then referred to the great treat that had been provided for their amusement by Bro. Smith, and particularly thanked him for his kindness in attending. He was also indebted to the members of the Supreme Council of England, who, it was well known, gave annual prizes of five guineas to each of the Masonic Schools, and who kindly offered to do the same for the Benevolent Institution; as, however, it was a difficult matter to decide what the prizes should be for—whether for the best looking or whom—they had agreed to his proposal to expend the money in such a manner that all of the inmates might have some enjoyment from it. He referred in complimentary terms to the presence of Bro. Hedges, and hoped that the other Institutions would go on prospering. He was very pleased to say that the last Festival of their own Institution had been a great success, and trusted that the next might be even more so. The brethren well knew his feelings on the subject of how they should support the three Institutions—that the Benevolent had the first and strongest claim on every Freemason, and he hoped they would continue to accord their sympathy to it. After the singing of the National Anthem the proceedings terminated.

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The *Times*, August 13th, 1877. From our own Correspondent with the Russian Army. Okoum, July 25th, 1877. The want of sanitary arrangements in the Russian Camp was dreadful, and had we remained there a few weeks longer, dysentery and typhoid fever would have played more havoc in our ranks than

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on, 2 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
Falham, at 7 (Instruction)
vern, Burdett-road, E., at 730 (Instruction)
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ern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
stle, Highbary, at 8 (Instruction)
Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
ock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
ork Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
arsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
ern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
n, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
rn, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

all, Cooper-street, Manchester
all, Great George-street, Leeds
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Gower-street, Derby (Instruction)
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, Town Hall-street, Sowerby Bridge
Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
n Hotel, Littleborough.
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erpool

DAY, 30th JUNE.

l, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
reet, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
n, Leadenhall-street, E C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
llege-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)
te, Moorgate Street, E.C., at 8 (Instruction)
Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
rses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
t. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6 30. (Inst.)
ennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
all, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst.)
l, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
rn, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)

44—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
81—Doric, Private Room, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
219—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Todmorden.
242—St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster.
306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
375—Lambton, Lambton Arms, Chester-le-street, Durham
442—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Peterborough
521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.
539—St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall.
837—De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1387—Chorlton, Masonic Room, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1528—Fort, Masonic Hall, Newquay, Cornwall.
1557—Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham.
1561—Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Edward-street, Morecambe, Lancashire.
1648—Prince of Wales, Free masons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1664—Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, High-street, Gosforth.
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5

SATURDAY, 2nd JULY.

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.

1223—Amherst, King's Arms Hotel, Westerham, Kent
1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manchester

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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MERCHANT NAVY LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 781.

THE Anniversary Festival of this flourishing Lodge was held on the 15th inst., at Bro. Gregory's, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. The Lodge was duly opened by Bro. Rawe W.M. of the mother Lodge, and usual formalities were conformed to. Lodge was afterwards closed, and the brethren sat down to the supper which had been provided by host Gregory. Among the numerous brethren present, were Turquand Preceptor, Scheerboom Past Master, Breden P.M. Secretary, Read P.M., Robinson, Ould, Robertson, Pringle, Keable, Brice, Barker, Bennett, Gregory, Daniell, West, Chalmers, Smith, Salt, Janson, Watson, Mills, Tribe, Money, Gainford, Harvey, Moss, Smith, Absell, Austen, Stephens, &c. The W.M. was supported at the table by Bros. Turquand as I.P.M., Ould Treasurer as S.W., and Money as J.W. At the conclusion of the meal, Bro. Rawe proposed the toast of the Queen and the Craft. The brethren were all aware what an excellent lady she was, and they also felt she was a good mother and sovereign. Bro. Robinson sang a verse of the National Anthem, after which H.R.H. the Prince of Wales the Most Worshipful Grand Master, the Earl of Carnarvon D.G.M., the Earl of Lathom, and the other Grand Officers, were toasted. The next toast, the W.M. said, was the toast of the evening. He would ask them to drink Success and Prosperity to the Merchant Navy Lodge of Instruction. Bro. Kennett having furnished a song, Bro. P.M. Scheerboom, in responding to the toast, said: In wishing the Merchant Navy Lodge of Instruction success, in which they had all so heartily joined, no one would doubt that at the present time it was in a state of great prosperity. He was a very old member, yet no words of his could sufficiently express the thanks which were due to one brother for having in great measure conduced to its present state of efficiency. The Lodge had experienced many ups and downs, but since the Lodge had been under the able and skilful guidance of their present esteemed Preceptor, Bro. Turquand, they had actually never missed a meeting, and their attendance was very satisfactory indeed. Bro. Scheerboom concluded by expressing himself highly gratified to see so many brethren present, and hoped they would meet again on similar occasions. After a humourous and lively reading from Bro. Keable, Bro. Turquand was toasted, Bro. Rawe remarking upon the pleasure it afforded him to propose a toast which was certain of a most cordial and hearty reception. As Bro. Scheerboom had just stated, they owed their Preceptor very much. Each brother present knew how much, and they all hoped that Bro. Turquand would be spared for many years, and that the brethren would continue to profit by his teaching. Bro. Stephens here favored the company with an effective reading, after which the Preceptor returned thanks to the W.M., Wardens, and the brethren, who, he said, had been kind enough to propose and accept, in so hearty a manner, his toast. It was very gratifying to him to know what excellent feelings actuated the brethren towards himself, and he felt highly pleased and gratified that his labours had rendered the Merchant Navy Lodge of Instruction a success. It was, indeed, a red letter Anniversary to him, and he was proud to

Horley was tested, and Lodge was advanced. The ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Horley candidate. Bro. Taylor worked the 1st, 2nd and 3rd sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Lodge was closed down, and Bro. B. Dingle was unanimously elected a member of the Lodge. Bro. Abrahams was elected for the 26th instant.

Wellington Lodge of Instruction, No. 548.—The members of this Lodge of Instruction held a special meeting at the Lodge House, the White Swan Hotel, High-street, Deptford, on Monday, 20th inst., for the purpose of working the Fifteen Sections. Bro. J. G. Milbourn, of the Union Waterloo Lodge, No. 13, and Preceptor of the Temperance Lodge of Instruction, presided, and was assisted by Bro. Walter Martin I.G. 879 and Hon. Sec. of the Star Lodge of Instruction as S.W. The other Officers were Bros. Griffin P.M. 933, W.M. 1531, P.Z. 79 and 933, P.G.J.D. Kent, Preceptor and Treasurer of the Lodge, as I.P.M., G. J. Gibson 1531 Chap. 548 Hon. Secretary, Catterson W.M. 548, J. 71, S.E. 548, as J.W., Gooding 1536 as S.D., Anderson D.C. 1536 as J.D., and Taylor 1531 as I.G. There was a numerous assemblage of brethren; amongst those present were Bros. Davis P.M. 13, Gloster P.M. 1531, Jackson P.M. 1475, Speight P.M. and Sec. 147, Vohmann P.M. 871, Waterman P.M. 147, and Tilling S.W. 765. The sections were worked as follows: First Lecture—Bros. Anderson, Taylor, Grice, Duffield, Akeris, Gooding, Martin. Second Lecture—Bros. Gloster, Martin, Waterman, Linniker, Martin. Third Lecture—Bros. Tuck, Griffin, Gibson. The working throughout was excellent, and reflected the utmost credit on all concerned. Prior to closing the Lodge, votes of thanks were passed to Bros. Milbourn and Martin, and to the brethren who had assisted in the working of the sections.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—At Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall Road, Dalston, on Tuesday, Bro. Polak W.M., Edwards S.W., T. Clark J.W., Catling S.D., Wardell J.D., Boyce I.G., J. Lorkin Secretary, Wallington Preceptor, Smyth Treasurer, also Bros. Brasted, Christian, Carr, A. Clark, Cushing, Holnsworth, Carter, C. Lorkin, and Lawrence. After preliminaries, Bro. A. Clark was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, Bro. Wallington giving the traditional history. Bro. C. Lorkin worked the first and third sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. The Lodge was resumed to the first degree. Bro. Lawrence was elected a member. Bro. Edwards was elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and appointed his Officers in rotation. This Lodge of Instruction is open every Tuesday evening throughout the year. Brethren seeking Masonic knowledge, have an opportunity of gaining what they desire by placing themselves under the preceptorship of Bro. P.M. Wallington.

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their own district, rank as Grand Officers of the grade they respectively hold, equally with Officers of the former of the like grades respectively, "precedence in their case being governed by the seniority of their respective appointments." Grand Registrar in his reply describes this argument as being "doubtless very specious," but he is unable to bring himself to think it is a correct view of the case. He says he has always considered that "the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of England are Grand Officers of England in every Province thereof, and in each Province take precedence of the Provincial Grand Officers, in like manner as the M.W.G.M. by whom they are appointed, takes precedence *in every Province* of the Provincial Grand Master by whom the Provincial Grand Officers are appointed." He further says, that if Bro. Newmarch's argument "were pressed to its logical conclusion," then *in his own Province* the Provincial Grand Master would take precedence of the M.W. Grand Master of England." A reference to Sir Albert Woods, Grand Director of Ceremonies and Garter King-at-Arms, as the great authority in matters of precedence, brings this first portion of the correspondence to a conclusion.

Nothing daunted by a first rejection of the point he has raised, Bro. Newmarch returns to the charge in a second letter, dated 24th May, and objecting to the Grand Registrar's description of his argument as being a "*specious*" one, presses him, "as a lawyer, to say whether the plain words of the Constitutions admit of any other true legal construction than that I give to them." He admits that the Grand Officers of England are Grand Officers in every Province, but he qualifies this admission by limiting it only to those of the same relative rank. Thus a Grand Deacon of England is a Grand Deacon only, and in the event of his visiting a Province in which a Provincial Grand Warden happens to be present, then the latter, being "*a Grand Warden in his own Province*," must take precedence of the former, even though he is an Officer of Grand Lodge. On the suppositious case of the Prov. Grand Master taking precedence in his own Province of the Grand Master itself, Bro. Newmarch holds that the Grand Registrar is urging a case that is not in point, the Grand Master being the supreme head of the whole Craft in England. In a third letter, there having in the interim been no reply to his rejoinder, the same brother, while accepting Sir Albert Woods as an authority on questions of precedence "within his cognizance as Garter King-at-Arms," expresses his belief that this is not one of those questions, but must be decided by the "established Laws which govern our Fraternity." Our Constitutions, he says, lay it down that Provincial Grand Officers in their own Districts shall possess the rank and privileges of Grand Officers, and hence the contention that a Provincial Grand Warden, with the rank and privileges in his own district of a Grand Officer, must yield precedence to Grand Officers of inferior rank to Grand Wardens is to argue that he *shall not* possess the said rank and privileges, which the Constitutions say he *shall*. In acknowledgment of this and the previous letter, Bro. M'Intyre, after reiterating his view as to the fitness of Sir Albert Woods to determine a question of this importance, urges it as his opinion that "Officers appointed by the Grand Master take precedence of all Officers appointed by Provincial Grand Masters," and that "in their respective Provinces Provincial Grand Officers bear the same

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possess "the rank and privileges of Grand Officers," and if so, it follows logically, with all deference to Bro. McIntyre's acknowledged ability, that they must be entitled to take place and priority according to the table of precedence as published at pp 16-18 in the Book of Constitutions. We shall probably have occasion to give this knotty point further consideration, but in the meantime we invite criticism of the views we have enunciated, so that in time something like an authoritative exposition of the law may be arrived at. In this case certainly the mis-quoted adage holds good, "In the multitude of counsellors there is wisdom."

FESTIVAL OF THE MARK GRAND LODGE BENEVOLENT FUND.

WE beg to call the attention of our readers to the fact that the Thirteenth Anniversary Festival of the Mark Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund will be held at the Crystal Palace, on Wednesday, 6th July. The chair will be taken by the Right Hon. Lord Henniker M.W.G.M.M., and dinner will be served at 5 p.m. Full particulars may be obtained at the Offices of the Mark Grand Lodge, 8A Red Lion-square, W.C., whither all applications for tickets for the banquet must be addressed to the Stewards of the Festival not later than Monday, the 4th July instant. The Fund, as is well known is, comparatively speaking, in its infancy, having been started in 1868 by the Mark G. Lodge, which voted the sum of £50 towards its establishment. But though the Festivals since held annually in its aid have not been on the scale of magnitude to which of late years we have been accustomed in connection with the great central Masonic Charities, the amount of support extended towards it by Mark brethren has been progressive. Last year, when Col. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., P.G.M.M.M. Middlesex and Surrey, presided, there was contributed the largest aggregate of subscriptions and donations ever known in the history of the Fund. This year, Lord Henniker has been pleased to signalise his installation into office as M.W.G.M. Master Mason, by promising to occupy the chair, and we trust our Mark brethren will show their appreciation of his Lordship's kindness by loyally supporting him at the Crystal Palace on Wednesday. We have said the Fund was started in 1868 with a grant from Mark Grand Lodge of £50. Last year the Festival, the twelfth in order of sequence, yielded over eleven times that amount—a proof, if proof were needed, of the slowly but surely-increasing popularity of the Institution. Moreover, it has been of material service in carrying out the purpose for which it was established, having assisted a very considerable number of distressed Mark Master Masons, in sums ranging from £1 to £50. Since December 1878 there has been an enlargement of the original scope of the Fund, which now charges itself with the duty of assisting in the education of children of indigent Mark brethren, one-half of the sums contributed being handed over to the Educational, as distinguished from the Benevolent, branch of the Fund. Under these circumstances, we trust the agreeable duty will devolve on us next week of reporting that the Festival of 1881, held under the auspices of Lord Henniker, has been an even greater success than any of its predecessors. We

Officers present at a consecration before. The R.W. Prov. Grand Master General Brownrigg, C.B., in response said, that for his own part he should consider it more pleasant if, instead of being expected to say something fresh upon an occasion of this kind, he could refer to a ritual of set speeches, and request the brethren to devote their attention to Nos. 1, 2, or 3, as the case might be. The R.W. P.G.M. expressed his sincere appreciation of the fealty and loyalty with which he had been received that evening, and referred to the respect and brotherly affection which all the members of the Province of Surrey seemed to bear towards him. It had been an interesting study for him to watch the progress of Masonry in the Province, and its rapid growth of late years; for whilst there were but nine Lodges in the Province ten years ago, there were now twenty-three, and there soon would be twenty-four. In spite of this he was not anxious to see the number increase indiscriminately, and he strongly censured the custom that seemed to exist in some of the Lodges of appointing, as a matter of course, an Officer one step higher year by year whether he was qualified to fill the next position or no. He complimented the W.M. upon the fact that during the banquet the brethren had been waited upon by the charming daughters of their hostess, whose graceful manners compelled the brethren to eat despite satiety of appetite. Finally, the R.W. P.G.M. apologised for the absence of his Deputy the Rev. Bro. Arnold, to whom he recommended the brethren to apply in all cases of difficulty or danger, and to lean upon as a sure rock of support. The R.W. P.G.M., in eulogistic terms, proposed the health of the W.M., Officers and Brethren of the Eurydice, and the W.M. in response detailed how that, in 1866, his friends tried to form the Orpheus Lodge, but that nothing came of it. Then an objection was made to the formation of a Class Lodge; he explained how the Orpheus Lodge was ultimately established in 1874, with the same idea in view, viz., that of giving the brethren of the musical profession an opportunity of meeting together in Masonic harmony. The Eurydice Lodge was an offshoot of the Orpheus, and its members had been for some time wandering, like Apollo, to find a temple; they had at last found it in "the Oak," and he was of opinion it ought to be dedicated to the R.W. P.G.M., who, he compared to a nightingale, that leaves for unknown regions and returns with a *new* song, "because the *old* song delighted all." The speeches were interspersed by various glees and solos by the W.M., Bros. Selwyn Graham, Bevan, Dutton, and other brethren. It may be mentioned that the grace was composed for the Orpheus Lodge by the W.M., and his Ode, "Great Arobitect on High," music by Henry Gadsby, was most effectively rendered by ten voices. On the whole, the first meeting of the Eurydice was a most enjoyable one, and will not easily be forgotten by those who attended it.

A very beautiful monument in Sicilian marble, erected to the memory of Bro. Charles Coote (late of Bond-street), will be unveiled by Mrs. Edward Swanborough, on the 6th July next, at 1.30 p.m., at Kensal Green Cemetery. It consists of an Irish cross with a Past Master Mason's jewel, surrounded with forget-me-nots, lilies of the valley, and ivy leaves, carved on the face of the same, and standing in a rock of marble with Masonic emblems, and ivy carved thereon, and a marble pedestal with the following inscription—

IN MEMORIAM
CHARLES COOTE,
Died March 6th, 1880,
Aged 71.

This monument was erected by his Masonic and other friends as a mark of affection and esteem.

The lower portion is a marble slab, and post with iron bars, and a large massive landing of Yorkshire stone, on which the whole is fixed. The monument stands nine feet in height, and was designed and executed by the well-known monumental mason, Bro. E. M. Lander, of Kensal Green. Bro. Edward Swanborough has acted as Chairman of Committee, Bro. J. M. Chamberlain as Honorary Secretary, and Bro. James Weaver as Honorary Treasurer.

St. Michael's Lodge of Instruction has adjourned its

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ere too numerous to permit of it. At
ny sat down to the banquet, during
x Volunteer Artillery played a selec-
n of Bro. W. Devin P. Prov. G. Org.
The several selections were very well
ved. At the conclusion of the
d the customary toasts, that of the
National Anthem, and that of the
the Prince." The next toast, also
of "The Pro Grand Master, the
Provincial Grand Masters, and the
s. The Marquis felt that the Earl of
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elt that the Earl of Lathom would
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Mason must regard and esteem. He
ed by him as Master of the Province
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ived the greatest kindness from him.
name of Sir W. W. Burrell, whom
being well known and highly re-
ce of Sussex, of which he was Grand
nown. The toast having met with a
replied. He did so with a great
appreciated the grand reception that
n he saw the number of fair ladies
enough, he thought, to make any
was called upon to return thanks
and the Earl of Lathom. The brethren
that those two noble peers were en-
in doing their duty under the Grand
t was indeed a very great undertaking
carrying forward the great Institu-
in the world—of Freemasonry. As
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elt at their district being selected for
Masonic Institutions. He was sure
were all proud to assist the Grand
of Freemasonry, and were rejoiced at
them. The speaker then proceeded
irman with whom he desired to couple
He had heard that her ladyship had
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ed at what she saw that she deter-
he Festival. He knew perfectly well
ere pleased with her presence. He
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and concluded by expressing a hope
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Chairman assured the company that
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re a little of Masonry, she would want
concluded by thanking the brethren
l accorded them, and for the cordial
their health. Bro. Colonel Shadwell
proposed the health of Bro. David
The toast was not on the list, but he
received by all present—and espe-
Brighton—with a great deal of enthu-
Boys' School was held that day under
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distinguished brethren—one the
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he (Brother Clerke) felt they
acknowledging their obligations to
Mason of thirty years' standing, and
ardens of the Province of Sussex. He
ook a very deep and earnest interest
nd come that day in all the majesty of
dermanic insignia, to meet and receive

previous. He thought that great credit was due to those who had the responsible charge of the Institution, so far as the education of youth was concerned. It had been a great satisfaction to him to see the Institution, and from what he had heard he felt sure he could bear witness to the good done by it. He also thought a great deal of credit was due to the Head Master, Dr. Morris, for the very great care and energy he had shown in the education of the boys. He trusted and hoped the Institution would go on long and prosper, and advised all brethren to visit it personally—they would be sure to be gratified at what they saw. As to the subscriptions that were about to be announced, they could hardly expect to raise so large a sum as was collected last year when the Earl of Lathom presided at the Anniversary Festival, but he trusted the amount would not be far short. He also hoped that his first appearance as Provincial Grand Master and as President of one of the Festivals would incite his Province to support the Institutions nobly. With the toast was coupled the name of Bro. G. Plucknett, Treasurer of the Institution. Bro. Plucknett having acknowledged the toast, Bro. Binckes proceeded to read the list of the donations received, details of which we give below. He said the outings, of which the present Festival was one, had been described as extravagant experiments and innovations, and in the present instance, at least, failure had been predicted, but he felt that the day's result had entirely dispelled that notion, and that the only verdict that could be given was one in favour of the experiment they had tried. The chairman proposed the health of the Stewards, to which Bro. A. J. Duff-Filer replied, and the meeting was brought to a conclusion. In the intervals between the toasts an excellent musical programme was gone through. Madame Thaddeus Wells, Mdlle. Pauline Featherby, Miss Mary McClean, and Mr. James Budd being the artists. Bro. Frank Toole acted as Toastmaster.

We append the lists as furnished by the Secretary of the Institution.

LONDON.

	Lodge		£	s	d
Grand Masters'	1	R M Bishop	15	15	0
Antiquity	2	Frederic Lasseter			
Fidelity	3	John Larkin	55	13	0
Royal Somerset House and Inverness	4	Rev H Lansdell	15	15	0
St George and Corner Stone	5	Wm Jas Ford	38	17	0
Friendship	6	B de B Lopez	21	0	0
Royal York of Perseverance	7	Percy F Sutton	16	0	0
British	8	Walter Grogono	23	2	0
Westminster and Keystone	10	Geo Jno Fraser	26	15	6
Enoch	11	G Innes	24	3	0
Tuscan	14	Eugene Moutennis	11	11	0
Old Dundee	18	John Abbott	36	15	0
		F Hy Williams	10	10	0
Royal Athelstan	19	E B Grabham	50	8	0
Emulation	21	Robt P Spice	21	0	0
Neptune	22	E F Storr	42	0	0
Globe	23	H H Mills	12	12	0
Egyptian	27	Charles Atkins	114	19	6
Old King's Arms	28	John E Lloyd	22	1	0
St Alban's	29	Hilton C Barker			
		A D Everingham	38	17	0
United Mariners	30	Joseph Harling	37	16	0
Britannic	33	Lewis Angell	40	19	0
Gihon	49	James Moon	84	0	0
Constitutional	55	James Cooper	54	12	0
Peace and Harmony	60	John Bellerby	22	1	0
Prosperity	65	Charles Daniel	154	7	0
Royal Jubilee	72	Frederick Dunn	103	3	6
Pythagorean	79	Henry Roberts	215	5	0
Regularity	91	Benjamin Bull	42	0	0
Moira	92	Alfred Dent	15	15	0
Eastern Star	95	J W Wardell	23	2	0
Burlington	96	J Anstey Wild jun	75	12	0
Prudent Brethren	145	J Hy Leggott	52	10	0
Justice	147	George Bolton	106	17	0
Cadogan	162	Major W E Williams	17	17	0
St John's	167	Edwin Storr	70	7	0

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ESSEX.

Hope and Unity	-	214	E B Florence	-	-	100	16	0
Chigwell	- - -	453	Robert Martin	-	-	52	12	0
Priory	- - -	1000	Wardell A	-	-	10	10	0
						163	18	0

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

Foundation	- -	82	Baron de Ferrieres	-	-	15	15	0
			J Brook-Smith	-	-	10	10	0
			Henry Godfrey	-	-	57	15	0
Royal Lebanon	-	493	G W Haines	-	-	5	5	0
Cotteswold	- -	592	John Mullings	-	-	89	5	0
Royal Gloucestershire		889	Richard Vassar Smith		-	68	5	0
Royal Forest of Dean		1067	Russell J Kerr	-	-	36	15	0
						283	10	0

GUERNSEY.

Doyle's of Friendship		84	Frederick Clarke	-	-	85	1	0

HANTS AND ISLE OF WIGHT.

Phœnix	- - -	257	J Ridd Hayman	-	-	33	12	0
Panmure	- -	723	Henry Hacker	-	-	42	0	0
			Richard Eve	-	-	89	5	0
Gosport	- -	903	R W Downing	-	-	42	0	0
			R W Mitchell	-	-	36	15	0
Twelve Brothers	-	785	Robert J Henry Parker		-	5	5	0
St. Huberts	- -	1373	Rev. Evan Yorke Nepean			50	8	0
						299	5	0

HERTS.

Hertford R.A. Ch.		403	Rev Lewis Deedes	-	-	65	2	0
King Henry the Eighth		1757	Henry Balderson	-	-	16	16	0
Hertford R.A. Ch.		403	David Roberts	-	-	21	0	0
						102	18	0

JERSEY.

			Abner Torkington	-	-	105	0	0

KENT.

Temple	- - -	558	Richard White	-	-	69	6	0
St. Michael's	- -	1273	Henry Tuff	-	-	78	15	0
			John Mason	-	-	73	10	0
						221	11	0

LANCASHIRE (East Division.)

Antiquity	- -	146	John Morris	-	-	12	12	0
Virtue	- -	152	Wm Jeffrey	-	-	10	10	0
			William Nicholl	-	-	10	10	0
Affability	- -	317	W J Cunliffe	-	-	5	5	0
			J Wilson	-	-	10	10	0
			J W Edwards	-	-	10	10	0
			Octavius Dean	-	-	5	5	0
Humphrey Chetham		645	John Edward Lees	-	-	52	10	0
			Henry E Sharp	-	-			
St. Helen's L of Loyalty		897	R G Brook	-	-	10	10	0
Shakspeare	- -	1009	John Currie	-	-			
	- -		J A Alfred	-	-	10	10	0
Richmond	- -	1011	S W Hester	-	-			
St George's	- -	1723	John Bromley	-	-	5	5	0
			Nathl Nicholson	-	-	5	5	0
						149	2	0

LANCASHIRE (West Division.)

Loyalty	- -	86	Reginald Young	-	-	15	15	0
Antiquity	- -	178	Henry D Croft	-	-	68	0	0
			T Milligan	-	-			
St John's	- -	673	Thomas Clark	-	-			
Croxteth United Service		786	Fras Jas Bailey	-	-	15	15	0

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S Woodwark	36	15	0
y Burgess	18	18	0
	75	12	0

HAMSHIRE.

muel G Gilbert	191	2	0

RDSHIRE.

J Pulley	22	11	6
arles A Galpin	55	0	0
fred T Matthews	10	10	0
	88	1	6

SETSHIRE.

as Lund Fry Edwards	69	6	0

ORDSHIRE.

pt Edward Hy Thorne	36	15	0

FFOLK.

Tracy	135	14	0

RREY.

O Thomson	46	4	0

SSEX.

P Freeman	735	0	0
as Daniel	15	15	0
Sayers	21	0	0
	771	15	0

ICKSHIRE.

H Vertigans	10	10	0
vid Archer	10	10	0
E Mewis	10	10	0
n William Margetts	36	15	0
thl Merridew	31	10	0
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nes Srawley	26	5	0
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G Warrillow	10	10	0
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TERSHIRE.

W Grosvenor orge Taylor	57	15	0

H AND EAST RIDINGS.

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n Walton	57	15	0
W Woodall	36	15	0
B Whytehead	15	15	0
enry Preston	25	0	0
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nest George Reuss			
lliam Greaves Roper			
omas Kemp Sanderson			
l Critchley			
fred Williamson			
enry Smith			
orge Armitage			
R Thomas			
enry Legge			

Tuesday, when the Marquis of Londonderry as Chairman of the Festival of the year kindly officiated as President. The Marchioness was also present, and undertook the no very light task of distributing the prizes, of which the following is a list:

By the Institution.

FIRST CLASS.—Scripture—G S Robinson, R Keydell; Classics—A H Stephenson, E Taylor; Mathematics—R Head, P Pulman; French and German—G S Robinson, E Taylor; English—H Brook, E Taylor.

SECOND CLASS.—Classics—G L Perrin; Mathematics—P Cooper; French, German, and English—H Searle.

THIRD CLASS.—Latin—R Bartley; Mathematics, French, and German—R Riley; English—E Bartley.

FOURTH CLASS.—Latin—A J Laslett; Mathematics—A W Gardner; French, German, and English—F Hunt.

FIFTH CLASS.—Latin—H Fairman; French and Mathematics—G Mey; English—H Fairman.

SIXTH CLASS.—English—A J Kennedy; Arithmetic—P Marshall.

SEVENTH CLASS.—General Proficiency—A Howarth and W J Saville.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

By the House Committee.

Writing—First prize, G Robinson; second, A Parker; Dictation—first prize, H Shipway; second, G Robinson; History—first prize, H Brook; second, H Shipway; Geography—first prize, A Parker; second, A H Stephenson; Mental Arithmetic—first prize, R Head; second, H Brook; General Attention to Studies—first prize, H Brook; second, A H Stephenson; Efficiency as Monitor—first prize, A Parker; second, W A Stansfield; Efficiency as Class Monitor—first prize, W D Whalley; Proficiency in Drill—first prize, G Nash; second, G S Robinson; The Band—first prize, W A Stansfield; second, W H Dunnaway; Athletics—first prize, P James.

By Private Donors.

By Bro. Captain Wordsworth, awarded 28th June 1881:—

By the United Strength Lodge, No. 228:—

Honours at the Cambridge Local Examination—H L Carter.

By Bro. the Rev. Dr. Morris:—

Attention to Studies—R Head, H Brook.
Elocution—V Lee, W H Date.

By Bro. Edgar Bowyer, Vice-Patron of Institution, P.G.W. Herts, P.M., &c.:—

Book-keeping—W D Whalley.

By Bro.

Mathematics—

By Mr. Sylvester, Drawing Master:—

Drawing, Freehand—A H Stephenson, P King.
Shading—
Architecture—A Parker.
Mechanical—C Sparks.
Pen and Ink Drawing—G Robinson, A Breary.

By the Institution:—

Silver Medal for Good Conduct—Hen. Blake Brook

By Bro. Edward Cox, Vice-Patron, P.M. No. 657:—

Canonbury Gold Medal—William Ashton Stansfield.

By the Supreme Council 33, to a Pupil on leaving the Institution:—

Silver Watch and Chain for General Good Conduct—Alfred Henry Stephenson.

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come the hardship caused by keeping vacancies open for close on twelve months is to have two elections in the year, as in the case of the Schools. That will not entirely remove the hardship, which of necessity is irremovable, but it will reduce it to a minimum. As another correspondent of yours has suggested, there is very little reason to doubt the Committee would not pass unrecognised the additional labour which two elections instead of one would entail on the Secretariat of the R.M.B.I.

Yours fraternally,

BLUE PETER.

The Montague Guest Lodge, No. 1900, will be consecration on Wednesday next, 6th July, at 4 p.m., at the Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's-inn-fields, by the V.W. Bro. Col. Shadwell Clerke, Grand Secretary, assisted by Grand Officers.

Mount Edgcumbe Lodge of Instruction, No. 1446.—The weekly meeting of this Lodge was held at the Harp Tavern, Jermyn-street, Piccadilly, on Tuesday, the 28th ultimo, Bros. Kircaldy W.M., Frederick Green S.W., Richardson J.W., Skinner, Shand, Proudfoot, F. V. Green, and other brethren being present. The Lodge was opened with solemn prayer, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The first and second sections were worked by Bro. Richardson. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Proudfoot candidate. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and Bro. W. C. Smith worked the first section of the lecture, after which the Lodge was closed in due form. The W.M. informed the brethren that on Tuesday next, the 5th July, Bro. J. B. Docker W.M. of the Rothesay Lodge, No. 1687, would rehearse the ceremony of installation at this Lodge of Instruction.

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The Brethen attended Divine Service at the Parish Church, where the Sermon was preached by the Provincial Grand Chaplain the Rev. R. Fawssett Ward W.M. 1872. Our Rev. Brother selected his text from 1 Chronicles xxii. 16—"Arise therefore, and be doing, and the Lord be with thee"—continuing as follows:—

These are the concluding words of King David to his son Solomon, when delivering to him the charge concerning the building of the Temple. It was a work which he himself would gladly have undertaken. We read, that as the King sat in the house, when the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies, he said unto the prophet Nathan, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the Ark of God dwelleth within curtains." And Nathan said to the King, "Go, do all that is in thine heart; for the Lord is with thee." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, telling him to put it to David; that although God had promised blessing upon him and his house, nevertheless He could not allow him to take in hand the work of building the Temple, because he had been a man of war and had shed much blood: but yet said He, "I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons, and he shall build Me a house." It was also revealed to him where this Temple should stand, viz., on Mount Moriah: on the spot whereon stood the threshing floor of Oman the Jebusite, where David had offered up his prayers to the Almighty to put an end to the pestilence raging amongst the people as a judgment for his imprudence in numbering them: and where also Abraham had shown his readiness to comply with the will of God, by not refusing to offer up his son Isaac as a burnt sacrifice. With this promise before him, David at much cost and care set to work to get together a great store of materials for the purpose. "Solomon my son is young and tender," he said, "and the house that is to be builded for the Lord must be exceeding magnifical, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will therefore now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death. He then called to him his son Solomon; delivered to him plans and drawings for the intended structure; and charged him thus, To build the house of the Lord his God, as He had said he should do; to keep the law of the Lord his God, and he would prosper if he took heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the Lord charged Moses with concerning Israel: not to be dismayed, but to be strong and of good courage, that even in his trouble he had prepared for the house of the Lord an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver, of brass and iron without weight, timber also and stone: and that moreover there were Masons with him in abundance, cunning men for every manner of work: "Arise therefore," said he, "and be doing, and the Lord be with thee." And then feeling himself "old and full of days;" and probably being anxious that the work should be commenced as soon as possible, he assembled together the princes and chief men amongst the people, informed them that it was God's will that his son Solomon should succeed him, that he should raise a superb building in which the Ark of the Covenant should rest; and with great ceremony had him placed upon the throne. Now this Masonic work, which Solomon had committed to him, was a great work, worthy all the preparations which had been made, and all the pains which could be bestowed upon it: to build a Temple for the Lord, "an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob." Well then might David say to him, "Arise, and be doing, and the Lord be with thee." But have not we also a Masonic work to do, a great work, and one equally worthy all the pains and labours which have been or can be bestowed upon it? Have not we to build up a spiritual temple? "Know ye not," says St. Paul, "that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost?" our duty therefore to render it a habitation fitting for Him, and "to glorify God in our body and our spirit which are His." This is our work, a work which as Masons we have undertaken to do. Therefore the words of King David also apply to us, "Arise, and be doing, and the Lord be with thee." The work Solomon had to do, and that which we have to do, are equally Masonic: the only difference consists in this; that he was called on to direct his attention more especially to that which is Operative; whereas we are here directed more especially to that which is Speculative. For what is Masonry? And wherein does true Masonry consist? Masonry is a Science: which teaches us Prudence, Temperance, Fortitude, Justice, Virtue, Honour, Mercy, Faith, Hope, Charity, Grammar, Rhetoric, Logic, Arithmetic, Geometry, Music, and Astronomy. If you pay attention to our ritual, and look into the teaching of the different degrees, you will see that all these things are put before us; and that we are exhorted to practise and study them to the best of our ability. We are, therefore, taught our duty towards God, our duty towards our neighbour, our duty towards ourselves, our duty as citizens of the world, and our duty as private individuals: in fact, how to live and how to die. Thus, you see, Masonry embraces in a comprehensive manner divine knowledge and human science, and so consists of two distinct parts,

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assisted him were Bros. Sexton, Turle Lee and Elliott, the latter of whom presided at the pianoforte with characteristic ability.

PROVINCE OF LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE annual meeting of the Freemasons of the county of Lincoln was held at the Old Hall, Gainsborough, on Monday, 20th June. The R.W. Major William Henry Smyth, J.P., D.L., P.G.M. of Lincolnshire, presided, and there were about 300 members of the various Lodges of the Province present. The proceedings were confined chiefly to the receiving of reports from the various committees, the consideration of the grants for the several Charities, the re-election of Officers, and other routine business. The following is a list of the newly appointed Officers:—Bros. Wm. H. Roberts 792 Grimsby Dep. P.G.M., Alfred Kirk 422 Gainsborough S.W., Jas. Ferguson 838 Boston J.W., Rev. J. K. H. Elliott 422 Gainsborough Chap., C. M. Nesbitt 712 Louth Treas., H. Watson 297 Lincoln Reg., F. D. Marsden 712 Louth Sec., F. Higgins 1600 Alford S.D., Jno. Woodward 469 Spalding J.D., P. P. Dickenson 297 Lincoln S. of W., W. Ramforth 1386 Lincoln A.D. of C., Wm. Henson 1286 Market Rasen S.B., G. H. Porter 712 Louth Org., Jno. Mawer 712 Louth Purs.; W. R. Fowler 272 Boston, Geo. Howsham 422 Gainsborough, W. Hopkin 588 Sleaford, F. J. Green 1232 Bourn, James Casterton 1286 Market Rasen Steward, J. S. Codd 297 Lincoln St.B., Ben. Box Tyler.

Holding their annual meeting at Gainsborough, the Freemasons were invited to take part in the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the new Church of St. John the Divine. The population of Gainsborough has increased during the last ten years so rapidly that it has become necessary to provide increased church accommodation. Both the churches in the town are full on Sundays, and not unfrequently people have to leave the church doors. When the Church of the Holy Trinity was built the population of the whole town was 6660. In 1871 the census showed that there were 7564 inhabitants, viz., 4146 in the Parish Church district, and 3418 in Holy Trinity district. Since that time no less than 622 new houses have been built and inhabited, 542 of them being in the district of Holy Trinity, and the number is still rapidly increasing. The population of the town, according to the last census, was—All Saint's Parish, 4734; Holy Trinity Parish, 6205. Thus it will be seen that the district of Holy Trinity is now very nearly as populous as the whole town of Gainsborough was when it was deemed necessary to build Holy Trinity Church. The new building will be of the decorated perpendicular style, and, as now to be constructed, will be 122 ft. long by 40 ft. wide; but, with a view to the exigencies of the future, the walls are only to be of a temporary nature, the design is capable of extension to a considerable degree. Eight octagonal stone pillars, each 18ft. 9in. in height, are to be permanently erected; as also is the wall at the east end, in which is arranged space for a window 15ft. 7in. Should the intention of the trustees ever be carried out, and the building be extended to its full proportions, it will be 15ft. longer than St. George's Church, Doncaster, and will doubtless be the finest church within a large radius. Messrs. Somers Clarke and Micklethwaite, of London, are the architects. Sir H. B. Bacon, Bart., has given not only 1½ acres of land for the site, but also a promise to double the amount of subscriptions obtained. The total required is about £4800. Of this £2400 has to be raised by subscription; £1600 has already been subscribed, or promised by subscribers; and thus there remains about £800 to obtain. The Hon. Treasurer is Mr. H. D. Marshall, and the Hon. Secretary, Mr. T. H. Oldman. In addition to the efforts of the Building Committee a Working Men's Committee has been formed. The Bishop of Lincoln was not present at the ceremony. He had been officially invited, and it was believed that, as the new church was in the hands of the trustees, his Lordship's views on the subject of Trust Churches prohibited his attendance.

The ceremony of laying the foundation-stone was fixed for half-past twelve o'clock. Half an hour previously the Freemasons, who had assembled at the Old Hall, formed a procession and proceeded to the site of the new church in Ashcroft-road, headed by the band of the J. Company 1st Lincolnshire R.V. A large crowd of spectators collected all along the line of the procession, which took the route through the Beast Market and pass the works of Messrs. Marshall and Sons. Shortly before, a procession of the clergy guilds and Sunday school children paraded the streets, carrying the banner of the Holy Trinity unfurled, and other emblems. Amongst the clergy present were the Rev. Canon Hodgkinson, Rev. Canon Williams, the Revs. G. W. Danks, R. J. Seddon, Gainsborough; Rev. E. L. Blenkinsopp, Springthorpe; Rev. R. H. Charters, Kirton, &c. On arriving at the site, the Freemasons divided right and left, facing inwards as customary, and leaving an avenue for the R.W. P.G.M., preceded by

of which an offertory was collected for the building fund.

The officiating brethren then gave place to the clergy and choir of Holy Trinity Church, Gainsboro', who held a short service, concluding with a dedication hymn. The ceremony being completed, the brethren returned in procession to the Old Hall, where Prov. Grand Lodge was closed, and a luncheon partaken of. A public luncheon for the clergy and visitors was held at the White Hart Inn.—*Sheffield and Rotherham Independent.*

ROYAL ARCH.

HAYLE CHAPTER, No. 450.

THE Annual Convocation of this Chapter took place at the Freemasons' Hall, Hayle, on Wednesday, 22nd June, when the Excellent Comps. George Eustice, Joseph G. Osborne, and G. B. Pearce were installed First, Second, and Third Principals, by Comp. N. J. West P.Z., assisted by Comps. J. Lavin P.Z. and H. Gerry Z. of Holy Mount Chapter, No. 121, Penzance. The following were appointed the Officers:—Comps. James Wearne Scribe E., M. L. Nicholls N., N. J. West P.Z. Chaplain and Treasurer, and H. H. Trevithick A.S. The banquet was provided by Comp. J. Smith P.Z., in the Hall. Comp. Hill J. of Concord Chapter 322, and James Lovell Scribe E. of Holy Mount 121, also attended.

DUNDAS CHAPTER, No. 1255.

THE Annual Convocation of this Chapter was held on Wednesday, 22nd June, at the Hoyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth, when Excellent Comp. F. H. H. Glasse, C.B., was installed as Z., and for this a dispensation had been granted by the M.E. Superintendent of the Province Viscount Ebrington. The proceedings were of especial interest, and the Chapter was largely attended. Ex. Companion Charles Godtschalk P.Z. P.P.G.S.B. was the Installing Officer, and he was supported by a large board of Past Principals including, amongst others, Excellent Companions S. Jew P.Z. 105 P.P.G.T., J. Baxter P.Z. 954 P.P.G.A.S., J. Batten Gover P.Z. 70 P.P.G.P.S., H. F. Hearle P.Z. 156 P.P.G.S.N., T. Goodall P.Z. 954 P.P.G.O., S. J. Hearle P.Z. 1255, J. R. Lord H. 70, Captain Westhead. At the conclusion of the ceremony the following Officers, (previously elected) were installed or invested:—Ex. Comp. S. B. Harvey I.P.Z., G. R. Barrett H., T. J. Smith J., Charles Godtschalk Treasurer, Major J. R. M. Chard, V.C., S.N., John Hammond S.E., R. Dawe P.S., J. B. Gover D.C., L. D. Westcott P.Z. P.P.G.A.S. W. Phillips J. There was no banquet on this occasion, but the Admiral invited the members and visitors to refreshment in the rooms of the Temple. The meeting was a pleasant and instructive one, and will be remembered as a red letter day. Owing to several other installations, many distinguished Masons were unable to be present, and letters of apology were received.

Chapter of Harmony, No. 156.—There was an especial meeting of this Chapter on Friday, 24th ult., at the Hoyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth, when the V.W. Bro. W. Derry P.M. P.P.G.D. was exalted. There was a large attendance of members and visitors, and the very impressive and highly instructive ceremony was much appreciated. It was conducted by the P.Z. and Companions W. K. Michell P.Z. P.P.G.D.C., J. Russell Lord H. 70, D. Banks J., H. F. Hearle P.Z. P.P.G.S.N., P. B. Clements P.Z. S.N., Robt. Hambly P.S., W. H. Lister A.S. Amongst the visitors were E. Companions J. Batten Gover P.Z. P.P.G.P.S., E. Aitken-Davies P.Z. P.P.G.R., R. C. Uglow, W. Gray, E. Manley P.Z. 230, W. N. Fowler. A candidate proposed for the next convocation, and simple refreshment in the rooms of the building, closed the proceedings.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons is appointed to be held at Exeter, on 13th July, at the new Masonic Hall in Gandy-street. It is understood that the Exeter brethren will be prepared to welcome their visitors at the Masonic Club (the same premises), and under the genial rule of the R.W. P.G.M. Colonel J. Tanner-Davy, a very pleasant day may be confidently anticipated.—*Western Daily Mercury.*

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, Bootle, at 6. (Instruction.)
n House, Clevedon.
lem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
ons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
ssembly Rooms, Brompton, Chatham.
Hall, New-street, Birmingham.

NESDAY, 6th JULY.

Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
ce Arms, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
Dragon, 2 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
otel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
er Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 730 (Instruction)
Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
Bargain's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
(Instruction.)

758—Ellesmere, Masonic ...
910—St. Oswald, Masonic Hall, Ropergate, ...
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury (Instruction.)
992—St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broughton.
1013—Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland. (Instruction.)
1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
1091—Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
1107—Cornwallis, Masonic Hall, Erith.
1167—Alnwick, Masonic Hall, Clayport-street, Alnwick
1218—Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossley, near Manchester
1274—Earl of Durham, Freemasons' Hall, Chester-le-Street.
1323—Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind-street, Swansea
1335—Lindsay, 20 King-street, Wigan.
1354—Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh, Lancashire.
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1363—Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Gloucester.
1431—St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
1549—Abercorn, Abercorn Hotel, Great Stanmore.
1620—Marlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Brook, Liverpool
1692—Hervey, George Hotel, Hayes
R. A. 300—Perseverance, Pitt and Nelson Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne.
R.A. 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street, Leeds
M.M. 36—Furness, Hartington Hotel, Duke-street, Barrow-in-Furness.
M M. 65—West Lancashire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.C.—Palatine, Palatine Hotel, Manchester

THURSDAY, 7th JULY.

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6.30. (Inst.)
1288—Finsbury Park Cock Tavern, Highbury
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1445—Prince Leopold, Mitford Tavern, Sandringham-road, Dalston
1539—Surrey Masonic Hall, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Bell Hotel, Shoreditch

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle.
116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne
123—Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorkshire
208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Dewsbury
240—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
266—Napthali, Masonic Hall, Market-place, Heywood
269—Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
283—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place, Haslingden
289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
294—Constitutional, Assembly Rooms, Beverley, Yorks
295—Combermere Union, Macclesfield Arms, Macclesfield
300—Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne
317—Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
419—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.
446—Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire
509—Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham.
636—D'Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
637—Portland, Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent.
659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blyth
792—Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Bullring-lane, Great Grimsby.
816—Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Wardle, near Rochdale
913—Pattison, Lord Raglan Tavern, Plumstead.
974—Pentalpha, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall.
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1231—Savile, Royal Hotel, Elland
1282—Ancholme, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1284—Brent, Globe Hotel, Topsham, Devonshire
1360—Royal Arthur, Village Club Lecture Hall, Wimbledon.
1367—Beaminster Manor, White Hart Hotel, Beaminster
1384—Equity, Alforde Chambers, Widnes
1500—Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
1504—Red Rose of Lancaster, Starkie's Arms Hotel, Padiham, near Burnley
1513—Friendly, King's Head Hotel, Barnsley
1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1594—Cedewain, Public Rooms, Newtown, Montgomeryshire
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1790—Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
1807—Loyal Wye, Builth, Breconshire
R.A. 758—Bridgwater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
R.A. 1016—Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
M.M. 53—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

FRIDAY, 8th JULY.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 (Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8. (Instruction)
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instruction)
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8 (In.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington, at 8. (In)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
R.C.—Mount Calvary, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square

36—Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's-street, Cardiff.
401—Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn
... Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
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n, No. 780.—A meet-

ult., at the Royal Hotel, Mile End Road. The chair was occupied by Bro. C. Kendall W.M. of the Parent Lodge, who was supported by Bros. Clement S.W., Hammond J.W., Stephens S.D., Barnes P.M. Treasurer and Preceptor, B. Stewart Secretary. Lodge having been duly opened and minutes confirmed, the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Stewart candidate. Lodge was closed to first degree. By request, Bro. Stephens assisted Bro. P.M. Barnes to work the seventh section. Bro. Clements was elected W.M. for next Lodge meeting. We would call attention to the fact—though the Mother Lodge is in recess until September—there will be no interruption to the regular gatherings of the Lodge of Instruction, which will meet every Monday at 8 o'clock. Brethren seeking instruction should pay the Tredegar Lodge a visit.

King's Cross Lodge of Instruction, No. 1732.—On the 26th ult., at Bro. Devine's, Blue Posts, Charlotte-street, Fitzroy-square. Bro. J. Smith W.M., J. Edwards S.W., B. Kauffmann J.W., Devine Treasurer, L. Solomon Secretary, Barrett S.D., N. P. Vallentine I.G. The first section of the first lecture was worked, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, Bro. Gough candidate. The W.M. then rehearsed the ceremony of the third degree, Bro. Edwards candidate. A vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes for Bro. Smith's able working. The W.M. informed the brethren of the death of Bro. J. Copelin, at whose house it was intended the Lodge of Instruction should be held during the re-building of Bro. Devine's premises. It was proposed that a letter of condolence should be sent to the widow. The Lodge of Instruction was then closed. Bro. J. Edwards was elected W.M. for next meeting.

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We now enter on our usual task of analysing the result. The Board of Stewards was undoubtedly a strong one, if not the strongest, whose services Bro. Binckes has succeeded in enlisting. It consisted of 258 Stewards, of whom 110, or if we include Bro. Matier, the representative of the Allied Masonic Degrees, 111 belonged to London, and 148, or in the alternative case mentioned 147, acted for the Provinces. The result of the combined efforts of this Board was a subscription list amounting to £11,681 7s 3d, the London brethren raising among them £5,210 17s, and the Provinces £6,470 10s 3d. Taking the Metropolitan first, we find that of the 303 Lodges within its limits, eighty-eight were represented by ninety-four Stewards, there being no less than six Lodges which sent up two Stewards; one Royal Arch Chapter was represented, and the Dinner Committee Club of the R.M.I.B. had for its Steward Bro. John Palmer. There were also fourteen Stewards unattached, while Bro. C. F. Matier did duty on behalf of the Allied Masonic Degrees, and may be looked upon as Metropolitan or Provincial, at the option of the reader, the Degrees in question being able to boast of several homes in the Provinces though their headquarters are in London. Of the several lists, as many as sixteen, are three-figure, the Pythagorean, No. 79, with a total of £215 5s, by the hands of Bro. Henry Roberts, being at the top of the tree as regards amount. After a considerable interval comes Bro. F. Binckes, unattached, with £163; Prosperity, No. 65, with £154 7s, per Bro. Daniel; and then Bro. T. J. Barnes, the well-known Preceptor, who in the capacity of Steward for the Doric, No. 933, gave in a total of £136 10s. Bro. A. J. Duff-Filer P.G.S.B., as Steward for the Canonbury Lodge, No. 657, is down for £130 4s; Bro. J. L. Mather, of Lodge Perseverance, No. 1743, occupies a position close up, with £123 18s; and La Tolerance, No. 538, and Victoria, No. 1,056, gave £120 apiece. Confidence, No. 193, per Bro. W. Wood, stands well with £115 10s; Egyptian, No. 27, per Bro. Charles Atkins, contributing £114 19s 6d; Highgate, No. 1366, per Bro. John E. Cussans, £112 17s 6d; Bro. Edward Bowyer, acting independently of Lodge and Chapter, £108 3s. Friends in Council, No. 1383, per Captain W. A. Hicks, £107 6s; Justice No. 147, per Bro. George Bolton £106 17s; Evening Star, No. 1719, per Bro. M. Mildred, £105; and Royal Jubilee. No. 72, £103 3s 6d, per Bro. Dunn. Very many of these, and especially "Friends in Council," figure with regularity at the Festivals of all our Institutions year after year, and the remainder are more often than not

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£50 3s 6d respectively. Loyal Berks Lodge of Hope, No. 574, is down for £22 11s, and the Vale of the White Horse, No. 1770, per Bro. Thickens, contributes £15 15s. These five are Berkshire Lodges, while but two of the nine Bucks Lodges appear in the list, namely, St. Barnabas, No. 948, of Linslade, for £45 2s 6d, and Scientific, No. 840, of Wolverton, for £19 6s 3d. Thus, of the total for this Province, namely, £479 3s 3d, all but £64 8s 9d is contributed by Berkshire—a somewhat unequal arrangement, which it would be as well if the Bucks brethren would do something to rectify in future years. However, speaking generally of this interesting Province, there is not the slightest doubt that it is one of the most liberal, as it is one of the most regular and devoted, supporters of all our Charities. Cheshire (thirty-seven Lodges) is entered for a modest £26 5s, being the amount of Bro. James Hamilton's list as Steward for the Stamford Lodge, No. 1045, of Altrincham. But, as we have frequently pointed out, this Province, considering it has a flourishing Educational Institution of its own, which of necessity relieves our Schools of a portion of the pressure on their resources, must be regarded as a liberal supporter of our Central Charities. It has figured at six out of the last seven Festivals of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, the sum of its contributions thereto being only a few pounds short of £800. At the Festival of the Girls' School it has regularly sent up one or more Stewards, whose joint lists exceed £875, while the Boys' School has not been forgotten, as will be seen from the Table we publish elsewhere, which shows a regular attendance, with a total of nearly £800. Cornwall (twenty-eight Lodges), when it has set its heart on supporting one or other of our Charities, does the thing handsomely. Thus in 1876, when it assisted "Our Boys," it gave, by the hands of Bro. W. J. Hughan, £453 12s. In 1879 the Girls' School received £378, the bulk of which was raised through the exertions of the same worthy brother, while in the year 1878, Lord Mount Edgcumbe Provincial Grand Master with £460 and Bro. Hughan with £110, between them made up the considerable sum of £570. Small contributions have been sent up at other Festivals, the amount this year being £38 17s. Cumberland and Westmoreland (nineteen Lodges), like the preceding Province, has the good fortune to possess a Craftsman of great energy in the person of Bro. George McKay, whose list at the recent Festival amounted to £210. Last year it gave, by the same brother's hands, £200 to the Girls' School, while in 1878 the Boys' School received per the same Bro. McKay £150. Smaller amounts on other occasions, not omitting the Benevolent Institution, make up a respectable total, having regard to the number of Lodges in the Province. Derbyshire (nineteen Lodges) has been represented six times in the past seven years at the Festivals of the Benevolent, and five times at those of the Girls' School. The Boys have been even more highly favoured, as it has not once missed a Festival in aid of that Institution. Three of its Lodges are represented in the present instance by as many Stewards, and their joint efforts have resulted in a contribution of £142 5s. In 1875 they received over £271, and in 1879 over £277, the Girls being credited in 1880 with £175, and the Benevolent in 1878 with £170, and in 1880 with £132. Devonshire, with fifty Lodges, gives £27 16s 6d, but in 1875 its contribution was close on £290, in 1876 £173 (with one list outstanding), in 1877 £63, in 1878 £220, and in 1879 £68. It has given the Benevolent, at six out of seven Festivals, over £1,122, and the Girls in the same period a little short of £700. Dorsetshire has but thirteen Lodges, but thanks to Bros. Gnest, M.P., P.G.M., and J. M. P. Montagu Past D.P.G.M.

without doing something, and though it has only given "Our Girls" a fraction over £762, "Our Boys," faring somewhat better, have received £1,338, while the R.M.B.I. has had over £4,179, making the total close on £6,280. The preference for the Benevolent is explained by the fact that, in 1879, Lt.-Col. Starkie P.G. Master, presided at the Festival of the Institution, and the sum contributed was £3,542. Somewhat similar must be our remarks as to West Lancashire with its eighty-one Lodges. It never misses being represented, and on occasion is prepared to exert a strength commensurate with its fame and position. In the last seven years it has given to the Girls' School over £1,389, to the Benevolent over £2,431, and to the Boys School over £3,486, making a total of just £7,308. In 1876, its Grand Master, then Lord Skelmersdale, now Earl of Lathom, presided at the Benevolent Festival, when it subscribed over £1,508, and last year he discharged a similar duty on behalf of the Boys' School, when close on £2,665 rewarded his efforts.

Middlesex, which stands next on the list, is a Home County, which boasts of thirty-one Lodges, and like the last three Provinces we have described, makes a point of always figuring in the list of Stewards. That the Girls' School should have claimed the largest share of its attention is but natural from the intimate association between it and the late Secretary, Bro. R. W. Little, who was Deputy Grand Master of the Province. This will account for the contribution of £3,293 at the last seven Festivals of the Girls' School, while the Benevolent in the same period has received £2,063, and the Boys' School just on £2,034, the three amounts making together £7,390—a result which must be set down as worthy of any county. Monmouthshire, eight Lodges, is represented by Bro. Crawshaw Bailey, and figures for £157 10s. In 1878 it gave £166 19s, and is entered for a small amount both in 1879 and 1880. The Benevolent has received from it £445 15s, and the Girls the greater portion of £721 15s, there being, in 1875, a sum of £464 10s which has been set down to Monmouthshire conjointly with the two Divisions of South Wales, and it is impossible to apportion this among the three joint contributories. Norfolk, sixteen Lodges, is down for £75 12s, the result of the joint lists of three Stewards representing as many Lodges. In 1878, when Lord Suffield, its then newly installed Prov. G. Master, supported the Duke of Connaught, the amount of its contributions to the same Institution was over £279, and last year it gave £208. It has figured at three Festivals of the Girls, the aggregate of its contributions reaching over £429, while at four Benevolent Festivals it has given in all over £448, its largest amount being upwards of £306. Notts, twelve Lodges, gives £191, by the hands of Bro. S. G. Gilbert of the De Vere Lodge, No. 1794, of Nottingham. In 1876 it gave £63, and in 1877 £64 1s. It has subscribed to the Girls just over £274, of which £178 10s belongs to last year, while the Benevolent has received two small amounts. But it occurs to us that more might be done by the Province, though it may seem churlish to say so in the face of so substantial an amount as the one for which it figures on the present occasion. North Wales and Salop (twenty-six Lodges) may as well be taken next in order. Evidently Bro. Bodenham, of the Castle Lodge, No. 1621, Bridgnorth, has considerable powers of persuasion; he has charmed his brethren into helping him raise a most sensible £179 11s. This is not so large a sum as it subscribed last year, when its five representatives among them banded in over £265. In 1879 it gave close on £151, in 1878 £169, in 1877 over £175, in 1876 £71, and in 1875 not far short of £95. Thus, North Wales and Salop has given to this Institution over

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hand, South Wales West, which figures for a modest ten guineas this year, gave £300 in 1880, £168 in 1877, and £130 4s in 1875, or together £608 14s. For the Girls' School they are much closer, the Eastern Division having given £558 2s, and the Western £536 5s, while it must not be overlooked that in 1875 both Divisions are set down, conjointly with Monmouthshire, as having raised among them £464 10s. To the Benevolent they have also given about the same, the Eastern Division contributing £250 in 1876, and the Western £225 in 1879, and £10 10s in 1880, or together £235 10s. Summing up these figures, we find that South Wales East has enriched our Charities to the extent of £1,702, and South Wales West to that of £1,380, which, as we have said, is in a somewhat fair proportion to their respective Lodge rolls.

Warwickshire has thirty Lodges, of which fourteen hail from Birmingham. Of these fourteen four sent up Stewards, the senior of the two Warwick Lodges and the Leamington and Rugby Lodges being also represented. There were in all fourteen Stewards, and their joint lists amounted to a fraction over £232. This raises its total contributions to "Our Boys" to £3,215 12s 6d, its great achievement belonging to the year 1876, when its Provincial Grand Master presided, and the eighty and odd Stewards made up the excellent total of £2,000. The Girls have benefited to the extent of over £1,121, and the Benevolent to that of close on £629, making for all three Charities an aggregate of £4,966. At the Schools' Festivals it has been invariably represented, but it deputed no brethren as Stewards at those of the Benevolent Institution in 1876 and 1878. Here, again, we have the case of a strong Province giving evidence of its earnestness and strength. We have the greater pleasure in bearing this testimony to Warwickshire's efforts, because, in one memorable instance, we had the misfortune to bring down on our devoted head a somewhat severe criticism by its able and justly-respected Chief. Worcestershire, with two Stewards doing duty for two of its eleven Lodges, gives £57 15s. The amount it contributed last year to the Boys is not stated in the list, but in 1879 it figured for £580 13s. The Girls' School received nearly £142 in 1879, over £364 in 1880, and in May last over £68, or, together, nearly £574, but only the sum of £42 has found its way all these seven years into the coffers of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. Still we must remember that Worcestershire has bestirred itself "muchly" since 1879, though the four preceding years were, as happens now and again with some of its coverts, drawn blank.

The Province of the North and East Ridings of Yorkshire with twenty-seven Lodges, gives £151, the joint result of the efforts of four Stewards acting for as many Lodges, namely, Bro. J. Walton for Lodge Humber, No. 57, Hull; Bro. J. W. Woodall for the "Old Globe" Lodge, No. 200, Scarborough—*not*, as was announced by us last week, Lion Lodge, No. 312, Whitby—our learned contributor Bro. T. B. Whytehead as representing Eboracum, No. 1611, the junior York Lodge, which has thus figured at all three Festivals this year; and Bro. H. Preston, Lodge De la Pole, No. 1605, Hull. The aggregate of its lists for 1875, 1877, 1878, 1880, and 1881, is just £398, there having been no brethren acting on its behalf in 1876 and 1879. To the Girls it has contributed £239 8s, together with an unknown, or, at least, at the time unstated, amount at the 1878 Festival, but the Benevolent has been a very large recipient, the aggregate of its lists for the six years 1876-1881 both inclusive being within a few shillings of £1,076, of which over £855 belongs to last year, when the Earl of Zetland Provincial Grand Master presided as

stitutions as "The Authority"—Bro. McIntyre's usual acumen is, methinks, wondrously at fault when he says that, according to Bro. Newmarch's reasoning, "A Provincial Grand Master would take precedence of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, his Pro, or Deputy." On the contrary, Bro. Newmarch states most clearly that "the equivalent rank of Grand Lodge takes precedence of the equivalent rank in a Provincial Grand Lodge, but that an Officer of inferior rank in Grand Lodge does not take precedence of an Officer of superior rank in a Provincial Grand Lodge," which certainly appears, according to my reading, to be the intention, and is the commonsense view, of interpreting the same. We profess equality when in Lodge, but a desire to practise the contrary is very forcibly and often inconsistently displayed; in case of social rank such an act of courtesy can be gracefully yielded, but not demanded as a right.

Another point upon which you have had numerous letters is, that there should be two elections for the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. Admitting it is hard that candidates should have to wait a twelvemonth for a chance of success, there are several factors to be taken into consideration. First, such a circumstance as that which occurred this year I do not believe has ever happened before. Secondly, it is very different with the Boys and Girls; their time goes steadily creeping on, and when they have reached the allotted age, out they must go to make room for others; that, however, is not the case with the Aged; there are only two cases whereby they can create a vacancy—First, should they be known to be receiving an income beyond a specified sum; secondly, the long journey whence no traveller returns. So that, in many instances, an extra election would find but few candidates to warrant the heavy additional expense,—which would be equivalent to some six annuities. If, in the opinion of the brethren, it is still desirable to lessen the interval, I venture to make a suggestion—or, rather offer one to others better able to put it into the proper shape; more accustomed to the work than myself. It is as follows:—That, from the —— day of May to the —— day of November, all vacancies should be filled in rotation, from the highest to the lowest polling of the unsuccessful candidates, the change to take place after the next May election, or, more fairly, the May election of 1883, as that would leave ample time for the complete change of tactics for voting that must necessarily ensue. By this means both the expense of an extra election and six months' waiting would be saved, while the petitions for the next May election could still be received as heretofore.

There is another hardship, greater than the above, and I, for one, am surprised that none of the many eminent brethren who constitute the Lodge of Benevolence have not seen proper to have the ill-advised law altered. What I allude to is this:—When the Board of Benevolence meets, certain applicants for assistance are presented to its notice for help, which, with very rare exceptions is given more or less abundantly, according to circumstances. Where the unfortunate brother has rendered a good account of his Stewardship, the sympathies of the brethren go with him to an extent over £50, but the time he has to wait for this kindly benevolence reminds me of the monkey holding out his tail to almost within obain distance of the dog, or of the thirsty Tantalus and the water. It may be the applicant's last chance of redeeming his independent position; it may be matter of life or death. It does not signify, he must wait,—not till the next Quarterly Court is held, where the acts of the Board are almost invariably confirmed, but till the second Quarterly Court, or three months more, i.e., until the minutes of the previous Quarterly Court are confirmed. If that is not red-tapeism or circumlocution office-ism, where most uncalled for, I am at a loss to know what is. Can any one say there are many cases to equal it? Surely, after the applicant has been vouched for, and presented by his Lodge, or other responsible brethren, accepted by the Board of Benevolence, and promised relief; that promise, agreed to by Grand Lodge, should be quite sufficient authority. Look at his case; he can get £10, the utmost the Board are empowered to grant him; he may have to wait six months for the remainder; nobody will lend him the money, or any part, for fear he might die; and the result would be, he has to prolong his existence in anxious hope; possibly he misses a favourable chance that may present itself, or he may even lose his reason or his life through being unable to obtain that which the brethren have so cheerfully granted him, because the unmeaning formalities of the How-not-to-do-it-office have not been complied with. At the next meeting of the Board I intend to move the abrogation of this rule, should no better qualified brother relieve me of the onerous but needful duty.

'von Pro Grand Master and Prov. Grand Master Somersetshire; in 1876, Lord Leigh Prov. re; in 1877, W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Prov. Grand Master Hants and Isle of Wight; in 1878, ake of Connaught; in 1879, the Earl of Rosslyn Past G. Master Mason of Scotland; in 1880, r Grand Master and Prov. Grand Master West Lancashire; in 1881, Marquis of Londonderry, Master Durham. It will certainly not be amiss to add that the totals contributed by the tutions during the stated period make up an aggregate of £118,216 12s 5d; thus comprised, titution for Boys, £45,774 3s 4d; to Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, £39,046 4s; itution for Girls, £33,396 5s 1d.

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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF MIDDLESEX AND SURREY.

THIS Provincial Grand Mark Lodge held its summer meeting at the Star and Garter Hotel, Richmond, on Saturday last, the 2nd inst. It was not so largely attended as usual, consequent on the extreme heat of the day and the numerous pleasure engagements of many of its members. Nevertheless, the muster of brethren was not inconsiderable. Provincial Grand Lodge was opened at 4 p.m. by the V.W. Bro. Frederic Davison Deputy Prov. Grand Master (in the unavoidable absence of the Prov. Grand Master the R.W. Bro. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart.), and amongst the brethren present were Dr. F. W. Ramsay Prov. G.S.W., C. Hammerton P.G. Treasurer, W. G. Brighten Prov. G. Secretary, Sir C. J. Palmer Prov. G.M.O., John Rhodes Prov. G. Org., T. W. Adams Prov. G.I.G., H. J. Lardner, W. Ackland and J. W. Baldwin Prov. G. Stewards, D. M. Dewar P.G.J.O. and Grand Mark Assistant Secretary (acting as Prov. G.J.W.), James Stevens P.G.J.O. Past Prov. G. Mark Secretary (acting as Prov. G.D.C.), C. W. R. Harrison Prov. G.M. Overseer, J. M. Klenck P.P.G. Reg., Baron de Ferrieres, M.P., P.G.M.O., Chas. Pulman P.P.J.D., Henry Lovegrove G.S.W., George Lilley P.P.A.D.C., J. S. Batten P.P.G. Sword Bearer, W. J. Nicholls P.P.G.S., J. Inglis P.G.S., Jas. Curtis J.W. 234, A. Haynes S.W. 211, J. S. Gabriel 244, J. W. Willis 223, J. Cox J.W. 144, R. B. Lewis S.W. 3, H. C. Jepps S.W. 5, T. W. Bicknell S.W. 238, C. Hopwood 181, E. B. Florence, W. Basnett, F. Lawrence, J. Gilbert, Harrison, &c. &c. The minutes of the previous Provincial Grand Lodge meeting were confirmed. The roll call showed a list of 21 Lodges as attached to the Province, of which number 16 were represented, and five were conspicuous by their absence, viz: Percy 114, Studholme 197, Menatchin 224, Clapton 236, and Royal Naval 239. Although in some instances there had been a falling off in the number of members, the aggregate progress of the Order in connection with this Province was noticeable and encouraging. The accounts of the Prov. Grand Treasurer V.W. Bro. Charles Hammerton were received, approved and recorded. The Officers appointed by the Provincial Grand Master to serve for the ensuing year were then named, and in all cases of presence invested, as follows:—

Bro. F. Davison	Dep. Prov. Grand Mark Master
W. G. Brighten	Prov. Grand Senior Warden
J. B. Batten	" Junior Warden
Rev. F. J. C. de Crespigny, C. H. Weldon	" Chaplains
Hugh H. Risch	" Master Overseer
H. C. Jepps	" Senior Overseer
Lawrence	" Junior Overseer
C. Hammerton	" Treasurer
W. Basnett	" Reg. of Marks
J. M. Klenck	" Secretary
T. W. Adams	" Senior Deacon
W. J. Nicolls	" Junior Deacon
J. C. Cox	" Dir. of Cer.
George Lilley	" Assist. do.
E. Hopwood	" Sup. of Works
T. R. Bicknell	" Sword Bearer
W. Ackland	" Standard Bearer
J. S. Gabriel	" Organist
H. J. Lardner	" Inner Guard
R. B. Lewis, James Mills, James Curtis, E. P. Florence, J. W. Willis, W. Kipling	" Stewards
John Gilbert	" Tyler

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master and the newly-appointed Officers having been duly saluted according to their respective degrees, and a few matters of routine business disposed of, Provincial Grand Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to banquet, which was served in one of the large rooms overlooking one of the grandest landscapes in England. After the cloth was cleared, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, who presided, gave the usual loyal, patriotic and Masonic toasts, which were all duly honoured, that of the health of Sir Francis Burdett Prov. G. Mark Master being received in his absence with much enthusiasm. Bro. the Baron de Ferrieres proposed the health of the Deputy Prov. G. Master, then presiding, in terms of warm eulogium, for his active efforts on behalf of the Mark

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Province. He took the opportunity to would be increased almost immediately Lodges recently formed. Bro. Klenck, l Grand Secretary, also made excellent other officers. The Mark Benevolent fter very lucid exposition, from Bro. rations, and an appeal for support on the iversary, on the 6th instant, the charity rests, and a liberal donation was the re- gs were shortened to admit of adjourn- nds, where the remainder of a most the enjoyment of cooling breezes, the he strains of military music, and that he knowledge of good work performed of ever creates in the bosom of a true le to say that on this occasion, at least, ed, "sorry to part" and hoping to

LODGE BENEVOLENT FUND.

estival of the Grand Lodge of Mark olent Fund was held on Wednesday, ace, under the presidency of the Rt. orshipful Grand Mark Master Mason. t were V.W. Bro. Frederick Davison Middlesex and Surrey, Bros. Binckes y, D. M. Dewar P.G.O. Assistant Grand Ferrieres, C. F. Matier, Thomas Meggy .J.O. Past Prov. Grand Mark Secretary ius Pearson, T. W. Adams Provincial ott, Massey and Mrs. Massey, &c. ble room, soon after five o'clock. The undertaken a long journey in order to pectedly hindered on his road, forwarded se of temporary delay, and for a brief ken by the V.W. Bro. Davison. On his f the dinner, he was received with great had been removed and the usual loyal W. Bro. Baron de Ferrieres proposed Master, as a ruler to whom the members k up with great pride and satisfaction; erogating from the zealous and impor- one of his predecessors, he felt assured he Order would still further flourish. d his sense of the honour conferred upon reside over so large a body of Masons, 00 to 16,000 of the most distinguished onry. That the degree of Mark Masonry had reason to be assured of, for even in allation he had signed several warrants e at the present moment others in view. ducing the toast of the P.Grand Masters to the illness of the M.W. Bro. George ver he trusted might not be of serious sympathy of the brethren would be event he was certain. (Bro. Davison's ssive assent). To the toast of the Dep. Officers present and past, Bro. Matier the evening, "Prosperity to the Mark ," was proposed by the M.W. G.M.M.M., placed before the brethren would speak he firm and sound basis upon which the d continued. Since 1868, no less than forty-five petitioners had been relieved, ransferred to the Educational Fund, and vested. The Expenses of Management £65, and the balance at the bankers was Educational Fund, four boys were being der special arrangement with Bro. Dr. not a large fund, but it certainly is increase year by year, and probably ttention to its claims for support could d been adopted in the annual recurrence uniting sociality with charity. It was nagers, and friends to meet together better, that these gatherings should be presence of ladies. The meetings were

COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE BOYS' SCHOOL.

THE usual monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, was held on Saturday last, at Freemasons' Hall. There were present Bros. Raynham W. Stewart P.G.D. (in the chair), C. F. Matier, A. M. Broadley, George J. Row, William Roebuck, George Cooper, Rev. Richard Morris, D.D. (Head Master), H. Massey, J. H. Southwood, Edw. Baxter, F. Adlard and F. Binckes (Secretary). After the minutes of last meeting had been read and confimed, Bro. Binckes, with much regret, announced the death of Bro. W. F. Collard Moutrie, which occurred that morning. After the minutes of the House Committee had been read for information, brethren, on the recommendation of that Committee, increased the salary of Mr. Hopkins the Organist at the Institution. Four candidates were placed on the list for the election in October. Outfits were granted to two former pupils, and the list for next election was settled, as follows:—48 unsuccessful in April, 12 placed on the list since, and 4 others this day—or a total of 64 candidates. The number of vacancies in the school will be 12. Bro. Binckes informed the Committee that the Festival at Brighton, on Wednesday, produced £11,583—14 lists to come in.

As will be gathered from our advertisement columns, the Provincial Grand Lodge of Kent will be held on Wednesday next, the 15th instant, at the Guildhall, Rochester, when it may be anticipated there will be a strong muster of our brethren of this flourishing Province. P.G. Lodge will meet at 12.30 p.m. The brethren will attend divine service in the Cathedral at 2 p.m., and at 4 p.m. a banquet will be served at the New Corn Exchange. The business, which includes the grant of several more or less considerable sums of money for benevolent purposes, and appointment and investiture for the P.G. Officers of the year, will be in all respects of the usual character.

The Grand Commandery of Indiana met at Indianopolis, 26th and 27th April. The following were elected Officers for the ensuing year, namely,—Sir Knight John H. Hess R.E. Grand Commander, Samuel B. Sweet V.E. Deputy Commander, Richard L. Wolsey Eminent Grand Generalissimo, Walter Vail Eminent Grand Captain General, Samuel F. Dunham Eminent Grand Prelate, Henry C. Adams Eminent Grand Sword Bearer, Ephraim W. Patrick Eminent Grand Warder, Charles Fisher Eminent Grand Treasurer, and J. M. Bramwell Grand Recorder. The following were appointed by the Eminent Grand Commander, namely, George W. F. Kirk Eminent Grand Standard Bearer, Duncan T. Bacon Eminent Grand Sword Bearer, Reuben Peden Eminent Grand Warder, and William M. Black Grand Captain of the Guards. The Grand Officers were installed, and the Commandery adjourned.

In consequence of an illness which has pressed rather severely upon him, Bro. W. J. Hughan, of Truro, has been advised to abstain from all regular work for twelve months, and to do nothing calculated to fatigue him during that time. This will be very much regretted by the great body of Freemasons, in Cornwall especially, where Bro. Hughan has done so much valued work, and has filled so many important offices. In consequence of this enforced retirement, the Truro portion of the business of Messrs. Libby and Co., of Stroud, will soon be closed. It is that of the wholesale woollen trade, and was—and is—a business that the city could ill afford to lose. But there is no help for it. Bro. Hughan has, happily, sufficient means to retire, and he will devote himself to those archæological pursuits, which, as a literary Freemason, have for him a peculiar charm, and every one who knows him will be glad to hear of his restoration to perfect health.—*Western Daily Mercury.*

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City of Westminster Lodge, No. 1563.—An emergency meeting was held on Thursday, the 30th ult., at the Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W. Bros. J. E. Shand W.M., B. Turner I.P.M., B. H. Swallow P.M. Treas. P.G.D. Middlesex, C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P., S. E. Scott P.M. Sec., G. P. Festa as S.W., J. Wangh J.W., H. Cox as S.D., J. Hammond W.M. Trinity College Lodge J.D., W. C. Smith as I.G., H. Hoare, Organist, Potter P.M. Tyler; Bros. Morton, Davies, Strevens, Hill, Lee, Newman, Higgins and others. Visitors—Bros. G. P. Festa S.W. designate Montague Guest Lodge 1900, and F. R. W. Hedges Sec. R.M.I.G. J.W. designate of the same Lodge. Messrs. C. M. Brander and C. Filhon were duly balloted for and initiated. Bro. Newman was passed, and Bro. Higgins raised. Considering the time of year, there was a good muster of brethren, about twenty being present. After business those present dined at the Café Royal, the W.M. Bro. Shand presiding. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given and cordially received, and after a pleasant meeting the brethren separated until September.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

A SPECIAL meeting of this Order was held on Friday, at the Huyshe Masonic Temple, when, in the Holy Cross Encampment, Companion Major Chard, V.C. of the Dundas Chapter, was, after previous inception, installed. The highly impressive ceremony was undertaken, by request of the Eminent Commander, by E. Sir Knight Admiral F. H. H. Glasse, C.B., P.E.C., P.G.M. of England, assisted by the E.C. Richard Pengelly, L. D. Westcott, Colonel Fitzgerald, J. Batten Gover, Samuel Jew, E. Aitken Davies, Josiah Austin, James H. Keats, James Griffen, and others. There was some discussion about the meeting of the Provincial Priory and Provincial Grand Mark Lodge, both of which are to be held in Exeter, and, as was reported, within two days of each other. It was resolved to appeal to the powers that be, and endeavour to have the two meetings on one day, and, acting upon this resolution, a communication, largely signed, was despatched. Major Chard was congratulated on his new position, and after simple refreshment in the refectory, the Fraters retired from a highly instructive meeting.

It seems the Grand Lodge of Canada is described in the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence for the Grand Lodge of Louisiana for 1880 as "a Grand Lodge on Wheels," from the fact of its having no local habitation, that is, no permanent headquarters. It is probable, however, that this want will at no distant date be brought under the notice of Grand Lodge. The *Canadian Craftsman* very properly holds that some central city should be chosen, and suggests Toronto as possessing all the requisite conveniences, the more especially as it is rumoured the Freemasons of Toronto are considering the question of erecting a Masonic Temple, in which case our contemporary thinks G. Lodge of Canada might invest some of its capital in the enterprise, with a view to securing accommodation for its officers.

The semi-annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island was held in the City of Worcester, 17th May, when there was a numerous attendance of Sir Knights.

At the Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on the 8th June, Committee on Centenary Medal and Centenary Warrant recommended a design for the former and a form for the latter, both of which were adopted. Resolutions were also passed in memory of the late Bro. H. Chickering Past Senior Grand Warden.

ROYAL POLYTECHNIC.—Lurline, the Rhine Maiden, by Mr. George Buckland. Arctic Exploration, by Commander Cheyne, R.N. Porcelain Manufacture, by Mr. J. D. Cogan. The Photographer's Sunbeam, by Mr. T. C. Hepworth. The Rising in the Transvaal, by Mr. W. R. May. Etherdo, the Juggler. The Microscope, Electricity, the Isle of Wight, &c. by Mr. J. L. King. Fleuss's Diving Apparatus. The Electric Railway.

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191—St. John, Knowsley Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury, Lancashire
204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
210—Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton
225—St. Luke's, Coach and Horses Hotel, Ipswich
274—Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, Newchurch, near Manchester
281—Fortitude, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster
288—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
290—Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
363—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
387—Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate, Shipley
483—Sympathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
666—Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince Town, Dartmoor
750—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Railway-street, Cleckheaton
758—Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn
795—St. John, Ray Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond
851—Worthing of Friendship, Steyne Hotel, Worthing.
852—Zetland, Albert Hotel, New Bailey-street, Salford.
854—Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, near Oldham.
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury (Instruction.)
1018—Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Church-street, Tamworth.
1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1209—Lewisea, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
1248—Denison, Grand Hotel, Scarborough.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruction)
1342—Walker, Hope and Anchor Inn, Byker, Newcastle.
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill Street, Toxteth Park, Liverpool
1398—Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Furness
1403—West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Ormskirk
1424—Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Chatham.
1434—Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Nottingham.
1503—Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
1547—Liverpool, Masonic Hall Liverpool.
1643—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebburn-on-Tyne.
1645—Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Slaithwaite
R.A. 24—De Swinburne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
R.A. 462—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
M.M. 145—Constantine, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester.
M.M. 192—St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, The Parade, Berwick.

THURSDAY, 14th JULY.

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
37—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6.30. (Inst.)
1321—Emblematic, Tulse-hill Hotel, Tulse-hill
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
1642—Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove Road.
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
R.A. 813—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.

35—Medina, 85 High-street, Cowes.
97—Palatine, Masonic Hall, Toward-road, Sunderland.
139—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
215—Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingden
216—Harmonic, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool.
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
333—Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston
339—Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Cumberland.
346—United Brethren, Royal Oak Inn, Clayton-le-Dale, near Blackburn
369—Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Clitheroe
456—Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
462—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Caroline-street, Longton, Stafford.
732—Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
971—Trafalgar, Private Room, Commercial-street, Batley
991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland
1035—Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool.
1055—Derby, Knowsley's Hotel, Cheetham, Lancashire.
1098—St. George, Private Room, Temperance Hotel, Tredegar, Mon.
1144—Milton, Commercial Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne.
1145—Equality, Red Lion Hotel, Accrington.
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1204—Royd, Imperial Hotel, Malvern, Worcestershire.
1273—St. Michael, Free Church School-rooms, Sittingbourne.
1369—Bala, Plasgoch Hotel, Bala.
1416—Falcon, Masonic Hall, Castle Yard, Thirsk.
1429—Albert Edward Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Newport, Mon.
1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room, Desra House, Lindley
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1583—Corbet, Corbet Arms, Towyn.
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1697—Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot, near Manchester.
1782—Machen, Swan Hotel, Coleshill.
R.A. 307—Good Intent, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
R.A. 337—Constatine, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester
R.A. 613—Bridson, Masonic Hall, Southport.

FRIDAY, 15th JULY.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 (Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8. (Instruction)
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1068—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 185 Fleet-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)

announce that Bro. Storey consented to act as Steward at the next Festival of the Benevolent Institution, and that before the brethren left a respectable amount was promised towards his list.

Lodge of Unanimity, No. 102, North Walsham.—On Monday, the 4th inst., the members held a Lodge of Emergency, at the King's Arms, in this town, for the purpose of presenting Bro. George Smith, who has for 43 years uninterruptedly held the office of Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer to the Lodge, with a testimonial. The Lodge having been duly opened, the W.M. the Rev. J. Neville White, in presenting the testimonial, referred to the services done to Freemasonry by Bro. Smith; his admirable management of the business and the funds of the Lodge, his courtesy and willingness at all times to impart instruction to younger Masons; that the Lodge not only bore the name of Unanimity, but had always practised what that name implies, was in a great measure due to the tact displayed by Bro. Smith. The W.M. further remarked, that Bro. Smith had not been content to confine his labours to the offices of Secretary and Treasurer, but had on five occasions filled the Master's chair in his Lodge, had been G.S.B. in 1858, and G.S.W. in 1869, and was he believed almost the oldest Mason in the Province. The Masonic Charities had always had a firm friend in Bro. Smith, who was in his life and conduct an embodiment of the virtues and graces characteristic of Freemasonry. The W.M., then amidst rounds of Masonic applause, begged Bro. Smith's acceptance of a handsome Silver Tea and Coffee Service, expressly made by Messrs. Elkington, of London, engraved with Masonic Emblems, and inscribed as follows:—"Presented to Brother George Smith, by his brethren of the Lodge of Unanimity, No. 102, in token of their fraternal regard and esteem for him as a good man, a good Mason, and the good Secretary of their Lodge for the past 43 years, June 5th, 1881." The brethren then adjourned from labour to refreshment, and the evening was spent in order.

West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction, No. 1623.—A numerously attended meeting of this Lodge was held at the Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's Churchyard, E.C., on Monday, the 27th ultimo, under the Preceptorship of Bro. Pennefather, when the Fifteen Sections were worked by the brethren of the Percy Lodge of Instruction. Bros. S. E. Moss W.M., R. Pearcy S.W., A. W. Fenner J.W. First Lecture:—Bros. Goodenough, Sproat (2), C. Patrick, I. P. Cohen, and H. J. Lardner (2). Second Lecture:—Bros. A. R. Green, D. Moss, C. Weeden, H. P. Isaac, and J. King. Third Lecture:—Bros. I. P. Cohen, A. W. Fenner, and R. Pearcy. Bros. Moss, Pearcy, and Fenner were made honorary members. Several brethren were elected members. After the business was completed, the Lodge was closed in due form, and the brethren separated, with fraternal greetings, and a hope of spending many such pleasant evenings together.

A meeting of the West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction was held at the Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's Churchyard, E.C., on Monday, the 4th inst., when the Lodge was adjourned until the last Monday in September.

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E OF MASSACHUSETTS.

ication of the Grand Lodge of Massa-
eld at Brockton, on the 10th May, for
ting the new Masonic apartments of
lge. Bro. S. C. Lawrence M.W.G.M.
the Grand Officers present were Bros.
ty Grand Master, F. Lyman Winship
en, Nathan S. Kimball Junior Grand
lls Grand Treasurer, Tracy P. Cheever
Secretary, Jonathan Bigelow D.D.G.
2, John B. Thayer D.D.G. Master
Rev. Hiram L. Kelsey as Grand Chap-
having been opened in Prelate Hall,
narched in procession under the con-
of the Paul Revere Lodge, where was
ncourse of the brethren, members of
ther Lodges in the neighbourhood.
ffered by the acting Grand Chaplain,
lication was most impressively carried
aster, who, when he had completed this
briefly addressed the brethren on the
condition of Freemasonry in the State.
led with the expression of a hope for
erity of the Paul Revere Lodge, after
withdrew to the Prelate Hall, and was
e evening the Grand Officers were most
ed by the members of the Paul Revere
rminating with a levee and reception
he ladies.

the regular Quarterly Communication
s held in the Masonic Temple, Boston,
y of Bro. S. C. Lawrence Most Wor-
er, who was supported by the following
mely, Bros. F. Lyman Winship Senior
nry G. Fay as Junior Grand Warden,
Recording Grand Secretary, George P.
ing Grand Secretary, John L Steven-
Marshall, Charles M. Avery and J.
Lecturers, Charles Harris G.J. Deacon.
esent Past Grand Masters Bros. Chas.
rson, and Charles A. Welch, and Past
sters Bros. G. W. Warren, Charles L.
. H. Howland jun., together with the
eighty-one Lodges in the jurisdiction.
of the proceedings was without interest
s of the State, but Grand Lodge ac-
of the Committee appointed to consider
centenary Warrants being granted to
o receive them and centenary medals
ular members of all such Lodges. The
body of the proposed Warrant, the pre-
tatement of the circumstances of its
ecessary :—

know ye, That I,

Masons in Massachusetts, by virtue of
ne vested, do hereby give and grant to
ne members of the said Lodge permission
lasonic meetings, suspended by the left
n of blue, a jewel or medal, of the pattern
drawing in the margin hereof, as a cen-
ut such medal is to be worn only by those
in regular standing in the said Lodge.

t the Masonic Temple, Boston, this

PROVINCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MASONIC INSTITUTIONS,

DURING THE SEPTENNIAL PERIOD 1875—81.

THE analytical task we have imposed upon ourselves in connection with the Provinces and the Anniversary Festivals of our three Institutions, during the seven years, from 1875 to 1881, both inclusive, still lacks a something in order to make it complete. That something is a summary of the three tabular statements we have published of the amounts contributed by the Provinces to all three Institutions. We have give the details to each Charity, we now give the totals for all three. In doing this, we shall avoid retraversing the ground we have gone over already, but there are one or two features to which it seems desirable we should call the attention of our readers.

It will be a source of satisfaction to the Craft to be informed that no less than thirty or rather more than two-thirds of the Provinces have been represented at eleven Festivals and upwards. Of these the following eight have sent Stewards to each of the twenty-one held during this period, namely, Kent, East Lancashire, West Lancashire, Middlesex, Oxfordshire, Suffolk, Surrey, and West Yorkshire. Three Provinces, Berks and Bucks, Cheshire, and Herts have attended all the Festivals but one, Berks and Bucks having missed the Benevolent Festival in 1876. Cheshire, the Benevolent of 1879, and Herts, the Girls' Festival of 1876. Four have subscribed at nineteen Festivals, namely, Hants and Isle of Wight, unrepresented at the Girls' Festivals of 1875 and 1877; Somersetshire absent from the Girls in 1877 and the R.M.I.B. in 1880; Surrey from the Benevolent in 1875 and the Girls' in 1876; and Warwickshire from the Benevolent Festivals of 1876 and 1878; Derbyshire, Devonshire, and Essex have missed three Festivals; the first the Benevolent of 1876, and the Girls' of 1876 and 1877; the second, the Benevolent of 1879, the Girls of 1875, and the Boys of 1880; and the last, the Benevolent of 1875, and the Girls' Festivals of 1876 and 1879. Gloucestershire, unrepresented in 1875 and 1876 at the Benevolent and Girls' Festivals, has sent Stewards to seventeen Festivals. Dorsetshire, North Wales and Salop, and Staffordshire have attended sixteen Festivals; Lincolnshire and East Yorkshire fifteen, Wiltshire fourteen, Norfolk and South Wales, East Division, thirteen, Durham and Northumberland twelve each, and Leicestershire and Rutland eleven. The remaining Provinces show the following attendances, namely, Bristol ten; Notts and South Wales (Western Division) nine each; Norths and Hunts eight; Cornwall, Cumberland and Westmoreland, and Worcestershire seven each; Northumberland six, Cambridge and Jersey three, Beds and Herefordshire two, and Channel Islands one. Somersetshire, West Lancashire, and West Yorkshire have each had the honour of furnishing the Chairman at two Festivals. Durham, Gloucestershire, Hants and the Isle of Wight, Lancashire East, Norfolk, Norths and Hunts, Oxfordshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, and North and East Yorkshire, by their respective Chiefs, have presided each at one Festival, while Oxfordshire and Staffordshire may be said to have shared the honours of the presidency at the Benevolent Festival in 1877, Prince Leopold Prov. G.M. of the former having undertaken to preside, but being at the last moment prevented by illness from carrying out his intention, while the late Earl of Shrewsbury and Talbot generously took the place of His Royal Highness. The Chairman at

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Wales, East Div. .	250	0	0	558	2	0	894	5	0	1702	7	0	13	130	8
, West Div. .	235	10	0	536	5	0	608	14	0	1380	9	0	9	153	6
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UTH WALES (WESTERN DIVISION).

HE annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of this Province will be held on Wednesday next, the 20th inst., eyland, New Milford, under the banner of the Neyland e, No. 990. R.W. Bro. Col. Lloyd-Phillips P.G.M. is ted to preside, and we doubt not there will be a g gathering of the Craft on the occasion. Among usiness to be transacted will be the consideration of Grand Treasurer's accounts and the Report of the . G. Lodge Committee. Both these documents are of most satisfactory character, though the figures they with are unusually modest. These figures show Re-s, including Balance from last account, amounting to 19s 5d. The expenditure, which includes a donation enty guineas to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, ne of five guineas to the Provincial Fund of Benevo-, amounts to £46 0s 4d, so that the Balance in Prov. rcasurer's hands at the close of the year was £32 19s 1d. Prov. G. Lodge Fund of Benevolence is likewise on a but satisfactory scale. With a balance from last of £18 16s 10d, the receipts amount to £27 16s, while nation of five guineas to the widow of a deceased er forms the single item of expenditure, leaving a Treasurer and Charity Commissioner, and the appointme and investiture of Prov. G. Officers will necessarily fo part of the programme, and at the conclusion of t regular business, the brethren will go in procession Llanstadwell Church, which has been kindly lent f the occasion, for the purpose of attending divi service. The collection which is customarily ma at the close of the service will be in aid of the local a Masonic Charities. A banquet will follow at the Sou Wales Hotel, Neyland, at the hour of 4 p.m. We a pleased to note that the Great Western Railway will off the greatest possible facilities for the conveyance to a fro of the brethren at very reasonable terms. Indeed, t Great Western cannot be too highly commended for i liberality at these occasional gatherings of the Craft.

The death is announced of Bro. Macrae Moir, whic took place on Wednesday night, very unexpectedly, aft a brief illness. The deceased brother, who was a nativ of Aberdeenshire, occasionally acted as deputy judge in t Lord Mayor's Court on behalf of the late Mr. Russe Gurney, the Recorder of London, and had just been recom mended for the office of permanent Deputy Judge of the

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to apologize for the condition of the Hall. ito it, we found a large room with bare floor, ed by tobacco juice that had been squirted n down in rivulets upon them. The stations, re unpainted boxes; the chairs around the i chairs in every stage of degeneracy! We d thought to ourself, as we descended the d lived in that town when a profane, the ild have been the very last Institution we ite with.

portance of the subject, as Masonic Halls are od renovated, we purpose to give a few words tion and equipments of a suitable Masonic o build, or refit your Hall, by all means give ations like the following:

nty of room. Do not get into a little eight enthusiasm will all be burnt out by bad air and give yourselves room to breathe and to few brethren in a business meeting look om, and it is very well, if you can, to have a you can occasionally meet; but most Lodges room, and it is much better to have the ing look like a mouse under an umbrella, if to render your work well, than to have a ill be smothered and have no floor space for ne Ritual.

stage with shifting side and back scenes in est Masonic Halls are now being constructed scenery, the idea being borrowed, we think, h Rite Cathedral in Cincinnati. Since that ed, some fifteen or twenty years ago, Chicago, Dayton, and other places have followed suit, be general. Those who want to see to how scenic accompaniments can be put should go rtments at Chicago, where, with not half the have at Cincinnati, the very dramatic Ritual elaborately and handsomely rendered, very e stage alone. Almost everything in Masonic the York and Scottish Rites (which together hat is legitimate in Freemasonry) can be ex- in a single room, if necessary, fitted up with c accompaniments; and as Masonic work is so character, a stage is almost a necessity in

sonic Hall there should be a gallery or passage , and if possible a large part of it. Every onic work requires "travelling," and passage room are very desirable, if not absolutely dertake to render every degree in the York by the aid of these three things we have ll-furnished hall, a stage with scenic accom- gallery or passage way around a good part of

ust be at least two ante-rooms: a preparation aiting room. These are absolutely necessary d no Lodge should have a charter unless pro- r rooms are useful as property rooms, but two e be connected with every Lodge room.

ratus is also quite important in fitting up a t arrangement is to have a central reflecting ight up the whole room, with a ventilating tion with it. If you have gas in your town, of n your Lodge, and by a "cut-off" you can ount of light to suit the dramatic demands of ged in, giving "more light" or "less light" you have no gas, it will not be so easy to by the aid of curtains, moveable by a Master produce tolerably good effects; and, talking that can afford a stereopticon will find it a in rendering the Ritual, and in entertaining families when gathered socially.

hing as to dresses, regalia, furniture, and other beautiful and extensive these can be furnished, ill the Ritual be. But these thing must be s of the Lodge.

ended chiefly for Lodges about to construct or asonic Halls.

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nchester, who has been travelling about

"That the sum of ten guineas be voted from the funds of Provincial Grand Lodge to the Hitchin Infirmary."

4. By Bro. F. H. Wilson Iles Dep. Prov. Grand Master:—

"That the sum of fifty guineas be voted from Provincial Grand Lodge towards a fund being raised for the benefit of Bro. Thomas Thomas, the Prov. G. Tyler."

5. By Bro. John E. Dawson Prov. Grand Sec. P.M. Watford Lodge 404:—

"That the publication of the Provincial Calendar be continued."

A banquet willl take place at the Sun Hotel, Hitchin, at five o'clock precisely. Tickets 21s each.

Bro. T. S. Parvin, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, U.S.A., in his Thirty-seventh Report of the Proceedings quotes the following extracts from the address of a respected Grand Master on the evils resulting from too great a multiplication of Lodges. They so entirely harmonise with our own views on the subject that we make free to quote them.

Every Lodge for which there was not a pressing necessity was an instrument pregnant with danger to the Craft. When Lodges are created, there must be something for them to do, and the natural consequence is that they seek for material, instead of leaving the material (as the law requires) to seek them; and when the number of candidates is not sufficient to provide a sufficiency of revenue to meet the expenses, it becomes a prime necessity that they should be secured. There are instances (many of them, everywhere throughout the west) where this has been done, regardless of consequences, and it is believed that many men have found their way into the Lodges, who never would have entered but for the fact that the members have stifled their scruples in order to replenish a depleted treasury—a most serious charge, yet as true as serious.

And again:—

Still another evil results from this inordinate increase of Lodges, which is, that candidates receiving degrees in such Lodges are never properly impressed with the dignity and importance of the lessons sought to be communicated. They fail to have their interest excited, or quickly lose whatever interest is stimulated, and either withdraw or follow in the footsteps of that vast array of Masons whose names are upon our rolls, but who are never seen in our Halls or known to contribute to the support of the Lodges or the charitable work entrusted to their keeping.

We have often be amused as well as amazed at the extraordinary names which are occasionally bestowed on Masonic Lodges, but in the course of our reading we do not remember ever to have come across such strangely-formidable titles as the following, quoted by Bro. Parvin, G. Secretary Iowa, as belonging to one of the American jurisdictions, to wit: "Ma-sho-la-tub-by," "Lo-a-cha-po-ka," "Ki-a-lig-hee," "Salt River." These rival our own "United Manawatu," "Heretaunga," "Umvoti," "Remuera," "Amatole," &c. &c.

We have been requested to state that the King's Cross Lodge of Instruction will hold its meetings during the rebuilding of Brother Devine's premises, at the "Adam's Arms," Hampstead Street, Fitzroy Square. The first assembly at the temporary quarters will be held on 17th July 1881, when it is hoped a goodly number of brethren will make it convenient to attend.

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ow Weed, the Anti-Masonic candidate, he is said to have
rked, Well he was a good enough Morgan for election purposes,
rds to that effect. Again, a few years since, there was a rumour
William Morgan had been seen in the flesh at some city or town
sia Minor, if I remember rightly. It would be rather amusing
onument should be erected to the memory of a man still living.
l events one must be chary about accepting any rumours about
Morgan without trustworthy circumstantial evidence.

Fraternally yours,

ANTI-HUMBUG.

THE PRECEDENCE QUESTION.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

AR SIR AND BROTHER,—The views you have expressed in your
, entitled "G. Officers and Prov. Grand Officers," in my hum-
dgment, are in the main correct. With all possible deference
opinion of the Rev. C. W. Arnold, a Past Grand Chaplain of
nd, and the Deputy Prov. Grand Master of Surrey, the case is
ar from being as clearly in favour of the Grand Registrar's
as our Rev. Brother would like us to believe. In his letter
appeared in the *Freemason* of last week, he says that "Grand
rs," in the passage quoted by Bro. Newmarch from the Book of
itutions means "Provincial Grand Officers," which is tanta-
to saying that Provincial Grand Officers are Provincial Grand
s. It strikes me the framers of our Constitutions would hardly
been at the pains of enunciating in solemn terms so self-evident
position. I allow the object of the Constitutions in the part
ed to is to define the status of Prov. Grand Officers "*in* and *out*
Province:" this they do clearly enough. Within the limits of
respectives Provinces Prov. Grand Officers enjoy the rank and
ges of Grand Officers, outside those limits they have no rank or
ges whatever, though by courtesy they are allowed to wear
Prov. G. clothing in all Masonic assemblies, and are described
ir respective Prov. G. titles. "YORK," in his able letter to
contemporary of the same date, puts the matter very clearly
n he argues that the Book of Constitutions lays it down that
ncial Grand Officers in their district shall have the rank and
ges of Grand Officers, whatever that rank, or whatever those
ges may be, and therefore in any Province Grand Officers
t have further or greater privileges than its own Provincial
l Officers."

to G. Registrar's argument, that if Bro. Newmarch's idea were
d to its logical conclusion, a Prov. G. Master would in his own
ce take precedence of the G. Master himself, "YORK," it seems
bestows upon it a degree of attention far beyond its merits.
t that through lack of something sufficiently definite there
e reasons to urge in opposition to Bro. Newmarch's opinion,
e Constitutions are explicit enough, as you have pointed out, as
rank of Grand Master, who is the supreme head of the Craft,
h full power to preside in any Lodge, and Prov. G. Masters, who
fficially members of Grand Lodge, with precedence next after
Deputy Grand Masters, and before Grand Wardens. It must
any one as an absurdity that Grand Pursuivant of England
l take precedence of Deputy District Grand Master in his own
ce.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

NOT A LAWYER.

THE LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

AR SIR AND BROTHER,—I am glad Bro. Perceval has drawn
ion to the unnecessary and inexcusable delay in administering
lief voted by the Lodge of Benevolence to distressed brethren
ose cases in which the sum is in excess of £50. The very
al inference is, that the larger the amount of the grant re-
ended by the Lodge, the greater must be the necessities of
etitioner for help. Yet it is in the case of these especially
ssed brethren that the longest delay occurs in giving the
needed assistance. That the Lodge of Benevolence is most
l in the examination of the petitions submitted for its consi-
on is proved by the rarity with which a grant once recom-
ed is revoked or reduced. But where the grant exceeds £50,
y varying from close on four to close on six months must occur
he can receive the money. For instance, a petition is sub-

until the approval has been confirmed.

As a rule, I dislike quoting from foreign languages, but
English we have nothing so expressive of the immense benefit
the assistance which is promptly rendered as the Latin maxim, "
dat qui cito dat." I trust Bro. Perceval will abide by his determ
tion to propose the substitution of some more immediate plan for
relief of the more serious cases of distress.

I remain, Dear Sir and Brother,

Fraternally yours,

"S. E. V

THE ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Bro. Perceval's suggestion that
highest unsuccessful candidates at the election of the Royal Mas
Benevolent Institution should be chosen to fill up, in the orde
their priority on the Poll, all vacancies occurring in the two Fu
between May and November has much to recommend it, but in s
of the slight additional trouble and expense, I think the plan
having two elections per annum preferable for the reason I have
stated in your columns, that candidates when they find they h
no chance of succeeding at a particular election do not always
their full strength, but reserve a portion of it till the next ba
when the additional votes their supporters will have become
titled to will secure their election almost as a matter of course. M
over, why should a governor or subscriber be allowed only
contingent of votes for the R.M.B.I. when he receives two for
same subscription to the Girls' or Boys' School?

Yours fraternally,

WELL WISHE

"A DAY IN THE COUNTRY."

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

Earlswood House,
King Edward's-road, Hackney

SIR,—Last year some of your readers were generously led to
us provide a day's excursion into the country for 500 poor girls
boys who attend the Hackney Juvenile Mission. The Manager h
to be able to take at least as many children this summer, and I sh
be glad if your readers will assist him practically by sending d
tions towards this the Tenth Annual Excursion to either the
Manager, Mr. J. Newman, 17 Cheapside, S.E.; Mr. C. B. Lowe,
St. Thomas's-square; Mr. H. M. Heath, 4 St. Thomas's-road; o

Yours faithfully,

ATHRO A. KNIGH

SINGULAR HORTICULTURAL PHENOMENON

The following whimsical letter, according to *Ho*
Annual, was addressed to the Secretary of the Horti
tural Society:—

SIR,—I particly wish the Satiety to be called to consider the
what follows, as I think mite be maid Transaxtionable in the
Reports.

My wif had a Tomb Cat that dyd. Being a torture shell and a G
faverit, we had Him berried in the Guardian, and for the sake of
richment of the Mould I had the carks deposited under the root
a Gosberry Bush. The Frute being up till then of the sm
kind. But the next Seson's Frute after the Cat was berried, the
berris was all hairy—and more Remarkable the Catpilers of the s
bush was all of the same hairy description.

I am, Sir, your humble servant,

THOMAS FROS

The Grand Lodge of Sweden has had two lithograp
views of the Masonic Temple—exterior and interior—
Stockholm, printed, and copies of them, and also of a ch
mo-lithographic portrait of His Majesty Oscar II., Gra
Master of Sweden, presented to the Grand Lodge of Sc

t alone a woman) out of a marine asoidian ; rgument to its bitter end, and say, There is

formed by your reporter that it has been course, know perfectly well that the Great rious Masonic Lodge." Why, "of course ?" ?"

spent twelve years in the investigation of and traditions of Masonry, and in severe f the complicated structure of the Great nuch among all degrees of Masons. I have well," that one may traverse all the Lodges Lincoln's Inn Fields to Hong Kong, and find of the simplest elementary facts about the nge the Craft to produce three times seven well" what manner of thing this Pyramid ho affirms that it "was merely a spurious without more argument, to be in deplorable lements of the case. Three years ago I pub- 'Origin of Freemasonry," Kenning, Fleet- th the elementary facts; and, as far as may e, showed that the Great Pyramid is the very re Masonry, as re-instituted by the Grand

essor, a fellow of Queen's, Oxford, who once ne book, that it was refreshing to meet with who still believes that there ever was such withstanding the documentary evidence to not specify the "documentary evidence," ight be of the nature of a "Tichborne trial," f a claimant to the patriarchate of Shem. member of the Company for the Revision of haps at Shem he will cause to be inserted in nt authorities."

espondent, the Reverend John Milner, like a tively seized the true solution of the whole native-born;" but he not only knew "Shem mself who designed, ordered, and conducted , the first, and the only true, Pyramid, and s to provide the material and labour. No hated Cheops, Pyramid, Shem, and all and ut it.

are to have more of this. But the world is e prophets prophesy falsely, and the people it so.

to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

W. J. COCKBURN MUIR.

e Editor of the North Star.

h lively satisfaction the letter of Mr. Cock- subject, notwithstanding the castigation he aving hastily said that the Great Pyramid o Lodge." I was criticising the theory of the otland, and hinting the direction in which explanation of the interior economy of the erfectly willing to substitute "genuine" for riticism will be strengthened thereby con- n this light the Pyramid becomes a ten-fold antiquity. I send forthwith for Mr. Muir's Freemasonry," and am anxious to see what upposing that it was "Shem himself" who One cannot, however, expect to find it in any ce," but possibly circumstantial evidence remarkable a theory. There is nothing im- nable, in the notion itself, for Shem must cer- at the time when the Pyramid was built, but such extraordinary influence over Cheops, is

JOHN MILNER.

, 8th July 1881.

e Editor of the North Star.

nything like fulness the arguments for re- s a Masonically-constructed building, and to Rev. Mr. Milner's queries, would require not d much more space than you can afford to

it could not be were the latter a false and spurious thing), the *nethermost* chamber was *five* cubits, and the *third* was *seven*. The Pyramid has *five* corners, five *points*. A Mason will now see the meaning of the formula (here I must be careful), regarding the power of the "five points," and why the tradition directs that the act referred to be done by *seven*.

The other Pyramids, unlike the Great Pyramid, were sepulchres and built in imitation of the Great Pyramid *externally*. They could not imitate the *interior*, because no Egyptian or Cowan, saw it. During its construction by the Shemitic Grand Lodge it was "tyled." The Egyptians were compulsorily employed in the erection of the exterior of the stupendous edifice. They groaned under a task whose purpose they could not understand, and the memory of the King by whom they were impressed for this service (and who, as Mr. Milner points out, put down the idolatrous religion of the people), was accordingly held in utter detestation.

I have at the outset written thus generally in the hope of interesting not only Masons in particular, but even many of the general public, in a subject of the deepest import and extraordinary interest.

Yours, &c.

KILWINNING.

QUARTERLY COURT OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

THE Quarterly Court of Subscribers to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls was held on Saturday, at Freemasons' Hall. There were present Bros. Lieut.-Col. Creaton (in the chair), Thomas Massa, John Symonds P.G.D., Edgar Bowyer, A. H. Tattershall, Henry Smith Prov. G. Sec. W. Yorkshire, Frank Richardson P.G.D., J. J. Berry, H. Massey, S. Rawson P.D.G.M. China, John E. Shand, F. Adlard, and F. R. Hedges Secretary. An amendment was proposed to the minutes of last meeting by Bro. Thomas Massa, but as it was not seconded, the minutes were put and confirmed. The list of candidates for next election was declared as follows, on the motion of Bro. Frank Richardson, seconded by Bro. A. H. Tattershall:—Candidates, 24; vacancies, 10; and to fill up Lyncombe House, 5; total vacancies, 15. On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Bro. A. H. Tattershall, and by the recommendation of the House Committee, the rank of honorary Vice-President was conferred upon Bro. Wharton P. Hood, in recognition of his valuable services as honorary surgeon; and on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Bro. Henry Smith, the honorarium to the Chaplain was increased from £25 to £35 per annum. Bro. Symonds asked whether a swimming bath could not be provided for the girls. The Chairman said the subject was under the consideration of the House Committee, but no definite resolution had been come to on it. A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the proceedings.

QUARTERLY COURT OF THE BOYS' SCHOOL.

THE Quarterly Court of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys was held on Monday, at Freemasons' Hall, Lieut.-Col. Creaton, Grand Treasurer, in the chair, and Bros. F. Adlard, R. B. Webster, J. J. Berry, Charles Saunders, E. C. Massey, and F. Binckes (Secretary), also being present. After the reading and confirmation of the minutes some formal business was transacted, and the list of candidates for next election was declared at the number of 65, and twelve vacancies. The Court closed with the customary compliment to the chair.

COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

THE monthly meeting of the Committee of this Institution was held on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall. There were present Bros. Lieutenant-Colonel John Creaton Grand Treasurer, Treasurer of the Institution (in the chair), S. Rawson, John Henry Leggott, William Clarke, Richard Hervé Giraud, Raynham W. Stewart, John M. Stedwell, James Brett, Jabez Hogg, William Hale, William Hilton, Lieutenant-Colonel H. S. Somerville Burney, Charles James Perceval, and James Terry Secretary. The minutes of the 8th June were verified, and the Secretary reported the death of two male and two female annuitants. The Warden's report was read, and the report of the Finance Committee was received, adopted, and ordered

UNITED SERVICE LODGE, No. 1428.

. GEORGE P. ARNOLD, for many years Hon. Secretary of his flourishing Lodge, who was recently elected Worshipful for the ensuing year, was on Friday, the 8th inst., installed chair according to ancient custom. The meeting was held at eemasons' Hall, Highbury-street, Portsmouth. There was a ttendance of the members of the Lodge, and the Worshipful s and several Past Masters of the neighbouring Lodges were t. The ceremony of installation was efficiently performed by nohy P.M. The newly-installed W.M. afterwards appointed vested his Officers as follow:—Bros. George R. Strick John Laverty S.W., George F. Turner J.W., George F. ns Treasurer, C. V. Birch Hon. Secretary, C. Travess D.C., Lemmon S.D., E. Maginness J.D., G. Sylvester Organist, E. an I.G., Henry Coleman and J. Doidge Stewards, Anson and mbe Tylers. At the conclusion of the ceremony a large r of the brethren sat down to a *récherché* banquet, supplied in nt style by Bro. Maybour.

SACKVILLE LODGE, No. 1619.

Installation meeting of this Lodge, was held at the Crown Hotel, East Grinstead, on Tuesday, the 5th inst.—Present: S. Davison W.M., E. A. Head S.W., Wm. Rudge J.W., G. ll Secretary, J. G. Calway S.D., W. Firbank I.G., John G. I.P.M., W. H. Brown, Wm. Pill, G. Histed, J. Cooper, H. , C. T. Young, J. Woodbridge, G. D. Woolgar, Mark Ovenden, ckford, W. Harwood, G. W. Holmes and A. M. Betchley. s: Bros. Chas. J. Smith P.J.G.W. 1466, H. A. Dorrell W.M. B. Sargeant W.M. 1184, A. H. Smith W.M. 56, R. A. D. ng 874, H. Cuff 1216, J. Edwards 1892, and J. Hopkinson 38. dge was opened punctually at half-past two o'clock, and the s read and confirmed as usual. After opening the Lodge in cond degree, the W.M. resigned his chair to Bro. John G. , the Installing Master, and himself presented Bro. Evelyn A. the W.M. elect to receive the benefit of Installation, which ony was given throughout in a most able and impressive man- fter the board of Installed Masters had been closed, the breth- re readmitted, and Bro. E. A. Head the newly Installed Master lnted, proclaimed, and greeted in the three degrees. The appointed his Officers as follows:—W. Rudge S.W., J. G. y J.W., W. Heckford Treasurer, G. Mitchell Secretary, Wm. D., G. W. Holmes J.D., J. Austin I.G., W. H. Brown W.S., Betchley Assistant W.S., John G. Horsey P.M. Director of onies, and Sargeant Tyler. Before closing the Lodge, the W.M. ed the retiring W.M. with a P.M.'s jewel. At the banquet which d the I.P.M. spoke in high praise of the newly installed W.M., remarks were enthusiastically received by all the brethren. J.G.W. Bro. Chas. J. Smith in speaking of the P.M.'s of the lle Lodge, personally thanked Bro. John G. Horsey for the ble manner in which he had that day rendered the beautiful ny of Installation. Bro. John G. Horsey in reply said it was atifying to receive such compliments from so distinguished a , and regretted they had not the pleasure of once more seeing .G. Secretary Bro. Freeman with them that day. The Tyler's rought the proceedings to a close.

EARL OF CARNARVON LODGE, No. 1642.

regular meeting of this Lodge was held on Thursday, at the adbroke Hall, Notting Hill, W., under the presidency of Bro. ut, the W.M. The other Officers present were Bros. Rev. C. Reade S.W., S. Smout jun. J.W., E. M. Lander P.M., S. H. use P.M., G. Penn P.M. Treasurer, W. J. Murlis P.M. Sec., rye S.D., F. Delevante Organist, W. W. Buckland Assist. D.C., ood Steward, J. Woodmason I.G., R. Schofield P.M. Tyler. was also a large attendance of members, and the followin , other Visitors:—Bros. Langridge Treas. 1489, J. E. Carpenter 196, T. Fisher 733, H. J. Spencer 793, B. Bosworth 230, J. W. .M. 1608, E. M. Lott P.M. 1415 P.P.J.W. Jersey, C. Braid P.M. t. Ward W.M. 511, S. J. Humfress 732, F. Blundell W.M. 742. sance P.M. 795, E. Arrows with J.W. 733, D. M. Masson 844 ealand, J. H. Pearson 1567, J. Williams W.M. 1791, W. Davey . Elborn P.M. 511, J. J. Michael W.M. 1107 P P.G.P. Kent. Harding W.M. 1238, J. Reed J.D. 145, W. Handover P.M. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, J. Gillingham S.D. 1242, R. P. Webb He looked forward to the time when one of the Past Masters of Earl of Carnarvon Lodge would be called upon to perform a sim duty to that he had been proud to fill in Grand Lodge long si Bro. Lander proposed the health of the Worshipful Master. brethren of the Lodge generally, who knew him best, univers respected him, while those to whom he was personally known lo him. Bro. Lander thought it would be difficult to find a bro better fitted to fill the office throughout the length and breadth Notting Hill. The W.M. briefly replied. He believed he had arrive the meridian of his year of office, or half way through it. Hith he had been trying to walk in the footsteps of his worthy prede sors, and he hoped to continue so to do until he left the chair. Lodge had been in existence five years, and he thought had so gone on very well. He thanked the brethren for the kind wa which they received the mention of his name. The P.M.'s of Lodge were next toasted, and with them were coupled the names the Treasurer and Secretary. It was quite unnecessary to say s thing on their behalf, as their deeds spoke more than words could Bro. Lander was the first to reply, he hoped he might be spared many years to take part in the working of the Earl of Carnar Lodge. He expressed a wish that the present W.M. of the Lo might secure a list of at least £400 for the Boys' School, for whic was his intention to act as Steward. Bro. Murlis followed, he ho the motto of the Lodge would always be to shine in that great feat of Freemasonry—Charity. Bro. Penn, Treasurer, added his thai He was pleased to say, that the Funds of the Lodge were just t on the right side, and he hoped would ever continue so. Three ye since, he had expressed a hope, that the Lodge would, in the pre year figure as Vice President of all the Charities, but he was th unaware that £100 was needed for this qualification in each of three cases; he hoped that at the end of another three years his w would be realised. Bro. Parkhouse referred to the programme of founders of the Lodge, who had endeavoured to start it fairly, with a desire that it should do its duty to the Charities, and on beh of Freemasonry generally. They had unfortunately had an app from a late member's family, and he was pleased to say they h been able to secure the election of one of his orphans to a place in Boys' School. The W.M. next proposed the toast of the Charit and to this Bro. Binckes replied. He had no doubt that the tiate of the evening had heard that Freemasonry was little more t a convivial society, but he felt sure he would ere long learn to l upon it as something better. The three Festivals held during the y had added just on £40,000 to the funds of the Charities, which sho an average of 10s or thereabouts as contributed by every Mason in kingdom, which average was far greater than that reached by other organisation. As Masons they could not deny that they did enjoy themselves, but so long as they could point to s results as these, in connection with the Charities, he thou they might rest content, and say to those who fo fault, "Go ye and do likewise." He felt it was his d in such Lodges as the Earl of Carnarvon not to make str appeals, but rather to tender thanks for what had been done by members in the past. He knew that Masonry was a progres science, and that the Earl of Carnarvon was a progressive Lod he, therefore saw no reason why they should rest satisfied with w had been done in the past, but rather hoped they would ge striving in the future as much as they had done hitherto. toast of the initiate followed, to which Bro. Phillips replied in n appropriate terms. To the toast of the Visitors Bros. Isaacs several others responded, after which the Officers were honou and the proceedings came to a conclusion.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—Held Bro. Smyth's Sister' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, on the 12th i Bros. Catling W.M., Wardell S.W., Christian J.W., Edwards S Smyth J D., Clark I.G., J. Lorkin Secretary, Brasted acting P ceptor; also Bros. Young, Boyce, Lawrence, and A. Clark. A preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Bo candidate. The same brother as candidate for passing was entrus Lodge was opened in the second when Bro. Boyce was passed to degree of Fellow Craft. Bro. Christian worked the first section the lecture, assisted by the brethren. The Lodge was resumed to first degree. Bro. Wardell was elected W.M. for the ensuing we A cordial vote of thanks was ordered to be recorded on the min for the able manner in which Bro. James Catling fulfilled the du of the chair, it being the first time he had occupied the same in Lodge of Instruction. We may remark that Bro. Catling is b genial Mason, and the zeal he displayed is very creditable.

d by the W.M. Bro. Vincent, and after
ead and confirmed, the ceremony of Installa-
. In consequence of the S.W. Bro. Manning
air of a Lodge, the choice of the members at
en on the J.W., Bro. J. M. Collins, who was
ces P.M., and the ceremony was carried out
alities. On the readmission of the brethren,
nted :—Bros. F. A. Manning S.W., F. W. T.
t P.M. Treasurer, H. E. Frances P.M. Sec.,
icott I.G., B. Williams D.C., J. Snowden W.S.

nanimously agreed to, that the Rev. Brother
rovincialGrand Chaplain Surrey, be made
e Lodge. Bro. Jackson, in acknowledging
sed the pleasure it afforded him, compara-
ig so honoured. It was with intense grati-
e post. The new W.M. then presented
, and this having been formally accepted, a
designed by Bro. H. E. Frances) was handed
together with an illuminated address, which
iption :—

remont Lodge, No. 1861.
ith the Past Master's Jewel of the Lodge,
Was presented to
VINCENT W.M. P.G.S. Surrey,
n his leaving the chair,
his being the first W.M. and Founder.
ation for efficient services, and to mark the
he is held in by the Brethren.
July 11th, 1881.

acefully acknowledged by Bro. Vincent, who
would be with infinite pride that he should
gst his brother Freemasons. After routine
. Later on a capital banquet was supplied.
s, presided, and the proceedings throughout
le character.

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dge of Instruction, No. 1732.—The
eld on the 10th inst., at Bro. Devine's, Blue
t, Fitzroy-square. Bros. Birrell W.M., H. L.
tine J.W., Devine Treasurer, L. Solomons
S.D., W. J. Burgess J.D., B. Kauffmann I.G.,
Lodge was opened, and the minutes were con-
ne worked the first, the W.M. the fourth sec-
of initiation was then rehearsed, Bro. J. C.
didate. The ceremony of passing was next
st section of that lecture worked. The W.M.
n that during the rebuilding of Bro. Devine's
Instruction would be held at the house of the
pected Bro. Coplin, the Adam's Arms, Hamp-
am-court-road, where the first meeting will be

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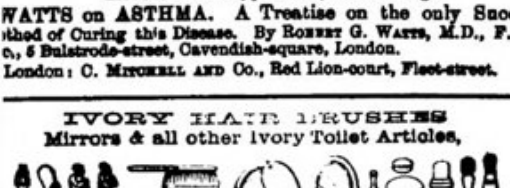
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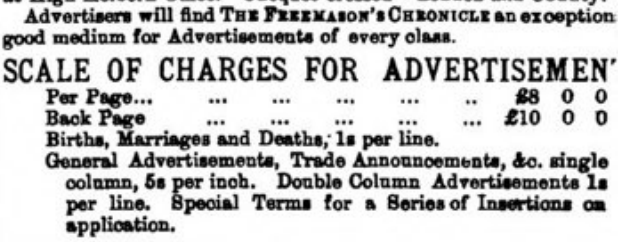
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JAMAICA.

Collegium Fabrorum Lodge, No. 1836.—The insta tion of the Master and Officers of this Lodge took place at Sussex Hall, Hanover-street, Kingston, on Thursday evening, the June last. The Deputy District Grand Master was the Install Officer. The following is the administration for the year:—W A. H. Cotter Master, Bros. C. L. Campbell Senior Warden, J. Cutares Junior Warden, Wor. B. Stines jun. Treasurer, A. C. Sinol Secretary, J. Fenick Senior Deacon, B. Bolton Junior Deacon, Phillipson Inner Guard. After the installation the brethren adjourn to a sumptuous banquet, at which, as it was not "tyled," they we joined by several of the uninitiated. About 100 gentlemen sat dow among whom were the following:—R.W. Bros. Alt. De Cordova D puty District Grand Master, J. W. Whitbourne Past Deputy Distr Grand Master, C. W. Steer Prov. Grand Lodge of Scotland; W Bros. Wm. Andrews Sussex Lodge, George Taylor Jamaica Lod C. H. Davis Royal Lodge, L. Hollar Phœnix Lodge, K. J. Spic Glenlyon Lodge, Moses Delgado Friendly Lodge, C. W. Tait Suss

Kingston, Jamaica, 6th June 1881.

ant P.M. of the Royal Lodge, No. 207, Prov.
riot Grand Deacon East Jamaica.

the Royal Lodge, No. 207, Prov. No. 1, the
solved that, on the eve of your departure
is be presented to you expressive of their
ince of your Masonic connection with them,
steem for you.

that document having been entrusted to us,
Lodge to express to you how deeply we all
rill soon take place.

ie members of the Lodge have always been
od feeling and attention to the desires, and
eciation of the acts of the brethren, that you
o us all.

much satisfaction to your year of office as
d we can never forget your happy and suc-
the many opportunities which we then had of
g your worth as a Mason, and as a friend, ever
i counsel all with whom you had Masonic

portunity of publicly recognising the valuable
dered to the Lodge whilst you occupied the
ere recorded in the minutes (attached thereto)
entation of a Past Master's jewel; but even
i that exalted position, your services have
and readily at the disposal of the members;
an earnest of your zeal for the welfare of the
gratefully to acknowledge.

ll accept and convey to Mrs. Sargeant and the
ur family an expression of our hope that
h over you all in your journey through life,
id prosper you and yours.

Wor. Sir and Dear Brother,

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

Master, G. M. Duff I.P.M., R. Langley P.M.,
., J. M. Simpson J.W., C. M. Sherlock Sec.,
W. and Wor. Master (S.C.)

Lodge, No. 207 Prov. No. 1.

om Minutes referred to in Address.

as unanimously agreed to, "That a suitable
d and presented by this Lodge to the Wor.
ster, as a mark of appreciation of the services
bility, skill, and kindness with which he ruled,
armony that existed therein during his ad-
token of the esteem and regard in which he
.

with full powers, be appointed to carry out
solution.

ro. E. X. Leon here brought to the notice of
ion passed at the last installation meeting,
resentation of a testimonial to the Wor. Bro.
in the hands of the Wor. Master the testi-
. The Lodge having agreed to this, the Wor.
Duff) addressed the Wor. Bro. Sargeant, and
nial, consisting of a Past Master's jewel. The
epted the same, and returned thanks in grateful

(Signed) E. X. Leon W.M.
C. M. Sherlock Secretary.

REPLY.

Kingston, 6th June 1881.

on Master, the Past Masters, and Members of
yal Lodge, No. 207, Prov. No. 1.

—It has been with no small feelings of gratifi-
I have listened to the address that has just
ted to me.

isfaction you feel at my conduct during my
er of this my mother Lodge, and at my general
brethren, both in and out of the Lodge room.
o do, during my past Masonic career, what I be-
Masonry in general, and this Lodge in particular,
my assurance that the greenest spots in my memory will ever be the pleasurable recollection of my connection with the Royal Lodge, the numerous friends I leave amongst you, and the happy days spent in your beautiful Isle of Springs.

I remain, my Dear Brethren,

Yours fraternally and affectionately,

Geo. J. Sargeant,
P.M. Royal Lodge.

The Installation of the Principals and Officers of the Sussex Holy Royal Arch Chapter took place at Sussex Hall, Hanover Street, Kingston, on Tuesday, the 14th June. The following is the Administration for the ensuing term :—Comps. W. L. Madon Z., John Harris H., A. H. Jones J., F. W. Melville Scribe E., F. C. S. Callow Scribe N., Wm. Duff P. Soj., J. C. Ford 1st Asst. Soj., A. H. Alexander 2nd Asst. Soj., G. G. H. Waldron Treasurer, George Magnus Janitor.

PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT.

THIS Lodge held its annual meeting at the Masonic Hall, Albion-place, Southampton, on Thursday, 7th inst., when there were present M.M. Bro. Rev. G. R. Portal P.G.M.M.M. of England and P.G.M. of Hants and the Isle of Wight; V.W. Bros. W. Hickman D.P.G.M. Hants and I.W., C. F. Matier D.P.G.M.M. Lancashire and P.G.W. of England, F. Binckes G.M.S. England; Bros. J. B. Le Feavre Lodge No. 63 P.G.S.W. and G.M.O. England, J. B. Thomas 63 P.P.J.W., R. L. Loveland 63 P.G. Treasurer, T. W. Faulkner 140 P.P.S.G.W., M. Emanuel 63 P.G.S., R. Osborne 17 P.P.G.D., J. Dew 37 P.G.J.W., G. J. Tilling 63 P.G. Sec., A. L. Emanuel 62 P.P.G.R., C. B. Whitcomb 2 P.P.D.C., J. R. Weston 63 P.G.M.O., D. O. Hobbs 63 P.G.S., H. J. Andrews 17 P.P.S.G.D., G. A. Mursell 140 P.P.I.G., W. J. Grove 2 P.G.D.C., P. Warren Sec. 63, E. Worth 125 P.G.S.B., H. Coles 62, S. Short 125, G. Cross 63, C. W. A. Jellicoe S.W. 63, J. Pomeroy J.W. 54, W. Horton S.D. 63, R. W. Mitchell J.W. 2, H. J. Thatcher M.O. 37, W. Marshalsay J.D. 17, H. Jenkins S.W. 125, and J. Watson P.G. Tyler 17. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, the accounts of the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge were produced by the auditors, and showed a small balance in hand. Bro. Loveland was unanimously re-elected Provincial Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year; and the W M.'s of Lodges 125 and 140 were elected as a committee to audit the P.G. Treasurer's accounts. The Provincial Grand Secretary read the list of the returns from Lodges of the Province, and these were ordered to be entered on the minutes. The P.G.M. gave a summary of the reports of the general Board, presented in November and May last. The P.G.M., alluding to the gratifying meeting in connection with the Mark Benevolent Fund on the previous day, drew special attention to the Educational Scheme, and invited some of the brethren to become Stewards at the next Festival. A sum of five guineas was voted to the Fund, and Bro. A. L. Emanuel announced that he would take the office of Steward of this Province at the next Festival. The following brethren were then appointed and invested as Provincial Grand Officers :—Bros. W. Hickman 63 D.P.G.M., W. J. Hickman 63 S.G.W., Bond 17 J.G.W., A. L. Emanuel 62 G.M.O., C. B. Whitcomb 2 G.S.O., G. Lear 37 G.J.O., Rev. A. G. Barker 37 Grand Chaplain, C. W. A. Jellicoe 63 G. Reg. M., G. J. Tilling 63 G. Sec., P. Warren 63 S.G.D., Warden 62 J.G.D., J. Pomeroy 54 G.I. Works, G. A. Mursell 140 G. Dir. Cer., H. N. Jenkins 125 Assist. G. Dir. Cer., H. J. Thatcher 37 Grand Sword Bearer, R. Osborne 17 G. Organist, R. W. Mitchell 2 G.I.G., Francis 62, and W. Hornton 63 Grand Stewards, J. Watson 17 G. Tyler. At the close of meeting the brethren sat down to a banquet. The P.G.M.M.M. presided, and the usual Masonic and other toasts were duly honoured.—*Portsmouth Times.*

RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE.

Eboracum Conclave, No. 137.—The regular meeting of this Conclave was held on the 7th inst., at York, when the M.P.S. Bro. C. G. Padel was on the throne, supported by Bros. T. B. Whyte-

e to all who chose to patronise them. We are much
ff now. There is hardly a moderate sized district in
which is without a bath, and in the great majority of cases
ngs, appointments, and accommodation leave nothing to be
Some day, doubtless, when School Boards and Boards of
ave awakened to a due sense of their responsibilities, every
man, woman and child will be an adept at the art of swim-
In the meantime, however, we must make the best of the
facilities the gods have bestowed upon us, and bathe
where and how we find it most convenient. The inha-
of Kew and its neighbourhood are greatly to be envied.
ill has constructed, at great expense, a most spacious
ig bath in the grounds attached to the Star and
Hotel, Kew Bridge. The dimensions of the said bath
follow: length 118 feet, breadth forty-eight feet,
ranging from 4 feet to 5½ feet. At the lower part,
he depth is greatest, a series of dressing rooms, occupying a
sixty feet by ten has been constructed. The floor of the bath
ilted, and the walls are of concrete, overlaid by white
ed tiles, while there is a constant flow of filtered water from
it Middlesex Water Works. Here the amateur of bathing or
ig may indulge his predilection to his heart's content, from
y hours of the morning till late in the evening, and all the
ind. Here too, he may acquire, by the aid of professional
its, the art of swimming, the principal instructor being Pro-
'. E. Oakes, who is better known in the swimming world as
er," a most able teacher, who is equally at home in orna-
and plain swimming, and has given practical proof of his
oy by saving the lives of no less than thirty-two
Madame Oakes plays the part of instructress to the
o whose sole use the bath is set apart every Tuesday and
between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The charges are
ly moderate, considering the character of the accommodation
, a single ticket being priced at one shilling, while a season
ticket is £1 10s, or inclusive of skating in the winter, two
The fee payable for instruction in swimming is at the rate
nea for every ten lessons, and there is no doubt that, with
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e this admirable bath. We are confident they will meet
erything which the most exigent can desire in the way of
, convenience, and civility.

ARS LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 1349.

imagine the ruling spirits of any Lodge of Instruction where
the meetings are continued throughout the year will agree
that the work of securing a good muster of brethren during
few weeks, or, indeed, at any time when the thermometer
nch aptness to rise as of late, is no light undertaking. Indeed
tom of adjourning over the summer months is becoming
al. There are, of course, some exceptions to the rule, where
usters and interesting meetings take place as regularly as the
omes round; and we think the Friars can lay claim to
nong the foremost in this respect. With a view of acquiring
lge and imparting light and instruction, some of the members
recently introduced a somewhat novel innovation in
Freemasonry, which, although perhaps outside the usual
f education we look for in such quarters, is one we think might,
roper management, be advantageously alternated with the
utine of Lodge work. There was a good muster of brethren
hostelry of Bro. Pavitt—the Liverpool Arms, Canning
on Tuesday, and those who had not travelled with the
y from London were speedily made acquainted with the pro-
of the evening, which embraced a visit to a neighbouring
and an inspection of some of its principal features of in-
We pause for a moment here to take some little credit to
s, as we believe it was in consequence of two distinguished
sters reading in our pages of the doings of the members of
con Lodge, of Thirsk, and others, that the little excursion we
reporting was decided upon. As soon as was convenient the
which now included the clerical member of the Lodge, but we
o say lacked the genial presence of the respected Secretary,
to the Railway Station, and in due course arrived at their
ion, where they were cordially welcomed by the officials of
rict. The party was here augmented by several brethren
been unable, from pressure of business, to put in an ap-

W. H. Gillman P.Z. P.P.G. 1st Assist. Soj. The accounts o
Treasurer were audited and found in a satisfactory condition.
followed the installation of the First Principal, Excellent Compa
W. T. Walter. This was ably performed by Ex-Companion
Allen, assisted by Ex-Companions W. H. Gillman and J. Ba
Amongst the Board of Installed Principals were Ex-Companions
Gover, J. Gould, J. H. Blackall, E. Aitken Davies, J. R. Lord,
Dugdale. The other Principals Elect were Companions J. Aller
J. E. Nicholls J. The other Officers invested were Companio
Gould I.P.Z., W. H. Gillman S.E., H. Conquer S.N., John Ba
Treasurer, W. J. Stanbury P.S., T. S. May 1st Assist. Soj.
May 2nd Assist. Soj., Henry Rogers D.C., J. Lashbrook Janitor.

We are informed that Bro. James Terry Prov. S.G.
Norths and Hunts, and Past Provincial J.G.W. Herts,
has kindly consented to rehearse the ceremonies of Co
cration and Installation, on Wednesday, the 27th inst
at 7 o'clock, in the Mount Lebanon Lodge of Instructi
No. 73, which is held at the Horse Shoe Inn, Newing
Causeway. Brethren to attend in Masonic clothi
A cold collation will be provided by Bro. Gallant. Tick
for which (3s each) may be had of the Secretary, Brot
H. C. Ball.

We notice with some little satisfaction that our passi
reference, a short time since, to the dinginess of the t
lamps at the porchway entrance to Freemasons' Hall
not been without its effect. The said lamps have renew
their acquaintance with soap and water, and we need hard
say are much improved in appearance and in usefulnes
Meanwhile the cowl on the top of the Hall still *scowls* up
our office windows in a manner which betokens a con
nuance of the extreme agitation we have already referr
to. If "whom it may concern" would but have the kin
ness to make this cowl as ornamental as it probably
useful, they would be conferring a boon on the people w
enjoy the daily privilege of watching its irregular mov
ments.

According to the *Masonic Review*, the Grand Chapter
Nova Scotia was organised ten years ago, at which time
included only three Chapters, with one hundred a
thirty-six members. There are now eleven Chapters
the jurisdiction, the united membership of which is near
five hundred. The interests of Capitular Masonry in No
Scotia are in the hands of Companions whose zeal and abili
are alike conspicuous.

With the May number of the *Canadian Craftsman*
have received formal announcement of the publication
"A Digest of Masonic Jurisdiction," especially app
cable to Canadian Lodges, by Henry Robertson, LL.
of Osgoode Hall, Barrister-at-Law, Past District Depu
Grand Master. It is described as being an Alphabetic
Digest of all Matters of Masonic Law, so arrang
as to admit of easy reference. It will furth
contain a full "Code of Procedure" for the regulati
of Masonic Trials, and a complete set of the For
necessary to be used in Lodges, together with a Dissertati
on the Powers and Duties of District Deputy Gra
Masters. The work has been in preparation for so
years, and the Decisions and Rulings of Grand Lodge a
successive Grand Masters have been collated to date, a
arranged in their proper headings. Bro. Robertson h
had a long experience as Chairman of the Committee o
Grievances and Appeals in the Grand Lodge, and likewi
of the Committees on Foreign Correspondence, so that
is expected his work will be of very great assistance in t

n Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Instr.)
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SDAY, 19th JULY.

reemasons' Hall, at 4.
l Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
vern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
e House Hotel, Southwark.
ambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
nic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
agon, Stepney (Instruction)
rn, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
nic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
ern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
mbridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
vern, Kennington, at 7.30 Instruction)
otel, Battersea Old Bridge, S.W.
rmyn-street, S W., at 8 (Instruction)
e, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
, North Woolwich, at 7.30 (Instruction)
ton Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
ond-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
Dart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)

e Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich.
all, Liverpool, at 6.30 (Instruction)
Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
Institute, Hanley.
reyhound, Croydon
el, Brecon.
l, Liverpool.
ooms, St. Day, Scorrier, Cornwall.
s' Hall, Manchester.
Hotel, Seacombe, Cheshire.
l, Liverpool.
Maple-street, Newcastle.
Dunstable.
et, Bootle, at 6 (Instruction)
al, Prestwich.
l, New-street, Birmingham.
orth Hill Street, Liverpool
ic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton.
Arms Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne.
Inn, Dartford.
Hotel, Chatham

NESDAY, 20th JULY.

Chapter, Freemasons' Hall, at 3
emasons' Hall, W.C., at 6.
Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
ge Alred, 15 Chrowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
Dragon, 2 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
otel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
er Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 730 (Instruction)
Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
on, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
son, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8 (Instruction)
ib Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
rue Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
rgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
ington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
Hawbuck, Albion Road, Dalston at 8 (Instruction)
rse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
rs, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
rt Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

nity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
-buildings, Penzance
el, Wigan.
ooms, Globe-street, Scarborough
ns' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
nasons' Hall, 79 Commercial Road, Landport
, Openshaw
e Hotel, Aylesbury
Hall, Liverpool at 7 (Instruction.)
sons' Hall, Manchester
all, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction.)
d Hotel, Maidenhead
all, Liverpool

902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6.30. (Inst.)
1227—Upton, Spotted Dog, Upton, E.
1278—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Victoria Park
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
R.A. 754—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
M.M. 190 - Duke of Connaught, Bell Hotel, Shoreditch. (Instruction.)

56—Howard, High-street, Arundel
96—St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
303—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool,
368—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street. Ashton-under-Lyne
343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston
345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blackburn
367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn, Smallbridge
600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford
1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street, Salford
1043—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1299—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near Liverpool
1320—Blackheath, Green Man, Blackheath
1327—King Harold, Britannia Hotel, Waltham New Town
1332—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
R.A. 204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
R.A. 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 275—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield.
R.A. 913—Pattison, Lord Raglan Tavern, Plumstead

FRIDAY, 22nd JULY.

House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green, at 4.
Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 (Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instruction)
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8 (In.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington. at 8. (In)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7

SATURDAY, 23rd JULY.

1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
R.A. 306—Affability, Station House Hotel, Bottoms, Stansfield

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NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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ANGEL LODGE, No. 51.

THE Annual Festival of this Lodge was held on Thursday, the 23rd ultimo, at Colchester, additional *éclat* being given to the occasion from the fact that Bro. James Round, M.P., kindly allowed the use of the handsome Library at the Castle for the meeting. The Lodge was opened at 4.30 by Worshipful Brother John C. Turner W.M., Worshipful Brothers A. H. H. McGachen P.M. and A. Welch P.M. occupying respectively the Wardens' chairs. The ceremony of the day was performed, in his usual thorough and careful way, by Wor. Bro. John C. Turner, the retiring W.M., the new W.M. investing his Officers for the year as follows:—Bros. John J. C. Turner P.P.G.O. I.P.M., William Sowman S.W., Joseph Sadler J.W., W. P. Lewis P.M. P.P.G.J.D. Treasurer, Thomas J. Ralling P.M. P.G. Sec. Secretary (re-appointed), C. Osmond P.G.O. S.D., R. Haward Ives J.D., E. Hennemeyer P.M. P.S.G.W. D.C., A. S. B. Sparling Organist, Joseph Grimes I.G., A. C. Mumford and C. Clegg Stewards, S. Munson Tyler. At the conclusion of the installation ceremony, Bro. A. Welch P.M., in felicitous terms, presented to Bro. John J. C. Turner, a handsome guld Past Master's jewel, inscribed as follows:—

Presented
By the Brethren of the Angel Lodge, No. 51,
To W. BROTHER JOHN J. C. TURNER P.P.G.O.,
In recognition of his valuable services as W.M., 1880-1.

Bro. Turner suitably returned thanks, remarking that he should ever feel a pride in wearing that token of their appreciation and good will, though, in furthering the interests of the Lodge, he considered he had only done his duty. On the motion of the W.M., a vote of thanks to Bro. Turner, for the able way in which he had performed the ceremony, was ordered to be placed on the minutes. Bro. W. A. Bowler P.M. proposed a vote of thanks to Bro. James Round, M.P., for his kindness in allowing the use of the Castle Library for the ceremony, and remarked how admirably it was adapted for the purpose.

Welch P.M., Chas. Cobb P.M , W. P. Lewis P.M. and Treas., Thos. Ralling P.M. and Sec. P.G. Sec., A. H. H. McGachen P.M., E. nnemeyer P.M. P.G.S.W., E. Frayling P.M., W. Sowman S.W., eph Sadler J.W., C. Osmond S.D. P.G.O., R. Haward Ives J.D., B. B. Sparling Organist, Joseph Grimes I.G., Rowland Tayler A.G., mford Stwd., C. Clegg Stwd., Geo. Allen, F. E. Morris, Joseph ily, A. W. Lermit, W. Bray, C. Gunner, and S. Munson Tyler. interesting feature of the post-prandial proceedings was the in- luction of a toast to "The Mayor and Corporation of Colchester," h special reference, of course, to those who were Masons. It was it happily proposed by Bro. Welch, who said the Lodge felt it igh honour to number the Chief Magistrate and several distin- ished members of the Town Council among its members. Referring he Mayor, Bro. Welch, amid great applause, said he ventured to m that no one had filled that exalted position with greater dignity urbanity than Bro. Past Master Chaplin. The Mayor, in ponding, thanked the brethren for the hearty welcome they had orded him; and said, that though the annals of their Lodge ed back more than 100 years, he believed his position that evening a unique one. Bro. Cole P.M. proposed the toast of "The sonic Charities," and mentioned the fact that at the present time re were 214 girls, 230 boys, and nearly 400 old men and women endent upon the three great Institutions of the Craft. Bro. Terry, ose name was coupled with the toast, took occasion to recognise great assistance which had been given by the Angel Lodge to 'he Charities," and mentioned that a Mrs. Eade, of Colchester, was cted on the Foundation of the R.M.B.I. a short time since. Altо- her the gathering was a successful and happy one, and the plea- es of the evening were enhanced by some vocal music, under the ection of Bro. Osmond P.G.O., by Bro. John J. C. Turner, A. S. B. arling, W. Sowman, A. Welch, E. Gowers, and R. Clowes. It is rthy of note that as far as can be ascertained Bro. Richey is the t military brother who has sat in the chair of the Angel Lodge, exigencies of the Service preventing brethren of the Army from ying sufficiently long in the town to attain to the position of W.M. tters of regret at their inability to attend were received from eral distinguished Masons—including the Right Hon. the Lord terden, K.C.B., R.W. P.G.M., who was detained by his official en- gements; W. Bro. Fred. A. Philbrick, Q.C., D.P.G.M., who was ab- nt through indisposition; W. Bro. H. Somerville Burney G.D., W. . the Rev. J. C. Martyn D.P.G.M. Suffolk, W. Bro. F. Binckes . R.M.I.B., Bro. F. R. W. Hedges Sec. R.M.I.G., W. Bro. Joshua nn P.G.S.B., &c.

SINCERITY LODGE, No. 189.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge was held at St. George's Hall, East Stonehouse, on Monday, when the W. Master-Elect, Bro. arles Croydon, of Fore-street, Devonport, was duly installed as the Master for the year ensuing. There was a good attendance, luding some twelve or fourteen Past Masters. Bros. R. H. Rae d J. E. Curtis ably performed the ceremony of installation, er which the Worshipful Master proceeded to appoint the following thren as his Officers:—Bros. Colonel Fitzgerald I.P.M., A. S. ndry S.W., W. Ollis J.W., Rev. W. Lemon Chaplain, Bayly Trea- rer, R. H. Rae Secretary, G. Hawken S.D., C. R. Bardin J.D., A. iss I.G., Rogers Tyler. Bro. Curtis P.P.G.W. was re-elected as representative of Lodge Sincerity at the Committee of Petitions. ballot was afterwards taken for a candidate—Mr. J. P. Hall, of oke—who having been elected was initiated in an excellent man- r by the W.M. The members then adjourned to the Farley Hotel, ere they were joined by some visiting brethren, including Bro. H. Burt P.P.G.S.W. of Dorset, and others. They sat down to an ex- llent dinner, after which a pleasant evening was spent in the posal of the customary toasts, occasionally enlivened by some eerful songs. The chair was occupied by the W. Master, who was pported, on the right, by Bros. I. Latimer, H. C. Burt, Rev. W. mon, Jew, Bayly, R. H. Rae; and on his left, by Bros. General tzgerald, J. E. Curtis, Dampney, Jackson, and A. Latimer. The nior Warden occupied the vice-chair, and J. E. Moon presided at piano.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No. 780.—A eeting was held on Friday, 8th inst., at the Star and Garter Hotel, ew Bridge. Present—Bros. Gunner W.M., Blasby W.M. 780 S.W., ndrews P.M. J.W., Tucker Treasurer, C. E. Botley Hon. Secretary, omm P.M. S.D., F. Botley J.D., Maton I G., Gardiner P.M., S. asby, Kent, &c. Lodge opened in form, and minutes were read, con- med and signed. The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation in a very efficient manner, in the presence of twenty-four Masters. The usual addresses having been delivered, wi impressiveness, by the Installing Master, the W.M. proceeded t and invest his Officers for the year ensuing, as follows:—Br James Field S.W., Henry Kimber J.W., James Weeks P.M. T Thomas Francis P.M. Secretary, Jabez N. Hillman P.M. Douglas Askew S.D., James Collings J.D., W. H. Smith-Pars Henry Toomer Org., Alfred J. Dunn and James J. Bascombe S There were also present the following W.M.'s and P.M.'s bouring Lodges, viz:—Bros. M. E. Frost P.M. Prov. G. T J. R. Hayman W.M. 257, T. P. Palsgrave W.M. 487, H. Peirs 928, R. W. Downing W.M. 903, J. N. Strick W.M. 1428, Townsend P.M. 1428, — Bourke P.M. 1428, W. B. Edgeler P J. Tayler P.M. 309 P.P.G. Registrar, J. Lind P.M. 248, 1428, V P.M. 903, J. Harrison P.M. 1829 P.P.G.S of W., H. R. Trigg of W., J. Weeks P.M. 804 P.P.G.S.B, J. N. Hillman P. P.P.G.S.B., J. Parnell P.M. 804, J. Lintott P.M. 804 P.P.G.S J. Clay P.M., T. P. Hall P.M. 804, T. Francis P.M. 804, a Liddell P.M. 804 Prov. G. Steward. Business being ov brethren adjourned to the Dolphin Hotel, where 52 sat dow excellent banquet, provided by Bro. Parnell. Amongst the in addition to the above, were:—Bros. S. G. Wilton P.P.G. C Woodward S.W. 1428, T. Page S.W. 1903, J. Churchill Arlid 1638, — Sylvester 1428 and others. The usual toast were wel from the chair and heartily responded to. Bro. Mark E. Frost for the Provincial Grand Lodge. Bro. J. Ridd Hayman, in a ve and effective speech, for the W.M.'s of neighbouring Lodges; Br an old friend of the W.M.'s, ventured to give some good advic sponding for the visitors. Bro. H. Martin Green for the P.M.'s o his usual happy style; Bro. J. J. Field S.W. on behalf of the O and Bro. F. Watson F.C. for the candidates, there havin thirteen initiated during the past year. Between the toasts, Sylvester and Wetton contributed a rich musical treat, with voi instrument, which aided to wile away the time, far too shor most enthusiastic and happy meeting. We venture to pre very successful year of office for the popular brother who no the chair. The Tyler's toast brought the evening to a close.

UPTON LODGE, No. 1227.

THE Anniversary Festival of this Lodge, with which was con the "Ladies Day," was celebrated on the 7th inst. by the Bro. A. W. Fenner, and many brethren, their ladies and friends "Crown Gardens" afforded them an agreeable resort, and they fortunate in having a fine day. This was especially appreciat on the occasion of the last annual outing, at the "Forest H Epping, the day was wet and stormy. The guests, who down both by road and rail, on their arriva soon joined in the healthful sports and pastimes which can be enjoyed at these ga Amongst those present were Bros. A. W. Fenner W.M. and Fenner, Witherston S.W. and Mrs. Witherston, Clark J.W. and Clark, Bro. Wayland Treasurer and Miss Wayland, Se Secretary and Mrs. Serjeant, Andrews I.P.M. and Andrews, Legge and Mrs. Legge, Patrick and Mrs. Pa Free and Mrs. Free, Stroud and Mrs. Stroud, Hamback Mrs. Hamback, Gaisford and Mrs. Gaisford, Fiske and Fiske, Green and Mrs. Green, Turbefield and Mrs. Turb Wilks and Mrs. Wilks, Quincey and Mrs. Quincey, Wells and Wells, B. J. Tucker P.M. and Mrs. Tucker, Grover and Mrs G Tinecombe, G. H. Stephens, Jones, Schmidt, Morris, M. Sh Organist; also Messrs. Putnam and Shipston, LL.D and others the appointed hour, with admirable punctuality, Bro. Benin announced that the banquet was ready. The company accord sat down to a splendid and diversified repast, well served made highly enjoyable by the beautiful floral decorations of spacious and well-lighted *salle a manger*. Bro. Benin has evidently made these celebrations a special study, will account for the perfect *ensemble* which marked the proceed The banquet being ended, after grace the W.M. gave, in co mentary terms, the health of Her Gracious Majesty the Queen plaining to the ladies present the honour always done to the toas Freemasons. On the present occasion he would ask them to joi brethren in drinking the health of the Queen who, whether mother, a wife, or as the occupier of the throne, had won the h of her subjects. A hearty reception, followed by a verse of the tional Anthem (solo Bro. Sherwin), was accorded to the toast. W.M. next gave Our Masonic Rules, dwelling in strong term praise upon the admirable discharge of their Masonic duties the M.W.G.M. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, the M.W. Pro G

ed. However, the Upton Lodge recognised rules had set aside the regular meeting honoured with the company of the ladies. g speeches, to detain them too long indoors, prefer being out in the open air among the the gentlemen to pledge the Ladies, tor, Dr. Shipston, to respond for them. ston, in a witty speech, which caused much nearest to him (his remarks were not wledged the toast on behalf of the Ladies. nonoured. As it was not a regular meeting, ortunity of giving their names and rank, but at the usual hearty welcome of the Upton them on this occasion. He would call upon on behalf of the Visitors. Remarking upon found himself when called upon to respond st, Bro. Gaisford said he had had great Upton Lodge; what he had seen of Free- ly enhanced his previously good opinion of the Ladies he had no intention to let out any nce of his wife—who was his Queen—he felt at that festive board. Illness had prevented revious occasions, but that only enhanced the able to bring his wife to see more of Masonry. much, and was certain that when the Ladies rinciples of the Order, they would love it too, do. He would like the ladies to enjoy them- nan they did in company with their husbands wing joined the Craft in Spain, in a Lodge aken his second and third degrees in the West n of the observances of the Craft, but the pre- e had seen the Ladies taking part in a Masonic m considerable pleasure to join them on what etter Day of the Lodge. Bro. Fenner next claimed the Upton Lodge owed its present e exertions of its P.M.'s, both in past They were honoured that day with the that body—Bro. J. Andrews I.P.M. That nown, and his services too well appreciated, of his to ensure his toast being cordially ws thanked all for the kind reception that e. He was very pleased, and so was his them; he regretted the other Past Masters ng, and responded to the kind reception of the ro. Wayland, Secretary Bro. Serjeant, and other noured. Bro. Fenner said, to save time, he ltogether. As Master, he was in a position .M. had a good Treasurer and good Secretary This would be apparent to most of them, but thren who had passed the chair. Then there nd other Officers of the Lodge, he (Bro. Fenner) pressed his appreciation of their services, tent himself by thanking them for the able l times afforded him. For respondent he con- ir esteemed Treasurer, Bro. Wayland, with and expressed the pleasure it afforded him to rn thanks for the Officers. He felt sure that a , or one more equal to their duties, was not to en eleven years in the Order, and only repeated ent brethren who had witnessed the working —they must congratulate themselves upon the staff of Officers. The toast of the Press was ms, to which Bro. G. H. Stephens responded, brethren availed themselves of the fine- to form boating, croquet, lawn billiard, and , for which these plendid grounds afford so many the pleasures of the mazy dance were heartily in (at the piano) being ably assisted by Bro. lly brought his violin. Many of the company were to leave by road, those remaining enjoyed rom Bros. Serjeant, Stephens, Sherwin, Free, &c. very enjoyable day.

ACIA LODGE, No. 1314.

eeting of this Lodge was held on Tuesday, the the Bell Hotel, Bromley, where there was a of brethren and visitors. Bro. S. Carrington upported by Bros. J. A. Harvey S.W., W. Sea- appointed and invested his Officers—Bros. Carrington Immediate Past Master, W. Carrington S.W., Bond J.W., A. Avery (who had been re-elected, but was unavoidably absent) Treasurer, E. Coste P.P.G.D.C. Kent reinvested Secretary, Harvey S.D., Keyes J.D., Gibson I.G., Seaman P.G.S. D.C. Kent, Cozens D. Organist, Bavin Tyler. Applause followed the investiture of the Officers, and this showed the selection made met the approval of the Lodge. Brother Seaman had great pleasure in proposing that Bro. Coste be appointed a member of the Charity Committee for the Province of Kent. Bro. Wyer then proposed, and it was duly seconded and carried unanimously, that a cordial vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes for the able manner Bro. Carrington had performed the ceremony of installation, and also for the ability he had displayed while occupying the chair. A sum of three guineas was voted to Brother Bavin Tyler from the Lodge funds. The Lodge was then closed, and the brethren sat down to a *récherché* cold collation and dessert, provided by Brother Sutton, the wines and viands giving great satisfaction. Grace having been sung by Bros. Cozens, Ashton, and Tremere, the Worshipful Master proposed the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts. In speaking to the toast of the Right Worshipful Provincial G. M. Viscount Holmesdale, he said it was well known how that noble and distinguished brother was esteemed in the Craft, but especially so in the Province of Kent. The Provincial Grand Lodge, the W.M. said, was to be held the following day, at Rochester, where he was sure the Prov. Grand Master would be well supported. The W.M. then proposed the toast of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Brother Eastes, and the Provincial Grand Officers present and past. In this Lodge were gathered many able brethren who held honours in the Province—Bros. Coste, Avery, Seaman, &c., he would call on Bros. Storey and Coste to respond to the toast. Bro. Storey P.P.G.S.W. Kent said it was well known this Lodge had been ably represented in the Prov. G. Lodge. Bro. Coste was one they all looked up to; the manner in which he had worked for the Charities was well known. Bro. Seaman, who was unavoidably absent, had done good service. Bro. Avery also must not be overlooked. He was proud to respond to the toast. Bro. Coste followed. So long as he was elected one of the representatives of the Province his services were at their command. Bro. Wyer P.M. said that the I.P.M. had delegated to him the pleasing duty of proposing the next toast. Their W.M. had been initiated in this Lodge, and had been installed by the I.P.M.; he (Bro. Wyer) was sure he would, at the next meeting, be able to do any work required of him with credit to the Lodge, for which his predecessor had done such eminent service. After a glee from Bros. Tremaire, Cozens and Ashton, the W.M. thanked Bro. Wyer for the manner he had spoken of him. As he had given them satisfaction in the past, so he hoped to do still more in the future. The next toast was that of the Visitors—they were a very numerous body; the W.M. would call on Bros. J. Storey P.P.G. Supt. Works, Newsom W.M. 1692, Skevons 87, and Williams to respond. After a humorous song from Bro. Cozens, responses were made by the brethren enumerated. The W.M. then proposed the toast of the P.M.'s. No Lodge could prosper without the Past Masters lent their assistance. The brethren who had done suit and service in this Lodge had well fulfilled their duty. They had to-day added another to the list of P.M.'s. The brethren had seen what Bro. Carrington had done. He (the W.M.) had a flattering duty to perform, to present him with a jewel, and in placing it on Bro. Carrington's breast, he trusted he might live long to wear it. The jewel is of elegant design; it bears the arms of the Province, and was inscribed as follows:—"Presented by the Acacia Lodge, No. 1314, to Bro. S. Carrington P.M., as a mark of esteem for his valuable services as W.M. 1881." Bro. S. Carrington responded; he thanked the W.M. on behalf of the P.M.'s. For himself, with heartfelt thanks, he would wear the jewel they had presented him. It had been an honour to occupy the chair. He was sure his successor would do his duty, as also would those brethren who had been appointed to office. Bro. Herold delighted the brethren with a German song. The W.M. then proposed the toast of the Officers, and the S.W. eloquently returned thanks. The Tyler's toast was then given, and the brethren returned to town. Great credit is due to Bro. E. Coste for his attention to the comfort of the Visitors.

THE ALLIED DEGREES.

Ebor Council (T.I.)—A meeting of this Council was held at York on the 7th instant, for the installation of Bro. C. G. Padel as W.M. The ceremony was performed by the outgoing W.M. Bro.

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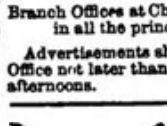
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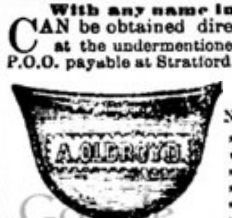
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THE LAUDATORY VISITOR.

ONE of the greatest privileges attached to the Masonic Brotherhood, and the one which perhaps secures for all ranks of it the largest amount of enjoyment is that of visiting. Laid down by the Book of Constitutions almost in the form of a law, there can be no question as to the expediency of allowing it to become even more general than we now find it; and whether it be in order that the same usages and customs may be observed throughout the Craft, and a good understanding cultivated amongst Freemasons, as the Constitutions have it, or merely to enjoy the hospitality of a friend that we attend a Lodge other than our own, the welcome accorded is equally hearty. In this matter but little distinction is made as regards position in the Craft. The Grand Officer, the Past Master, the simple Master Mason, and even the Entered Apprentice, have one and all the right hand of fellowship extended to them, and although the guests and members of the Lodge may be total strangers to each other outside the mystic circle, once within it, all reserve vanishes, and the initiate of but yesterday finds himself, equally with the brother who has spent the years of an ordinary lifetime as a member of the Craft, respected and made welcome by those around him. Hospitality is recognised as one of the strongest characteristics of Freemasonry, and we doubt if there are many Lodges to be found wherein this feature of the Craft is neglected, or even made of secondary importance. The first verse of a good old Masonic song puts this before us most forcibly, and we trust the day is far distant when any alteration will be needed in the few lines we quote—

"Should the chances of life ever tempt me to roam,
In a Lodge of Freemasons I'll still find a home;
There the sweet smile of friendship still welcomes each guest,
And brotherly love gives that welcome a zest."

This is as it should be, and the advantage accruing to the Craft by reason of it cannot be over-estimated, for it is not only within the narrow limits of our neighbourhood that the matter has to be considered; but, bearing in mind the universality of the Craft, it is a question affecting the whole world. Having spoken thus far in general terms, we will now devote a little consideration to the visitor himself.

We hardly think it necessary to refer on the present occasion to the conduct a visitor should pursue within the Lodge, as the usages of Freemasonry and the established customs of the Order are sufficiently explicit on that point; but at the social board no such fixed laws exist, and there ample opportunity offers for the display of whatever ability a brother may possess. As in Lodge, the question of hospitality is again among the foremost; indeed, the toast in honour of the Visitors is frequently considered the principal one of the evening, while the remarks of those to whom falls the lot of replying are looked forward to with interest by the brethren generally. We suppose we need hardly say that the duty of acknowledging this compliment is a pleasurable one, while on the other hand there are few men to whom the task of making a speech comes without some inconvenience, while to many, it is really a terrible undertaking. We have all heard of the man who, "unaccustomed as he was to public speaking, yet arose with a great amount of pleasure on that particular occasion," when all the time his features and manners generally gave unmistakable evidence of the extreme pain he was suffering. If this introduction is unknown among Masonic speakers, there are many in frequent use among them which are equally out of place, and which might with advantage be omitted.

Bro. A., after opening well on behalf of himself and other visitors, quickly assumes the use of the pronoun "I," and then favours the company with what, in quieter moments would be looked upon as a chapter on self-glorification. He can boast a large Masonic experience, having been a Mason for many years, and having during that time made a special feature of visiting Lodges in every part. He has a very good opinion—or he thinks so—of what Lodge work should be, and his usual mode of referring to this particular part of the day's proceeding is that "never! *never!* NEVER! in the whole course of" his "lengthened experience has he seen the ceremonies so perfectly carried out as was the case that day." We have known the same brethren make this statement time after time without, we think, really giving one thought to what they were saying or weighing in the slightest degree the import of the words they were uttering; and our wonder has often been to learn when this improvement will stop, whether it will go on uninterruptedly till the end of time, or whether it will come to an unseemly end somewhat in the same way as the frog did when trying to swell itself to the size of an ox. We would also remark that there is a point at which praise becomes the severest sarcasm, and, although perhaps unintentionally, the compliment may be more objectionable than actual censure. Thus another brother deems it not out of place to comment on the furniture and general appointments of the Lodge, and we fully believe without for a moment thinking he is displaying very bad taste in so doing. We are open to conviction that in Masonry things are not as in the ordinary pursuits of life, but at present we are of opinion that certain rules which govern the one are applicable to the other, and that so long as such is the case this topic should be ignored. What should we think of a man, who, when visiting us at our own homes, freely commented on the quality of our carpet, the pattern of our chairs, or the value of our furniture generally; and yet this is done time after time in Masonic speeches, with the idea of complimenting the Lodge on the possession of the articles in question.

Having by such means endeavoured to impress the brethren with an idea of their superior knowledge the speakers suddenly remember the object for which they are standing up and acknowledge, often in well-chosen words, the compliment paid them and the other guests and then resume their seats or hand over the work of replying to some others among those present. If the task was no light one for the first speakers, how much harder it is for those who follow. There is absolutely nothing fresh to be said, and yet all are often expected to take their turn with the result that some prove themselves terrible bores, while others display a great amount of humour and ability. The Mason who could give the visitor some new topic on which to dilate would deserve the thanks of the whole of his Fraternity; but we fear that so long as Freemasonry continues its present glorious system of entertaining all comers, there will be little chance of finding a subject which has not been worn almost threadbare by former generations of brethren.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, accompanied by their daughters the Princesses Louise, Victoria, and Maud, visited Brighton on Thursday, when His Royal Highness, amid the heartiest demonstrations of welcome, formally opened the Hospital for Sick Children.

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ted, of the attempted erection of the Tower of Babel as king an epoch in the history of the Craft? There is e enough of what is interesting and instructive in Free- onry without importing into its history an almost ıtless array of the most nonsensical myths. There is ountry and hardly a human institution of olden time ch has not a mythical period in its history, which is r amusing to read, and which it almost amounts to high son to call in question. Many of these wonderful stories n they came to be analysed by a master mind, are vn to have had their origin in very ordinary occurrences, le others never could have rested even on the flimsiest s. But though the educated Mason is quite willing to w this in the history of his own country, or in those of r countries, ancient and modern, it never strikes him the myths of Freemasonry come under the same gory of entertaining but utterly untrustworthy stories. rejects disdainfully what is ridiculous in the history of own country, yet blindly accepts what is equally ulous in that of his own Craft. We cannot bring elves to regard this contrast with anything like a onable degree of patience.

n an article we published some weeks since on "Ser- ising in Freemasonry," we laughed at the idea that m, Noah, the Patriarchs generally, King Solomon, lid, Pythagoras, St. Alban, and a host of other major inor celebrities should be set down as Grand Masters Freemasonry, and that every edifice which has graced disgraced this mundane sphere of ours, from the er of Babel to the Royal Albert Hall at South Ken- ton, has been the work of the Mason Craft in their ulative rather than their operative capacity. We et this all the more because we are well satisfied there o human institution which can honestly lay claim to a e respectable antiquity than this Freemasonry of ours. a certain sense it is co-existent with the human race. germs were implanted in the mind of man when the ator fashioned him after His own image, and even in darkest epochs of the world's history those germs have er been wholly eradicated. Is not Freemasonry a sys- of morality, and can we imagine the Great Architect tting to inspire His grandest creation with the ability distinguish between right and wrong, which after is the quintessence of morality? And as man dually became more civilised, so this power of dis- tion became stronger. The various philosophies ch have been taught in different countries and ages merely moralities more or less complete and elaborate, e of them being simplicity itself, while others were ed in allegory, and illustrated by symbols. Nor is ifficult to elucidate this truth by tracing the history of Craft through the various stages of its existence from purely speculative phase of the present day back to the losophies of Rome, Greece, Egypt, India. That is to , the great truths of science and their practical appli- on to morals will be found at the bottom of all the ious systems of philosophy which have ever been pro- gated. In what are known as the dark ages these ntific truths were carefully preserved by the architects, as the monks were the connecting link between the ı of learning of ancient and modern times. But when exceed this point and seriously claim to enrol the great ı of all ages and countries as Grand Masters of the ft, we as seriously imperil our claims upon the respect of world. We sacrifice the substance for the mere dow, and become justly entitled to the ridicule which is ped upon us.

Pyramid." Moreover it is amusing to read such sma casms as that "it has become possible," owi sundry pre-explained reasons "for scientific charlata affirm the evolution of a man (let alone a woman) a marine ascidian;" but even if it be the case that " Shem himself who designed, ordered, and conducte construction of that, the first, and the only true, Py and who constrained Cheops to provide the materi labour," it does not, in our humble judgment, follo the Pyramid in question is a Masonic structure i sense in which we Masons use the word now a or "that it is the very womb and mother of pure Ma as re-instituted by the Grand Master Shem hin Again as "Kilwinning" remarks, there may be "c Pyramid relations which all Masons will recognise as c connected with pure Masonry." Thus "the north-ea ket-stone may declare itself the Master-stone by be big as the other three together." We all know at corner to lay the foundation stone of a building. accept the description of the same correspondent tha the work of the interior begins N. E. and finishes Coffer Chamber S. W. The Coffer is at the West E the Westernmost Chamber of the Pyramid. The al the Tabernacle and Temple was *West* to the *setting* Sun of the old dispensation, implying the hope and of the great *rising again* of the Son of Righteou Every Master Mason must see what must have bee symbolic purport of the *Coffer*, and in the *West*, if he k any thing of Hiram." Again it may well be, in the ment of the same "Kilwinning" that "the dimension arrangements of the passages and chambers declare th *degrees* in the plainest language. The low cramped ent adit is the initiation to the first degree, namely, the Gallery nearly 30 feet high. The short, low, cra passage from the Gallery to the Ante-Chamber is the ing to the second degree, and the longer and cramped passage to the Coffer Chamber is the rais the third degree." This reads well, as does the ment that, "in the Temple (the geometric and num system of which and that of the Tabernacle is ide with that of the Pyramid, which it could not be, the latter a false and spurious thing) the *neth* chamber was *five* cubits, and the *third* seven." Mor "the Pyramid has *five* corners, five *points*." But then? and how are we justified in concluding that constructed by "the Shemitic Grand Lodge," and being so constructed was "tyled," so that no "Egypt Cowan" was enabled to see its interior.

In the first of the two letters we publish to-day, Cockburn-Muir writes that "Manetho, the Mendesian an Egyptian priest, initiated, therefore, into all the tions. Through him we learn that the Great Py was built under the influence of a foreign intruder obtained such influence over the King Cheops (Khuf to persuade him to 'disestablish' the Gods whic priesthood had invented." At a subsequent period foreign prince retired with his people—a numerous tr to Palestine, where he founded the city afterwards Jerusalem—that is, Salem. Now, the *title*, not the n of the King of Salem was Malchi-Tsedek, which is, interpretation,' King of Righteousness. There wa one man who could assume that title, and combine w the office of hierarch. That was Shem, the success Noah, the Tsadik, the Righteous. In the time of Abr there was but one prince greater than he, to whom he pay tithe. That was Shem." Later on we read that, who knows what manner of thing the Pyramid is,

f wheat is as near as may be the quarter Coffer." Now, accepting, for the sake of curacy of all these statements, to wit, in t Shem was the founder of Salem, and city, "Malchi-Tsedek," that he was the of Job, and the builder of the Great the next, that the standard measures of d Temple were identical with those of the cube content of the Ark of Covenant was he Pyramid Coffer, and that the Imperial or the measure of wheat is as nearly as ter of the said Coffer, we fall short of as the Pyramid built the Mason Craft. yram'd is one of the grandest evidences al skill of the ancients; that it very sibly was connected with the mysteries the Egyptian priestly caste; that it may tructed as to illustrate the sublime truths mysteries, and that there is a very great e fact that the standard measures of the Temple were those of the Pyramid; all tle, if at all, open to question. The Great of the greatest architectural wonders of wave awaken the profoundest interest in studious Mason. Yet, in our humble ikes us being preposterous to speak of hem, of the Shemitic Grand Lodge, of having been close "tyled" during the nstruction, so that no "Egyptian or learn anything as to its interior. Nor can es to see how the Great Pyramid is "the mother of pure Masonry, as re-instituted r Shem himself;" or, as stated in another ilt the Craft," in order that the latter "might ed traditions across the eleven centuries of the Temple." The principles of the d from the beginning—that is, ages before he Pyramid. The symbolical method of and religious truths has largely prevailed ountries. The standard measures of the e of the Pyramid may be held to have cer- meanings easily comprehended by educated ve made the greater mysteries of the Craft ndy. But to affirm that the Patriarchs, the Apostles, the Saints, and the Martyrs, y of the great and wise of different epochs re Grand Masters of Masonry, can have no n, as we have said, to involve the Mason in endless ridicule.

BRO. ALBERT G. MACKEY

NRY all the world over, but especially in d States of America, must be sensible of loss it has sustained through the death of y and distinguished Craftsman. It is true ce exceeded the ordinary span of human en born in Charleston, South Carolina, in , therefore, at the time of his death seventy- e. But he had been associated so many years ry and had played so conspicuous a part with its literature during the greater part of that it is impossible not to look upon his Lodge, No. 10, at the city of Charleston, and almost immediately afterwards affiliated with Solomon's Lodge, No. 1, of the same city, and of which he was elected Master in December 1842. He continued his membership in that Lodge until the year 1851, when he united with a constitutional number of brethren for the formation of Landmark Lodge, No. 76, of which he was registered as a Past Master. In the Grand Lodge of the State he was elected Grand Secretary, 1842, and held that office until the annual election of 1867. He combined for many years with the duties of the Secretariat that of preparing the reports on Foreign Correspondence. In Capitular Masonry, Comp. Mackey was advanced and exalted in the winter of 1841-2, and at the annual Convocation, in December 1844, was elected High Priest. This station he held by election several years. In the Grand Chapter of the State he was at the Annual Grand Convocation of 1848 elected Deputy Grand High Priest, and successively re-elected until 1855, when he was elevated to the exalted station of Grand High Priest, and held the same by successive re-elections until the annual Convocation of 1867. In the Chivalric Order, Sir Knight Mackey was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in South Carolina Commandery, No. 1, in 1842, and was elected its Eminent Commander in 1844. It was, and still is, under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of the United States. In addition to the works we have mentioned, our deceased brother had written several others, and for years had been permanently connected with the Masonic Press. Bro. Mackey died at Fortress Monroe, Virginia, whither he had gone in the hope of recovering his health. His remains were removed to Washington for interment. In the Ancient Accepted Rite, Ill. Bro. Mackey was a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33, of the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America. He was the senior member of the same, having been admitted to the Grade in 1844, and was styled the Dean of the Council; and although he had been for many years its Grand Secretary General, he was the third officer in rank.

We have received and acknowledge with thanks copy of a revised and enlarged edition of *Notes, Questions, and Answers, on the Church Catechism and Confirmation*, by John Bowes (Hon. Ph. D.), F.R.G.S., author of "The Origin and History of the Warrington Blue Coat School," and other works. It is published in London by Messrs. Simpkin, Marshall and Co., at Warrington, by Percival Pearsey, Sankey-street, and at Manchester by the Scholastic Trading Company, 43 Deansgate. We cannot speak too highly of Mr. Bowes's book. His notes, both for the matter they contain and the manner in which they are arranged, his references, and his illustrations are to be commended, and we feel sure that none of those for whom the book has been compiled can fail to derive the information they may be seeking for. One short excerpt as showing the practical application by a lady of one of the chief of our Masonic virtues, is worth quoting. It will be found at p 81 in connection with the ninth Commandment and reads thus: "A lady who was gathered to the grave rich in faith and goodworks, was observed by one who knew her well never to have spoken ill of any one; and when she could not say anything favourable, she was silent. How much more happy the world would be, if all, old and young, were to follow this lady's example." And, be it added, how well it would be if every Mason

erly proffered, to be buried by his Mother Lodge, according to rites customary with the Order? (*Vide* Paton's "Jurisprudence," VIII. "Their Right of Burial.")

Do the powers of a Worshipful Master extend to his refusing the ground of non-responsibility) to afford an explanation, refully requested in open Lodge, or a reason for a ruling or decigiven by him in any case affecting the brethren, or the interests e Craft in general?

ne foregoing are felt to be subjects of some importance, and an ion to form a precedent for the future is felt to be eminently de-le.

I remain, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours faithfully,

W. M. STAUNTON P.M. 735.

elson, New Zealand,

20th May 1881.

UCITY OF CANDIDATES FOR THE CHAIR-IANSHIP AT THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ND COURTS OF OUR INSTITUTIONS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

EAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I think it is you who have already d attention to the inadvisability of entrusting the Chairmanship e Courts and Committees of our three Institutions to one and the brother, but I see in your issue of last week that at the Quar- Courts of the Schools and the Committee of the Benevolent tution the chair was taken by Lieut.-Colonel Creaton Grand surer. Bro. Creaton may be the best of chairmen, as he unques-bly is one of the most zealous of Craftsmen, but "Creaton ys" must shortly become as objectionable as is the proverbial rtridge always" among Frenchmen. I see there were present at Girls' Court and Benevolent Committee several brethren distin-ed enough to have been appointed Grand Officers, one of them g a Past District Grand Master. Could not one among these ral brethren have been voted into the chair, or am I to understand the whole and sole control of the Executive of our three Insti-ns is in the hands of the Grand Treasurer? I trust when the her is cooler, the members of the Courts and Committees will greater respect for themselves, and the trust reposed in them, to have the presidency of their meetings assigned invariably to and the same brother.

ave an abiding faith in the excellence of the services rendered ieut.-Col. Creaton, but I consider myself justified in objecting policy which is tantamount to entrusting the control of our tutions to him and him alone.

Yours fraternally,

BETH.

WHAT NEXT?

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

EAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I see from the article on "Masonic ," quoted by you from the *Masonic Review*, that it is suggested, g other things, that a Lodge which has a Hall of its own should "a stage with shifting back and side scenes" in the East, the oeing borrowed from the "Scottish Rite Cathedral in Cincinnati." ner on I am told that "almost everything in Masonic work e degrees of the York and Scottish Rites (which together con-te everything that is legitimate in Freemasonry) can and should orked out in a single room, if necessary, fitted up with a stage proper scenic accompaniments; and as Masonic work is so ly dramatic in its character a stage is almost a necessity in pro- exhibiting it." We live and learn; and what between the e installation of Officers, and the use of "a stage with shifting and side scenes," I suppose we shall shortly see announcements e effect that this or that theatre is closed for the evening in con-nce of Grand or some other Lodge having engaged it for nic purposes. If Masonry is to be degraded in this fashion the r we have nothing to do with it the better. There is quite gh humbug in the world without the addition of this dramatic nry.

to the "degrees of the York and Scottish Rites" constituting rything that is legitimate in Freemasonry," the former has and of ancient Masonry—I do not mean mere bricks and mortar-vered in the locality visited? Did the members light on any Marks, and if so, was the guide, philosopher, and friend of competent to elucidate their meaning? On these points I thi further information might be vouchsafed.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Faithfully yours,

"SIGMA

THE GREAT PYRAMID AND FRE MASONRY.

THE following additional letters have been publis the *North Star*.

To the Editor of the North Star.

SIR,—Whether, like Ben-Hadad King of Syria, you be "my br is at this distance a little difficult to tell. But of your charity I a pelled to crave certain further inches of space:—much against for I do not like to take of the fire from the altar and scatter i forum. Besides, your Philistine of a Printer was very crue first letter, and made me say "improved preconceptions"; what I wrote was "unproved preconceptions." That is the the matter.

Preconceptions not only unproved but preposterous are w hindering the truth everywhere in this Nineteenth Century. fessors are like fire, excellent good servants but plaguey bad m —good servants when they disinter or establish *facts* in wh department, bad masters when they get upon constructing hypo Learned imposture has been rampant for a generation past; see the natural result in the loosening of the very foundat civil society. The world needs no comet to bring it to an end. bringing itself to an end as fast as it can travel. If people stood this a little they would begin to discriminate between th and lies,—as every honest man may if he will. But he must b being honest.

The chief thing that hinders the truth about the Great Pyr the preconception, nursed and suckled by Professors who h excuse for not knowing better, that it was a sepulchre, like t that were built after it and in vain imitation of it. That is the teeth of history, and of the patent evidence of the st itself. The Egyptian hierarchy, who ought to know, told He that Cheops made a sepulchre "for himself in the hill on wh pyramids stand." Diodorus Siculus expressly says that Cheops nor his successor (who built the second) was buried but in an obscure place." There is now open to all men a sep in the hill on which stand the pyramids, corresponding prec that described by Herodotus. Moreover, we learn from the A chronicles that when Al Mahmun broke into the Great Pyr the ninth century A.D. he found only an *empty box*. So, it w "sarcophagus." When it is understood what this pyramid is ground is clear to begin to understand what it is.

Permit me to record my regret that the intention of my p letter has been misapprehended. It was very far from my d use severity towards what may have been said by the Re Milner. That would not become me. I am indebted for inst to writings of his on other matters of moment. I meant to myself, without respect of persons, and without reference individual opinion, to a general declaration, *urbi et orbi*, of know, and am prepared to demonstrate, to be the truth matter.

The reverend gentleman has mooted questions of grave impo go to the root not of Masonry merely, but of the truth of the lation of God; questions which cannot be answered in the c of a letter such as your goodness would insert. But inasm these questions are conquering the interest of the neutral outside the fraternity of Masons, perhaps you will permit me to indicate the way in which the answers are found.

Manetho the Mendesian, was an Egyptian priest, initiated fore, into the traditions. Through him we learn that the Pyramid was built under the influence of a foreign intruder, tained such influence over the King Cheops (Khufu), as to pe him to "disestablish" the gods which the priesthood had in After some time, this foreign prince retired with his pe numerous tribe to Palestine, where he founded the city of

d. The Pyramid built the Craft. And the
t might preserve the sacred traditions across
to the building of the Temple. The standard
nacle and Temple are absolutely identical with
. He who would understand the transcendent
ematic of the Temple, must go through the
ascendent mathematic of the Pyramids.
the world, the frivolous and slovenly world
ne cube content of the Ark of Covenant is pre-
nt of the Coffer in the Pyramid. And what is
just now is, that the Imperial British Quarter
neat is as near as may be the quarter of the

paper and swamp your advertisements. I will
ity.

e honour to be, your obedient servant,

W. J. Cockburn-Muir.

ou, O Great Mountain? Before Zerubbabel—a
ring forth the Copestone with shoutings."

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The Editor of the North Star.

at your readers, whether Masons or not, will
ietter with the greatest pleasure. He need have
unduly trespassing on your space. I hope I
patience by the remarks which I wish to add

up Manetho and Sanchoniatho, and possibly in
on the tradition referred to by Mr. Muir. The
Cheops, and retired after the completion of the
forces, and built Salem (*i.e.* Jerusalem), was
ek (or Melchizedek), whom Philo calls Sydyk,
nmentators, Jewish as well as Christian, iden-
I think that Salem must have been previously
(whom Philo calls "the Just") at that time
robably to repel the attacks which he might
he Hamites, whom he had just left in Egypt.
had access to the records of the Cabiri, the
the second King of Egypt, tells us that the
, the second Thoth. Eratosthenes calls them
Now Misor is the singular form of the dual
was also written Mestraim, as we learn from
his last is the very word used by Eusebius
express the Hebrew Misraim. Thus
e the same names; so are also Thoth and
gives several instances of the initial A being
Luke iii. 33) is written Ram in 1 Chron. ii. 9;
Egyptian name, is Aphthas in Suidas. The
er, and Menes of the other, being both equiva-
ave no difficulty in deciding that the first King
n of Ham, who was set up by his father Noah.
was deified and worshipped under the name of
Hammon. This was the Greek Zeus, and the
city called Hammon—No. by Ezekiel xxx. 15—
ptuagint Diospolis. Thus the three successions
Sanchoniatho, viz., Cronus (*i.e.* Ham), Misor, and
three in Eratosthenes, viz., Jupiter, Hammon,
. Herodotus says Memphis was built by Menes,
e Arabians called the town Meneph, and the
s is only a corruption of Menephis. They also
s the Turks called it Mitzer, *i.e.*, Misor or

tosthenes with Manetho, I find a list of kings,
d by the former Saophis, and by the latter
rms that this King built the greatest Pyramid
the Sacred Book, which he boasts he had go
rity and a great prize. Was Saophis or Supis only
eops? and what was the Sacred Book?

John Milner.

dale 14th July, 1881.

People may sneer, if they will, at Margate as Cockneydom-super-Mare, at Ramsgate, at Herne Bay, at Broadstairs; but, for all their sneering, these seaside localities reap a grand harvest during the summer season, when there is anything like a summer to be enjoyed. Dover has unwonted attractions and never fails to draw its contingent of visitors, to say nothing of the through traffic to France. Then there are Chatham and Rochester, Queensborough and Sheerness, Canterbury with its Cathedral, and Maidstone with its Gaol, Sevenoaks, Faversham, Teynham, Sittingbourne—all places which have and exercise a claim to attention on the part of Londoners. To the seaside resorts, Ramsgate and its neighbouring localities, cheap fast trains run daily, at the most reasonable fares—10s and 5s first and second class fares, single; 15s, and 8s double. Dover has its cheap fast train daily—fares to and fro, first class, 22s 6d, second class, 17s 6d; third class, 10s 6d, and to the end of October monthly season tickets—first class, £6, and second class £5 will be issued. Indeed, every possible facility is offered for rapid intercommunication between the Kentish watering-places and London, while there is a further advantage in that for certain places tickets issued by the London, Chatham, and Dover are available by the South Eastern trains and *vice versâ*. All we need further do is to refer our readers to the published time tables of the London, Chatham, and Dover Company for July, August, September, &c. Full particulars will be found therein. We may mention further that the Company have issued an "Illustrated Guide," containing views and descriptions of the Calais-Douvres Packet Boat, the Crystal Palace, Dulwich Gallery, Ramsgate, Broadstairs, Margate, Rochester, Westgate-on-Sea, the Isle of Thanet, Herne Bay, Canterbury, Dover, Calais, Brussels (with Map), and Field of Waterloo. This Guide like others we have seen of the same character, contains in the modest compass of thirty-two pages a rare amount of information, while it is needless to say all the salient features of interest are noted. We would suggest to the L. C. and D. Company the publication of a more extensive work, vendible at sixpence instead of a penny. We think there are hundreds who would be only too willing to purchase it, if in the compass of (say) about 150 pages it gave the local history as regards essentials—say—of the most important places on the line. However, the Guide Book before us is unquestionably a model of excellence, so far as it goes.

The next annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight is to be held at Portsmouth, on Tuesday, the 9th of August. The Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master (Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P.) will preside on the occasion, and, in view of an unusually large muster of brethren from all parts of the Province, the Lecture Hall has been engaged for the occasion.

Le Monde Maçonnique for last month contains an elaborate and highly-appreciative sketch of the late M. Emile Littré, the eminent French lexicographer, who died some time back at the advanced age of eighty. M. Littré was one of the most brilliant, as well as one of the most laborious, of French literary men of the day, but it was not till he was well advanced in his seventy-fifth year that he joined the ranks of Freemasonry, having been initiated the 8th of July 1875, by Fr. C. Cousin, Venerable (W.M.) of the Lodge La Clémente Amitié. Nor, having regard to his years, is it to be expected he could have taken any very active part in the work of the Craft. As to the sketch, we should have been more content had the address at the grave of M. Littré, pronounced by M. Wyrouboff, been omitted. It was in the very worst of bad taste on the part of M. Wybouroff, in the face of the expressed wish of the family that there should be no discourse pronounced over the grave of their deceased relative, to have publicly set their wishes at defiance. M. Littré, as he died a Christian, received Christian burial, and the feelings of the family, as well as the memory of the deceased, should have been respected. Our contemporary must forgive us if we point out that it is in equally bad taste to publish

elivered by the Provincial Grand Chaplain the Rev. Brother R. lin, Vicar of Wilmington. He selected as his text the following —"Honour all men. Love the Brotherhood. Fear God. Hon- ne King." In the course of his address, the speaker said he ht it a wise arrangement for his brethren the Freemasons to the opportunity given them of attending a celebration of e Service. He felt honoured when he was asked to get the pulpit and address them. He did not care much their proclaiming themselves as Freemasons, but they were not ied to be known as such. They had met in that church to the Great Architect of the Universe for His favours and for oodness towards them. He then gave a short sketch of the ctical and practical duties of Christians as suggested by the of the text; and controverted the objections made by some against Freemasons, on account of the secret manner in which conducted some of their business. He dwelt upon the general iples of Freemasonry, and said that ignorance of those principles ainst the progress of the Order. A Bishop and many clergy- belonged to the Order. He concluded by making a strong l for alms, and thanked the Vicar on behalf of the egation for granting the use of the Church. A hymn sung, and a collection made on behalf of the funds of the aic Charities, and the fund being raised for the enlargement of rgan. The religious service was to have been held in the dral, but so many restrictions were placed upon the use by the Dean and Chapter that the intention was aban- , and therefore the service took place in St. Margaret's ch. The Freemasons had intended presenting a stained glass ow to the Cathedral in commemoration of the event, but they in consequence of the action of the Dean and Chapter, aban- the intention. At four o'clock a banquet of a most sumptuous oter was held in the New Corn Exchange, which had been ela- ely prepared for the company. Covers were laid for 310 gentle- the caterer being Mr. Best, the landlord of the Crown Hotel. was provided by a portion of the string band of the Royal neers. During the evening Viscount Holmesdale was presented three handsome vases and a gold bracelet for Viscountess esdale, supplied by Messrs. Hunt and Roskell, and valued at uineas. On one of the vases was this inscription :—"Presented lliam Archer, Viscount Holmesdale, Provincial Grand Master Grand Superintendent, by the Freemasons of Kent, now con- g of 45 Lodges and 33 Chapters, as a token of their esteem ffection, and to commemorate his able rule over them as Pro- al Grand Master for the past 21 years. July 13th, 1881." ollowing are the sums referred to above as having been voted G. Lodge to our Schools and Benevolent Institutions and for purposes, namely :—Fifty guineas to the Boys' School, and fifty as to the Female Fund of the Benevolent Institution, in the name Prov. G. Treasurer, so as to complete the amount necessary to tute him a Vice-President of the School and Fund; £10 to be erred to the Prov. Grand Lodge Charity Fund; Twenty guineas from the Charity Fund for the two Schools and Benevolent s for Nos. 1531 and 1536; ten guineas each for the Boys' School dges No. 20, 31 and 77; twenty guineas each to Girls' School odges Nos. 972, 1050, 1063 and 1089; and twenty guineas to olent Institution for Lodge No. 913. A sum of ten guineas was to the Hervey Testimonial Fund, two sums of £30 each to the rs of two brethren of Lodges Nos. 31 and 199 respectively, and £20 to a member of No. 299, making a total of grants amount- £458.

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e Summer Festival of the Metropolitan Lodge of In- tion, No. 1507, will be held at Bro. Kent's, the King's Hotel, Kew-green, on Wednesday, 10th August next, the presidency of the Preceptor W. M. Styles W.M. 1507, &c. The dinner will be on the table at seven k, and tickets for same, for which early application uested, may be obtained of the Secretary, Bro. E. , Headingly House, Hornsey. The price is 3s 6d each.

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e remains of the late lamented Bro. Macrae Moir committed to their last resting-place in Hampstead tery on Saturday last, the funeral service being con-

On the top of the rock, which can only be seen by climbing t railings surrounding it, is a rough, basin-shaped hollowing, ar hole about three feet in diameter. This communicates pec larly with the cave beneath. Descending into the cave f south-east corner of the mosque, by a flight of fifteen steps, w chamber twenty-three and a half feet from north to south and three feet and three quarters from east to west. At the end the two sides of the cave low stone walls have been built varying irregularly with the slope of the rock which forms Two lamps, suspended beneath the hole already mentioned, li cave. On the tessellated pavement of the floor, and directly the hole in the roof, is a radiating star in various coloured On tapping this, the central part, consisting of a slab of white not quite perpendicularly beneath the centre of the orifice found to be hollow. The slab conceals the Bir-el-Arruah, o of Spirits," a passage said to lead out eventually into the valle Kidron.

A hypothesis not unreasonable is, that the hole on the to Holy Rock was made to conduct the blood of the sacrificial slain upon it in Jewis times down into the cavern, thence Bir-el-Arruah, and eventually into the Kidron near Siloam. Sakhrah is really the spot where the Jewish sacrifices were the Holy Place of the Temple must have stood immediately west of it, facing that side of the stone which is to the right shadow in Mr. Haag's painting. The promise made by Jeh Solomon, "Mine ear shall be attent unto the prayer that i in this place," gives the rock its present sanctity for the M dans. They guard it from the approach of any but Mosl supplication for evil on themselves or on their religion sh made in such a place. The profound interest of the rock, if th tion concerning it is correct, hardly needs to be dwelt upon.

Mr. Haag's view is taken from the north-west pier of the fo porting the noble dome, which arises to a height of 100 feet, r estimated, and has a diameter of 66 feet. On the left in the can be seen the double corridor (the inner corridor 23½ feet wi outer 13½ feet) which surrounds the building, and is ligh stained glass windows. To the right, and somewhat background, is seen the small, tall baldachin which over the south-west corner of the rock. For Maho this is the point of greatest interest. At this point are they allowed to touch the holy stone. Thrusting hands through a small circular opening on the west side structure, they can feel, if not see, an indentation in the rock mark the faithful believe to have been made by the foot of t phet, when, with the other foot already in the stirrup of th celestial steed sent to bear him hence, he for the last time upon the soil

"Of this dim spot
Which men call earth."

This jealously-guarded, mysterious Holy Rock, with its pre ditions, extending so far back into the past, is, alike for the medan, Jewish, and Christian world, one of the most profound resting spots in Jerusalem.—*Times.*

The Prince of Wales will be present at the fun the Rev. A. Penrhyn Stanley, D.D., Dean of Westm on Monday next, and it is not improbable H.R.H. Leopold, Duke of Albany, will also be present.

Numerous anecdotes concerning the late Czar of have found their way into print, and the followin to be authentic, is one of the latest. In th 1870 the Czar, riding about the country, chanced t a band of gypsies and stopped to listen to their son of them, a young and pretty woman, came up to hi asked to tell his fortune. He allowed her to and she predicted, the story goes the troubles that c the last years of his reign. "When shall I die?" Alexander II., at last The gypsy was silent. "S said the Czar, "I command it." "Little Fa the plied the gypsy, "the year of your death is inclu



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THE Annual Meeting of the members of the Grand of this Province was held at Neyland, New Milford the banner of No. 990, on Wednesday. The number of b who assembled to do honour to the occasion, and the arrangements of the day were of the most satisfactory ob The Provincial Grand Master, the Right Worshipful Brother Lloyd-Philipps, presided, and was supported by many distin Present and Past Grand Officers; the heavy Parliamentary d the Right Worshipful the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Br Kensington P.G.W. prevented his attendance. Prov. Grand was opened in a room belonging to the Great Western Railw pany, and the way it had been arranged and decorated for t sion elicited the warmest approval of all who were present. the roll call of the Province was made, representatives respo the whole of the nine Lodges under the sway of Colonel Philipps. The minutes of last Provincial Grand Lodge held at Carmarthen, were read and duly confirmed Provincial Grand Treasurer's accounts were presented and the brethren unanimously passing him a vote of thanks services, and doing him the honour of electing him for the year. The Officers were appointed and invested as follow:—

Thomas Protheroe P.M. 476	- -	Prov. Grand Senior War
Edwin Thomas P.M. 878	- -	„ Junior War
Rev. Dr. Ring 378	- -	„ Chaplain
Rev. James Lewis 1072	- -	„ „
J. Jenkyn Jones 476	- -	„ Treasurer
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C. Rice Williams P.M. 1072	- -	„ Secretary
George Tracy I.P.M. 978	- -	„ Senior Deac
Thomas Hugh Thomas P.M. 1177	-	„ Junior Deac

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Edwin Thomas P.M. 378 P.P.G.P. be elected this Province at the Festival of the Royal stitution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of ; and that a vote of thanks be accorded him having taken up to the Festival of the Girls' 300. The Committee likewise recommended nty guineas be voted to the Royal Masonic n for Aged Freemasons and Widows of sum of five guineas to the Provincial Fund several items above enumerated were fully ly agreed to.

nd Master in the course of his remarks, ex- on at the success attending the meeting. He gestions as to the advisability of revising the pointed out one or two matters which needed entrusted with them. He referred to the area Lodges were spread. It was satisfactory to e had now held his Provincial Grand Lodge at ie whole of the Lodges in the Province. He win Thomas on the progress he was making n the effects of a serious accident he had e fully recognised the claims of the many nours it was in his power to confer, but d not overlook any of those claims, but rour to distribute his favours according to r order of events it would fall to the lot of the 434, Haverfordwest, to entertain Grand Lodge uld ask the brethren to waive their claim in io's, No. 366, of Milford, the members of which esent time erecting a Masonic Hall, and the iem an opportunity of favourably inaugurating le would now ask the brethren to join him in ice at the Parish Church. A procession was ren headed by a military band, proceeded to which had been kindly lent for the occasion by ey, M.A., where a full choral service was con- he Prov. Grand Chaplains. The members of the l, under the direction of Bro. W. H. Ribbon, ost successfully ; and we especially congratulate Blake, who respectively undertook the soprano et, the melodious charms of these young ladies' l effect of the string band accompaniment made emble that met the approval of all who had the present. We must not, however, omit to say a r. Ezekiel Griffiths, whose sterling ability as a sustained on this occasion. The sermon was v. Dr. Ring, R.N., Prov. Grand Chaplain, and Dockyard, Pembroke. It is one of the most we ever remember to have listened to, and its was characterised with unwonted fervour.

e continue," (Hebrews xiii. 1.) The Brotherhood the idea has been at times, is a magnificent con- man, however, and ethereal, some, at least, will , to be reduced to practice, amid the too stern ter-of-fact, prosaic world of ours. But this seem- ideal represents the state of things that ought to ong us. "We be brethren," (Gen. xiii. 8), "We ns," (xlii. 11). We are all children of the same The sacred bond of Brotherhood ought, therefore, w of Nature even, to be maintained unbroken. vorld we live in, are simply the family gathering l. And the law that regulates the household e State also, and the rest of the world as well. and sometimes much-dreaded words, "Liberty, ernity," are not, necessarily, the watchwords of olutionists. They symbolise and represent that state of things that ought to exist everywhere. nd pray that this blissful condition will exist not in practice one day,

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The Federation of the world ?"

words I have mentioned are too frequently asso- d scenes, the seas of blood, and the slaughter by or fallen man tries to wade to his political millen- ssociation is accidental; it does not necessarily nature that we are influenced far more by example than by precept. And this is, therefore, an intimation to us from God—conveyed to us through our nature—that if we wish to propagate the principles we hold, we must not only preach them, but practise them too. It is because He practised as well as preached, that the example of the Divine Founder of Christianity proved so widely contagious—"He is not ashamed to call us brethren," (Heb. ii. 11). He came as man's "brother," as "the Son of Man," to teach and ennoble His brethren. His inspired Apostle knew, therefore, that he was writing words that go straight to the heart of every disciple of Christ, when he said, "Let Brotherly Love continue." Brotherly Love is one of the well-known badges of that great and ancient Body to which most of those who have met for holy worship here to-day belong. Founded originally for the purpose of carrying out a distinct, definite, and practical programme, it demands of all who ask to be enrolled in the list of brethren, a profession of faith in the one true eternal God—the Creator, the Architect, and the Ruler of the Universe. An unbeliever could only become a Mason by concealing his unbelief. Masonry starts with an avowal of faith in the Supreme Being and Father of all—who can, indeed, and does find "His choicest Temple in the upright heart and pure;" but who does not, on this account, disdain the structures raised to His Name and honour by human piety and skill. Masonry is founded upon the sure and solid basis of belief, and can therefore proclaim and practise that love which, in its purest form, can come to us only from God. "Love is of God—and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God—for God is Love." Here then lies the royal road to Divine knowledge. "The pure in heart see God," (Matt. v. 8). The loving heart alone can know Him. Philanthropy and Brotherly Love—or, to use the original word in its English form, Philadelphy—are kindred terms, and express kindred ideas. We might be, at first sight, inclined to suppose that these two words mean the very same thing. To feel as a man for our fellow-man is no doubt praiseworthy. In one of the plays of Terence, called "The Self-Tormentor," an old man, in a moment of irritation, had used his son so harshly, that the young man fled from his home. The father, after a while, and when nature had had time to re-assert herself, began to reproach himself most severely for his unnatural behaviour. A neighbour, who remonstrated with him for thus uselessly chastising himself, is requested to mind his own affairs. The neighbour replied that "*he did not consider anything relating to his fellow-man a matter of unconcern to him.*" It is said that when this sentiment was uttered on the stage, with dramatic effect and finish, and with all the force and feeling it possesses in the Latin language, the whole Roman audience rose to their feet, and applauded vociferously for some time. The Romans knew and admired philanthropy and sympathy, or fellow-feeling. But it is from the pages only of the Sacred Volume, and from Jesus, we can learn the yet finer and more feeling lesson of "Brotherly Love." It is worthy of notice, too, that in the New Testament the Christian is never once exhorted to become a philanthropist, though the character of the philanthropist is doubtless a noble one. God, who is so much above us, can be a philanthropist, and a heathen, who cannot sympathise with us fully, can be a philanthropist. But the Christian, who is bound to treat his fellow-man as his equal, is expected to display towards him the more homely and affectionate feeling of "Brotherly Love." In the Epistle to Titus we read of "the love of God towards man" (Titus iii. 4)—the original for all which six words is "Philanthropia," or Philanthropy. And in the Acts of the Apostles we are told that the inhabitants of Melita, our own Malta, "shewed" St. Paul and his fellow-sufferers by the shipwreck that had taken place near the island—"no little kindness." The original word for kindness here is philanthropy. The sacred writer—St. Luke—who was one of the shipwrecked party, records with gratitude the generous humanity, the considerate "philanthropy of the barbarous people"—people, that is who were neither Greek nor Roman. But no sacred writer exhorts any disciple of Christ to become a philanthropist. The Christian is commanded to display the still warmer feeling of "Brotherly Love." Brotherly Love is the mark and motto of the Christian. It is the mark and the motto of the Mason too. "Behold how good and joyful a thing it is, brethren, to dwell together in unity." "Let Brotherly Love Continue." Masonry is, in truth, a sort of religious confraternity. It is not distinctively Christian, because it existed before the formal promulgation of the Gospel. But it is, at least, Christian to this extent, that it is based upon the volume of the Sacred Law. It is not, therefore, antagonistic to

)bes and palms in their hands." They will form part of the at will on that day sing "a New Song," an old song truly— h a new application—"The Song of Moses, and the Song of nb," (Rev. xv. 3). And why, in our warfare against evil in aried forms, should not the Christian hail with gladness those -minded non-conforming brethren—as we may style them— cause they too are fighting against the common enemy, may to be on our side. "In this warfare he that is not with us nst us," (Matt. xii. 30), "and he that is not against for us," (Luke ix. 50). The real Church of the ier and of the redeemed is, after all, larger, perhaps, ay of us imagine. Those Masons who are Christians, r, have everywhere presented to them the blessed oppor- f showing the great superiority of our own holy faith. They can Christ in their conduct. By the all-powerful force of a good e they can preach Christ, and say to all earnest readers of r, "Whom ye ignorantly worship, Him declare we unto you," vii. 23). In preaching the Gospel acts are far more eloquent ords. There is nothing in the long run so persuasive as the ible logic of love. "Ye are the light of the world," "Let your shine before men that they may see your good works, and your Father which is in Heaven," (Matt. v. 14, 16). Now abideth Hope, Charity, but the greatest of these is Charity. "In essential," says an old Christian writer, "let there be unity, s indifferent liberty, and in all things Charity." "God is "And this commandment have we from Him that he who God love his brother also" (1 John iv. 8, 21). "Let brotherly ntinue."

"Lord, shower upon us from above,
The sacred gift of mutual love;
Each other's wants may we supply.
And reign together in the sky."

, "be ye all of one mind, love as brethren, be pitiful, be ous," (1 Peter iii. 8).

n our Reverend Brother had brought his eloquent sermon to a collection was made, and the sum raised, amounting to be- n £5 and £6, was set apart for distribution among the poor, we must not omit to add that Milford is one of those splen- onstituted places where a poverty-stricken person is a rare very one possessing the slightest claim to reputability is sure in regular employment, while the lazy and criminal classes most entirely unrepresented. But to resume. On quitting urch the brethren marched back in procession, and the other s arranged for the meeting having been completed, Provincial Lodge was closed with the usual formalities, and the brethren ied to the South Wales Hotel, where a sumptuous banquet had repared for them, the greatest possible credit being due to the er and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wetton, for the excellency of the and viands they purveyed, as well as for the exemplary cha- of the arrangements made in order to secure the comfort and ience of the guests. Dinner over, the customary toasts were onoured, that of the Provincial Grand Master, Colonel Lloyd- s, evoking the utmost enthusiasm. The Visitors, too, who had experienced the heartiness of a South Wales welcome, were d with the reception which their toast met with. In short, the ing was one of the most successful it has been our privilege end, undoubtedly also one of the most enjoyable, and we e understood as using the word in no conventional sense, or for rpose of paying a cheap and empty compliment. We expe- l on all sides the greatest possible kindness, Bro. Adkins, W.M. Neyland Lodge, being especially conspicuous in his efforts to greeable the visit of those guests who, like ourselves and rry, had come from a distance, while a similar recognition is Bros. Dr. Ring P.G. Chaplain, and Symes, the former for courteously conducted us over Pembroke Dockyard, while ter piloted us to and over the Great Eastern. In fact, our New Milford must be set down as marking a most pleasing our Masonic experiences.

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demagogue, fool or fanatic. But it should never be forgotten *all* is not Freemasonry which goes by its name or sails und banner. Degrees do not constitute Freemasonry; regalia is a outside indication; banner and plume and feather are no pa it,—all these may and do exist without Freemasonry, yet are appendages, perhaps ornaments. At the mast-head of vessel may be seen a flag of peculiar form and bearing pe devices; and every seaman knows that these merely nam country to which that vessel belongs. The flag is not the sh had no part in its construction; and is only indicative of its p nationality. So it is with Freemasonry; its jewels and symbo not the institution itself; they were not at its birth or begi and were only appended as illustrations of its character and poses. Yet they have their uses, as the flag has which floats ov ship at sea, or as a banner above opposing armies. The sign m destroyed—the principle is imperishable. And now let us inqu what is the corner-stone of Freemasonry—what its foundation ciple—what the fundamental doctrine which has supported structure for centuries, and which still and ever must constitu strength and capacity for endurance; it is not the simple, t beautiful and impressive ceremonies of the Lodge-room; nor y symbolism nor its history nor its traditions? Like the elements in other social and moral fabric which feeds on itself, on its own inh sources of strength and durability, it is constituted of two ele —*Faith and practice*. And the same is true of Christianity or other form of Biblical religion. And now, perhaps, it may be in this very article, to look into these elements of strength, ascertain what they are. Here is an institution whose history been traced, dimly or distinctly, for nearly a thousand years, is still, increasing in strength and numbers,—what sustains Whence the sources of its strength and its capacity for endura Governments have tried to destory it, though it was their best most reliable friend; the churches, from that of Rome to the mo United Brethren, have endeavoured to blot it out of existence, th in one form and at one time it seemed to be the protecting powe Christianity and a bulwark against the aggressions of infidelity higher civilization and more liberal government owes much to quiet and silent and unseen power. Especially in our own cou on every battle-field of a hundred years ago, the Craft, on both s left its mark to be recorded in the annals of the future. In al every country of Europe it has been the same for centuries that come and gone, and the same elements are still in progress of d lopment. What are those elements?

The most prominent and potent of all is this,—a Freemason not, must not, be an atheist. He *must* believe in the existence perfections of a supreme first cause. He must not only belie Him, but he must trust in Him; and here is the beginning, the of that faith which runs through the entire Masonic system.

There is an old law in Masonry, so old we cannot tell when it first adopted; but in its present form of expression it was consid and re-affirmed about one hundred and sixty years ago, and was first and most important act of the first delegated Grand Lodge in world. In its quaint form of expression it reads: "A Maso obliged by his tenure to obey the moral law; and if he rightly un stands the Art, he will never be a stupid atheist nor an irrelig libertine."

In commenting upon this first and fundamental provision Masonic law, nearly thirty years ago, we wrote substantially as lows, and as the work has long been out of print, and our opin confirmed by so many years since, our views may be new to mo our readers.

An atheist is one who does not believe in the existence God, or supreme intelligent being. But Freemasonry requi in all who would affiliate with it, a belief in God; hence *no at can be made a Mason*, and for the reason that, discarding Bible, he cannot recognise the force of moral obligation. there be no God, there is no supreme moral law, and consequen no infallible standard of moral rectitude; hence an acknowledgm of a belief in the existence and perfections of the Deity is an essen pre-requisite in every one who desires to become a Freemason. certain Masonic author, a few years since, said that the Kin Dahomy, one of the lowest and most brutal savages in the inte of Africa, had as good a right to become a Freemason as *he h* We cannot concur in such extraordinary liberality, for such a c trin , put into practice, would remove "the chief corner-stone" the edifice, and the entire fabric would tumble into ruins in a ye France tried it in her civil capacity, and the result shocked nations by the atrocities which followed. The throne was overturn the authorities sent to the block, society was demoralised,

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His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, most worshipful Grand Master, has been graciously pleased to grant a warrant for a London Lodge, to be called "The Gallery Lodge, No. 1928." The petitioners are some of the representatives of the newspaper press in the Reporters' Galleries of the Houses of Parliament, for the convenience of which class the Lodge has been designed. The Lodge meetings will be held at the Brixton Hall, Acre Lane, Brixton, and it is proposed to have it consecrated if possible before the close of the present Session of Parliment.

Speech day at Christ's Hospital is fixed for Wednesday next, the 27th inst., and when the speeches have been delivered, the customary distribution of Prizes will follow. The Lord Mayor will preside on the occasion, and Bros. Rev. — Lee, M.A., Head Master, and Ernest Brette, D.D., Head French Master, will play a leading part in the proceedings, which will commence at 2 p.m. precisely

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We very much regret to hear that the medical advisers of ex-Lord Mayor Bro. Sir F. W. Truscott, Past G. Warden England, have suggested a second period of residence on the Continent with a view to the improvement of his health.

Bro. Sherwill, formerly of the Guildhall Tavern, has just become the proprietor of the refreshment department at the Brighton Aquarium. We wish him all success.

The Thirty-sixth Anniversary Festival of the Royal General Theatrical Fund will take place on Friday next, the 29th instant, under the presidency of Bro. Henry Irving. Bro. Ganz, P.G. Organist, will be in charge of the musical arrangements on the occasion.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—Held at Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, on Tuesday, the 19th inst. Bros. Smyth W.M., Christian S.W., Young J.W., Marsh S.D., Catling J.D., A. Clark I.G., J. Lorkin Secretary, Brasted acting Preceptor; also Bros. Carr and others. Lodge was opened to the second degree. Bro. Catling, as candidate, was entrusted and raised. Bro. J. Lorkin worked the third section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. The Lodge was resumed to the first degree. Bro. Christian was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Lodge closed in due form, and adjourned.

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-Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8 30 (Instruction)
-New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)

-Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead.
-Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Inst.)
-Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
-Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury (Inst.)

TUESDAY, 26th JULY.

t Committee Girls' School, at 4.
-Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, W.C.
-Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
-Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
-Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
-Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
-Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
-Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
-Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
-Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
-Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
-Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
-Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
-Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
-Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)

-Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle, 7.30 (In.)
-Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30 (Instruction)
-Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
-Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
-Union, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle
-Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen
-Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
-Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton
-Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead
-Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
-Antient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
721—Grosvenor, Masonic-chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
-Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill Leeds

WEDNESDAY, 27th JULY.

-Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
-La Tolerance, Green Dragon, 3 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
-Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
-Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 730 (Instruction)
-New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
-Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
-Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
-Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
-Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
-Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
-Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
-Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
-Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
-Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
-Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

-Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
-Harmony, Garston Hotel, Garston, Lancashire
-Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
Scientific, Masonic Room, Bingley
-Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury (Instruction)
Sondes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk
St John, George Hotel, Lichfield
Townley Parker, Mosley Hotel, Beswick, near Manchester
Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby (Instruction)
St. Bede, Mechanics' Institute, Jarrow
Strangeways, Empire Hotel, Strangeways, Manchester
Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruction)
Rybarn, Central-buildings, Town Hall-street, Sowerby Bridge
Egerton, Stanley Arms Hotel, Stanley-street, Bury, Lancashire
Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
Avon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
24—Roberts, Masonic Rooms, Ann Street, Rochester

THURSDAY, 28th JULY.

al Committee, Girls' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.3 (Instruction)
Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
Royal Oak, White Swan, Deptford
Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6 30. (Inst.)
Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instruction)
Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7 45 (Inst.)
Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)

25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (In
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Un. George-st., Edgware-rd
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instr
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington, at 8. (
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at

453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
810—Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool,
1712—St. John, Freemasons Hall, Grainger Street, Newcastle
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
R.A. 152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
R.A. 242—Magdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster
K.T. 20—Royal Kent, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle

SATURDAY, 30th JULY.

1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Inst
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at

1462—Wharncliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone
R.A. 308—Affability, Station House Hotel, Bottoms, Stansfield

INSTALLATION MEETINGS, &c

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BENEVOLENCE LODGE, No. 666.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge was held on Wednes 18th inst., at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Princetown, wl Jesse Stapleton, who had at a former meeting been unan elected, was installed as Worshipful Master. The ceremo very impressively and effectively carried out by Worshipful John H. Westlake P.M. P.P.G.P., assisted by W. Bros. J. B P.M. 70 P.P.G.A.D.C., and J. Russell Lord P.M. 1247 P.G.S Board of Installed Masters, amongst whom were W. Bros. cock Tregillis, William Rowe, W. Holdst ock, A. R. Hammet, Masters of 666; J. H. Tonkin P.M. 282 P.P.G.A.D.C., R. P.M. and Steward 230, T. B. Richards P.M. 557, L. J. Webbe 1550. After the installation the following Officers were a for the ensuing year:—W. Bro. T. Bennett I.P.M., Bros. T. S.W., J. Harris J.W., W. Bros. G. Alexander P.M. P.P.G.T W. Holdstock P.M. Sec., Bros. John Delany S.D., W. H. Gr T. Adams I.G., W. Ham Tyler. The usual business having b cluded, the brethren adjourned to the banquet, provided Tooker, the proprietor of the Prince of Wales Hotel, and the who were warmly welcomed, as also the members, did ful to the well-served dinner, for which Bro. Tooker was es thanked. Besides those already named, there were presen Hunt S.W. 1205, E. Woodland 230, J. Harris, and H. Tool The report of the Treasurer was highly satisfactory, but it that some of the Officers might be more constant in their atte This, however, is a fault not confined to Princetown. The Wo Master ably presided, and proposed the usual Loyal and toasts.

SPHINX LODGE, No. 1329.

ON Saturday afternoon, the brethren of the above popul flourishing Lodge assembled at the Masonic Hall, Cam New-road, for the transaction of important business. The present Bros. Bryant W.M., Nairne P.M. D.C., Middlema Bradley J.W., Voisey S.D., J. Reynolds jun. J.D., J. J. Brint J. Hernaman Hon. Sec. Among the Visitors were Bros. Henry Smith, M.A. P.M., 279 St. John's P.P.G. Chaplain of Le shire and Rutland, H. Allen J.D. Unanimity and Sincerity 261, Taunton, and P.M. Watts United Pilgrims 507. The having been opened in due form, Bro. Alfred William Hamm raised. The ceremony having been performed by the W.M usual able manner, Bros. Herbert Chabot, Walter Tyrell James Black Noble, and Frank Calvert Ponsett Anstey were by Bro. P.M. D. C. Nairne in a solemn and able manne the above brethren, as a remarkable coincidence, are members medical profession. The interesting and protracted workings Temple having been ended, the Stewards, Bros. J. Forbes an mewan, invited the brethren to an adjoining room where Bro. S had provided an appetising repast, to which ample justice wa. After removal of the cloth, the usual patriotic and Masonic

Andrews, and Gardiner; also Bros. Maton, perring. Lodge opened to the second and . Questions leading to the second, &c. and ring candidate. Questions leading to the sheared, P.M. Andrews candidate. Audit sport, which was accepted and thanks voted

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dge of Instruction, No. 1158.—The

ok place on Thursday evening, the 14th inst., vn, 108 Blackfriars-road. The chair was co- of the Royal Jubilee Lodge, supported by W., Walker J.W., Bowes S.D., Leaper J.D., tary, Wise P.M. Preceptor. The ceremony 3, and the third lecture worked. A vote of Bro. Jenkins for his able working on the ng the chair of W.M. Amongst the brethren art W.M. 1158, Harris I.P.M. 1158, Webb, h London can always depend on finding a actually, with good and regular working.

CH MASONRY.

ROCK CHAPTER, No. 330.

ation and Installation meeting of the above in the Masonic Hall, Bodmin, on Tuesday present E. Comps, T. C. Stephens P.Z., and Unity Chapter, No. 1151, Tywardreath, who nable services to the S. Petrock Chapter from ollins Z., W. Rowe, H. J. Denning J. Comps. J. Derry P.S., W. H. Roberts 2nd Asst. Soj., . Garland, and P. Carroll Janitor. The Chap- .m., and the minutes of the previous meeting and signed, the Comps. below the rank of Z , when E. Comp. W. Rowe, the Z. Elect, was omp. Stephens to E. Comp. Collins, the Instal. the assistance of E. Comps. Stephens and De ed Comp. Rowe into the First Principals' chair. Dennis, the H. Elect, and Comp. Col. Bake the d into the 2nd and 3rd Principal's chairs me able manner. The following investments e ensuing year:—Comps. Rd. Adams S.E., (by S.N. (by Deputy), B. G. Derry P.S., T. H. G. Garland 2 asst. S., P. Carroll Janitor. E. cted and invested as Treasurer. The sincere ns were accorded to E. Comps. Stephens and able and continuous assistance to the Chapter, plied to by them. Two propositions were then which will be acted upon and determined at nvocation. All the business of the Chapter e was closed in due form at 4.30 p.m.

ARK MASONRY.

ELLIOTT LODGE.

eting of the above Lodge was held on Thurs- h instant, at the Metham Masonic Hall, Stone- d of Installed Masters, Bro. Simon Hovshe was r. The ceremony was performed by W. Bro. .G.S.D., assisted by W. Bros. S. Jew P.M. 50 Coath P.M. 91 P.P.G.S.B. The following ed as the Officers:—J. E. Curtois P.G.J D. Eog- ns S.W., W. A. H. Hunt J. Warden, D. Cross urer, J. Gidley P.G.T. Secretary, W. N. Fore- ter S.O., E. J. Howard J.O., G. Perkins S.D., Kingwell O., G. Headley I.G., Thos Gidley T.

Sir Knight L. P. Metham P. Prior of Devon, the Eminent Sir Knight Admiral F. F. H. Glasse, C.B., Sub-Prior, Sir Knights Samuel Jones, 1st Standard Bearer (England), Rev. J. Dickenson P.P. Prelate, Rev. R. T. Thornton P.P. Prelate, William Bennett Maye, Marshall, Dr. G. Evans Prov. Vice G. Chancellor, J. Pulling Heath P.G. Sub-Marshall, H. Melhuish W. of Regalia, H. B. Stark Organist; Captain Elphinstone Stone A.D.C. (England), William Brown of Rougemont Preceptory, the Rev. T. W. Lemon, M.A., P.P. Prelate of Loyal Brunswick Preceptory, E. Aitken Davies P.P.G.N. Chancellor of Veterans' Preceptory, L. D. Westcott P.P.G.M. of Holy Cross Preceptory, William Bradnee P. Almoner, James Murray, William Vicary Prov. Grand Treasurer, William Taylor, Prov. Grand Director of Ceremonies of Royal Sussex Preceptory. The minutes of the last Grand Priory were read and confirmed. The Treasurer's report was read and received, showing a balance in hand, after defraying all expenses, of £1 119s 8d. Sir Knight Samuel Jones proposed that the sum of five guineas be given towards the Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows. It was seconded by Sir Knight W. Taylor, and carried. The Very Eminent Prior proposed that the sum of two guineas be given to the Devon Masonic Educational Fund. It was seconded by Sir Knight Evans, and carried. The Very Eminent Prior proposed, the Eminent Sub Prior seconded, and it was carried unanimously, "That the Fees of Honour that now stand at 5s, be increased to 10s." On the proposition of Sir Knight Westcott, Sir Knight William Vicary was reappointed Treasurer for the ensuing year. The Very Eminent Prior, referring to another meeting, which is to be held in the same building on Thursday next, expressed his regret at not hearing of the same in time to have the two meetings on the same day, as he had made previous arrangements which could not be altered. He gave notice of motion for a new rule, to be discussed at the next meeting—"That Preceptories or members of Preceptories not having paid their dues, and thereby falling into arrears, be prevented from voting or taking any part in Provincial Priory." Letters received from Sir Knight Tinkler were read respecting two of the Preceptories which are in arrears. The following were appointed by the Very Eminent Prior as the Grand Officers for the ensuing year:—Eminent Sir Knights Admiral F. H. H. Glasse, C.B., Holy Cross, Sub-Prior, Rev. George Townsend Warner, Sussex, Prelate Rougemont, W. Hyne-Haycock, Rougemont, Chancellor, C. A. W. Troyte Constable, Major Chard, V.C., Holy Cross, Marshall, William Vicary, Sussex, Treasurer, Joseph Harper, Trinity-in-Unity, Registrar. Provincial Officers:—T. B. Bewes, Rougemont, Vice-Chancellor, William Bennett Maye, Rougemont, Sub-Marshal, Rev. Walter Bradnee, Sussex, Almoner and Chaplain, T. P. Heath, Rougemont, Warden of Regalia, J. Murray, Rougemont, Herald, H. B. Stark, Rougemont, Organist, H. Melhuish, Rougemont, and W. Taylor, Sussex, Standard Bearers, W. Brown, Rougemont, Banner Bearer, and P. Blanchard, Rougemont, Janitor. Letters of apology were received from Sir Knight J. B. Gover P.E.C. P.P.G.T., and others, who were unavoidably absent. Alms were collected, which, it is understood, will be handed over to the distressed widow of a distressed Frater in Exeter, and the Provincial Priory was closed.

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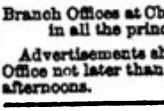
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importance to the brethren of the sex, and of some general interest to the kingdom, will be brought for- eting of the Grand Lodge of that e held early next month at Southend- ne past several of the brethren of this tively engaged in the work of estab- rganising the voting power possessed e several elections for the Masonic we learn that practical suggestions e subject at the approaching annual proposed Bye-laws have been drafted for the day's meeting, and we may efore being adopted, they will be dis- although, doubtless, some considera- n given to them. The first question rests itself is, as to the necessity and Provincial combinations. As regards his question, we think the fact that connection with at least one-half of ial Grand Lodges a sufficient answer gards the former, it must be admitted well managed they fully compensate rouble that may be entailed. We think that by means of combining its voting is able to make the best use of its er, that in those districts which are the his respect, and where the greatest tion exists, the brethren get more for parison with those in which it is carried or is altogether neglected. We do not mply that mercenary motives should brethren of any particular quarter. It er will be, a source of gratification to o carry one or two of their candidates than would be possible without organi- e old principle that help given promptly arrangement which tends to lessen the imposed on applicants for the advan- sonic Institutions can but be hailed We must therefore admit the advi- ly-formed combinations, and such being isite to decide which form is the more ut reasonable to suppose that every man money in the purchase of votes should in the question of their disposal; but on ere are few but will bow to the opinion hen they are put to the test, and for this pinion that the more stringent the rules Province, the greater the chance of the ng attained. With such a commodity as o impossible to demand that any man's e contributed by him to a general occasions—perhaps rare, but none the less e may desire it for his personal use, and advisable to make any fixed rule. But on these cases are so rare, and the advan- a district from unanimous combination so ew individuals would object to bind them- another to contribute their quota, while who desires to serve his own ends, if there s, we think combination is advantageous,

which single-handed he would find impossible. The Province of Essex, in its "Proposed Bye-laws," suggests that "whenever the Committee shall have resolved that any case is worthy of the support of the Province, they shall forthwith communicate with the several Lodges in the Province, and take such other steps as may appear advisable to make known the merits and claims of the candidate, and to secure the support and co-operation of the Lodges, and the assistance of the Subscribers to the various Charitable Institutions, in order that their efforts may be united and attended with success." Now, as will be seen from this paragraph, taken in connection with the one which precedes it, which provides that "All votes belonging to the Provincial Grand Lodge, or its Officers as such, shall be forwarded to the Provincial Grand Secretary, and be dealt with according to decision of the Provincial Grand Lodge Charity Committee," it is not proposed to make combination compulsory, not even so far as Lodge votes are concerned, and this we think is a great mistake. In organising such an association as that under notice, it should be presumed that the interest of each individual Lodge is to help its neighbour, in order that should a time of need arise it may have others from whom to seek assistance, and for this reason we think that pledges of support should be exchanged. As proposed, it will be at the option of any one of the Essex Lodges to support a "Provincial case" or not, as it may seem fit; but what if one of the Lodges which used its votes for its own benefit one year has a candidate itself the next—would it put the matter before the Charity Committee, or rely on its own efforts? If the former, it would be acting unfairly, and would deserve to be rebuked; if the latter, it would, under ordinary circumstances, stand but a poor chance of securing success, and thereby might inflict irreparable injury on the candidate brought forward. The Committee of the Province would be justified in declining to listen to its application if it had another case before it, were it not that by so doing a worthy candidate might be ignored by reason of the selfishness of the Lodge with which the case was most intimately associated. We would even go further; we think that a rule should be tried, providing that every member of the Province be called upon to forward his votes to the Committee, unless he preferred, by giving a formal notice, to act in all cases independently. By this means the Committee of a Province in the position of Essex would become possessors of such a number of votes each year as would enable them to make sure of certain cases, while every brother who contributed to the General Fund would have the opportunity of securing for his own case the support of the majority of the voters. But, as we have said, the brethren of Essex propose that all support shall be voluntary, except so far as the Provincial Grand Lodge votes are concerned. Why should Provincial Grand Lodge give its all, without each private Lodge being compelled to do something? and what will become of the Grand Lodge votes if none of its subordinates endorse the action of the Committee? We are afraid that a too delicate feeling has actuated the brethren to whom has been entrusted the preparation of the proposed Code; they have been afraid to appear harsh, and have, therefore, put forward a scheme which will not ensure the success of their object, although it may perhaps somewhat contribute to it. It is not yet too late, we imagine, for an alteration to be effected, and we would therefore propose that it be made conditional for every Lodge to contribute, at least, the votes belonging to it or

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the same Lodge. The Lodge representatives are "to be cted annually on the day of installation of the W.M., d their names and addresses transmitted by the Secreta- s of the respective Lodges to the Provincial Grand cretary immediately after the elections." The obser- nce of this rule will ensure for the Committee an official tus, and the arrangements made should admit of the eetings — of which it is proposed there shall be two ch year—being well attended. As regards the formation the Committee, everything has been done to ensure ccess, it will be a representative one, and likely to be fficient to discharge the duties required; but as it was mpossible to make the bricks without straw, so without otes the Committee will find themselves unable to act, id we do not think votes are likely to be very numerous, least during the first few years of the Committee's ex- tence, unless some more stringent rules are adopted. he selection of a candidate will rest with those embers of the Committee who may be present when ie subject is brought forward. So far we have oken of what we deem but one portion of the nty of a Provincial Charity Committee—we have ow to refer to another, equally, if not more, im- ortant. The Committee should endeavour to organise ncreased support for the Charities, as well as work that lready possessed by its Province, and in this respect they ay do a great amount of good. It is not always possible or a Lodge to be represented at even one of the three festivals of a year, and no Steward being on hand to urge he claims of the Institutions, it may frequently happen hat they are for the time being entirely neglected. It hould be a part of each Committeeman's duty to advocate, n the absence of a Steward, the claims of the three In- titutions; and if he does not find any of the members of is own Lodge willing to serve, he may at least secure a ew amounts for a neighbouring Steward, or collect some- hing for a recognised Provincial representative who, by his means, might have his list considerably augmented by mall amounts from a source he could not personally anvass, and which, without solicitation, would never have een forthcoming. We should like to see this feature in- roduced in the rules of all the Provincial organisations, nd would strongly urge it on the consideration of the rethren of Essex, or elsewhere, who have it in contem- lation to establish such Associations. Meanwhile, what- ver may be the final decision, we wish the "Charity Com- ittee for the Province of Essex" every success. We ope at no distant date to be called upon to chronicle some ood deeds performed by the brethren of the district ainly through its influence.

MASONIC BURIALS.

OUR readers will have seen, no doubt, a letter from Bro. W. M. Staunton P.M. No. 735, in the first aragraph of which our worthy correspondent expressed imself as anxious to know whether or not it is the inde- asible right of a Master Mason "who has previously ex- ressed a wish or request, which has also been properly roffered, to be buried by his Mother Lodge, according the rites customary with the Order." Though it does ot seem at first sight a question which is likely to involve reat difficulty in answering, it is more than probable that ie circumstances which may prompt the W. Master of a odge to refuse Masonic burial to a duly qualified member of politan Lodges, to the Board of [illegible] which, indeed, in the event of the Provincial or authority refusing to listen to the prayer of an a brother or brethren, or giving an unsatisfactory there is also an appeal in the case of Provincial or Lodges. We do not, however, anticipate that the of such a course would be calculated to promote mony of the Lodge, or greatly tend to the promot edification of Freemasonry in general. It is alw better policy to endeavour to throw oil on the waters than to strive to make them more turbul Moreover, in the case we are about to describe, certainly have been the preferable course to have ac in the Master's refusal to allow his Lodge to meet for the purpose required.

We learn from the pages of the *New Zealand F* that a certain Bro. John Cowell, having the sta Master Mason, and being a member of Lodge deceased, after a somewhat lingering illness, on March 1881. Some days prior to his death, our Cowell expressed to certain brethren, who were ministering to him during the last brief period existence, an earnest wish that he might be buried Lodge according to ancient custom, and with the usually accorded to the members of the Craft when desire is expressed. When, however, this request due time, laid before the Master of the Lodge, he fit to refuse it, without at the time, it appears, givi reason for such refusal. When this became kno friends of the deceased suggested that some portion Masonic funeral rites should be read at the grave, a W. M. Stanton P.M. attended in the cemetery with brethren, having previously delivered a brief addres deceased's residence. After the recital of certain te Rev. F. I. Jones, incumbent of All Saints, Nels the funeral sermon, and then Bro. Stanton compl portion of the task, the deceased's apron being depo the coffin, while the brethren cast their sprigs o into the grave. The brethren then dispersed, after to the best of their ability, thus paid the last t respect to Bro. Cowell.

It should be added, that in the course of his brief the Rev. gentleman who officiated, bore earnest te to the truly penitent frame of mind in which our Cowell passed away. He had expressed his thanks for the spiritual consolations he had receiv showed the formost reliance on the Divine promi tained in the Volume of the Sacred Law to the r and the faithful. Under the circumstances we have d it will not surprise our readers when we tell th the refusal of the W. Master of Lodge No. 735 to s the deceased's express wish for Masonic burial, ha very great sensation amongst the brethren of Nels Zealand, where Bro. Cowell was very well known acted as a commercial traveller for a well-known M house.

In the article in which our New Zealand conte criticises the act of the Master in question, it is sta the latter withheld his permission on the ground deceased Master Mason had led a "drunken and in life. Here, then, it is we see the ill-advisedne which the question has been conducted. T of the refusal undoubtedly rests with the W Master, and if the brethren are of opinion so refusing, their Worshipful Master was guilty bing more than a mere error of judgment, it is doubtedly their right to bring the matter under th of the District Masonic Authorities. But in our

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„ in Unappropriated Account	193	19	1
	£1,694	3	8

Which Balances are in the Bank of England, Western Branch.

The Committee have likewise to report that they have received the following petitions:—

1st. From Companions the Rev. Frederick Vernon Bussell as Z., William Newton as H., Richard Francis Henry King as J., and thirteen others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Newton Lodge, No. 1661, Newark-upon-Trent, to be called the Alexander Chapter, and to meet at the Savings Bank, Newark-upon-Trent, Nottinghamshire.

2nd. From Companions Herbert Jordan Adams as Z., Alfred Durant as H., Francis Joseph Stohwasser as J., and seven others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Fitzroy Lodge, No. 569, London, to be called The Fitzroy Chapter, and to meet at the Armoury House, Headquarters, Honourable Artillery Company, London.

3rd. From Companions Price James Edelsten as Z., William Richardson as H., Thomas H. Sutton as J., and six others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Gilbert Greenall Lodge, No. 1250, Warrington, to be called The Gilbert Greenall Chapter, and to meet at the Masonic Rooms, Sankey-street, Warrington, Lancashire (Western Division).

4th. From Companions Robert Stokes as Z., Thomas Stephen Futcher as H., William Charles P. Powning as J., and seven others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Longleat Lodge, No. 1478, Warminster, to be called "The Thynne Chapter, and to meet at the Town Hall, Warminster, Wiltshire.

5th. From Companions Joseph Charles Parkinson as Z., William Bache Roberts as H., Edwin Howard as J., and ten others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Universal Lodge, No. 181, London, to be called the Universal Chapter, and to meet at the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London.

6th. From Companions the Rev. Robert Hall Baynes as Z., Sydney Henry Knaggs as H., Francois Klatt as J., and six others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Temple Lodge, No. 558, Folkestone, to be called the Temple Chapter, and to meet at the Town Hall, Folkestone, in the County of Kent.

The foregoing Petitions being in all respects regular, the Committee recommend that the prayers thereof be respectively granted.

The following Notice of Motion has been received for the next Quarterly Convocation—By Companion Edward Letchworth, P.Z. No. 1237:—

"That the Committee of General Purposes meet at Four o'clock p.m. instead of Three o'clock as heretofore, and that Article 76 of the Royal Arch Regulations be altered accordingly."

(Signed) JOHN CREATON, Grand Treasurer, President.

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20th July 1881.

CONCORD CHAPTER, No. 223.

THE annual convocation of this Chapter was holden at the Masonic Hall of the Charity Lodge, in Union Street, Plymouth, on Tuesday. The Board of Installed Principals included ex-Companions J. M. Hifley P.Z. P.P.G.S.B., W. Browning P.Z. P.P.G.S.B., E. Patten P.Z., J. W. Cornish P.Z., all of 223, J. B. Gover P.Z. 70 P.P.G.P.S., S. Jew P.Z. 105 P.P.G.T., V. Bird P.Z. 70 P.P.G.P.S., F. R. Tomes P.Z. 70 P.P.G.S.N., P. B. Clements P.Z. P.P.A.S., J. R. Lord H. 70, and herein E. Companion J. W. Cornish was installed as Z. by E. Companion J. M. Hifley, and Ex Companion R. Blight was installed as H. and T. C. Lewarn as J. by Ex-Companion J. W. Cornish. The other Officers appointed were:—J. Treeby I.P.Z., J. M. Hifley S.E., John Moysey S.N., William Browning Treasurer, W. J. C. Hanniford P.S., Peter Hamley 1st. A.S., John Williams 2nd A.S., W. H. Frost O., A. Trout A.D.C., John Delve D.C., J. Bartlett P.Z. Jan. The Treasurer's accounts were very satisfactory, and the usual business having been transacted, the Companions adjourned to a col.

troduction by the translator, and next comes a Preface by the
h author. Here is part of the translator's preface.
Monsieur Bayle informs us that it [the book] was published in
by the celebrated Abbot de Villars in 1670; that some have
of opinion that the story of de Gabalis was originally founded
two Italian Chymical letters by Borri; but others affirm that
took his chief hints from this work," and that Bayle left this
on to those who are more critically curious.
he revival of the book in 1714 was occasioned by Alexander
s dedication of the 'Rape of the Lock.' The best account,
Pope, he knew of the Rosicrucian system is in this tract, which
anslator thought would be 'a sufficient recommendation to the
.' the following I copied from Pope's dedication of the
of the Lock:'
he Rosicrucians are a people I must bring you acquainted with.
est account I know of them is in a French book called L'Compte
balis, which both in its title and size is so like a novel, that
of the fair sex have read it for one by mistake. According to
gentlemen, the four elements are inhabited by spirits, which
all Sylphs, Gnomes, Nymphs, and Salamanders."
t comes the author's Preface, about "Some account of the
rucians." But, strange to say, the imaginary founder of the
rucians—viz., Rosenkreutze—was unknown to the French
r. The name of the founder of the Rosicrucians is merely indi.
by the following capital letters: A.C. This A.C., in 1378,
monk, learned in Latin and Greek, who visited Palestine and
scus, and studied among the Arabians. After a long time, he
ed to Germany, formed the Rosicrucian Association, and died in

1604 his grave was discovered, "with divers devices, characters,
nscriptions, the principal of which contained these four letters
d—A.C.R.E." The origin of the discovery is curious: thus, a
a while digging found the tomb, and believing that it might
in a treasure, be forced open the door, when he was surprised
ing a blaze of light, and at the further end a statue of a man
nour was sitting, with a truncheon in his hand, and a lamp was
ng before him. The intruder had no sooner entered when the
e rose up. The man, however, advanced another step, when
atue raised up his truncheon. The intruder, not intimidated,
ced still another step, when the truncheon came down and
ed the lamp into a thousand pieces. When lights were after-
brought in, it was found that the statue contained machinery,
he floor of the vault was connected with the statue by springs.
Rosicrucians, however, claimed that their master had re-invented
rpetual lamp of the ancients, but he was resolved that no one
l have the advantage of his discovery.
fterwards (continues the author) that society, which in reason is
set of mountebanks, began to multiply, but durst not appear
ly, and for that reason was surnamed Invisible, Enlightened, or
inati, and those of Spain proceeded from them * * * In 1615, a
appeared in Germany, which comprehended two treatises, entitled
anifesto and Confession of Faith of the fraternity of Rosicrucians,
ated to Monarchs, States, &c. These persons boasted them-
to be of the *Liberty of Ptolemy Philadelphus*, the *Academy of*
&c., and bragged of extraordinary qualifications, whereof the
was, that they could speak all the languages, and in 1622, they
this advertissement to the curious:—
'e are deputed by our College, the principal of the brethren of the
rucians, to make our visible and invisible abode in this City
City ?] thro' the grace of the Most High, towards whom are
l the hearts of the just. We teach without books or notes, and
the langnage of the countries wherever we are, to draw men
urselves from the errors of death."
his bill, continues the author, was a matter of merriment, in the
ime the brethren of the Rosicrucians have disappeared."
author of de Gabalis evidently believed that after 1615 the
rucians increased in numbers, *but durst not show themselves*
ly. Now, if they durst not show themselves publicly, how did
ow that they became so numerous? he himself was not a Rosi-
an, and what he had learned about them he must have learned
mere hearsay; his believing, in 1670, that there had been Rosi-
ans before he was born, really amounts to nothing, and more-
he frankly admits that in his day, when writing his book,
Brethren of the Rosicrucians have disappeared." The question
e the brethren of the Rosicrucians ever existed *before* 1670?
s certain, that alchemists, astrologers, and similar quacks,
d before 1615, and it is equally certain that no one had yet
ered where the Rosicrucians had held their assemblies, and
er the very name Rosicrucian, was ever heard of before the
nth century. Many writers of that period, even ecclesiastics,

in the book. But I must premise that, though I have taken num
notes from the said book, I shall have to rely on my memory
derably. The book is now out of town, and I am therefore dep
of referring to its pages just now. Briefly then:—
A young man residing in Paris (whom, for brevity sake, I
call A. Y.), at the time when the supposed Rosicrucian S
flourished, wanted to obtain the Rosicrucian secrets, and not v
to study their writings, he managed to ingratiate himself with
of the brethren, from whom he learned that the German Cou
Gabalis, who was a kind of Pope of the Rosicrucians, was abo
return from England to Germany by way of Paris, and he a
ingly sent to the Count a very flattering invitation to visit his
upon his arrival in Paris. The Count thereupon cast the
scope of A. Y., and learned therefrom that the said A. Y
destined to become the most shining light of his school. Upo
Count's arrival in Paris, he paid the desired visit, and they m
times for discussion, and the chapters of the book are called
courses."
A. Y. showed himself by no means a docile learner, and his
of arguing and doubting would have offended any other kin
missionary; but the Count had so much faith in the horoscope
cause him to bear with his disciple's rudeness. In the mid
one of their conversations they were interrupted by the entra
the servant, who announced the arrival of a messenger fro
Court, who had something of importance to communicate.
politely requested the Count to withdraw into an adjoining
and remain there during the expected interview with the
messenger. The Count, however, assured his host that no s
could be concealed from him, and, therefore, he might as well r
where he was. A. Y., however, objected to his remaining. "
said the Count, "if you like I will make myself invisible." A
offer was not accepted, the Count left the room, with a shrug
shoulders.
Strange to say, that while the Count repeatedly asked perm
of A. Y. to perform miracles, the other always declined to w
them. At last, his curiosity conquered his aversion, and he ac
asked the Count to introduce him to the Nymphs, Salamander
But here the Count became *coquettish*. "Oh, no," said he,
don't deserve it," or words to that effect; but, after a le
chiding him for his want of faith, it was finally agreed that a
meeting of the Spirits should be exhibited on the following
But, to my great regret, and, I presume, to the regret of other r
of the book, *here the narrative abruptly ends*.
The Count, of course, believed in the Bible, but he was *insp*
understand the Bible after a fashion of his own. When God c
Adam and Eve, said he, he also created Nymphs, Sylphs,
manders, and Gnomes, and the design of the Creator was that
and Eve should not become man and wife, but each should be
to one of the spirits. But Adam and Eve's lust spoilt every
hence they were driven out of Eden. As to their sin of eati
apple, he scouted at that as a popular superstition; the apple, s
is a mere metaphor for lust, and for that lust mankind was pu
with death. The Count's aim was, therefore, to have the br
marry the ladies of the Nymphs, Sylphs, &c.; then their p
would cease to die. He also had a curious theory about Noah
as I have not now the book, I shall use Bayle's account thereof.
"The Count de Gabalis (says Bayle) must divert us here
fragment of his comedy. He supposes that after the Deluge
yielded his wife Vesta to the Salamander Oromassis, Prince
Fiery substances, and he persuaded his three sons to yield
wives also to the Princes of the other three elements; but
proved rebellious to Noah's counsel, and could not resist his
charms, and through that his posterity became black. . .
for example, you believe (said the Count) that the injury which
did to his father, or such as it literally seems to be, is truly
another thing. Thus, Noah being come out of the Ark, and
his wife Vesta grow more beautiful every day by the commer
had with her lover Oromassis, grew passionately in love wit
again. Shem, fearing his father was going to people the world
with black children, as the Ethiopians were, took his oppor
one day when the good old man was drunk, and unmercifull
trated him."
I must, however, add to the above, that the spirits after
restored to Noah his original manhood.
The reference to Borri in the translator's preface induced
find out in Bayle who Borri was. Well then, Bayle describes
as *chemist, quack*, and *heretic*. Borri actually claimed to
fourth person in the Godhead; he was, however, ultimately cap
by the Inquisition; was compelled to make a public confession
errors, after which he was imprisoned in Rome for life, and h

'our Elements."

ly 1881.

I MIRROR LODGE, No. 82.

THE *RES GESTÆ* OF FREE MASONRY.

OM THE MASONIC REVIEW.

dirror Lodge, No. 82, beyond all doubt or con- not communicate Masonic intelligence; mice are reticent in divulging our secrets; the days e long past. Yet *they only*, with three and the fact communicated that "Bro. Bendle or slandering Bro. Shaw's wife;" yet, for all me as well known throughout the village of as much speculation as the fact that Fill- were opposing candidates for the Presidency planation to this that we can give is a Leak. t instance on record of a leak in a Masonic We wish it was. But our Memorandum eals a number of them, more or less *unplug*- in Cotchecon Lodge, for instance, through pleasant fact that "Barney Lenter was Black- *seven* votes." There is one in Doleg Lodge, of which lately trickled the intelligence that for charity, when he died, was refused because a Fellow-Craft." There is another in Rusoy , through which regularly drops everything d a great deal still more curious and interest- ied there. These leaks, though unplugable, ther undiscoverable. The one in Cotchecon owing to—but we are not jusified in telling pare Bro. —— the humiliation of this public ay this, if *our wife* were to ask us as many en we come home from the Lodge late at ks him, we would use our privileges as a hus- r tongue. That's poz.)

irror Lodge is as much worse than these so as the consequences that have grown out of The fact "that the Lodge is about to try lering Bro. Shaw's wife," is in reality no fact ate of the case is, that *somebody* has been ble lady's character very shamefully, and as ed the charge upon Brother B. (for the very there is no other Mason in the neighbourhood), the said Brother has *requested the Lodge* to with a view to bear favourably upon the pub- innocence may be made manifest. And this, s, against the better judgment of the Junior prosecute the case, and of every member of s confident of Bendle's innocence as of his

es of this leak are, that Bro. Bendle's Church , because he is "under Masonic discipline;" , who is *not* a Mason, and, for physical reasons, xing of dissolving the connection on account of io *Investigator* ("weekly, two dollars per an- eems with insinuations against Bro. Bendle as emale innocence," and, worst of all, Mrs. Ben- man, the daughter of old Father Cornish, can- her faithless lord has not committed one of ins, "else why should the Masons be trying

p-eyed reader, what evil things have run out of portance of its being properly and expeditiously

eak on ship-board, you muse stop the trip, keel ard or starboard till her bottom is exposed, and h all, our might for the place where the caulking en Brother Gunther W.M. of Minor Lodge, No. a statement of facts, and craved our advice, we standing our allegorical but sublime way of wever, Bro. G. wrote again, reminding us that not a commercial, question," and wanting to do? Descending with as good a grace as we e level of his comprehension, we explained:—

mony on page 79 of Allyn's Ritual is *exactly* the way Past Masters are made? And Mother Thoroughblood told him to get out of the house, and not be asking her any of his *consulting* questions! And that's all that Gunther got out of these three witnesses.

It has been our hap to investigate a great many hard questions, and if we have been able to settle a few of them, by dint of time, patience, and perseverance, no wonder, seeing we have failed in so many more. But when by a vote of Mirror Lodge (we are an honorary member of that Lodge, you know,) "the intelligent, &c., &c., was requested, in the abundance of his, &c., &c., to advise his loving &c., &c., members of Mirror Lodge how to conduct themselves in this emergency, &c., &c." we acknowledged we were *almost* cornered. The Master had tried every nook to get testimony that would convict somebody of unmasonically communicating the proceedings of the Lodge; and the nearest he had come to it was to prove that Bro. Sore, the carpenter, had inadvertently observed in public that one step to the Junior Warden's station was an inch and a half higher than Bro. Morris had advised. And what could be made out of that? After rebuking Bro. Sore, however, in open Lodge, so as to get our hand in, we set to work.

Was there any place overhead where a cowan or an eavesdropper could disguise himself? To answer this Bro. Sore broke open one of the planks in the weather-boarding, and let out such a drift of bats as convinced us incontinently that no man could hide in that loft.

Was there any means of reaching a window by ladder during the meetings of the Lodge? This was satisfactorily answered in the negative. What then? Nobody could answer; and we all went to bed intending to pursue the investigation next day.

That night we were put in the same room with Franklin Harper, that gross man in the flesh, whose weight is said to be unknown. Bro. Harper eats as though he had the dyspepsia, and digests it afterwards as though he hadn't. Being good company, we entertained him after retiring to bed with several chaste and agreeable anecdotes,—so agreeable, in point of fact, that the Brother slightly shook the building, which was of brick, laughing at them. Our stock being exhausted, we let the obese brother go to sleep, which he did instantaneously, and immediately afterwards opened all his batteries with the most fearful snores.

As we cannot endure snoring, we lay awake, and for a cheerful entertainment ran over in our mind the demonstration of the forty-seventh problem of Euclid, which we had been trying to elucidate to the Lodge that night, in connection with the Eureka Hiatus. But we had hardly got to the fourth step in the demonstration, when, to our surprise, Bro. Harper stopped snoring and began to *talk in his sleep*. At first he spoke of the girls, as every fellow does who somnambulizes; but then, to our admiration, he took up Masonry. He talked of the case that had so bothered us; explained its difficulties as clearly as, as, as—well, as we ourself could have done it; and insinuated, in a maudling sort of way, that there *was* an explanation, "if Bro. Morris only could get at it." Then he spoke of more private matters still, and only that Brother Franklin Harper knows little or nothing of Masonry, and probably never will, be being so obese, the very mischief might have been played by the sleep-talker.

Here was the leak in Mirror Lodge with a vengeance! We hurried down to the lower story; called in all the Masons in the house, and gratified them with the evidence which so well accounted for all these difficulties.

It is unnecessary to detail all that followed; but at the next Grand Lodge, Bro. Gunther informed us with great glee that Bro. Harper had been put upon a cracker diet, and had married Miss Moggoly—which two events were found happily to cure the evil complained of.

So the leak in Mirror Lodge *was* plugged after all.

Bro. James Terry P.M., P.Z., &c., rehearsed the ceremonies of Consecration and Installation on Wednesday, 27th instant, at the Mount Lebanon Lodge of Instruction, Horse Shoe Inn, Newington Causeway. The Lodge was attended by thirty-nine brethren, amongst whom were Bros. R. Gallant, Gladwell, J. H. Gabb, Moore, and Ball, Past Masters; Croaker, Catterson, Forster, Morrison, and R. Taylor, W. Masters. The musical portion of the cere-

privileges of Grand Officers in their own district, [illegible]
than that Provincial Grand Officers had the rank and privileges Provincial Grand Officers. Again, as to the D. Provincial Grand ster, if that Officer has the right to fulfil the several duties of the vincial Grand Master, if, in other words, he is the official *alter ego* is chief, then it strikes me as being clear and undeniable that in presence, as well as in the absence of the Provincial Grand ster, he cannot do otherwise than take precedence of all Grand cers of the rank of Grand Warden inclusive. As for the argu- nt that *all* Grand Officers are entitled to priority of place over Grand Officers of the Province, it is absurd to place a past Grand rsuivant—or Inner Guard—above the Prov. Grand Senior or ior Warden. That he is superior outside the limit of the Pro- ce, is a point that can be allowed unhesitatingly, but it is non- se to suppose a Grand Senior Warden in his own Province is his erior, when the Constitutions have plainly laid it down that a ovincial Grand Officer has the rank and privileges of a Grand ficer in his own Province.

Fraternally yours,

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WHAT NEXT?

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—To judge from the statements contained the letter of "R. E. KITTS," which appeared in your issue of last eek, Freemasonry in the United States of America is very seriously parting from its true character. Masonry is *not* a religion, and ands in need, therefore, of nothing in the shape of a church in hich to celebrate its rites. It has nothing theatrical about it, and nsequently the provision of "a stage, with shifting back and enes," is quite unnecessary. The public installation of Officers is ntrary both to the spirit and the letter of our Constitutions. The ss of display there is in connection with Masonic ceremonies the etter it is for the Craft. The brother who wears a score or two of ewels is—I will not say necessarily, but in all probability—the worst nformed member of his Lodge. There are occasions—as, for instance, hen His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales Most Worshipful Grand Master laid the first stones of Truro Cathedral—when it is not nly lawful, but expedient likewise, that Masonry should emerge from he secrecy in which it envelopes itself; but save on these occasions, nd in connection with our Charitable Institutions, the less of pub- icity that is associated with Masonry the better. We degrade the Craft when we go unnecessarily out of our way to make it public— hat is, common. As to the A. and A. Rite, it is no doubt interesting nd instructive, as the reviewers say, but it is not, never has been, nd, I trust, never will be, legitimate Masonry.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

G. S. STORBEN.

P.G. LODGE OF SOUTH WALES (WESTERN DIVISION).

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I think I shall be only expressing the general sense of the Craft in the Province when I say that your report of the proceedings, by reason of its fulness and accuracy, has afforded us the utmost gratification. Permit me, however, to suggest, as a mere act of justice to a most worthy brother, that the floral decorations of the room in which the Provincial Grand Lodge held its meeting, were presented by Bro. C. B. Mansfield, of the St. Peter's Lodge, and most tastefully arranged by Bro. Hall, of Lodge Neyland, No. 990.

Trusting this will not be the last occasion by many on which the representative of your esteemed journal will be with us,

I remain, faithfully and fraternally yours,

CAMBRIA.

[We sincerely thank our brother for his complimentary expressions and we have great pleasure in meeting his wishes, in order to make good the omission of which we were unintentionally guilty when we allowed to pass unnoticed in our Report the very handsome decorations [illegible] by no means oversteppedant in

executive of our Schools and Benevolent Fund of [illegible] of only one member who is presumed to be capable of presi an ordinary meeting.

I remain, fraternally yours,

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BRO. MASSA AND THE GRAND TREASU

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

4 Dowgate Hill E.C., 27th July

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Your readers will be aware th June meeting of the Board of General Purposes it refused t tain my complaint against Bro. Creaton, Grand Treasurer, f offensive language when presiding as Chairman in the pr Grand Lodge.

As, while my side was, perhaps, not represented at the B Grand Treasurer's side was, perhaps, defended by his numero Grand Officers, three members of his own Lodge, and other i brethren, and the matter discussed *ex parte*, I was anxious on what arguments, pleas, and laws the Board founded sion. I therefore applied to the Grand Secretary for permissi the minutes, which you will see, by the following letter fro denied me, and I think illegally.

The Board of General Purposes being merely a sub-Com Grand Lodge (though only 14 out of the 30 members are ele what law or regulation does it refuse a member of Gra access to the records of its proceedings regarding him exempt the Grand Treasurer from the landmark, "Boldly slanderer of his good name?"

I shall be very grateful if some brother will enlighten n subject before I appeal to Grand Lodge.

I remain, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours faithfully,

THOMAS

(Copy) Freemasons' Hall, London, W 19th

Bro. T. Massa P.M.

Dear Sir and Brother,—Having laid before the Board Purposes this day your letters of the 9th, 14th, and 18th I am directed, in reply, to transmit to you a copy of the re the Board thereon:—

"Resolved—That Bro. Massa's letters and the Grand replies thereto having been read to the Board, the Board s son to depart from, or add to, the resolution passed at its las the substance of which was communicated to Bro. Massa by Secretary on the 22nd June.

"The Board cannot recognise the right of any brother the minutes of the Board, and therefore declines to acce Massa's demand to that effect."

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally,

SHADWELL H. CLERK

Grand

We extract the following letter from the pag *Canadian Craftsman*:—

MY DEAR BRO. TRAYES,—Nothing like prompt payment for my subscription to *Craftsman*, dols 1.50.

I always read with regret your complaints about the l difference of the Craft as to the *Craftsman*; the many arr ment of subscription, and the still greater number that scribe at all; what is the cause? what should be the rem

As to the answer to the first question, we know from that to the great majority of the brethren the whole syste first novelty of the I. P. and R. is passed; they begin to fee about hearing a constant repetition of one and the sa ritual, and only those few who aspire to the East keep up apparent interest, but also drop off after they become W. and finding nothing further attractive in the Lodge, they of interest in the *Craftsman*, of which about one-half rela [illegible] of the different Masonic bodies.

ver done inside the Lodge, or in the pages of
nduce the public to believe, and I may add,
themselves, that progress in art and science
to do with Masonry? Is it not a notorious
lves, by our inactivity in matters of art and
ders, and are without a solitary evidence to
can we from that fact expect the public to
of our pretences as to matters of theology?
we cannot make any favourable impression
he public, and, what is worse, cannot
l results among the brethren with any of
our lip Christianity and pseudo-episcopacy,
ter and wiser to direct our attention
re and progress in arts and sciences,
hose subjects before the Lodge, and by discus-
iftsman? The fields of arts and sciences are so
there ever will be some unoccupied territory,
desires to locate thereon, and roam about in
ught, idea, and theory; while the other, the
and for ages has been, overstocked in its supply
, and advocates, without ever one of them,
and years, having produced anything new or
forefathers possessed or knew. No doubt with
ostles that endeavour to gain the ear of the
good deal which is true, and considerable which
that that which is true is not new, and that
te.

ate that geometry, as one of the seven liberal
special branch of instruction to the Fellow
we accomplished up to the year of grace 1881?
the definition of a square and of a centre;
sum and substance of all our knowledge of
side the Lodge. Is not our pretence as to those
sque? Ought we not to feel ashamed of our-
gain and again such hollow phrases? Is it not
earnest attempt to show that we are really in
ich we claim to be? Or if we will not do so, if
or indifferent to become active promoters of art
not then be more honest and more honourable
tences regarding the same?

brother, say which of the above two alternatives,
r to advocate. You may think it might prove a
t to advocate an abandonment or discontinuation
and our beautiful lectures (though by-the-bye
out of date, and seldom if ever given), and if
at impression, and at the same time favour
ald say you are holding my own views. But if
el inclined to advocate, and to some extent
the practice of that which we only
and instead of doing so, think, "let the thing rip"
at effect, and are under the impression that "to
you," I am inclined to think that a continuation
on its present plan will, sooner or later, cause
undertaking as a losing business, as others have
hould you, however, be willing to enter upon the
may name it, and merely feel the task too heavy
ould say:—Take courage, my dear brother, you
, you will have fair and able support so soon as
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of propagating knowledge in art and science.
eply to this may be, will be read with interest by,

Yours fraternally,

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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MA MASONS OF DEVONSHIRE.

THE Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge was 21st inst., at the Masonic Hall, Gandy-street, Exeter, un banner of St. George Lodge, No. 15, previously to which there meeting of the Board of General Purposes held in the same b The Treasurer's accounts were audited, and after an amount had been paid to the Benevolent Fund, there was a balance of £31 2s, and it was resolved to recommend the apportionm this sum to the Prov. Grand Lodge as follows :—That in consi of the eminent services of the V.W. Bro. Vincent Bird P. England P.P.G. Treasurer and Secretary, and as a token of ap tion, the sum of twenty guineas be given to the Devon Masoni cational Fund in his name, he being the first Treasurer of the and that the sum of ten guineas be given to the Royal Masoni tution for Girls, in the name of the Province, and to be placed list of Bro. Charles Godtschalk P.M. 66 P.P.G.M.O. as S Those present at this meeting were :—R.W. Bro. Colonel J. T Davy, J.P., Provincial Grand Master; W. Bros. V. Bird, C. chalk J. Edward Curteis P.G.D. England P.P.G.J.W., John B. P.M. 50 and 66 P.P.G.M.O. and Tr., Samuel Jew P.M. 50 P.P.G.M.O., J. Treeby P.M. P.G. Treasurer, and George B. 50 P.G.A.S. The Grand Lodge was presided over by the Rig

ıo were appointed to office in July last had
ɔaid their fees of honour, with one exception.
had not been proceeded with, as a number of
ɔnt use had been found amongst the papers
ordered had been obtained from same maker
ɔhe previous ones.—The resolution of the last
ɔ, nominating the present Right Worshipful
ɔr another term of office, had been duly com-
ıd Lodge, and the following reply had been

l Lodge of Mark Masters, 2 Red Lion Square,
Iigh Holborn, London, 23rd July 1880.

',—I have the pleasure to inform you that the
ıe Earl of Lathom, has cordially approved of
f the brethren, and re-appointed R.W. Bro.
avy P.G. Master of Devon for a further period
January next. Yours fraternally,

DON. M. DEWAR Grand A.S.

ounts, already referred to, were received and
the report of the Board of General Purposes.
ommended were unanimously voted, Bros. S.
I. B. Gover, and others bearing testimony to
of the P.G. Secretary Bro. Bird, whom the
ɔ honour. W. Bro. John Stocker P.M. 15 was
ıe Treasurer, and W. Bros. J. E. Curteis, J. B.
, and S. Jew were unanimously re-elected
Purposes, to act with the *ex-officio* members.
e of thanks was proposed by the P.G.
ɔer, Officers, and Brethren of the St. George's
ɔir admirable arrangements for the reception
ɔd Lodge, and allusion was made to the very
ıich had been prepared for the Board of General
vas so thoroughly enjoyed. This, seconded by
urteis, was carried with acclamation. The fol-
ɔhen appointed for the ensuing year:—

ate 15		Deputy Prov. Grand Master
·9		Prov. Grand Senior Warden
Hadstone 64	„	Junior Warden
d 15	„	M.O.
ɣdon 35	„	S.O.
:3	„	J.O.
ıell 9	„	Chaplain
: 15	„	Registrar
d 66	„	Secretary
tt 60	„	Assist. Sec.
e 169	„	Senior Deacon
phens 215	„	Junior Deacon
rd 50	„	Supt. of Works
n W.M. 66	„	Dir. of Cer.
s 91	„	A. Dir. of Cer.
ɣ 16	„	Sword Bearer
ɔers 96	„	Stand. Bearer
ɔntiforth 48	„	Organist
23	„	Steward
m 15	„	„
lale 64	„	„
ley (re-elected)	„	Tyler

nd Master alluded to the very imperfect manner in
Secretaries of Lodges made their annual returns,
ɔe that more care would be taken in future. The
ɔdge having closed, the brethren adjourned to the
ɔr the dinner, which was excellently provided by
ɔ R.W. P.G. Master presided until compelled to
ıe usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given;
ıel Tanner-Davy was especially honoured, there
opular Mason in the Province.—*Western Daily*

TION TO BRO. T. B. WHYTEHEAD, AT YORK.

ening, the 19th inst., an interesting ceremony took
Masonic Hall, York, being the presentation to Bro.
ɔy the W.M. and brethren of the York Mark Lodge
appointment, and a registration fee for each brother advanced, would probably meet current expenses without annual dues. Bro. Cumberland followed, and entered into details on the matter, stating what had been done in other Provinces. Bros. Padel and Balmford P.M., also made some comments favourable to the suggestion, and eventually it was moved by Bro. Balmford, and seconded by Bro. Padel, and carried *nem con*—That in view of the increase in the number of Mark Lodges, it is the opinion of the members of the York Mark Lodge that the time has arrived for the formation of a Provincial Grand Lodge for North and East Yorkshire; that the W. Masters and brethren of the various Lodges be fraternally invited to co-operate in a movement for that purpose; and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the W. Master of each Mark Lodge in North and East Yorkshire. It was then moved by Bro. Turner, and seconded by Bro. Garbutt, and carried unanimously—That each Lodge in North and East Yorkshire be fraternally invited to send a delegate, to meet at an early and convenient day and place, for the purpose of memorialising the Grand Lodge, and for deciding upon the brother to be nominated for the office of first Provincial Grand Master. Wednesday, the 3rd August, was agreed to be a probably convenient day for the delegates to meet at York, and Bro. T. B. Whytehead was elected the delegate to represent the York Lodge at the meeting. Bro. J. E. Cumberland S.W. then advanced to the East and said, that with the permission of the W.M. he would proceed to discharge a very pleasant duty which had fallen upon him. Those present all knew how the Lodge had been honoured lately by having two of its members appointed to office in the Grand Mark Lodge, Bro. the Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett as J. Grand Warden, and Bro. T. B. Whytehead to past rank as G. Master Overseer. They all knew how much Bro. Whytehead had done for Mark Masonry and for the York Lodge. He had taken a prominent part in the movement which brought that Lodge under the banner of the Grand Mark Lodge of England, and had maintained an active interest in its working and prosperity ever since that period, and had occupied the office of Secretary since he had passed through the chair. He had performed important literary services to the Order, and had ever shown the greatest anxiety to be of service to this and other branches of Masonry. They all knew that there was no brother more reliable, or one who was always more ready to give advice or instruction when it was asked or needed. It had seemed to him and others that some recognition of Bro. Whytehead's distinguished services was due, and when the suggestion had been first thrown out he had been much gratified by the readiness and heartiness with which it had been taken up. In fact, so anxious had been the brethren to subscribe that the extent of the presentation had been considerably enlarged since it was first mooted. He was sure that it would give Bro. Whytehead pleasure to know this, and to be assured that the gift came in such a warm and fraternal manner. On behalf of the brethren of the Lodge, he begged to present Bro. Whytehead with a complete set of Grand Lodge clothing and jewel, together with a gold breast jewel and Past Master's jewel, and he would ask the acting Worshipful Master to read the text of the illuminated address. Bro. Balmford then read the address as follows:—

Presented to
V.W. BRO. T. B. WHYTEHEAD,
P.M. York Mark Lodge (Time Immemorial),
Past Grand Master Overseer Grand Mark Lodge of England,
Together with
A Complete Set of Grand Officer's Clothing and Jewels and a Past Master's Jewel,
By the Worshipful Master, Officers, and Brethren of the York Lodge (T.I.),
As a token of the esteem in which he is held by them, and for the valuable services he has rendered to Mark Masonry.
19th July 1881.

Bro. Balmford then proceeded to invest Bro. Whytehead with the clothing and jewels, and congratulated him on the honour done him, which he felt was thoroughly deserved, and concluded by wishing him many years of happiness to wear the gifts of his brethren. Bro. Whytehead was then greeted with Grand Honours. On rising to reply, he said that one thing was quite evident, and that was, that the lesson of secrecy, inculcated at the onset of Masonic teaching, had been well learned by the brethren by whom he was surrounded, for a secret had surely never been better kept than that of the impending presentation. It had come upon him in the nature of a surprise, and one of a most overwhelming character, and he felt that, coming upon him as it had done, he was quite unable to speak as he would wish to have done on such an occasion. He was most of all gratified to be assured

) Lodge, and a copy sent to Bros. Fowler and
Senior and Junior Wardens of the Falcon Lodge, No. 1416
k), were proposed as candidates for advancement, after which
odge was closed, amid hearty good wishes, and Bro. Whytehead
ed the personal congratulations of the brethren. The address
igned by the following brethren :—Rev. W. C. Lukis W.M.,
W. Valentine I.P.M., J. S. Cumberland S.W., C. G Padel J.W.,
arbutt M.O., M. Millington S.O., A. T. B. Turner J.O., T. J.
nson Chaplain, J. R. Jackson Reg. of Marks, T. G. Hodgson S.D.,
mphries J.D., F. Smith and W. Harrison Stewards, W. B.
I.G., P. Pearson Tyler, R. W. Hollon P.M., Sir James Meek
J. Todd P.M., G. Balmford P.M., W. Lawton, S. Maltby, J.
, C. D. Barstow, M. Cooper, J. Shilleto, T. W. Wilson, W. T.
nd, H. Churchill, G. Moore, J. T. Seller, T. S. Camidge, J.
re, W. H. Gainforth, J. F. Taylor, W. Paley, G. C. Lee, T. E.
y, J. E. Wilkinson, R. Walker, G. H. Hebblethwaite, G. Irving,
lliser, W. M. Briggs, W. Hill, T. D. Smith, Rev. Jas. Blake, and
Clark. After the closing of the Lodge, an adjournment was
to the Banquetting Room, where a bountiful supper was
d by Bro. Calvert. The cloth having been withdrawn,
Balmford, who presided, gave the usual Loyal and
ic toasts. Bro. Whytehead in responding for the Grand
Lodge said it was the first time he had been called upon
charge that duty, but he did it with great pleasure, feeling sure
the evident zest with which the Grand Master Lord Henniker
ed into the spirit of the hour at the last Grand Lodge that he
worthy successor to Lord Lathom. The immense success of
Order and rapid increase and prosperity were in themselves
that the leaders of the Order had their hearts in the work. The
h of Bro. Whytehead was given by Bro. Cumberland, who
in high terms of his Masonic career of usefulness, and trusted
might long have the pleasure and profit of his fraternal associa-
In reply, Bro. Whytehead again thanked the brethren for their
pected gift, and assured them that every Masonic meeting
hich he was privileged to be present only added to the love
he had at first conceived for the Order, and that whether it
he Craft or any of the outside degrees the pleasure of the work-
s well as of the social gathering, were always white stones in his
life. He should always look upon the brethren of the York
Lodge with the kindliest and most fraternal feelings. The
h of the Worshipful Master, Bro. the Rev. W. C. Lukis,
ordially drank *in absentia*, after which Bro. Whytehead gave
Visitors, referring to the delight which it gave them to
heir old friend and Masonic veteran Bro. Beanland amongst
as also Bro. Middleton, of Scarborough, who was always wel-
in York, and Bro. Meek, who, by birth a York man, was also a
ber of several Masonic bodies in York ; who was advanced in the
Mark Lodge, and whom he (Bro. Whytehead) had the honour to
nstalled as first Master of the Darlington Mark Lodge, and
imself installed as first Master of the Middlesboro Mark Lodge.
of the Visitors responded, after which the health of Brother
ford P.M., the first Master of the Lodge under the Grand Mark
e, and the Past Masters and Officers of the Lodge was proposed
most heartily received. Soon afterwards the brethren separated,
passing an exceedingly pleasant evening. On the P.G. Over-
breast jewel, which formed a portion of the presentation, was
ved—"Presented to V.W. Bro. T. B. Whytehead P.M. York
Lodge (T.I.), Past Grand Master Overseer, by the brethren of
ork Mark Lodge, as a warm token of their esteem. 19th July
"

ARITY LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS, No. 76.

E annual meeting of this Lodge was held on 22nd instant, at the Masonic Rooms, 193 Union Street, Plymouth. In the unavoid-absence of W. Bro. John Treeby W.M. and P.P.G. Treasurer Bro. T. C. Lewarn P.P.G.D.C. occupied the chair. Bro. R. t P.P.G.A.D.C., who had been previously unanimously elected, installed as W. Master. This ceremony was conducted by the Bro. Bird P.G.M.O. Engd. and P.G.S., assisted by V.W. Bro. . Hifley P.M. P.P.G.J.D., W. Browning P.M. P.P.G.J.D., E o P.M. P.P.G.J.D., J. B. Gover P.M. 50 and 66, P.P.G.M.O the completion of the installation the following Officers were nted for the ensuing year :—W. Bro. John Treeby I.P.M.. Bros. oysey S.W., J. Neno J.W., W. Bros. W. Browning P.M. &c. ., J. M. Hifley P.M. &c. Secretary, Bros. A. Trout M.O., W. aford S.O., J. Gliddon J.O., J. Williams S.D., R. Dickson .P. J.D., W. H. Trout R. of M., B. Tucker I.G., W. Stenlake J. Maunder A.D.C., J. Haley S.S., J. Clements J.S., W. M. Bart-

Lodges (except the Present and Past Grand Officers, who assemble in the Ante-room) will meet in the Grand Lodge-properly clothed, under their respective banners.
The Provincial Grand Master, preceded by his Officers, will enter the Grand Lodge, and open it in due form.
The Provincial Grand Master will be saluted according to a form.
The minutes of the last Provincial Grand Lodge will be rea put for Confirmation.
Letters and Communications will be read.
The Roll of Lodges will be called over, and the representati each will rise and answer to their names.
The amount of Contributions from the various Lodges, and number of Members in each for 1881 will be announced.
The Auditors' report will be read, and a motion made that received, adopted, and entered on the Minutes.
The Provincial Grand Master will address the brethren.
The Provincial Grand Master will appoint and invest his De who will then be saluted.
The Provincial Grand Treasurer will be elected.
The Provincial Grand Master will appoint and invest his Office
The Provincial Grand Tyler will be Appointed.
The Provincial Grand Officers will be saluted.
A Proposition for the adoption of certain Bye-laws relating to C Organisation will be brought before Grand Lodge.
General Business.
Provincial Grand Lodge will be closed.

By command of the R.W. Provincial Grand Master,

THOS. J. RALLING,
Provincial Grand Secret

A. LUCKING Prov. G.D.C.

A banquet will take place at the Terminus Hotel, punctual Four o'clock. Tickets, 10s 6d (to include wine and dessert), m obtained at the Hotel, or previous to the 9th of August of Bro. Wardell, Sec. Priory Lodge, No. 1000, Southend-on-Sea.

SWIMMING AT BRILL'S BATHS, STAR A GARTER HOTEL, KEW BRIDGE.

THE members of the Kew Bridge Swimming Club are to b gratulated on the success of their meeting on Monday, w handicap race of 160 yards, or four lengths of the bath, was There were no less than fourteen competitors, who were ran three heats, the respective winners of which, and the loser who the fastest time, contending in the final. Heat 1 resulted in a v for R. W. Watson 35 sec. start, H. Hammond 58 sec., four yar hind, being second, while A. E. Griesback 48 sec. missed second by a yard only, time 3 m. 23½ sec., E. Glasson 52 sec. a Glasson 20 sec. were the other entrants. F. Nicholls 58 s Powis Bale 54 sec., E. D. C. Cecil scratch, and H. Watts competed in the second heat, reaching the winning post in the given, Nicholls heading Bale by a foot, time 3 m. 20 sec., Cecil for two lengths was 1 m. 7 sec., and for three lengths 1 m. In heat 3, H. J. Watson came in first by ten yards, G. Pearson being second, and W. Hammond 60 seconds 2 yards behind thir Heard 25 sec, and Hodgson 95 yards were unplaced, time 3 m. 1 In the final, R. W. Watson, 35 sec., won rather easily b yards, H. J. Watson 35 sec., being second, with F. Nicholls 5 and M. Powis Bale, 54 sec., close up in the order given ; inde distance of a single yard would have sufficed to cover the unsu ful competitors. Professor Oakes—"Leander"—the Club Swi Master, though labouring under severe indisposition, then gave fine exhibition of ornamental swimming, to the very great fication of all who witnessed it. We wish the Club a perous future. It has the patronage and support of the Duke o as President, as well as of Lord George Hamilton, M.P., Mr. Coope, M.P., Mr. Leopold De Rothschild, and Mr. Henry Smith, Presidents, with a numerous and influential Committee, and an staff of working officers, the Hon. Treasurer and Secretary bein M. Powis Bale, of Oriel Lodge, Oxford-road, Gunnersbury, of intending candidates for membership will obtain whatever i sation they may desire.

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Bro. F. Green, Vice-President of the Board of Ge

nourable Artillery Company of London. lected to fill the chair of W.M. He n Lodge, No. 21, in 1863, and became 0, having served the office of Grand before. He was exalted to the R.A. the Lily of Richmond Chapter, No. 820, tminster and Keystone, No. 10, in 1874. e Degree, however, that our lamented the greatest amount of interest. He February 1863 in the Old Kent (T.I.) Thistle, No. 8, in December of the same of the founders of the Macdonald Mark 1869. He was a Past Grand Steward ber of this Degree, and was, moreover, of the Mark Grand Lodge accounts. He ld be added, Assistant Treasurer and Westminster and Keystone Lodge (Craft), Patron of all our Institutions, and had f Steward at the Festivals of one or other r, if at all, short of twenty different occa- gy was esteemed and respected by the th whom he came in contact, and beloved diate circle of friends and acquaintances. work assigned to him, or which he had rtaken, with a completeness and success m to be a good and conscientious Crafts- conventional sense that we offer to the ds of one who was so well known and our sincere tribute of unqualified respect.

MEETING OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for t Freemasons' Hall on Thursday. There were st.-Col. Creaton Grand Treasurer (in the chair), E. Letchworth, Joshua Nunn, James Peters, Don. s Massa, Griffiths Smith, E. C. Massey, Frank Dubois, John A. Rucker, Charles Brown, William de L. Long, Arthur E. Gladwell, and F. R. W.

At the conclusion of the formal business, Bro. e notice of the following motion for the next That the House Committee are of opinion that a ould be provided for the use of the School, and that d for the execution of the same, and that the House wed to expend a sum not exceeding £2,000." There siness before the meeting.

BANQUET OF THE ST. JOHN OF APPING LODGE, No. 1306.

celebrated the first of its Summer Outings on the at the celebrated Broxbourne Gardens. By special make the event more agreeable, the ladies were invited pleasures of a visit to the country :—

Let us go forth;
are close, the pavement 's hot,
breath of air is stirring.
For us the Earth
t the greenest garniture of leaves,
nguage beautiful, but all unwrit, she ever speaks
d poetry, and heaven!

re bent, a party of ladies and brethren, numbering ived at the Crown, where, with its facilities for out- ey were favoured with enjoyable weather. Dinner delayed, to permit some of the brethren to come by a o their arrival the brethren sat down to a bountifully —Bro. Beningfield bearing in mind the direction of

t them want nothing that my house affords.

he would call upon them to drink prosperity to the St. John of Wapping Lodge. After a song, Bro. C. Veal I.P.M. said he had to perform the agreeable duty of proposing the health of the W.M., Bro. Magrath, who, as was stated on the menu, was indeed "a proper man." If they lived for fifty years, they could not find one superior to him. Bro. Magrath, like himself, believed that whatever was worth doing at all, was worth doing well, and to that principle might be credited the success of the present outing. The toast was heartily received, Mrs. Magrath's name being warmly associated with the toast. The Vice-Chairman (Bro. T. Wooding S.W.) was next honoured. The W.M. said, nothing could afford him greater pleasure than to propose the health of Bro. Wooding. They were initiated at the same time, and from thence until the present moment he had always found him a worthy brother. They were now next to each other in rank, and he looked forward to shortly see Bro. Wooding occupy the same dignified position in the Lodge as he (Bro. Magrath) now held; of one thing he was sure, no better or more competent Master than he would make could be found, for at all times he was to be seen acting his part in the Lodge worthily. Bro. Wooding having thanked the W.M. for so kindly proposing, and the ladies and brethren for heartily responding to the toast; expressed the great pleasure it afforded him to be present at the first summer outing of the Lodge, more especially as they were honoured by the presence of the ladies. He could only express a strong hope that the present successful experiment might be repeated for many years with increasing success. The "Ladies" were next toasted. The W.M. said this was a very important toast. The brethren who in attending Lodge were sometimes taken from the ladies, had arranged the present outing that their partners might be with them. He would call upon Bro. G. H. Stephens to respond on behalf of the Ladies. After an amusing song from Brother Couture—Brother Stephens replied, and soon afterwards the party returned to the grounds, where dancing was enjoyed until the necessity of catching the last train compelled the ladies and brethren most reluctantly to wend their way to the Station. Bro. Magrath and his Committee are to be congratulated upon the success and completeness of their arrangements. Bro. Morris successfully performed the onerous duties of Steward, and Bro. Holden succeeded admirably in seating the brethren to their satisfaction. The following kindly contributed songs during the day:—Bros. C. Veal, J. Couture, T. Morris, H. T. Hardy, G. H. Stephens, &c.; whilst Bro. Jerrard King gave a capital recitation. Among those present were Bro. J. and Mrs. Magrath, Bro. T. and Mrs. Wooding, Bro. J. and Mrs. Couture, Bro. H. T. and Mrs. Hardy, Bro. and Mrs. Veal, Bro. and Mrs. Wise and Miss Bryden, Bro. J. and Mrs. and Miss Morris, Bro. and Mrs. Bate, Bro. and Mrs. Holden, Bro. and Mrs. Bassett, Bro. and Mrs. Phillips, Bro. and Mrs. Twinn, Bro. and Mrs. East, Bro. and Mrs. Kingston, Bro. and Mrs. Stephenson, Bro. and Mrs. King, Bros. C. Hansmann, G. H. Stephens, Slanger, Whybrow, &c.

We understand it is intended to constitute a Prov. Grand Mark Lodge for North and East Yorkshire, and with the view of carrying this object into effect a meeting of delegates will be held on Wednesday, the 3rd proximo, for the purpose of memorialising Grand Lodge, and deciding on a brother to be nominated to the Provincial Grand Mastership.

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matic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
rborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
nce Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
lhouse, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
ndsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
ars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
al Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
nnington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 Instruction)
unt Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
anor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
5—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)

John, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
mfort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.
ladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford.
rquis of Granby, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham
ams, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness
nevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough.
rchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30 (Instruction)
ie Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
yal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
mbrian, Masonic Hall, Neath.
David, Masons' Hall, The Parade, Berwick
mple, Town Hall, Folkestone.
John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
ndesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay.
rnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant.
rtescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon.
Barnabas, Masonic Room, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard
te, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
rness, Masonic Hall, Ulverston.
iddaw, Lodge Room, Market-place, Cockermouth.
wall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford.
rwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar.
rrow, King's Head, Harrow.
verley, Caledonia Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne.
otle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 8. (Instruction.)
leridge, Sandringham House, Clevedon.
—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
—Loyalty, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Dea'
—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool

WEDNESDAY, 3rd AUGUST.

hapter, Freemasons' Hall, at 7
nfidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
nited Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
Tolerance, Green Dragon, 2 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
nmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
rchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 730 (Instruction)
w Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
hittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
on, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
rdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
nsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
ince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
ckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
ke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
anderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
aconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
eaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
istle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

hol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham.
yalty, Masonic Hall, Prescot, Lancashire
mphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
iendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
rmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street, Rochdale
bira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol
igton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
tegrity, Masonic Temple, Commercial-street, Morley, near Leeds
rthern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne
ith and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Dorchester
rmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
ownshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool at 7 (Instruction.)
mphrey Chetham, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
rl Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Kersley, Farnworth, near Bolton.
lesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
. Oswald, Masonic Hall, Ropergate, Pontefract
. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury (Instruction)
. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broughton.
yal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
rtland, Portland Hall, Portland. (Instruction.)
alling Abbey, Bear Inn, West Malling, Kent
artington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
rme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
nwick, Masonic Hall, Clayport-street, Alnwick
nque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
ince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossley, near Manchester
rl of Durham, Freemasons' Hall, Chester-le-Street.
lbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind-street, Swansea
ndsay, 20 King-street, Wigan.
rquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh, Lancashire.
e Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
ndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Gloucester.
. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
exandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
bercorn, Abercorn Hotel, Great Stanmore.
rlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Brook, Liverpool
rvey, George Hotel, Hayes
—Nativity, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall-square, Bolton

295—Combermere Union, Macclesfield Arms, Macclesfield
300—Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne
317—Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
419—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel Wolverhampton.
448—Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire.
508—Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham.
636—D Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
637—Portland, Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent.
659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blyth
792—Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Bullring-lane, Great Grimsby.
816—Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Wardle, near Rochdale
974—Pentalpha, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall.
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1231—Savile, Royal Hotel, Ealand
1282—Ancholme, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire, at 7.30 (Instruc
1284—Brent, Globe Hotel, Topsham, Devonshire
1381—Equity, Alfords Chambers, Widnes
1500—Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
1504—Red Rose of Lancaster, Starkie's Arms Hotel, Padiham, near Bur
1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1790—Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
1907—Loyal Wye, Builth, Breconshire
R.A. 581—Rectitude, Corporation Hotel, Tipping-st., Ardwick, Openshaw
R.A. 758—Bridgwater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
M.M. 53—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.

FRIDAY, 5th AUGUST.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instr
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8 (Instruction)
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instruct
1168—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1288—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1489—Marquess of Ripon, Metropolitan Societies Asylum, Balls Pond Ro
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8
R.A. 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd. N. Kensington, at 8.
Metropolitan Masonic Benevolent Association, 155 Fleet-street, E.C., at 8

44—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
81—Doric, Private Room, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
219—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Todmorden.
242—St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster.
306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.
539—St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall.
837—De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
998—Welchpool, Railway Station, Welchpool
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1387—Chorlton, Masonic Room, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1528—Fort Masonic Hall, Newquay, Cornwall.
1657—Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham.
1661—Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Edward-street, Morecambe, Lancashire
1643—Prince of Wales, Free masons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1664—Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, High-street, Gosforth.
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at
K.T.—Loyal Volunteers, Queens Arms Hotel, George-street, Ashton-und

SATURDAY, 6th AUGUST.

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instructi
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8

149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham.
308—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood.
1283—Amherst, King's Arms Hotel, Westerham, Kent
1459—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manche

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MASONIC FANCY FAIR AT PADSTOW.

A FANCY fair was held on the beautiful grounds of Pri Place, Padstow, on Monday, 25th July, for the purpos raising funds towards paying off the debt incurred in the pur and alterations of the St. Petroc Masonic Lodge in that town. Lodge, No. 1785, was consecrated in November 1879. Whe Lodge was first started the brethren felt that it woul better for them to have a Lodge-room of their own than to hold meetings in a public-house. Suitable premises were purchas Church-street, and when these have been properly fitted up the make a very commodious Lodge-room, and one convenient fo transaction of the business peculiar to the Craft. The formation Lodge, however, and the purchase of the freehold of the pro henceforth to be used as the Lodge-room, came out far more expe than was anticipated, and a Fancy Fair was arranged an for the purpose of assisting the Funds of the Lodge, if entirely wiping off the existing debt. As soon as Mr. C. G. Pri

explained the object of the Bazaar, and the ...ks of the members of the Lodge were due ...ous beautiful articles on the stalls before ...sent were—Bro. Sir C. B. Graves Sawle, ...os. W. H. Roberts W.M., Frank Bray S.W., I. Martyn I.P.M., J. W. Pearse Treasurer, ..., James Nicholls S.D., C. Matthews J.D., G. Harding, J. Stribley, W. H. Martyn jun., ...ms, J. A. Blamey, C. Foley, P. Blake, G. ... Sloggett, John Hawken, T. Hawken 330 Hawken 131, J. S. Rundle 1151 P.M., T. H. ...uscott jun. P.M. P.P.S.J.B., and R. Rich 330 ...ring ladies presided at the stalls:—No. 1—...ox Brune, Mrs. W. H. Roberts, and Miss ... Bray, Mrs. H. Martyn, Mrs. R. Bate, Mrs. ...ke, and Mrs. John Hawken. No. 3—Mrs. R. ...omow, Mrs. A. Sloggett, Mrs. F. Harding, ...rs. John Pearse, and Mrs. W. H. ...reshment or Sweet Stall — Miss Katie Matthews, and Miss Beatrice Stribley. ...embers of the St. Petroc Lodge, and arranged Messrs. A. Blamey and James Nicholls, was ... o'clock, and was partaken of by a large ...antioned in the above lists being present. ...a great many of the Visitors, through the ...rideaux Brune, were escorted through the ...see the old and stately mansion, with its ex...umerous interesting links of times long ago, ...visit to Padstow, notwithstanding the diffi...y reaching it. The commencement of the ...ificent structure was in 1588, the year of the ...in 1594 it was completed. It is said to have ...of an old monastery founded by St. Petrock, and ...ther things found on the grounds lend some ...n. One old Maltese cross, which now stands ...e the library, was found broken into two parts ...laces on the lawn. In the mansion there is a ... and the house has considerable interest ...unt of its being the first gentleman's house in ...

Several stories are told of Opie in connec...aux family, one of which is that Opie in an ... took with him all proper apparatus for portrait ...gst others, he painted the whole household of ...stable family of Prideaux, even all the dogs and ... There is a tradition in the family that upon ...nted the portrait of the housekeeper, who had ...ome cause of offence, for upon her expostulating ... the likeness, he said, "I painted you just as you ... when you be scolding the maids." This picture ...owever, is not now in the family, and most of his ...nt of it. The mansion, which was built by Sir ...as the birthplace of Humphrey Prideaux, Dean ...e a work entitled "The Old and New Testament ...tory of the Jews," the manuscript of which is ...ogether with many others. In recognition of ...ent XII. presented the Dean's son with a gold ...re are many other things in the mansion which ...as to notice.—*Western Daily Mercury.*

...rshipful the Provincial Grand Master of ...Ebrington, purposes holding a Provincial ... General Communication of Masons of ... of the Province of Devon, at the ...ite, Princess Square, Plymouth, on Sa...ugust, at two o'clock in the afternoon ... despatch of business. The Committee ... meet at the Huyshe Masonic Temple, ...t noon. Arrangements have been made ... and South Western and the Great ... Companies for return tickets at reduced ...om Friday the 5th, to Monday the 8th. ...uce their Masonic summons at the time ... banquet will be held at the Globe Hotel,

J. Laurence Organist, R. Potter ... Graham C.S., S. Page Steward, J. Gilbert Tyler. The Stewards representing the Lodge at Festivals are—Bros. J. W. Baldwin W.M. for Benevolent, C. W. Fox for Girls, F. Knight I.G. for Boys. It was unanimously resolved that a cordial vote of thanks be given, and the same entered on the minutes, to Bro. John Hammond I.P.M. for his admirable rendering of the installation ceremony. The Worshipful Master, on behalf of the Lodge, presented Bro. Hammond with a a valuable Past Master's jewel, which had been unanimously voted to him at a previous meeting, from the Lodge funds. The names of several candidates for initiation were given in to the Secretary. The ceremonies were well and ably rendered, each candidate having had his degree conferred on him separately. After nearly six hours' work, on an extremely hot day, the Lodge was closed, and adjourned till Saturday, 12th August, at 3 p.m. There were present, besides those named, Bros. J. T. Moss P.M. (the father of the Lodge), William Hammond P.M., J. C. Woodman P.M., W. Stanton, W. Ballard, H. J. Buckley, J. Triptree, J. W. Crout, C. A. Smith, T. B. Robbins, J. H. Ewen, W. G. Francis, W. J. Smith, J. Cavell, G. Reynolds, A. J. Rogers, &c. Amongst the visitors were Bros. T. C. Walls P.M. 1326, G. Jenkinson 1319, F. H. Keeble S.D. 1426, C. Cordingly W.M. 45, A. J. Phillips 1305, W. Spearing 1512, W. D. Robins West Kent, C. Woods 181, and several others. An excellent banquet followed, at which the usual toasts were given, and cordially responded to. Bro. G. Jenkinson well sustained the high reputation of the Asaph Lodge by the courteous and efficient manner in which he conducted the musical arrangements, both in Lodge and at banquet; his efforts were well appreciated by all present. Bro. T. Walls and others contributed to the harmony of the meeting. After a few hours well and agreeably spent the brethren separated.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—On Tuesday last, at Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, Bros. Christian W.M., Wardell S.W., Marsh J.W., Edwards S.D., Dignam J.D., Clark I.G., J. Lorkin Secretary, Smith Treasurer, Brasted acting Preceptor; also Bros. Catling, R. Olley, Wallington. The Lodge was opened in due form, and minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed; the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Smyth acting as candidate. Bro. Edwards, as candidate for passing, was entrusted; Lodge was opened in the second degree, when Bro. Edwards was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. Lodge was resumed to the first degree, and Bro. J. Lorkin worked the third and fourth sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Wardell was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Lodge was closed in due form, and adjourned.

In connection with the recent birthday of Queen Victoria, it is recalled that on the 20th instant she reigned in England forty-four years. This period has been surpassed by only four English rulers. Three of them were Kings and one was a Queen—Elisabeth. Should Queen Victoria live until the 25th of the coming October she will have reigned, it is said, exactly the same length of time as Queen Elizabeth.

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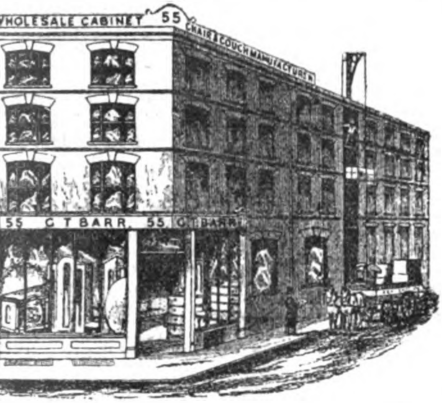
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MASONRY IN INDIA.

t the *Masonic Record of Western India* nth of June that at the last half-yearly District Grand Lodge of Bombay, Right . Tyrrell Leith District Grand Master, numerously supported by his District well as by representatives of the Lodges ile the meeting was honoured by the pre- Henry Morland Immediate Past Grand cottish Freemasonry in India and his It appears from the address of Bro. Leith Bombay is in a very prosperous condi- dra Lodge at Jubbulpore, which for some n an unhappy state, had resumed full auspices of a new Worshipful Master, and be every prospect of its continuing its lly. Other Lodges, which in the half had been visited by his Deputy, were n most favourably, but in the case of two t Sholapore and Deesa respectively—as abeyance for two years, their warrants d to England. Bro. Leith then expressed e he experienced on finding, on his return t the appeals made to the English Masons in favour of the new Bombay Masonic he education, maintenance, and support of indigent and decessed Freemasons, had uch success." A sum of 10,000 rupees o its credit—a fact which our readers s volumes in favour of the zeal and energy brethren. It is scarcely possible indeed ginning to have been made, and we endorse ed by Bro. Leith, that the brethren will not ts in behalf of the Charity. After enu- ms subscribed by the different Lodges, and regret that the up-country Lodges had gely contributed, especially as the Fund concerned the up-country brethren as t more than those resident in Bombay, he anks to Bro. Hussey for the pains he had ting the Charity. He concluded by stating late visit to England he had taken the visiting several Lodges, and he was proud n Lodges in the way of work had nothing ct of a comparison with those in the old r a few further remarks, expressing his for the kind reception he had met with on

Reports on the various Committees were hat of the Committee of Benevolence, it the Bombay Masonic Association had already invested in Government paper, on t to the extent of 345 Rupees was due at while a further 1,000 Rupees was shortly ed. The Report of the Committee of oses was very brief, being limited to tion to the effect that the names of certain icers who had omitted to pay their fees of d be struck off the roll of District Grand s and the previous report having been H. R. Cormack was unanimously re-elected l Treasurer, after which the Right Worshipful d Master proceeded to appoint and invest the thren as his District Grand Officers for the :—

1709 J.G.W., the Rev. T. Corfield, M.A., Grand Chaplain, H. R. Cormack G. Treasurer, P. M. Jeejeebhoy P.M. 1189 G. Registrar W. H. Hussey P.M. 944, 1359, and 1709 G. Secretary, E. T. Fox W.M. 415 S.G.D., E. G. Davies P.M. 1508 S.G.D., J. Greaves P.M. 944 J.G.D., H. N. Ghista P.M. 1359 J.G.D., C. P. Huard P.M. 1122 G. Sup. Wks., D. M. Jeejeebhoy P.M. 1189 G.D. of C., Shantaram Narayan P.M. 1709 G.S.B., J. G. Russell G.O., W. Atherton W.M. 944 G.P., W. C. H. Gill 549 G.S., J. H. Wilbond 757 G.S., Henry Stead 944 G.S., W. B. Green 1100 G.S., Pestonjee Muncherjee 1359 G.S., J.W. Seager 757 G. Tyler.

The appointment and election of brethren to serve on the Committees of General Purposes and Benevolence followed, after which the R.W. D.G. Master expressed his thanks to Captain Morland and his Grand Officers for having honoured the D.G. Lodge with their presence. The compliment having been suitably acknowledged, and the other business of the day having been dispatched, the D.G. Lodge was closed with the accustomed formalities.

The Auditors' report in respect of the D.G. Treasurer's accounts was satisfactory. On the profit and loss account there was a balance to the good of over 347 rupees. In the statement of assets and liabilities, the former showed an item of "cash at Oriental Bank Corporation 1927 Rupees." The balance sheet on 31st December 1880, displays a total of 7,500 Rupees in government stock, and cash at Bank of Bombay amounting to 577 Rupees.

We gather from the rules of the Bombay Masonic Association that a donor of 1,000 Rupees becomes by virtue of his donation a Vice-Patron, with thirty votes at all elections for life. He who gives 500 Rupees is constituted a Vice President, with fifteen votes; of 100 Rupees a Life Governor, with two votes; and of 50 Rupees a Life Subscriber, with one vote; while a donation of 10 Rupees carries with it one vote at such elections as may take place during the year in which the money is subscribed. Vice Patrons, Vice Presidents, and Life Governors may present their donations in one sum, or in successive amounts of not less than 50 Rupees; while in the event of their paying over the whole amount in the course of twelve months, and serving the office of Steward at one of the Festivals immediately following, they are allowed twenty, ten, and two votes respectively, a Life Subscriber serving the same office receiving one additional vote. The qualifications of Masonic bodies are double those of individual Masons; while donors who are ladies, or non-Masons, acquire the same privileges on payment of half the above sums. A Festival, with or without a banquet, is to be held annually in the month of April, while the annual meeting at which the election of children to the benefit of the Fund takes place is fixed for March. Children of all religious denominations, and of both sexes, are eligible, provided they are not less than six, and not more than sixteen years of age, and provided also that in every case the father has been a registered Mason for not less than five years, and a subscribing member of some Lodge for two years, "save and except where a child has been deprived of all support by reason of the father during such membership dying, or being rendered destitute by shipwreck or fire, or being permanently incapacitated by bodily infirmity from earning a livelihood."

From the accounts of the regular quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Scottish, Freemasonry in India, at which, in the absence of the Grand Master, Captain Henry Morland Immediate P.G. Master presided, it seems that here likewise the report for the past year is most favourable. There are, it appears, thirty Lodges on the roll, of which no less than twenty-four are in full activity, the aggregate of [illegible] amounting to 604. It further

way of Benevolence and 2 annas for stamps, leaving a ance of 6,279 Rupees, consisting of 4,122 Rupees vernment paper, 2,018 Rupees in Government Savings' nk, and 139 Rupees in cash. We cannot but congratu- the Society on the modesty of its expenses. Two annas the equivalent of three pence sterling, so that the nal outlay of the Scottish Freemasons' Benevolent iety in respect of office management is just the one- rth part of a shilling. We think it would be difficult lay one's hand on a greater instance of economy. The aining business transacted at the meeting does not d any special comment.

THE APOLOGETIC MEMBER.

HE man of many apologies! Who is there that has not at some time or other made the acquaintance of h an individual? Frequently to be found in the ordi- y pursuits of life, he is consequently among the types of racter generally looked for in a Masonic Lodge, where ier as member or visitor he finds ample opportunity for rcising his peculiar foible. If he be thoroughly pro- ent he is ready with an apology on every occasion, and unfrequently he actually apologises for troubling the rld with his existence. But for all this he is seldom an ectionable man, he can and does make himself agreeable, l, once his peculiarity is known, his remarks give rise to little mirth. It is very interesting to study the means ich men of this stamp adopt in exercising their pecu- trait. They apologise upon subjects which would pass notice of the ordinary observer, and the way in which y do so sometimes creates a doubt in the mind as to ether the limits of good taste have or have not been eeded.

n the Lodge the apologist is quite at home. He regrets, this or that brother that, as the case may be, so few or many members are present; he apologises because there o work in the second or third degree, or that the cere- ny peculiar to the latter is the only one to be worked t evening. If only Bro. P.M. —— were in attendance it uld be a treat indeed. The present Master has not had experience of the absentee in that particular branch of ritual, and consequently cannot work it so well. These l similar remarks are among those most frequently made of. At the festive board the rule equally applies, but e, the license being much greater, the scope for the dis- y of a brother's particular weakness is correspondingly ler. Accordingly, we have it applied with much greater quency. The visitor in this respect, as in all other dies of Masonic character, supplies the best illus tion. How frequently an apologetic visitor is to found? To begin with there is not one in six but apo- ises, because, in his own estimation, he is so unworthy epresentative of the guests of the day, and we think a d majority of them preface their remarks with an apo- y for taking up the time of the meeting with the few narks they are about to offer. The man who can carry t this latter apology consistently is indeed a character, l may really be denominated a study in himself. He ll take ten minutes to explain that at the late hour at ich they find themselves, it would be unjust for him to upy the time of the brethren with any lengthened afford to discourage him, and, as a conse our readers may imagine that some very p excuses were made during the progress of our perfor Since those days we have come to the con that he was not exactly alone in his peculiarity; fo pears to be a recognized part of an amateur perform have some such character introduced during the e But the worst form in which this peculiarity assert is, when it is practised by the Master. Happily such in are rare, as the training a man has to go through be can attain the highest position in the Lodge tends to any such blemishes. But as we believe there are son who are born with this peculiarity in them, it is of useless to suppose it can be wholly prevented even occupant of the chair. In such cases a moderate of the weakness might pass almost unnoticed, while firmed apologist would soon convince his hearers t was really under the influence of a kind of monoman thus would be entitled to sympathy rather than wise.

LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

WE have latterly been favoured with several on the present system of administering r authorised by the Constitutions, and as this system made the subject of a motion at the next meeting of Lodge, there is just now a favourable opportunity cussing the pros and cons of the case. We have called attention to the delay which occurs in the p of all grants in excess of £50. An article appea these columns on 29th May of last year, and in it w be said to have first foreshadowed the objection whi so recently been taken by Bro. Perceval to the sys present in force. However, before we enter upon ou ment, it will be as well if we place before our read brief, the regulations which the Constitutions impos the Lodge of Benevolence for the administration Fund entrusted to its care. Of the pre-requisite con with which every applicant for relief must comply it necessary to say more than that they have been frame the greatest care, and are thoroughly calculated to the maximum of security from imposition. The imp consideration is the terms of payment. Smaller v recommendations—that is, for sums not exceeding take effect immediately, without needing confirmat the Lodge of Benevolence; but as regards a vote or mendation for any greater sum "it shall not be e until confirmed at the next or subsequent meeting" said Lodge, "except in cases of recommendation to Lodge." At the same, time "the Lodge may at on any sum not exceeding ten pounds on account of an or recommendation of the Lodge exceeding that Should the Lodge, in the exercise of its discretion, to reconsider the case, then "the Lodge, instead firming the grant or recommendation, may reduce it sum not less than that which has been paid on ac and the resolution of reduction shall not confirmation." It is within the competence Lodge to order payment of any sum not exceedin towards the relief of a brother, or £10 to that of a or child—where there is a widow with a child or ch dependent on her, or where there is more than one

...ever. It, however, ...e worthy of relief to an extent beyond ...wait a further period of three months, ...being all he is entitled to receive until ...ffirmed its approval of the recommenda... ...by the Lodge of Benevolence. Now, as ...le already referred to, "This is certainly ...e of things, and requires amendment ...he Lodge of Benevolence were prodigal ...ated to its administration, so consider... ...be unnecessary; but as it is well known ...ful to relieve only when it has fully ...he necessity there is for relief, a second ...Grand Lodge is certainly supererogа...

...readers will understand that we are very ...there should be any relaxation of those ...ns which the Constitutions very wisely ...dministration of the Fund of Benevolence, ...course, so far as they relate to the in... ...pplicant's circumstances and the truth of ...So far from desiring this, we should not ...at that the resolutions should be made ...t if we had the slightest doubt as to their ...we confess we are at a loss to understand ...y our Fund of Benevolence should be so ...where the necessity for help on a liberal ...there the delay in rendering that help is ...The Lodge of Benevolence has a vast ...ce. It is impossible to doubt that it exer... ...with admirable firmness, delicacy, and ...this very reason it is we say that the fur... ...e months which the Constitutions impose ...grants exceeding £50 is unnecessary. ...odge of Benevolence certain grave respon... ...s we have just said, the Members of the ...ate to the public the sense they entertain ...such responsibilities by the extreme cau... ...they fulfil their duties. The cases during ...ars in which a grant once made has been ...d, or even questioned, might be numbered ...one hand—a fact which is alone sufficient ...edless is this further provision by which ...ation of any grant above £50 must not only ...Grand Lodge, but such approval must be ...re the money can be paid over. Surely ...s of caution on the part of our rulers, with ...very well afford to dispense.

...reasons there are which might be urged in ...ing this particular regulation; but we shall ...ves with stating one only in the present ...t deserving case is submitted to the consi... ...Lodge, and they come to the resolution to ...icant the sum of £200. They do so, because ...to understand or have good reasons for ...the sum in question will enable him to make ...a life, with a reasonable chance of regaining ...e his old position in the world. But the ...making this fresh start is lost because of the ...urs in the payment of the amount awarded. ...object the Lodge of Benevolence had in view ...£200 is frustrated because the Constitutions ...he Grand Lodge approval must be confirmed ...at is made. Nothing surely is needed beyond ...quisition made by the Lodge of Benevolence. ...dation, and the approval of Grand Lodge. As ...the case of a grant being revoked, reduced. ...ioned, is of the rarest occurrence, and hence ...is particular regulation as to re-making...

which only require to be described in the press in order to be appreciated as they deserve. But there is no question that the manufacture of these serviceable utensils has, in the course of the last few years, attained a high degree of perfection. The old kind of Bachelor's Kettle, which boiled a pint or two of water in a hurry and cooked a sausage or a rasher of bacon promptly, has been long since superseded by an elaborate machine which enables a bachelor or even a family man, to be to a great extent independent of coal fires. Gas stoves came first, but mineral oil stoves now find great favour with the public, and Messrs. Hooper & Co., are to be congratulated on the variety, excellence, and cheapness of those which they undertake to supply. These stoves are of all sizes, and prices. There is, for instance, the mere "small hand stove for boiling a small quantity of water, cooking an egg or potato, warming a bowl of soup, &c." This with pint kettle costs the modest sum of 3s 9d. A saucepan and fryingpan cost fifteen pence additional, while if a quart kettle and saucepan are preferred, the extra outlay is about sixpence. Then there is the grand cooking range which is "capable of cooking all the requirements of a family," with its capacious oven for joints, pastry, bread, &c. It has a large cistern with appropriate fittings, so that hot water can always be had. It will cook a joint of 8 lbs.; in fact, a complete dinner may be prepared for a good sized family, with no more trouble than is involved in a little watching, and at no greater expense than the cost of the oil. The cost of this stove is in round figures some £5 10s.

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A new Lodge, bearing the style and title of the Graystone, No. 1915, Whitstable, was consecrated on Thursday the 28th ult., by R.W. Bro. Viscount Holmesdale P.G.M. of Kent, who was zealously assisted in his task by Bros. J. S. Eastes D Prov. G. Master, the Rev. R. Jamblin Prov. G. Chaplain, H. Ward P.M. 31, &c. as D. of C. and Dr. Longhurst W.M. 31 Organist. There were present about one hundred brethren, among whom were the Prov. G. Treasurer Bro. Thorpe, Bro. Spencer Prov. Grand Secretary, with other past and present Grand Officers of the Province, there being no less than forty installed Masters in attendance. After the ceremony of consecration, which was most impressively carried out by Lord Holmesdale, the installation of Bro. R. Boughton-Smith W.M. by Bro. Eastes D.P G.M. followed. The Officers of the Lodge are Bro. Williams S.W., G. Barton J.W., A. Anderson Treasurer, J. T. Reeves Secretary, H. Gann S.D., W. P. Coleman J.D., — McCue I.G. The Prov. Grand Master, his Deputy, and Bro. Rev. R. Jamblin having had accorded to them a vote of thanks, accompanied by election as honorary members of the Lodge, Lodge was closed and the brethren sat down to banquet, under the presidency of Bro. Boughton-Smith W.M., Lord Holmesdale and his Officers being also present. We sincerely trust the Graystone Lodge, No. 1915, will enjoy a long and prosperous career. It has certainly started well.

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At the recent annual conclave of the Grand Commandery of Georgia, Sir Knight W. S. Rockwell, of

formula of initiation, and rules for the conduct of the members expressed in symbolical language, derived from the Masonic profession. [The writer probably means, derived from operative Masonry.] Similar jocular affectations of mystery are not uncommon; an interesting instance is mentioned by Goethe in his "Dichtung und Wahrheit," in which he took a prominent part during his residence in Wetzlar. It seems rather corroborative of Herder's assertion, that, while the biographers of Wren mention the attendance of the Lodge of Freemasons, of which he was the Master, at the ceremony of placing the highest stone of the lantern, no mention is made of their attendance at the laying of the foundation stone. It is also worth notice that every Lodge in Great Britain (and we may add, on the Continent) is an offshoot from that one Lodge of which Sir Christopher was so long Master, now generally known by the name of the Lodge of Antiquity. It is difficult to conceive the tolerant spirit of Masonry—its recognition of the personal worth of men, irrespective of their opinions, as their sole title to esteem—adopted by any body of men, while the inhabitants of Europe were growing into thinkers through the fever-fit of sectarianism. The age and nation in which Milton defended the liberty of the press, Taylor advocated the "liberty of prophesying," and Locke wrote in defence of toleration, are the first in which we can well fancy an association imbued with that principle to originate. Lastly, there are several circumstances connected with Wren's general career, and with the building of St. Paul's in particular, which seem to be mirrored in Masonry. We pronounce no decided opinion on Herder's assertion, leaving the history of Masonry, as far as we are concerned, in a state of dubiety, which seems more congenial than clear knowledge to such a mysterious Institution. Should any zealous Mason grumble at our implied scepticism regarding the great antiquity claimed by his Order, we would respectfully remark that Sir Christopher Wren is as respectable a founder as he has any chance of getting—that he 'may go farther and fare worse.'

"Wren was a man well qualified for drawing around him an intellectual and social circle of acquaintances. His talents were of the highest order, and he had overlooked no branches of knowledge cultivated in his day. Evelyn, in his Diary, says—'1654, July 11th. After dinner, I visited *that miracle of a youth*, Mr. Christopher Wren, nephew to the Bishop of Ely;' and in his 'Sculpturæ, or History of Chalcography,' 'Such at present is *that rare and early prodigy of universal science*, Dr. Christopher Wren, our worthy and accomplished friend.' His Latin composition is elegant; his mathematical demonstrations original and perspicuous. In 1658, he solved the problem proposed by Pascal as a challenge to the scientific men of England; and proposed another in return, which was never answered. In his fifteenth year he was employed by Sir Charles Scarborough, an eminent lecturer on anatomy, as his demonstrating assistant: and he assisted Willis in his dissections for a treatise on the brain, published in 1664, for which he made the drawings. His anniversary address to the Royal Society, in 1664, bears testimony to the comprehensive and varied range of his intellect, as also to his constant recurrence to observation as to the fountain and corrector of theory. With the characteristic carelessness of true genius he freely communicated the progress and results of his inquiries, unchecked by any paltry anxiety to set his own mark upon them before he gave them currency. The early annals of the Royal Society bear record that many small men have plumed themselves upon inventions and discoveries which really were Wren's, but which he did not take the trouble to reclaim. His was a social disposition, and the workings of his intellect afforded one of his means of promoting the enjoyment of society. It is a flattering testimony to his temper, that during his long life he seems never to have lost a friend. Steele, in his sketch of Wren, under the name of Nestor, in the 'Tatler,' dwells with emphasis on his modesty:—'His personal modesty overthrew all his public actions;' 'the modest man built the city, and the modest man's skill was unknown." It was, however, no sickly modesty—the want of a proper consciousness of his own strength. The bitter tears he wept when forced to abandon his original design for St. Paul's are a proof how truly he estimated its value. When told, one morning, that a hurricane which occurred in the night had damaged all the steeples in London, he replied with his quiet smile, 'Not St. Dunstan's, I am sure.' There are passages in his Report to the Commissioners [for the erection of fifty additional churches in the cities of London and Westminster], conceived in the very spirit in which Milton announced his hope to compose something which future ages 'would not willingly let die.' An anecdote of Sir Dudley North, preserved by his brother Roger, conveys a distinct notion of Sir Christopher's conversation:—'He (Sir Dudley) was so great a lover of building, that St. Paul's, then well advanced, was his sublime interior; it embraces not merely the British Mo every region where one man is to be found who has bene light which Wren and his associates in philosophical inq instrumental in kindling:—

SI MONUMENTUM REQUIRIS CIRCUMSPICE."

A MASONIC DREAM.

BRO. EDITOR:—I had been to a Masonic banquet, w thing in the shape of good things to eat had been duly

* * * I was in the land of morbid dreams, and fo wandering at night through the deserted streets of the c bling on in the darkness, I was suddenly grasped by two one on each side, with a Herculean grip. In the darkne seen them until they were upon me. At first I though highway ruffians, bent on robbing me, but one of them in voice said, "You are wanted." I knew what that me arrested.

Instantly there came flashing across me everything done, and I thought, what crime had I committed that seized in the dead of night and hurried off to justice or i must be a mistake, thought I. I have been arrested by some other person. I shall soon establish my innocence tribunal. All these thoughts went like lightning throug for in truth there was not much time for thought at all.

In the strong grip of these two stalwart officers of j rushed through a door of some great building, which, in t I could not make out, and up a staircase so steep as to away my breath. Presently we were ushered into a d room, and before me sat two or three men masked in so whose features were entirely undiscernible. No one else

Presently a voice came from the black-robed judge at the table, deep and sepulchral, "Guards, who have y charge?" I recognized the voice as that of the old patr —the same that built the famous vault of nine arches, a the golden plate for posterity to find.

The guards, thus challenged, answered in a firm, decid Mason who is accused of violating his Masonic obligation

"A Mason who has violated his Masonic obligation possible? Knowest thou not, unhappy wretch, that which a man can be guilty is deeper or more damning Stand forth and answer!" All this, from the deep sep of the patriarch Enoch, struck down deep into my soul, feel pretty serious. Still, thought I, there must be so what have I ever done to bring me here before the tried to brace myself up in conscious integrity, and wra the mantle of injured innocence.

"Chancellor," said another voice, read from the book principal crimes of Masons who have gone over the gulf and let the accused answer as if he stood at the bar of ment.

That voice began, "O unhappy mortal! hast thou fully revealed the secrets of Freemasonry?"

"Never," I answered, with the quickness of an elect I began to be sure they were after the wrong individual

"Art thou still in the habit of using the name of Go notwithstanding all thou didst promise at thy initia solemn mysteries of Masonry?"

"No, sir," I replied with firmness, "never since I Mason have I been guilty of that vulgar and gratuitous I was made a Mason I broke short off, and never have since." I straightened myself up in conscious rectitude plainly see that my deportment was making a favourab on those cowled judges, who held in their hands my M earthly fate.

One judge whispered to another, and I could just "There must be some error in our information. This re the air of an innocent and upright Mason."

"But," said the President, "Chancellor, is there not question?"

"There is yet one," said the official addressed.

"Read it!"

"Hast thou ever wilfully defrauded a brother Mason

"Not wilfully, I hope," I answered more humbly. "I done so, I trust it has been through carelessness, or or thoughtlessness, and not maliciously or intentionally.

I have a great mind to discharge you a

r spoken of it," replied Smith, "but you must
tter, it being such a small amount."
xclaimed, penitently. "Take 10s without delay
my most humble apology; and I authorise you,
l 8s whenever the first of January comes round
dvance for the coming year. You need not ask
blanche. I shall hold you responsible after

r, as there may be some others in the same
out my dream, and hope you will publish it, and
lly.
, by "HIRAM ABIF," we clip from the Australian
st the story will have due effect.]

WE KNOW OF MASONRY?

ow of Masonry? is here intended as a general in-
that may be answered by thousands. It is an
that the mass of the Fraternity are not as tho-
egard to the origin and history of their Order as
ery many members are satisfied with the know-
o part of the work, and do not pretend to study
ne forms, ceremonies and precepts.
have two classes of members, namely, the dull
ne dull ones are those who are rusty in the esoteric
while the bright ones are those who are well posted.
rally the peers of any in the work and good leaders,
rt of umpires. The highest ambition of Masons
well posted in the secret work, so as to conduct the
nd readily work their way into other Lodges. To
e very lowest estimate of Masonry, as it is merely
ing part without discovering the cause of anything.
ory involved is the degrees of Masonry is of very
l embraces some of the most interesting events of
and profane, not a single item of which can a
ass by, and if all were posted in it they would hold
n higher estimation than ever.
ht Mason" by merely being able to confer the
be a Mason of only partial information. It would
ell posted in the origin and progress of the Insti-
the work, than bright in the work, and dull in the
s.
ere is scarcely anything that is not historic, and as it
oundation we can find an origin of much interest in
this search we need not confine ourselves to moni-
nedias, for the whole realm of history is open to us.
cts involves a large amount of searching and reading,
any valuable aids, prepared by men who have taken
tory and brought facts to light which have been, and
benefit to the Craft.
know of Masonry? is indeed an important question.
ar number can take up any part of our work and tell
n part of the ceremony came from; what part of the
it belongs to; what was its original meaning, and
ation in Masonry? for we must not forget that every-
ry has a double meaning, as has almost everything in
the latter it has a historical and spiritual signification,
a historic meaning and a Masonic application.
ts first degrees is often charged with discountenanc-
esus Christ, yet nothing could be further from the
rliest degrees of Masonry embody a history and com-
nts long anterior to Christ, and could a character so im-
ory be regarded as having come and acted his part in
ds of years before his appearance? Then the Messiah
ier was prophecied as a being yet to come, and in the
the Redeemer is recognized, and in that respect Ma-
stent with itself and Biblical history.
e know of Masonry? suggests the thought that there
ne way of supplying our Lodges with libraries sufficient
se of generally diffusing information among the mem-
ut out the means of getting a carefully prepared history
Masonic, in its continued connection, perhaps would be
ut most of us can find many interesting ways to improve
such knowledge. Many of the articles in the Masonic
of the day are replete with such information.
ligent person who is not a Mason, or if any newly made

High Cross Lodge, No. 704.—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Seven Sisters' Hotel, Tottenham, on Wednesday, 27th July 1881. Bros. H. V. Clements W.M., J. Farrer S.W., J. Garrod J.W., M. Tegg S.D., J. Lewis J.D., A. G. Fidler I.G., G. Rowe D.C., T. Cunningham Sec.; P.M.'s Bros. Linzell, Maller, Jones, Townsend, Barham, Dance, Stevens, Burford, and a good muster of the members and visitors. The usual preliminaries having been duly observed, the first business was to ballot as a candidate for Freemasonry for Mr. C. Wyman, which proved unanimous in his favour, and he will be initiated next Lodge meeting. The Bye-laws were then read, after which Bro. J. Garrod was elected W.M. for the ensuing year. Bro. David Roberts, through pressure of business, having resigned the Treasurership of the Lodge, which office he had held for many years, Bro. Dance was unanimously elected in his stead, and Bro. J. Verry re-elected Tyler. It was proposed in eulogistic terms by Bro. W. Dance, and seconded by the W.M., that a hearty and cordial vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes to Bro. Roberts for the able and faithful manner in which he had discharged the duties of Treasurer of the Lodge for so many years past. The resolution was carried unanimously. Some minor business having been disposed of, the brethren adjourned for refreshment, under the able presidency of the W.M., and a most harmonious and agreeable evening was spent.

Messrs. Cassell, Petter and Galpin are about to issue, in Monthly Parts, "The Peoples of the World, Being a Popular Description of the Characteristics, Manners, and Customs of the Human Family," by Robert Brown, M.A., Ph.D., F.L.S., F.R.G.S., profusely illustrated. We quote the following from their Prospectus:—When, nearly ten years ago, the publication of "The Races of Mankind" was commenced, the large circulation which it at once attained showed conclusively that a want had been met by the issue of a work, which, accurate in all its details, and combining the author's personal experiences with the result of the latest travel and exploration, was yet written in a style thoroughly interesting and lucid, and rendered additionally attractive by the hundreds of woodcuts with which it was illustrated. Since that date travellers and *savants* have been busy in every part of the world. Tribes formerly little known are now familiar, and others whose names were but shadowy abstractions demand a place in any comprehensive account of the families of man. The old science of Ethnology has been gradually giving place to the newer one of Anthropology, which occupies itself less with the more instructive facts which a study of the customs, legends, mysteries, and mental processes of the race affords. Folk-lore, which until recently was considered as little loftier in its aim than the raking together of nursery tales, has now assumed its proper place as one of the most useful of all the handmaids of science, and is daily bringing to light the strangest and most interesting data affecting the origin, religious promptings, and the wanderings of early man. Under these circumstances the publishers have determined, with the co-operation of the author, to produce an Edition of their very popular work, "The Races of Mankind," so entirely re-cast and greatly enlarged as to be actually a *new book*. Every page will be minutely revised, so as to bring the descriptions abreast of the latest standpoint of knowledge.

The Grand Lodge of the Province of Middlesex will be held this day (Saturday), at the Railway Hotel, Feltham. The Prov. G. Lodge will be opened at Three o'clock.

We beg to remind our readers that the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Hants and Isle of Wight will be held at the Lecture Hall of the Soldiers' Institute, Grand Parade, Portsmouth, on Tuesday next, the 9th inst., under the presidency of R.W. Bro. W. W. B. Beach Prov. Grand Master.

The annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Essex will take place at the Public Hall, Southend-on-Sea, on Tuesday, the 9th instant. It is expected that Lord Tenterden, K.C.B., Provincial Grand Master, will preside.

very greatest importance. It may be taken for granted that no one will go through the painful ordeal of submitting his private circumstances in the first place to his Lodge, and in the next to the Lodge of Benevolence, unless neces-ity compels him. But few Craftsmen, knowing the strict inquisition which will be made into the particulars of his case, will venture to apply for relief without sufficient cause. A glance at the reports of Grand Lodge and Lodge of Benevolence will show that during the last seven years the cases in which a grant has been revoked or reduced are of very rare occurrence. And when a brother is voted assistance to the extent of £100 and £150, you and I and every one else are justified in imagining that his necessities are very urgent. But what a farce it is that this poor and distressed brother should be compelled to wait five or six months for the money that is granted, a tenth or a fifteenth being all he is allowed to draw in the interval. The Constitutions are very stringent, "whenever vote for a sum of money not exceeding fifty pounds shall be carried in Grand Lodge, pursuant to recommendation from the Lodge of Benevolence, the same shall be paid forthwith, but should the vote exceed fifty pounds it shall not be valid until confirmed at the next Grand Lodge." I allow that it is impossible to be too particular, and that the Lodge of Benevolence and Grand Lodge are bound to take every precaution against the wiles of the adventurer, but, on the other hand, it is admittedly hard lines that a brother should have to wait so long when he has been adjudged worthy of receiving an abnormally large grant. Would it not be possible so to amend the Constitutions that a brother who is awarded a sum in excess of £50 should be permitted to draw on account to the extent of £40 or £50, when the recommendation of the Lodge of Benevolence has been endorsed by Grand Lodge, the balance being due and payable when the endorsement has been confirmed. If something of this kind were done, then the very reasonable objection to the delay now caused would be removed.

Yours faithfully,

"S. E. V."

PROVINCIAL CHARITY ORGANISATIONS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I think every Province should have its Charity Organisation. Except, indeed, in the case of those which are strong in membership, there are none, in my opinion, which are ever likely to get along satisfactorily without something of the kind. A strong Province, when it sends up a candidate for one of our Institutions may be said to command success, but a small Province, unless it is able to control the votes of members and borrow or lend them, as necessity may require, stands a very poor chance of ever carrying its candidate. It may seem to involve the abstraction of those privileges to which a brother becomes entitled when he subscribes his five or ten guineas or more, that he should be as it were compelled to record his votes for a particular candidate, in whom he has no personal interest whatever; still it is only by the combination of the many that the success of a local candidate is ever likely to be secured. For these reasons it is that I express my belief as to the proposed Essex Charity Organisation, that if it is to effect any enduring benefits, its regulations as to the disposition of votes must be somewhat exacting. If members are to be at liberty to support whom they please, it must be clear to every one that the candidate adopted by the Province will stand but a very indifferent chance of securing his election. Let those who may incline to think it a somewhat harsh proceedings to deny a brother the personal exercise of this privilege keep in mind the old story about the bundle of sticks. Let them also bear in mind that by the exercise of a very little care and ingenuity, a couple of hundred votes may be easily made to do duty for three or four times the number. For instance, Essex has a candidate for the Girls' School, aged eight years. Either five or six elections must be held before the child becomes ineligible in respect of age. The Province has, we will assume, six hundred votes, all told, for the various Institutions, equally divided among the three; that is, two hundred for the Girls', two hundred for the Boys', and two hundred for the Benevolent. The last two hundred being available for both Funds, male and female, it follows that in the course of the year Essex has twelve hundred votes, though the marketable rates in the exchange value of the votes for the Charities of necessity vary. For instance, a hundred boys may be equal to two hundred girls, and fifty old men to twice that number of women; but taking them at par value, twelve hundred votes are enough to carry an election under ordinary circumstances, while, in exceptional cases, it might be found ex-

tedious as to be compelled constantly to listen to the sa
it the most impressive sermon or the most exhaus
Moreover, I think with him, as I always have thought,
could be easier than to make some change in order to d
this monotony. He is quite in the right—at least as re
business—when he asks, "What is there ever done inside
or in the pages of Masonic periodicals, to induce the pub
and I may add, to convince the brethren themselves, that
art and science has anything whatever to do with Masc
may not care much about impressing the outside or pu
with the nature and extent of our claims to artistic and sci
ledge, but it is obviously a great shortcoming on our p
do nothing to convince our brethren of the reality of
As Bro. OTTO KLOTZ remarks later on in his letter, we h
plished nothing more up to this year of grace 1881, tha
the definition of a square and of a centre," which two for
and substance of all our knowledge of geometry taught u
Lodge." And yet as candidates for the second deg
taught that "Geometry, as one of the seven liberal arts a
is a special branch of instruction in the Fellow-craft."

Now what can a man of education think of Masonry,
has the leisure, to say nothing of the requisite courage,
lodge meeting say three times in the week during sev
months in the year, he finds absolutely nothing done, ar
forms and ceremonies repeated? What can he think of t
such meetings in the columns of a Masonic journal, wher
poses of edification, he discovers after the briefest possibl
that one stereotyped form will suffice for all, the only poi
ence between any given two of them taken at hazard, bein
are two sets of officers, members, and visitors, while in th
Lodge there is a candidate initiated, and in the other s
is passed or raised. The one exception in the year to
monotony is the report of Installation Meeting. Otherw
or I, or indeed, any brother so minded, might in five minu
a form of report, which would suffice to describe the rem
ings of every Lodge in the United Kingdom. The same
of Installation Meetings, and of the Meetings of Prov. Gr
the mere local details of time place, and brethren alone
the difference between one gathering and another. It is
with Lodges of Instruction, for in them you look to obtain
out of the beaten track. Yet the rehearsal of ceremon
working of sections is the sum and substance of the
vouchsafed. Surely I am not expecting too much when
sionally for a lecture other than those one is compelled to he
over again, or that an exposition by some well read brother,
or section of Masonic history, or of Masonry as an Ar
science, might be given. I am well aware that a frequent r
our forms and ceremonies is necessary, and especially in
Instruction, which brethren attend presumably in order to
tain degree of proficiency in them against the time when
selves may be required to work them. But this does not
possibility of something of real interest being done as w
is now, the bulk of our Lodge Meetings have one s
programme in three parts, namely—Part I, Work so ca
II., Dinner; Part III., Toasts. Will it never be too late to
programme.

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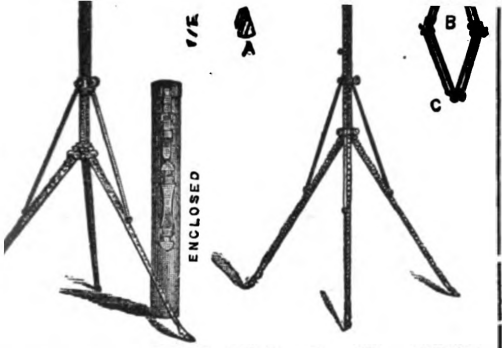
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A Banquet will take place at 3 p.m. precisely, at the Soldiers Tickets 7s each, including Wine.

In order to ensure the comfort of every one who attends, the W.M. are earnestly requested to send (addressed to the P.G. Sec., Southa names of all who propose to join the Banquet, not later than Wedne ing, the 3rd August.

The attendance of visiting Brethren is particularly invited.

By command of the R. W. Prov. G. Master,

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nvocation of Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal
f England was held on Wednesday evening, at
There were present—Comps. Samuel Rawson as
H., and Col. Creaton Grand Treasurer as J. The
present were, Col. Shadwell H. Clerke S.E.,
lev. J. S. Brownrigg P.S., Rev. Ambrose W. Hall
on Pierce 2nd A.S., A. J. Duff-Filer G. Sword
Arnold, Joshua Nunn, J. H. Soott, Magnus Ohren,
i. Buss, E. Letchworth, F. Adlard, Thomas Mason,
rille Green, W. H. Lee, James Lewis Thomas,
dassey, H. J. P. Dumas, G. S. Wintle, J. W. Lam-
, Charles Pulman, A. M. Thomas, H. Goulden,
. Perryman, James Hillbouse, and H. Sadler G.
reading and confirmation of the minutes of last
:y, warrants were granted on the motion of Col.
reasurer, President of the Committee of General
ollowing new Chapters—The Alexander Chapter,
upon-Trent; The Fitzroy Chapter, No. 569, Head
able Artillery Company, London; The Gilbert
No. 1250, Warrington, Lancashire; The Thynne
Warminster, Wilts; The Universal Chapter, No.
Hall, London; and The Temple Chapter, No. 558,
.be motion of Comp. Robert Grey, it was resolved
eeting of the Committee of General Purposes should
iree o'clock to four, and the Grand Chapter was

ıg are the Bye Laws proposed for the
isation of the Province of Essex:—

pose of organising and concentrating the strength of
he election of Candidates for the Masonic Charitable
mmittee shall be formed, to be called "The Charity
e Province of Essex."

ittee shall consist of the Provincial Grand Master
, the Provincial Grand Chaplain, Provincial Grand
rovincial Grand Secretary, and one Member from
he Province, who shall be elected annually on the
on of the W.M. and whose name and address shall be
he Secretary of the Lodge to the Provincial Grand
diately after the Election.

r Brother so elected die, resign, or otherwise become
erve his term of office, another Brother shall be duly
stead, on the next regular Lodge night, when due
fresh election shall be forwarded to the Provincial
y.

ty Committee shall meet at least twice in each year, as
s of the Candidates for the several Institutions have
and at such other times as they may be convened by
Grand Master or his Deputy. Any Member who can-
be represented by any Brother of his Lodge he may

nittee shall select, by majority of Members present,
to be supported by the Province, and appoint a Brother
conduct the business of the Elections.

belonging to the Provincial Grand Lodge, or its Officers
ne forwarded to the Provincial Grand Secretary, and be
cording to decision of the Provincial Grand Lodge
nittee.

r the Committee shall have resolved that any case is
support of the Province, they shall forthwith commu-
he several Lodges in the Province, and take such other
appear advisable to make known the merits and claims
ate, and to secure the support and co-operation of the
he assistance of the Subscribers to the various Charit-
ions, in order that their efforts may be united and
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lar disorders incidental to the sex and in every contingency
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eat regulator and renovator of the secretive organs and the ner-
an immediate cure. Their purifying qualities render them in-

first class, fifteen shillings second class, and ten shillings third class, the double journey, the exception being Southwold, to which first and third class tickets only are issuable. Fortnightly tickets are charged 27s 6d first class, 20s second class, and 15s third class, and "two-monthly tickets," 34s, 28s 9d, and 21s 6d respectively, Southwold being in this, as in the former case, the exception as regards the issue of second class tickets, while the other classes in the Two-monthly list are somewhat lower. Hunstanton and Aldeburgh form a second group, for tickets to which in the respective classes the following prices are charged, namely:—Friday or Saturday to Monday, first class 15s, second class 12s, third class 9s 6d; fortnightly, first class 25s, second class 18s, third class 13s; two-monthly, first class 30s 6d, second class 26s, third class 18s, Aldeburgh being a trifle less in all classes in the last class. A third group includes Aldeburgh, Felixstowe, Harwich, and Dovercourt, Walton-on-the-Naze, and Clacton-on-Sea, the fares to which are as follow:—Friday or Saturday to Monday, 12s 6d, 10s, and 7s 6d in the several classes; fortnightly, 17s 6d, 12s 6d, and 10s; and two-monthly, 23s 4d, 17s 9d, and 14s 6d in the case of Felixstowe, but only 20s, 16s 9d, and 12s 6d in that of the other places. It may be as well to add that the new express train is timed to leave the Liverpool-street Station at 2 p.m. on Saturday, reaching Lowestoft at 5 p.m., and Yarmouth at 5.10 p.m., returning on Monday from Lowestoft at 7.40 a.m., and Yarmouth 7.35 a.m., reaching Liverpool-street at 10.45 a.m. For the train service between such interesting inland cities and towns, as Norwich, Cambridge, Ipswich, and Colchester, we must refer our readers to the ordinary lists published by the Company.

According to *Le Monde Maçonnique*, the Council of the Grand Orient of France has addressed a circular letter to the Lodges owing it allegiance, in which it announces that, in the name and on behalf of the Grand Orient, it (the Council) has contributed the sum of 500 francs to the *Alliance Israélite* (Jewish Alliance), Paris, towards the relief of the unfortunate Jews in the South of Russia, who are now suffering such terrible persecution at the hands of the Imperial Government. The Council, however, makes no appeal to the Lodges, but leaves it to them to contribute as they may severally think fit.

There are, it seems, at the present time 318 Masonic bodies in the jurisdiction of the Grand Orient of France, namely, 272 Lodges, 31 Chapters, 13 Councils, 1 Consistory, and 1 Grand College of Rites, Supreme Council. These are distributed in manner following, namely: in Paris 52 Lodges, 5 Chapters, 2 Councils, and the Grand College of Rites; in the rest of the department of the Seine, 8 Lodges; in the other departments 174 Lodges, 16 Chapters, 6 Councils; in Algeria, 11 Lodges, 2 Chapters, and 1 Council; in the French Colonies, 7 Lodges, 2 Chapters, 1 Council; in foreign parts, 20 Lodges, 6 Chapters, 3 Councils, and 1 Consistory.

The following are among the Officers of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, who were appointed and installed at the thirty-eighth Annual Communication recently held in Davenport City in that state on the 7th—9th June 1881, namely: Bros. G. W. Vansaun M.W.G.M., Lafayette Young R.W. D.G. Master, W. W. Douglas G. Senior Warden, C. A. Binckley G. Junior Warden, and T. S. Parvin G. Sec The Grand Treasurer's account showed receipts to the amount of 15,683 dollars, the balance remaining in hand at the close of the year being over 680 dollars.

A meeting of the Metropolitan Council (Time Immemorial) Allied Masonic Degrees will be held at the Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court, on Saturday, the 13th instant, at three o'clock p.m., for the installation of Worshipful Master, appointment and investiture of his Officers, and to

and Lodge founded in the United States.* The records that remain to us prove that Bro. Revere was from this time forward an active Freemason for at least twenty-three years of his life. He served as Junior Grand Warden in 1777-8, Senior Grand Warden in 1779-82, Deputy Grand Master in 1782-4, and also in 1790-1, and Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts from 1794 to 1797. In 1776 it is said he engraved the seal of American Union Lodge, No. 1, of Marietta, Ohio (then an Army Lodge).† In 1797, while Grand Master, he officially addressed a letter to Ex-President, Bro. Gen. George Washington, on the occasion of his retirement from public life, in which he used the following memorable language :—

'Though as citizens they lose you in the active labours of political life, they hope as Masons to find you in the pleasing sphere of eternal engagement. From the cares of State and the fatigue of public business, our Institution opens a recess, affording all the relief of tranquillity, the harmony of peace, and the refreshment of assure . . . It is our earnest prayer that when your light shall no more visible in this earthly Temple, you may be raised to the *Perfect Lodge* above, be seated on the right of the Supreme Architect of the Universe, and receive the refreshment your labours have merited."

To this address Washington returned a most fraternal reply on 25th June 1797, in the course of which he said :—

'In that retirement which declining years induces me to seek, . . my attachment to the Society of which we are members will impose me always to contribute my best endeavours to promote the honour and interest of the Craft."‡

On 11th January 1800, Bro. Paul Revere P.G.M., in connection with Bros. Warren and Josiah Bartlett P.G.M.'s, addressed a letter of condolence to the widow of our then deceased Brother, George Washington, in which he said :—

'The Grand Lodge of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have deeply participated in the general grief of their fellow-citizens on the melancholy occasion of the death of their beloved Washington. . . . . To their expressions of sympathy on this solemn disposition, the Grand Lodge have subjoined an order, that a *Golden Urn* be prepared as a deposit for a lock of hair, an *invaluable relique* of the Hero and the Patriot, whom their wishes would immortalise; and that it be preserved with the jewels and regalia of the Society."§

To this request Mrs. Martha Washington replied, through Mr. Lear, inclosing a lock of Washington's hair. In Mr. Lear's reply he says :—

'In complying with this request, by sending the lock of hair which you will find enclosed, Mrs. Washington begs me to assure you that she views with gratitude the tributes of respect and affection paid to the memory of her dear deceased husband; and receives with a feeling heart the expressions of sympathy contained in your letter."

Thus was Bro. Revere instrumental, in connection with Bros. Warren and Bartlett, in securing for the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts a most valued relic of Washington, and one that is to this day ceremoniously delivered by each of its Grand Masters to his successor in office, as a precious charge, to be sacredly guarded as long as time shall endure.

In 1782 Bro. Revere was one of a committee of six, appointed by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, to report a declaration of reasons which it justified its independency, at that time and during the succeeding five years. Their paper is a terse, broad and sound one.‖ In 1787 he was a member of the Committee appointed to bring about a union with the outstanding Prov Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. This union was perfected in 1792.

Thus much for the Masonic life of Paul Revere, a Brother who was "first among his equals," in every sphere of life in which he laboured. Let us turn to his no less brilliant, and more romantic secular history.

Paul Revere was a Boston boy, born on New Year's day 1735, and died in the same city on 10th May 1818.¶ He was of Huguenot descent, and, like Bro. Philip Syng, Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania in 1741, was by trade a gold and silversmith. At the beginning of the Revolutionary War, he was one of the four engravers then in America. By his own efforts he learned the art of copper-plate engraving. The following were some of his notable works: In 1766, a popular print, emblematic of the repeal of the Stamp Act; in 1770, a print of the "Boston Massacre," while in 1775, he engraved the plates, made the press, and printed the bills of

* "Proceedings of Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for 1877," p 24.
† Hayden's "Washington and his Masonic Compeers," p 44.
‡ "Hayden," p 170-2.
§ "Hayden" p 220-1.
‖ Quoted in full in Massachusetts "Proceedings" 1877, pp 48-50.

In the hour of darkness and peril and need,
The people will waken and listen to hear
The hurrying hoof-beats of that steed,
And the midnight message of Paul Revere."

These are the interesting historical facts of this ride : On 18th April 1775, the day before the battle of Lexington, Gen. Warren, informed of the intended approach of the British, under Gen. Gage, sent word and Lexington, despatched Bro. Paul Revere to the latter via Charlestown, to warn the patriots of the enemy's approach. The historian, Bancroft, thus notes the memorable rising of the signal in the tower of the North Church, Cambridge :

"Revere stopped only to engage a friend to raise the alarm by signals, and five minutes before the sentinels received the order to prevent it, two friends rowed him past the *Summerset* man-of-war across Charles River. All was still and muted the hour. The tide was winding with the young flood; the waning moon just rose above a clear horizon; while from a couple of lanterns in the steeple of the North Church, the beacon streamed to the neighbouring country as fast as light could travel. A little beyond Charlestown, Revere was intercepted by two British officers on horseback, but being himself well mounted, he turned suddenly, and leading them into a clay pond, escaped from the other by the road to the ford. As he passed on he waked the Captain of the Minute men in that town, and continued to rouse almost every house on the road to Lexington."*

Longfellow thus chronicles in poetry, the stirring incident of the beacon-light : Revere

"Said to his friends, 'If the British march
By land or sea from the town to-night,
Hang a lantern aloft in the belfry arch
Of the North Church tower as a signal light,—
One, if by land, and two, if by sea;
And I on the opposite shore will be,
Ready to ride and spread the alarm
Through every Middlesex village and farm,
For the country folk to be up and to arm.'"

Elias Phinney gives the following picturesque account of Revere's arrival at Lexington :

"Col. Paul Revere passed over the ferry to Charlestown, and rode with all speed to Lexington, where he arrived a little after midnight. The family of Mr. Clark had retired to rest. On the arrival of Revere he was hailed by the guard and stopped. He desired to be admitted to the house. Munroe, not knowing the object of his errand, refused to let him pass, stating that the family had just retired to rest, and had desired that they might not be disturbed by any noise about the house. 'No noise, Revere,' '*You'll soon have a noise that will disturb you all.* The British troops are on their march, and will soon be among you.' He passed without further ceremony.†

At the close of the Revolutionary War, Bro. Paul Revere engaged in business in casting cannon and Church bells. In 1795 he assisted at the laying of the Corner-stone of the Boston State House. He afterwards established the extensive copper works at Canton, Massachusetts, which business is still prosperous by the "Revere Copper Company."‡

A late number of the Boston *Advertiser* states that the curious once famous firm of "Paul Revere & Son," issued in 1 recently placed in its possession. It is a good specimen of the tional design and engraving, with the text :—

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Composition Work, Manufactured
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from Malleable Copper and
Cold Rolled.
N.B.—Cash for old Brass and
Copper.

* Bancroft's "History of the United States," VII. 289.
† Elias Phinney's "History of the Battle of Lexington,"

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...vere's patriotism was inherited by his posterity. ...l J. Revere, died in 1863, of a wound received at ...ysburg; while a second grandson was wounded and ...t Ball's Bluff, afterwards exchanged, and served in ...Potomac until his death. A third grandson was a ...ny, and killed at the battle of Antietam.

...achievements of Bro. Paul Revere, a Mason of ...erican Craft, and especially our Massachusetts ...st cause to be proud, for he stood in the front rank ...iots and Freemasons.

EMINENT MASONS.

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I. SAMUEL W. WILLIAMS, 32°.

FROM THE VOICE OF MASONRY.

...no kind of writing," says a learned and brilliant ...concerning Lockhart's Life of Sir Walter Scott, ...th and instruction for its main object, so interesting ...the whole, as biography;" and there are many facts, ...the career of the distinguished Mason whose life is ...or brief review, under our hands, which might be ...and instructive to any reflecting mind that may have ...titude to endure the tedium of this article.

...ght Williams was born near Howell's Ferry, on Broad ...istrict of York, South Carolina, 23rd August 1828. He ... Dr. Samuel Wright, a prominent physician in those ...insman by marriage. Bro. Williams's family came ...utionary stock; his maternal grandfather, then only ...s old, being under General Green in his retreat before ...is, which ended in the battle of Guilford Court House. ...er Williams was also in the same war, and remained ...ed a hip wound, at the taking of Charleston, South ...e General Lincoln was forced to surrender. This last ...or carried an ounce of British lead, in the shape of a ...to his grave. For this disabling wound he received, as ...d, a pension from the State of South Carolina.

...the Rev. Aaron Williams, was a self-educated man, but ...dint of perseverance and economy, acquired a ...ical training, and graduated, in 1813, from Washing...East Tennessee, then under the presidency of the Rev. ..., D.D. Bro. William's mother also belonged to a ...ly, and was herself endowed, not only with an extra...llectual power, but with great force of will and obsti...ose. His father diligently and liberally imparted to ...gleanings which he had made in the fields of literature ... but it was evidently through his mother that he in...t of the indomitable adherence to his purposes, when ... which has ever been so characteristic of him, and has ...eat an element of his success in life.

...Bro. Williams emigrated with his father to Arkansas, and ...Washington, Hempstead County. One year afterwards ...being an Old School Presbyterian clergyman, and one of ...ministers of that denomination in Arkansas, was called ...e of the church at Little Rock, and removed there with ... They remained in Little Rock two years, and in Jan...settled in the northern part of what was then Pu aski, ...irie County, near what is now known as Hickory Plains. ...g, however, did not prove permanent, for in the spring of ...r. Aaron again moved to a new place, near what is now ...of Brooks. In the fall of that year this place was ex...still another, higher up on the prairie, which involved ...aking up and settling. These several changes of dom... the condition of things which then existed in Arkansas, ...d the hewing of logs, mauling of rails, clearing and ...d, and erecting houses; in all of which the subject of our ...k an active part and lent an honest hand, for severa... ...ides which he also laboured in the cultivation of the crops ...h the family subsisted. In fact, Bro. Williams hewed ...which was used in putting up a two-story house on thei..., and at the same time put in and cultivated twelve acre... ...with one month's help of a hired hand. He was nine... ...ears old, but continued to labour on the place, and sup... ...his father's family for several years.

...early 1849 he commenced reading law, and pursued h... Prairie County, offered him an equal partnership in his practice, which carried with it the use of an excellent library and the prestige of an already established professional reputation. This offer was thankfully accepted by our young friend, and he remained for three years in practice there.

In 1854, before consenting to run for Chief Justice, Judge English proposed that Bro. Williams should take charge of his business, which the latter readily consented to do, and removed to Little Rock for that purpose. He has since resided at the State Capital, and married there 18th January 1855. His wife's maiden name was Mary J. Marshall, and she has been a most devoted and exemplary consort. While Bro. Williams has never held permanently any position on the bench, he has on several occasions been called upon to sit as Special Judge of the Supreme Court of Arkansas. The opinions which he has prepared and delivered for the Court, in that capacity, have been models of judicial perspicuity and acumen. The most celebrated, though not by any means the most important, of these opinions was the one rendered by the Court in the nationally notorious controversy of Baxter v. Brooks, for the office of Governor of the State. This was, however, but one out of the thirty-three cases in which he wrote and rendered the opinion of the Court; during which time he also kept up an active and lucrative practice in the lower courts. He has twice filled the office of Attorney-General, first in 1855, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Hon. John J. Clendenning, and again in 1863, when he was elected to the position.

Bro. Williams is a fluent and forcible speaker, and, as an antagonist in the arena of his profession, is fully capable of meeting, on even ground, the most gifted and best trained of his learned brethren.

MASONIC RECORD.

Bro. Williams was initiated in Brownsville Lodge No. 51, at Brownsville, Arkansas, in December 1852; passed in February 1853; and was raised 23rd June 1853. He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Union Chapter No. 2, at Little Rock, in 1855. In 1856, at Little Rock, he was dubbed and created a Knight Templar, in Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 1, and the same year was made a Royal and Select Master in Occidental Council No. 1. His affiliation with Western Star Lodge, in 1855, thus placed his membership in all the grades at Little Rock. When Bro. Albert Pike established the Scottish Rite in Arkansas, in 1858, Bro. Williams was selected as one of the class for that purpose, and, preparatory to organization, he received the Ineffable Degrees of that Rite, up to and including the 32. In 1867 he was elected Senior Warden of Western Star Lodge, and the year following its Worshipful Master. Has been time and again elected High Priest of Union Chapter, and as presiding officer of both bodies has been able, punctual and efficient, in the discharge of his duties; and has ever elicited the warmest praise of his brethren and companions. He was elected Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge in 1867, and also placed upon the Committee on Foreign correspondence; and in 1868 was elected Grand Lecturer, and as such presided over a convention of District Deputy Grand Masters, before whom he clearly and admirably exemplified the work, according to the system in vogue in Arkansas.

Bro. Williams, after years of laborious devotion to the Fraternity at last reached the pinnacle of its honours in 1870, when, as a well merited and justly deserved recognition of eminent and faithful services, he was made Most Worshipful Grand Master. And again in 1871, the Craft emphasized its former reward by re-electing him to that august and responsible position. He has also served, for many years, on the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, in the Grand Lodge, and has well established his reputation as one of the very ablest Masonic jurists in the State.

He assisted at the organization of the Grand Commandery of Arkansas, at Fort Smith, in March 1872, and was then elected it first Grand Captain General.

In 1873 he was elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Arkansas; and re-elected in 1874.

At the last Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, of Arkansas, in 1877, he was elected Deputy Grand Master; and but for the dissolution of that body, as an independent organization in the State, he would, beyond doubt, have been made the chief officer of that grade also, the following year.

In the case of Bro. Williams, these high employments in the Craft have been no idle, empty, or mere honorary sinecures. His report to the Grand Lodge on Foreign Correspondence won for him a previous celebrity among his cultured and well informed brethren, and his addresses before the Grand Lodge, as Grand Master, ar...ich in literary excellencies, and display the powers of a sound

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-St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
-Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
-Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
-Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
-Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In.
-Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7 30 (Inst.)
-Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
-West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
-Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road, at 8 (In.)
-Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)

-Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
-Probity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
-Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
-St. John, Ashton House, Greek-street, Stockport
-Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
-St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields
-Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
-Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
-Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
-Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
-Hope, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
-Prince Frederick, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
-Three Graces, Private Rooms, Haworth
-Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
-St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maole-street, Newcastle
-Druids of Love and Liberality, Masonic Hall, Redruth
-Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport
-Montague, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
-Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Inst.)
-Hanley, Hanley Hall, Dartmouth
-Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook, Cornwall
-Williamson, St. Stephen School, Monkwearmouth, Durham
-Hartington, Masonic Hall, Custom House Buildings, Barrow-in-Furness
-Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
-Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
-Fermor Hesketh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
-Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
-Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
-Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
-Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Carlton-street, Castleford
-Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
-Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
-Eboracum, Queen's Hotel, Micklegate, York
-Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea
-Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury

TUESDAY, 9th AUGUST.

-Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
-Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
-Faith, 3 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
-Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
-Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
-Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
-Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
-Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
-Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 Instruction)
-Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
-Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
-Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
-New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
-Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)

-Silent Temple, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
-Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Truro
-United Chatham of Benevolence, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Kent
-Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
-Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Ridge, Boston
-Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-st., Newc.-on-Tyne (Instr.)
-St. James, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
-Faithful, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
-Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
-Belvidere, Star Hotel, Maidstone
-St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Liskeard.
-Zetland, Royal Hotel, Cleckheaton
-Lansdowne of Unity, Town Hall, Chippenham
-St. Bartholomew, Anchor Hotel, Wednesbury
-Staffordshire Knot, North Western Hotel, Stafford
-Sydney, Black Horse, Sidcup
-Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
-Gosport, India Arms Hotel, High-street, Gosport
-Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
-Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Caledonia-road, Batley
-Gilbert Greenhall, Masonic Rooms, Sankey-street, Warrington
-Stanley, 214 Great Homer-street, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
-St. John's Lodge, King's Arms Hotel, Grays, Essex
-Knole, Masonic Hall, Sevenoaks
-Ockenden, Talbot Hotel, Cuckfield, Sussex
-Baildon, Masonic Room, Northgate, Baildon
-St. Giles, Royal Oak Hotel, Cheadle
-Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walton, Liverpool
265—Judea, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
-Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

WEDNESDAY, 10th AUGUST.

nittee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 3.
-Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
-United Strength, Prince Al red, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
-La Tolerance, Green Dragon, 2 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
-Panmure, Balham Hotel, Belham, at 7 (Instruction)
-Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 730 (Instruction)
-New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
363—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
387—Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate, Shipley
483—Sympathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
666—Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince Town, Dartmoor
750—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Railway-street, Cleckheaton
754—Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn
795—St. John, Ray Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
851—Worthing of Friendship, Stevne Hotel, Worthing.
852—Zetland, Albert Hotel, New Bailey-street, Salford.
854—Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, near Oldham.
973—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury (Instruction)
1018—Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Church-street, Tamworth.
1091—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1209—Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
1244—Denison, Grand Hotel, Scarborough.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruction)
1342—Walker, Hope and Anchor Inn, Byker, Newcastle.
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Toxteth Park, Liverpo
1398—Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Furness
1403—West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Ormskirk
1424—Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Chatham.
1434—Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Nottingham.
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
1547—Liverpool, Masonic Hall Liverpool.
1643—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebburn-on-Tyne.
1645—Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Slaithwaite
R.A. 20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
R.A. 77—Hermes, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend.
R.A. 96—Lebanon, Masonic Hall, Prescot
R.A. 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
M.M. 192—St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, The Parade, Berwick.

THURSDAY, 11th AUGUST.

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Inst
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instructi
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Ins
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (In
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruc
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6.30.
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction
1611—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.4
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instru
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8

35—Medina, 85 High-street, Cowes.
97—Palatine, Masonic Hall, Toward-road, Sunderland.
139—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
303—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
215—Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingden
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
333—Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston
339—Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Cumberland.
346—United Brethren, Royal Oak Inn, Clayton-le-Dale, near Blackbur
369—Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Clitheroe
456—Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
463—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
477—Mersey, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead.
546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Caroline-street, Longton, Stafford.
732—Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
971—Trafalgar, Private Room, Commercial-street, Batley
991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland
1035—Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool.
1055—Derby, Knowsley's Hotel, Cheetham, Lancashire.
1098—St. George, Private Room, Temperance Hotel, Tredegar, Mon.
1144—Milton, Commercial Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne.
1145—Equality, Red Lion Hotel, Accrington.
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool,
1204—Royd, Imperial Hotel, Malvern, Worcestershire.
1273—St. Michael, Free Church School-rooms, Sittingbourne.
1369—Bala, Plasgoch Hotel, Bala.
1416—Falcon, Masonic Hall, Castle Yard, Thirsk.
1429—Albert Edward Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Newport, Mon.
1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room, Deara House, Lindley
1580—Oranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1583—Corbet, Corbet Arms, Towyn.
1697—Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot, near Manchester.
1782—Machen, Swan Hotel, Coleshill.
R.A. 51—Patriotic, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester
R.A. 163—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
R.A. 307—Good Intent, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
R.A. 337—Constatine, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester
K.T. Salamanca, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax

FRIDAY, 12th AUGUST.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (In
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8 (Instruction)
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instr
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington, at 8.
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at

36—Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's-street, Cardi
401—Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn
458—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
458—A re and Calder, Private Rooms, Ouse-street, Goole.
490—Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

› make the occasion pleasant as well as useful.
of these in order of rank, without regard to date
zh these commenced this year on Tuesday the 14th,
17th, all in the city of Burlington.
ge met in City Hall on the forenoon of the 15th,
9th Annual Communication, M.W. Levant M. Read
nd other Grand Officers present. The attendance
fficers, Past Masters, Representatives, and visitors
een large; among the latter was M.W. Charles
and Master of Masons in New York, who was
fficial formalities. The Grand Master's address,
ecretary's report were referred to Committees. The
as exemplified in the evening; during the session the
as increased to 1,000 dols.; 200 dols. were appro-
ase Bro. J. B. Hollenbeck's Masonic documents; the
a favourable contrast with other years, and a balance
in the Treasury. A gold watch and chain was pre-
id Master Read, by members of the Grand Lodge
all J.G.W., who spoke in very complimentary terms
ation. It was voted to print the proceedings of a
r, held in honour of the late Grand Master Englesby.
Butler, of Essex, was elected Grand Master, Bro. Wm.
and Secretary. There are thirteen District Deputies
e on Foreign Correspondence in the jurisdiction. The
3,000.
Chapter met on the 17th, in its Sixty-fourth Annual
M.E. Alfred A. Hall Grand H.P. presiding, and
fficers, and a full attendance of representatives. It
low Past Grand Treasurers and Past High Priests to
l Chapter; also to send annual dues to the General
er; other local business was transacted. Homer M.
ected Grand H.P. and W. H. S. Whitcomb Grand
ne Royal Arch Degree was exemplified on Thursday
ne excellence of which Grand Lecturer Goss was highly

-eighth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council R. and
was held on the 14th, in the evening, the Grand
ne representatives of fifteen subordinate Councils being
np. Charles Roome was among the Visitors. Comp.
M.I.G.M. gave an interesting address; a Special Com-
neral Grand Council reported, and that body was recog-
animous vote. An assessment of twenty-five cents. for
ion was laid on Subordinate Councils. Comp. William
as received and recognised as the representative of the
il of Massachusetts, near that of Vermont. Comp. F. S.
rgennes, well known in Massachusetts, was elected M.Ill.
er, and E. O. Bosworth, of Springfield, is Grand

-ninth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery was
in the morning of the 14th, and seems to have attracted
ion by its street parade. A fine band headed the pro-
ch comprised three Commanderies, and these were in-
l reviewed in City Park, by R.E. Sir E. S. Dana Grand
, accompanied by V.E. Sir Charles Roome Gr. G. of the
mpment of the United States, to whom the Second Dis-
includes New York and Vermont, has been assigned by
laster for inspection.
Conclave was opened, V.E. Sir Knight Roome was re-
ially, and welcomed in a neat speech from the Grand
r. We quote a paragraph only:—
Official Representative of the Grand Master of Templars
and most cordially welcome you; but we extend to you a
re and unaffected welcome in recognition of your merits as
d distinguished Christian Knight, whose culture and ability
l our admiration, and whose courteous demeanour has won

d you to inspect our lines, and to convey to the Grand
r assurance that we shall not falter in that loyalty which
him as our chosen leader, or to that sacred cause which
s, will ever cherish and uphold."
knowledgment was felicitous, and closed as follows:
proud to represent the Grand Master of Templars here,
, and also to bring you the fraternal love of the Grand En-
t, trusting it will bind us together more closely, that we
indeed a band of Christian Brothers, united by a golden
As a Mason I know no difference among nations, sects or
long as they meet around one common altar to worship
but as a Christian and a Knight I am ready to do my duty
nes, and in all places, and under all circumstances, to main-
defend our holy religion and our faith, to defend which I an

was created a Knight Templar in Vermont Commandery, No. 4. His zeal and fidelity as a Mason was as sturdy as his opposition in former years; and he often alluded to his mistaken course with the most sincere regret.

"He was elected High Priest of this Chapter 7th Sept. 1866, and served two years. In 1860 he was elected Thrice Illustrious Master of Windsor Council, No. 8, which office he held nine years; and in 1870 was elected Eminent Commander of Vermont Commandery, No. 4, serving one year.

"In the Grand Bodies, which he regularly attended for many years, he was highly respected and fully honoured. In the Grand Chapter he was Grand King in 1865, and Deputy Grand High Priest in 1866. From 1860 to 1866, he was a prominent officer in the Grand Council, and in 1866 and 1867, was its Grand Master, declining a re-election. In 1867, he was elected Grand Generalissimo, and in 1868 and 1869 chosen Deputy Grand Commander of this Grand Commandery. For several years he served as chairman for the Foreign Correspondence Committee in the Grand Chapter. I was often associated with him as an officer in the Grand bodies, and remember him as a sincere and faithful Craftsman, an earnest and courteous Sir Knight 'who wore his heart upon his sleeve,' and whose memory we should delight to honour. He was buried 25th Jan. 1881, by his brethren of Vermont Lodge, No. 18, Brother F. L. Morse Worshipful Master presiding."

In speaking of the condition of the Order he said:—

"The Report of the Grand Recorder will disclose the gratifying fact of the prosperity of our Order in the State, and that we have received accessions to our ranks from among the best citizens of the Commonwealth, who will strengthen and support us in the year to come.

"Finally, Sir Knights, I invoke your wisdom, and that of an overruling Hand, to aid and direct us in the transaction of the important duties of the Conclave. Let us be animated by no spirit of rivalry, except that which shall best promote and heighten the prosperity of the Order which we profess to cherish and support.

"Let us go hence, encouraged by this presence with a more sublime courage to do valiant battle for the Truth as revealed to us in the page of inspiration, and written unmistakably, as if by the finger of God, in the grand work of the Creation itself.

"Let us guard with jealous hands and active swords the precious symbols borne proudly aloft upon our banners, while we strive to honour our profession by succouring the needy, while we bind up the wounds of the afflicted, and reclaim our erring brother by kind words and tender admonition, that may turn him aside from the pitfalls that lure him to his ruin. Thus shall our Order be honoured in befittingly deserving the plaudits and benefactions of mankind."

The business of the Conclave was dispatched in harmony. Sir Knights are required to appear in full uniform in the Grand Commandery, but may be excused by vote. It was moved to have six days' encampment in the month of August or September next. The Officers were installed by V.E. Sir Knight Charles Roome, who received hearty thanks for his courtesy.

It will be a pleasure to his many friends to know that R.E. Sir George O. Tyler, of Burlington, is Grand Commander, Sir George W. Wing, of Montpelier, is Grand Recorder.—*Liberal Freemason.*

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The *Times*, August 13th, 1877. From our own Correspondent with the Russian Army. Okoum, July 25th, 1877. The want of sanitary arrangements in the Russian Camp was dreadful, and had we remain d there a few weeks longer, dysentery and typhoid fever would have played more havoc in our ranks than

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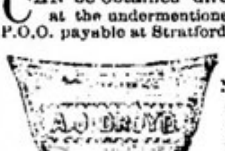
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WORK AND CRAFT JOURNALISM.

ad, in the course of the past few weeks, and
r times also, a fair amount of correspondence
ing subject of Lodge Work. One of the
t of the letters which have appeared was
m the columns of the *Canadian Craftsman*,
s a certain Bro. Otto Klotz, and the text of
he series of complaints made by that estim-
about "the laxity or indifference of the
Craftsman; the many arrears of payment of
and the still greater number that do not
ll." As bearing upon, and with a view, if
plaining these shortcomings of the Craft, our
Klotz very naturally and very pertinently asks
questions:—"What is the cause" of this
nd laxity of payment? and "What should be

the answer he at once proceeds to give to
these two inquiries, it may be summed up in
expressive word, "Indifferentism." He says,
ays, "We know from experience that to the
y of the brethren the whole system, after
elty of the I. P. and R. is passed, they begin to
nt about having a constant repetition of one
me form and ritual, and only those who
e East keep up an apparent interest." But
atter become as indifferent as their less am-
ren when they have "become W.M. or P.M.,
nothing further attractive in the Lodge, they
of interest in the *Craftsman*, of which about
ates to meetings and proceedings of the different
lies."

t of the remedy he thinks necessary, he remarks
mple enough. Let there be created "a general
he Lodge and in Freemasonry generally." The
accomplish this, however, he looks upon as "a
lt question" to deal with, and "a still more
k to accomplish." Yet, in spite of these diffi-
does not hesitate manfully to set about propound-
which, in his opinion, must sooner or later have
l effect. His line of argument shall be briefly

s on his road with the undeniable proposition
Freemasons, we claim to be the children of
our Institution we style a progressive science."
ks, "What is there ever done inside the Lodge,
presume we should insert the word "printed"—
ages of Masonic periodicals, to induce the public
and I may add, to convince the brethren them-
t progress in art and science has anything whatever
Masonry? Is it not a notorious fact that we brand
by our inactivity in matters of art and science
pretenders, and are without a solitary evidence
t the same?"—the meaning of which latter clause
o be that it is out of the power of brethren to fur-
satisfactory evidence of their being anything else
e pretenders or impostors. Passing over, as beside
diate purpose of this article, Bro Klotz's uncom-
ry remarks about "our devotional trash, our lip
ity, and pseudo-episcopacy," we find him asking
uld not be better and wiser to direct our
to the study, culture, and progress in
d sciences, both by readings upon those

in the *Craftsman*? He says, "We teach the candidate that geometry, as one of the seven liberal arts and sciences, is a special branch of instruction to the Fellow Craft, and what have we accomplished up to the year of grace 1881! No more than to know the definition of a square or centre; these two form the sum and substance of all our knowledge of geometry taught us inside the Lodge. There is no doubt as to the accuracy of this statement and as little doubt as to the pertinence of what follows. "Is not," he proceeds to inquire, "our pretence as to those studies a perfect burlesque? Ought we not to feel ashamed of ourselves for repeating again and again such hollow phrases? Is it not time that we made an earnest attempt to show that we are really in earnest about that which we claim to be? Or if we will not do so, if we are too indolent or indifferent to become active promoters of art and science, would it not then be more honest and more honourable to discontinue our pretences regarding the same?"

Our readers, we think, will agree with us that there is reason in the undoubtedly severe criticism of Bro. Otto Klotz. Neither they nor we may think his proposals the likeliest to bring about the desired improvement, but neither of us is in a position to deny the accuracy of the picture so forcibly presented to our notice by the correspondent of the *Craftsman*. As to the Craft in England, we fear we must plead guilty on its behalf, to the same monotony, of which Mr. Klotz complains. Our correspondent of last week, who signed himself "Esoriens" put the case tersely enough as well as accurately, when he said, "the bulk of our Lodge meetings have one stereotyped programme in three parts, namely—Part I. Work so-called; Part II. Dinners; Part III. Toasts," with, of course, the accompanying conviviality. To the second and third parts of this programme no one in his senses can raise the slightest objection. It must never be forgotten that Freemasonry has its social as well as its scientific side, that nothing is so calculated to promote sociality as a good dinner, and no people on earth know better than Englishmen in general, and English Freemasons in particular, how to make a good dinner answer its twofold purpose of satisfying the appetite, and establishing sympathy one with another. The toasts that follow the dinner are likewise an indispensable part of the English system for the promotion of sociality. The speeches in which they are introduced and acknowledged are commonplace in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred—there are but very few men who have the gift of after-dinner eloquence; there is but very seldom any, even the slightest, deviation from the ordinary routine list; and the compliments that are interchanged are oftentimes exaggerated. But who is there who will venture to say that an Officer does not experience a sense of justifiable pride, as well as feel more kindly disposed towards his fellow-brethren, when he is complimented on his zeal, his efficiency, or other quality by which he may happen to be distinguished? Will any one deny that a visitor does not more fully realise that he is a welcome guest, when the Worshipful Master rises and, as it were, extends to him, in the name and on behalf of the whole Lodge, the hand of goodfellowship? Do not these gentle courtesies, with the dinner which introduces and leads up to them, promote sociality better than any other system that ever was invented by man? Therefore, proclaim we in all sincerity, that Parts II. and III. of our stereotyped programme must stand, or the whole fabric of Masonry must come tumbling to the ground. But the ex-

editors of those journals which are started for the pur-
e of advocating the interests of the Craft, are at their
s' end to fill their columns with the necessary quantum
matter.

Our attention was drawn a few days since to a number
photographs and sketches in the window of a shop in
ford-street. Among them was one representing a poor-
serable half-fledged bird, perched on a branch of a leafless
e in a pelting shower of rain. Underneath was written
motto or device, "Come, gentle Spring, ethereal mild-
s, come!" What this poor little scarecrow, with all its
serable surroundings is to the full-fledged, well-fed bird
ttering joyously in some leafy arbour, or flitting
ut from tree to tree in the glorious sunshine, that
work done in our Lodges is to the work that
ght, could, would, and should be done, if even a
majority of our fellow Craftsmen had any sense of the
lity of Freemasonry as a "progressive science." We
estion if, as one of our correspondents suggests else-
ere in the present number, many of the subjects
ich are discussed in Lodges abroad would
d favour with English brethren. But can any
re interesting study be imagined than that of
history of Freemasonry through the ages? It is
necessary that the subject should be dealt with
y elaborately, except by those whom we will designate
experts and those ambitious of becoming such. How
ny are there who know anything about the Four Old
dges, and how they set about establishing—"reviving,"
believe, is the more fashionable word—the Grand Lodge
England? Are there very many who can answer off-
nd and approximately—say within a score of years of
actual date—when this happened? What is known
side the limited circle of Masonic students, except
haps in the City of York itself, of the famous
Lodge of York and what became of it? Some
ght imagine that by some impossible or incom-
hensible means it got itself entangled in the
steries of the so-called—and, be it added, miscalled—
k Rite, and was never more heard of. Others
say that, as there is supposed to have been a York
e, there must have been Masonry, and therefore a Lodge
Lodges in York, but they cannot tell you or can tell you
little of the proceedings. The actual date of the
nion" is constantly given in the Book of Constitutions,
is there one in fifty brethren who knows what is meant
this "Union;" what Masonic bodies were united; and
v there came to be separate and distinct systems of
sonry in this country, which it was considered desir-
e should be amalgamated? Is it too much to say
t an occasional paper on some leading topic on the
ory of our Craft would be appreciated, not only for the
ght into Masonic history it would be the means of
arting, but also as an agreeable relief from the never-
ing monotony of what now passes under the general
n of "Work!" Here is one field of labour, about which
few brethren have ever troubled themselves, and yet
venture to suggest there is none from which the mem-
s of a Lodge composed of ordinary well-informed men
ld, if a paper or two were now and then read, derive
ller sense of gratification.

ut our ceremonies and ritual, the former of which are
essarily repeated at short intervals in our regular
ges, while both are the subject of endless repetition in
Lodges of Instruction, can nothing else be done with
ie than repeat them? Are there no brethren with

of its proceedings. The majority of our Lodges of I
tion are mere make-believes, and the regular Lodges
little, if any, variety in the work that is done fro
year's end to another, and during successive years.
perhaps, is the most surprising feature about Freem
is that, in spite of these drawbacks, it still contin
flourish, and almost every year sees some increase
number of those who are received into its ranks.
shows a wonderful amount of vitality in our de
Craft, while lukewarmness on the part of its votari
the active hatred and hostility of its declared enemie
no effect whatever on its popularity and stability.
much more popular and stable would it not become i
changes were made in our Lodge work in the direct
have indicated?

Masonic Literature, or rather let us limit our rem
what we are most concerned with, Masonic Journal
necessity, suffers from this apathy in the Lodges.
tony in Lodge work breeds monotony in the Lodge
and it is as correct to say there is a stereotyped form
latter as there is a stereotyped programme of the f
Consequently when we know how little variety ther
Lodge work, we have great reason to wonder, and
feel gratified, that our Craft literature is so readable.

The Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of th
vince of Berks and Oxon. of which R.W. Bro. the R
the Earl of Jersey is P.G. Master, and V.W. Bro. C
Stephens Deputy Provincial Grand Master, will assem
Abingdon, under the banner of the Abbey Lodge, N
(W. Bro. J. T. Morland P.P.G.D. W.M.), on Tuesda
30th day of August 1881, when and where all
Officers of the Province (Present and Past), and Wo
ful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens, and Overse
private Lodges, are summoned to attend, and by perm
all regularly registered Mark Master Masons are invi
be present. The Committee of General Purposes wil
in the Abbey Lodge Room, at One o'clock p.m. precis
audit the accounts of the Provincial Grand Treasure
to transact any other business requiring their atte
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The Annual Convocation of this Chapter was held on 3r
at the Metham Masonic Hall, Stonehouse, when, by speci
oensation from the M.E. Superintendent, Ex-Companion
Cameron was installed as Z., and Ex-Companion T. E. Peek
Ex-Companion T. Gibbons was also installed as J. The Bo
Installed Principals was composed of Comps J. B. Gover, T. G
J. Gidley, E. Aitken Davies, J. H. Lord. The other Officers e
or appointed were:—Companions D. Cross P.Z. Treasure
Perkins S.E., W. H. Hunt S.N., W. H. Lister P.S., J. Ha
1st A.S., W. N. Foreman 2nd A.S., Thomas Gidley Jac
Committee was appointed to revise the bye-laws, and the C
having been closed, the Companions adjourned to the adjacent
for refreshment, and, under the able presidency of Com
Cameron, whose health was, together with the other Prin

not so with Masonic sermonisers. [illegible]
sermons delivered in Lodges, or printed in
precious few are minus sectarianism. These
that *their* religion, *and their religion only*,
on, and care not for the feelings of other
for instance the works of Hutchinson and
at they are mere sectarian sermons interlarded
ry. The result produced by those authors made
ther a Jew can understand the significance of
? and hence, a few years since, some writers
ned whether Jews should be admitted into the
; and to such an extent have American Masonic
impressed with the notion that Masonry is a
on, and that Jews are merely tolerated for the
sing them with Christian dogmas, that as a rule
here are purely Christian. The Saints John are
inent Christian Masons, in the ceremonies of
g the Lodge, at the admission of a candidate, in
But that is not all.

f a candidate in Providence, Rhode Island, he is
emony represents the resurection of Christ. In
expelled a brother because he disbelieved in the
Bible, and in Ohio they recently passed a law
the Grand Lodge of Texas. Now, as the Bible
and New Testaments, and as the Jews disbelieve
of the latter, they ought to be expelled too, but,
unknown to me, I believe they are still to be
is our *Masonic consistency*!

onsistency does not stop there. If belief in the
Bible, or of the Old Testament only, is to be a test
o Masonry, the candidate ought to be questioned,
he pays fifty dollars for the Masonic privileges,
eves in the Bible, and if he should answer in the
ould not take his money. But, no! he is merely
question, as to whom he puts his trust in, and when
swer is given by him, he is assured, "on the word
gentleman and Mason, that there is nothing in
rfere with his religious belief," &c. But when after-
d that he does not believe in the inspiration of the
is expelled, but the Lodge sticks to his fifty dollars.
h practice a mere fraud? But ah! say they, "in a
ry we have a right to assume that everybody believes
But why do not they assume that in a Christian coun-
believes in God? Belief in the Bible implies belief
ief in God does not necessarily imply belief in the
; is of no use reasoning with them; Bro. Hughan
o reason with them, and a Reverend gentleman

Grand Lodge of Ohio that maintains the true and
arks of Moses, Solomon, and the holy Saints John, and
cosmopolitan basis for nobler thinking and living, and
ed and glorious mission, and not those who calmly
in order to make it conform to the very effete moral
by men."

Ohio Rev. sermoniser may sincerely believe that Moses,
the holy Saints John were Masons, and that they
asonic landmarks, but when he undertakes to intimate
sonry is placed upon a "cosmopolitan basis," I must
conclusion that he is ignorant of the meaning of
or that he is a mere perverter and quibbler, and such is
case with all Christianising Masons. *Dogma* is
principal object, and they care nothing for truth or

mined all the English Masonic Magazines from 1793 to
ontain hundreds of sermons and sectarian contributions;
they are mere repetitions, "sleep walking," as Bro.
lls it; and when an original one appears, it is usually
ce for instance the sermonising oration in 4th June, issue
er; is it not from beginning to end a mere tissue of
tarian flummery? and is not the whole of it very ridicu-
there is no accounting for taste. Bro. Whytehead has not
of that kind of stuff, and he wants more of it. Let us,
or once appeal to reason; it is said, that "a tree is known
s." Bro. Whytehead must not therefore feel offended at
ing the fruit of Jewish and Christian orthodoxy. In doing
not meddle with the question, whether this or that
true, but shall merely compare the peculiar characteristic
orthodoxies. By orthodox, I mean those who are ac-
ith one side of the question only, and who either cannot,
r dare not reason. Well then,

[illegible] Christian, with the remark, that be

Now, I can very well understand the [illegible]
namely: dogmas which Christianity originated, and which are believed by Christians only. But when they talk about *Christian morality* or *virtues*, they simply talk nonsense; because Christianity has never originated a solitary practical virtue, or moral precept; the phrase "Christian virtues," &c., is, therefore, simply absurd. For instance, "faith, hope, and charity," are called *Christian virtues*, but in the first place, "faith in God, and hope in immortality," existed before Christianity; and charity was also enjoined long before then: these are therefore not *Christian* virtues! And, second, *faith and hope* are not virtues at all, and it is nonsense to call them so.

Dogmatic theology has repeatedly changed, and it is constantly subject to change: the belief of the last generation is not the belief of the present, and future generations may again differ in belief from us. Thus, it was once universally believed that the dictum of the Church was the word of God, and Protestants changed this to that of *the Bible* being the word of God; but as no two persons understand certain parts in the Bible alike, hence every Protestant sect has its own word of God. Besides which, scientific discoveries helped to undermine the dogma of the inspiration of the Bible. Thus, the Encyclopœdia Britannica of 1795 or 6 denounced as rank infidels all those who disbelieved in the Masonic cosmogony and that the world was older than five or six thousands years. But the supplement of the next edition of that work taught the opposite theory; hence the heterodoxy of 1795 became orthodoxy in 1823. Other illustrations might be furnished to the same effect. But I shall here merely call attention to the latest,—*the very latest theological earthquake*. I mean the revised New Testament. For about two hundred and seventy years, English speaking Protestants sermonised that every word in the King James's version of the New Testament was a word of God, but the revised edition of that work shows that thousands of words in the old New Testament are not the words of God.* The American Baptists have got up a revised New Testament of their own, in which baptism *in water* instead of *by water* is their word of God. And as numerous alterations proposed by the American branch of the New Testament revisers were not adopted by the English revisers, they are now getting up here an American revised New Testament. We shall soon, therefore, have the Catholic, the King James, the new English revision, the American Baptist's revision, and an American revision of New Testaments. And who can say which of these five versions shall be called the Word of God?

Yet that is not all. I heard the Rev. Bro. Savage say in his pulpit that, of about sixteen hundred New Testament manuscripts still existing, some of them are complete and others are mere fragments; that in those 1600 MS. there are no less than one hundred and fifty thousand variations. Who then knows whether, in a few years hence, a few dozen more versions of the New Testament may not appear, and which of those versions will Masons place on the Masonic altar as *their Word of God*?

But something more is coming. And here I shall for the first time trespass on a religious boundary line—I mean the *coming revised Old Testament*. Suppose now that we should find in Isaiah ch. vii., verse 14 of that edition, not, "behold a virgin shall conceive," but, behold the young woman beareth, or the young woman has conceived, or the young woman is pregnant;—for either of the above translations would accord with the Hebrew text in Isaiah. Suppose the correct rendering should be found in the forthcoming Old Testament, what would then become of the inspiration of the author of the Gospel according to St. Matthew?

On taking all the above facts into consideration, I feel therefore justified in warning our Grand Lodges that if they sincerely mean to perpetuate our Institution upon a *cosmopolitan basis*; if their aim is to banish hypocrisy from our midst; if they want the Craft to shun and avoid religious disputations; in short, if they desire that harmony instead of discord should prevail among the Masonic brotherhood; then they must put a stop to all kind of sectarian sermonising in Lodges, and also in the Masonic press. Masons should be privileged to believe or disbelieve in this or that dogma, but they should be strictly prohibited from pestering each other with religious dogma inside as well as outside the Lodge, *under any pretence whatever*.

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* The revised New Testament changed Faith, Hope, and Charity into *Faith, Hope, and Love*. What will our Masonic lecturers do now

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Russ	- -	,, ,,
J. Gilbert	- -	,, Tyler

The Right Wor. Prov. Grand Master then brought forward the motion f which he had given notice, to the effect that sums of ten guineas e given to each of the three Masonic Institutions, and five guineas o the "John Hervey Memorial Fund," all of which monies were in ne course voted,—from the Fund of Benevolence of the Province. In he course of the meeting it was announced that the total of the unds standing to the credit of the Province was £367 18s 6d. Pro- incial Grand Lodge was then formally closed, and the brethren pro- eeded to the parish church, where service was conducted, and a ermon preached, by permission of the rector, by Bro. Hawes, P.G.C. The banquet was served by host Harris in capital style. Grace— "For these and all thy mercies"—was sung by Bros. Graham, Taylor, White, and Weige, and on removal of the cloth, Sir Francis Burdett proceeded with the toasts. In speaking of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Prov. Grand Master referred to the satisfac- ory way in which she conducted the duties of her exalted station, nd to the interest she displays in the every day course of events. No sovereign could be more popular. With the toast he would asso- iate the sentiment—Prosperity to the Craft. After the National Anthem had been given by the musical brethren, the Prov. Grand Master proposed the next toast on the list—the Most Worshipful the Grand Master the Prince of Wales, K.G. Notwithstanding His Royal Highness's many engagements, the personal interest he took n Masonic matters would prove his devotion to the welfare f the Craft. No more popular Grand Master could be found. The emarks of Sir Francis were readily endorsed by those present, who drank the toast with full honours, and all heartily joined Bro. Weige in singing "God Bless the Prince of Wales." With the next toast The Right Worshipful Pro Grand Master the Earl of Carnarvon, K.G., the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Earl Lathom, and he Grand Officers Past and Present, was associated the name of Col. Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Secretary. Every member of Grand Lodge ecognised the ability and zeal with which the Pro Grand Master arried out his duties. The Earl of Lathom likewise was noted for is devotion to Freemasonry. The Grand Officers were popular, and pared no effort to uphold the dignity of the Craft, not only n this country, but all over the world. After a song by Brother G. S. Graham, the Grand Secretary responded. He was both pleased nd charmed at being present to witness the happy relationship hat existed throughout the Province, and heartily congratulated the Grand Master and brethren on this satisfactory consummation. To Bro. Davison P.P.G. Warden was entrusted the next toast, the health f the Right Worshipful the Grand Master of the Province, Colonel Sir Francis Burdett, Bart. Our esteemed brother, in the course of is remarks, made happy allusion to Bro. Graham's song—"Give ne the man of honest heart"—which song appeared to have been horoughly appreciated by the meeting. Their Prov. Grand Master vas unquestionably a man of honest heart, and the interest he ook in all Masonic matters brought under his notice rendered him eminently popular. It was with every confidence he offered the oast for the acceptance of the brethren. In replying to the oast, Sir Francis heartily thanked Brother Davison for his kind remarks, and expressed his indebtedness to the members for the way they had endorsed them. He was happy to know that a spirit of prosperity existed amongst the Lodges and he had every

was a strong attendance, each of the thirteen Lodges wi the roll being well represented. Lord Tenterden was supp Deputy Grand Master Worshipful Bro. Fred A. Phi P.G.D., and a strong body of Prov. Grand Officers prese while many of the neighbouring Provinces were likewise The Great Eastern and the Tilbury and Southend Railway had made special arrangements for the convenience of b were desirous of attending, and it was satisfactory to kno arrangements were appreciated. Prov. Grand Lodge wa two o'clock, under the presidency of the Prov. Grand Mast Hon. the Lord Tenderden, K.C.B. After the Prov. Grand been saluted, the Prov. Grand Secretary Bro. T. J. Ralli minutes of last Prov. Grand Lodge, which were duly Letters expressing regret at inability to attend were rea Waveney Prov. Grand Master Suffolk, the Rev. Charles D.G.M. Suffolk, Bro. Matthew Clark, the Viscount Holm Grand Master Kent, Bro. Rev. C. J. Arnold Deputy Master Surrey, &c. The roll of Lodges was then calle the amount of contributions and number of subscrib was announced. This gave a total membership of 896 ag the corresponding period last year—thus showing an twenty-three for the twelve months. A preliminary meet purpose of auditing the Treasurer's accounts had been he to the assembling of Grand Lodge; it therefore n necessary for the auditors to make their report. This monetary condition of the Province was on a sound b balance of close on a hundred pounds in hand. The mot report be received and adopted was thereupon carried ne Prov. Grand Master, in addressing the brethren, remarke should, later on, have an opportunity of addressing the not now take up much of their time. It had been wel happy is the country which has no history. This might b a Masonic Province. He was gratified at recognising th harmonious feeling that existed in the Province. He complimentary terms, to the energy displayed in the his official duties by their late respected Deputy Prov. Gr the Rev. Spencer R. Wigram P.G.C. Bro. Wigram, t Master stated, had removed from the Province, and, the distance of his sojourn would militate against an ad filment of his duties, had tendered his resignation as D Grand Master. He (Lord Tenterden), however, could c the members of the Province that there had been n break of continuity. No man could have attended better to and to this the members would readily testify—than did B but he felt he could not take barren honours. However, Deputy Provincial Grand Master had left them, he had h secure the services of another. Lord Tenterden then sp quent terms of praise of the zeal displayed by Bro. Ph did not require much to be said in his favour; he was and the more he was known the more he was respe Philbrick had already received his appointment. having arisen where he had had an opportunity of beir recognised as the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, and wh been installed by his immediate predecessor, Bro. W kindly undertook the duty in his (Lord Tenterden's absence. The noble lord closed his remarks by calli brethren to salute their Deputy Provincial Grand Master. brick, in responding, stated he felt the great honour th conferred upon him, and expressed his acknowledgmer kind remarks of Lord Tenterden. It was with great d accepted the office when it was proffered him; however, the brethren of the Province he would do all he could duties so satisfactorily carried out by his predecessor, and his efforts would be appreciated at their true value. The ness was the selection of a Prov. Grand Treasurer, a important office Bro. Andrew Durrant was by unanimous elected. After Bro. Durrant had expressed his apprecia honour conferred upon him, the Prov. Grand Master app invested the following brethren:—

G. F. Jones I.P.M. 1000	- -	Prov. Grand Senior W
F. J. Wiseman P.M. 160	- -	,, Junior W
Rev. H. Hayes W.M. 1734	- -	,, Chaplain
A. Durrant P.M. 276	- -	,, Treasure
J. H. Crowther W.M. 1457	- -	,, Registra
P. J. Ralling P.M. 51	- -	,, Secretar
R. Martin I.P.M. 453	- -	,, Senior D
T. Jennings W.M. 650	- -	,, Junior D
J. P. Lewin W.M. 276	- -	,, Supt. of
A. Lucking P.M. 160	- -	,, Dir. of C
J. Godwin P.M. 1343	- -	Assist. D

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nse in which it was intended they should be exer-
ements made for a Committee who should undertake
t of the organisation, which consequently we may
in full operation. The remaining business was then
A sum of £10 10s was voted in aid of the Southend
tation Fund, and after the brethren had expressed
Lord Tenterden for his kindness in attending,
ge was closed in regular form.

took place at the Terminus Hotel, where ample
vas provided for the eighty-two brethren who par-
emoval of the cloth, the Loyal toasts were fully
ov. Grand Master, in consequence of being compelled
early train made his introductory remarks somewhat
th of the Right Hon. the Lord Tenterden was pro-
puty Prov. Grand Master, who introduced the toast
sions to the interest their Prov. Grand Master had
displayed in his conduct of the business of the day.
d but have struck all who were present—that was,
d Master was equal to any emergency. He knew he
the opinion of one and all when he announced they
rty welcome. If—as had been said—happy was the
had no history; he might venture to predict that
the Province of Essex had a brilliant future before it
the rule of such a Prov. Grand Master. The toast
ost enthusiastically, and on Lord Tenterden's rising,
usly cheered. His address throughout was listened
interest. After thanking his Deputy for the way he
the toast, he spoke as follows :—
In the first place, let me congratulate myself at
all at Southend. Although my earliest Masonic
the Province were at the old Lodge of Hope and
ord, it was at Southend that I became so to speak
the county, and I think that there are very few
ives of the place, who have spent more pleasant holi-
I have, collecting wild flowers in the pretty rural
ighbourhood, or sailing and fishing off its coast. It
personal satisfaction to me to be able to assemble the
nd Lodge at Southend, where it has not met since
brethren, when I first knew Southend, thirty years ago,
village, merely a row of houses by the sea. By the
e that it has doubled its population during the last
n that time Freemasonry in the Province has increased
r proportions, six Lodges having been consecrated,
at a very small fraction indeed of the vast increase
ry which has taken place throughout the British
der the Masonic jurisdiction of H.R.H. The Prince of
ng the last three years upwards of 150 Warrants have
by Grand Lodge to Lodges in all parts of the world.
say, "Quæ regio in terris nostri non plena laboris."
been constituted in Bengal, Bombay, Madras, New
South Wales, Jamaica, the Island of Dominica, British
th Africa, Trinidad, China, New Caledonia, and in the
hich some of us hear a good deal just now, Tunis. The
of Lodges is about 1900, and will soon, I suppose, be
e no reason to doubt that in other countries, especially
l States, there has been a corresponding increase. Now,
eason of this great spread of Freemasonry? Some of
ed say—Oh, it is because the Prince of Wales is Grand
all of us here present, I am sure, fully acknowledge the
f the Craft to the zealous ability with which His Royal
esides over it, and his example has probably attracted
ranks, but it must be something more than the fact that
England is governed by so popular a Prince which leads
all over the world to establish Masonic Lodges. Other
-It is because Freemasonry leads to pleasant dinners and
rings; but in the days when conviviality, singing Bac-
norusse, and drinking endless toasts, were the fashion,
ular idea of a Freemason, as illustrated by Hogarth, was
fantastic apron staggering home at early morning, Free-
ade comparatively little progress. Others, again, say—
e it is a great Charitable Institution; and this is the true
hough we must not take the expression in its narrowest
is a Charitable Institution, because it inculcates Charity in
in its widest aspect. Not only must a Freemason have "a
y, and a hand open as day for melting charity," but he is
his Masonic obligations to exercise the spirit of charity in
love towards all mankind, and especially towards his
n Freemasonry. It is often very much easier to give a
than to forgive an injury. Freemasonry teaches us not
cour the distressed, but to exercise universal toleration

to the true objects of our Order, and to the fact that throughout th
British Dominions, and in every country where freedom and enlighten
ment prevail, there are thousands, probably hundreds of thousands
of brethren of our Society, who, while recognising the great principle
of natural equality and mutual dependence, are bound to exercise
universal fraternal toleration, and above all to render reverence t
the Great Architect of the Universe and respect to all lawfully con
stituted authority.

The next toast brought under consideration was "The Worshipfu
Brother Bro. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., P.G.D. D.P.G.M., and the rest o
the Prov. Grand Officers Present and Past." The Prov. Grand Maste
thanked those who had rendered him such goodly assistance in th
past. For his present Officers he had realised the difficulties he ha
to encounter in making appointments. His idea was to distribute th
honours, not to individuals who were popular in any special district
but to those who had distinguished themselves in Freemasonry. In thi
regard he had done his best to appoint worthy men. He called upon Bro
Philbrick to reply. Our learned brother, in the course of his response
remarked that the Prov. Grand Master had alluded to the positio
Freemasonry had taken up both in this country and abroad, likewis
to the advance it had made in their own Province. The unswerving
permanence of our stability was attributable to the fact that we were
true to ourselves, true to our Order, and true to our God. This made
Masonry what it was—a living pen, and not a dead letter. In hi
opinion, in which he thought all would coincide, Freemasonry in the
Province was well represented by its Officers. They were a good,
hard working body; men who would strive to uphold the best inte-
rests of the Craft. On his own and their behalf he thanked
one and all for the reception given to the toast. In speaking to
the toast of the Visitors, Lord Tenterden regretted the absence
of many whose avocations had prevented their attendance; with it
he would associate the name of Bro. Leith Past District Grand S.W.
of Bombay—a Mason well known and highly esteemed, and father of
the present District Grand Master of Bombay. Bro. Leith feared he
might trespass somewhat upon the limited time at the disposal of the
brethren. However, with their permission, he would say a few words
respecting what was being done in the District with which he and
his sons were more immediately associated. Our worthy brother then
detailed some interesting experiences in connection with Freemasonry
in the East, his remarks making a very powerful impression upon
those who were privileged to listen to them. At this stage of the pro-
ceedings the exigencies of the train service necessitated the departure
of the P.G. Master and many of the brethren who had corresponding
trains to catch. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, however,
assumed the chair, and gave several other toasts, making a fervid
appeal to the brethren of the Province to sustain the several Charit-
eble Institutions in their present state of efficiency. With the
"Masonic Charities" he associated the name of Bro. Wood, a Vice-
President of each, and the first Worshipful Master of the Priory
Lodge, under whose banner they were assembled that day. After
this had been acknowledged by Bro. Wood, the W.M.'s of Lodges in
the Province were complimented. Then came the "Reception Com-
mittee," a special word of praise being vouchsafed to Bros. Wardell
and Albert Lucking. The Tyler was then summoned, and the formal
proceedings closed, though for some hour or so afterwards a spirit of
harmony prevailed. The musical arrangements were entrusted to
Bro. Fred Cozens, who had for his associates Bros. J. Brown, Turle
Lee, and T. Lawler.

Before concluding our notice of the day's proceedings we may
mention, in reference to the brethren of this Province, that they have
consistently supported the three Institutions during the seven years
which have come particularly under our notice. During that period
the Benevolent Institution has had the services of its Stewards at
six of seven Festivals; the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls has
been represented at five Festivals; while the Boys' School has been
even still more fortunate—Stewards loyally representing their Pro-
vince at each of its annual gatherings. The amount subscribed during
the Septennial period has been—Boys' School, £890 5s 1d; Girls'
School, £623 0s 3d; while the Benevolent Institution has received
£493 11s 6d; this makes a total of £2,006 16s 10d; not a bad result
from a Province with only nineteen Lodges on its roll.

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can surpass these medicaments for the certainty of their action in lumbago,
sciatica, tic-douloureux, and all flying or settled pains in the nerves, muscles,
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humours, and until these are corrected there can be no permanent cure. The
ordinary remedies only afford temporary relief, and in the end the sufferer is
as bad as ever. Holloway's Ointment penetrates the human system as salt
penetrates meat, and the Pills greatly assist and accelerate its operation, by

ispensable in every Province and it is impossible that such organisation can ever be successful unless the support of all voters in such Province is freely and unhesitatingly given. If everybody is to be left, r elects, to vote as he chooses, anything like organised association ecomes impossible, and the whole thing is neither more nor less than farce. It may seem harsh to say that a man shall have no voice in be exercise of his privileges as a donor or subscriber, but this is ast one of those cases in which individual wishes sink into insignicance in view of the common weal. Once a Province has adopted a andidate it should receive the support of all the brethren who have otes. Having regard to the very probable eventuality of its sooner r later having a candidate of its own, the votes of the Province hould be so manipulated that whenever a candidate present himelf there will be a reasonable chance of carrying his election. It is nly by these means that even a large Province can ever hope to ecure a return for the support accorded by its members to the harities. I know there are many brethren who think the present ystem of electing by ballot is a mistake; but at all events there is he system in full force, and until some other is substituted for it we annot do better than follow the plan which experience has shown to e the best calculated to promote the object in view, namely, for a rovince to secure the success of its adopted candidate. I trust I hall read in your paper on Saturday that Essex has organised its harity Association somewhat on the lines you have indicated in your atest article on this subject.

Fraternally yours,

ondon, 8th August 1881. L. H. MIDDS.

LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Your article should have the desired ffect of drawing public attention to the present anomalous system of dministering relief to the brethren who have the misfortune to fall nto difficulties and are adjudged worthy of help by the Lodge of Benevolence. No blame, of course, can possibly attach to that body, vhich discharges its important functions not only in accordance with he spirit as well as the letter of the Constitutions, but likewise, as ou very justly remark, "with admirable firmness, delicacy, and udgment." It is the law itself which is at fault, the fault being raceable to the exercise of that most praiseworthy of Masonic virtues, aution! But Caution, as we see in this instance, may be carried to xcess. The Lodge of Benevolence, in the exercise of its discretion, ecommends a grant of, I will suppose, £200, but the Constitutions ay £190 of that sum shall under no circumstances be paid till close n four, or it may be six, months have elapsed. Will any one have he hardihood to say this delay is necessary? The case has een thoroughly sifted by the Lodge of Benevolence, which is n fact, as regards the disposal of the Charity Fund, the Executive Committee of Grand Lodge. Having been sifted and certain sum, which is considered to be adequate in the circumtances, recommended, the case is then brought under the notice of rand Lodge which approves of the recommendation. One would hink that after these necessary precautions had been taken, the oney would be paid over, as it is in those cases in which £50 is warded. But the Constitutions say, No. There must be a further elay of three months so that Grand Lodge may have sufficient ime to make up its mind whether or not it will confirm its solemn pproval of its Executive's recommendation. It will be said this delay s necessary because the Lodge of Benevolence and even Grand odge itself is liable to make mistakes. But this holds good equally f grants of £50, and consequently, in order to be strictly logical, here should be the same delay in passing the smaller as the larger mounts. The argument seems to be this: the more urgent is the ase of distress, the greater is the sum which the Lodge of Benevolence is likely to recommend, and as the greater the vote ecommended, the greater the delay in paying it, it follows that the reater and more distressing a brother's circumstances, the longer e has to wait for the relief he has been adjudged worthy to receive. will not be at the trouble of asking if this is charitable, but I will enture to ask the impartial reader if this is logical.

I think there is hardly one among us who has not at some time or ther in the course of his experience met with some one who has told im—and told him truly—that, could he but have commanded a given um on some particular occasion, he might have done himself a very onsiderable service. Lacking the means, however, he lost his opporunity. I need hardly say opportunities are *not* as plentiful as blackthis as it may, there is no doubt the delay in paying grants must be the cause of much serious inconvenience mildest term, to many a worthy Mason against whom the can be urged is that he has been unsuccessful or has had h blighted through the fault of others. Let every possible pr taken against imposition, but once it has been determine brother in distress, let the help be given with the le delay. There are, of course, cases in which a payment on acc be made, as suggested by your correspondent of last week, but better still I think it would be if nothing more were re the approval of Grand Lodge, without waiting for the confirmation of that approval, for all grants of £50 and up all events, it is high time some amendment were made in th tions in the direction indicated by you and your correspo I hope Bro. Perceval will carry his point at the meetin Lodge next month.

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

LODGE WORK.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I agree with you that somet be done to make our Lodges, and especially our Lodges of more attractive. As regards the latter, there is little doub tony of the work that is done, and the very low standar exhibited by a large majority of the Preceptors, are togeth to account for the absence of the better educated brethren be really capable instructors—men who can do somethin repeat a ritual and ceremonies they only profess to unde I think you will have no difficulty in filling the Lodges.

Sincerely and fraternal

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Bros. Otto Klotz and Esarie presume, men in search of more light than they already very naturally anxious to find it within the precincts of I am greatly afraid they will be disappointed. I have bee of a Lodge for a good many years, and I have been likewis visitor at other Lodges, as well as for a short time a toler attendant at Lodges of Instruction. But I must honestly c in the course of my experience, I have heard nothing three degrees, with their respective ceremonies and lectu of course, on occasion, by a consecration and installation. routine, as we all know, is:—Lodge opened; minutes re firmed; balloting, initiations, passings, raisings—all or business, if any—mostly none; notices of motion; Lo dinner or supper. This is the order of the day, and ha aught I know to the contrary, for as long as Speculative been in existence. And this absolute state of stagnatio allowed to prevail all these years, and may—and will p permitted to prevail for as many years more in a scienc are solemnly told is a "progressive science."

Much as I object to the French system of Freemason they have altered their Constitutions, and excluded fro doctrine of belief in T.G.A.O.T.U., I must say that, as work done in their Lodges, our Gallic brethren manage far better than we do. I have before me *Le Monde Maç* July, and turning to the "Chronicle" for that month, among the work done during the previous three months i of Paris and neighbourhood, the following papers were re —In Lodge Les Amis de la Patrie, "Parliamentary Europe," by Bro. Demombynes, and "The Antiquity of M Rizat; "History of the Republic during the last ten Bro. J. Reisiach, in Lodge La Bonne Foi; in Lodge L paper by Bro. Corra, "On the best means of diminishin amongst Newborn Infants;" in Lodge La Rose du Parf "Reflections on the Extinction of Pauperism," by Bro. Lodge Zélés Philanthropes, "Adult Education."

I am far from saying these are subjects that would favour in our Lodges. A brother who has lunched e eagerly looking forward to the banquet, is far more likel himself about the modernity of the turkey, goose, or fow

turday last, at Freemasons' Hall. There were present: W. Stewart (in the Chair), Alfred Williams, Donald 3. Webster, E. C. Massey, Rev. Dr. Morris (Head r E. Gladwell, Richard Tyrrell, Alexander Wallace, nes Winter, Frederick Adlard, Edward Baxter, and cretary). After the reading and confirmation of the petitions were examined, but as they were not in e deferred. An outfit of £5 was voted to a former stitution. The Secretary reported the withdrawal of Trusts Bill, and the Chairman with much regret death of two Members of the House Committee, Bros. eggy. The Secretary reported that the new offices y in a fortnight, whereupon authority was given to him m not exceeding £50 on new furniture. The proceed- h a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Counties Lodge, No. 406.—The regular meet- dge took place on 3rd inst, at the Masonic Hall, Maple astle-on-Tyne. In the absence of the W.M. Bro. Salmon, s opened by Bro. John Page I.P.M., assisted by the fol- rs:—Bro. S. M. Harris S.W., G. Dunford J.W., John . Treasurer, J. S. B. Bell Secretary, Sisson S.D., R. W. . Macdonald as I.G., W. M. Lion Steward, and G. S. Sims brethren were passed to the second degree, the cere- perfectly performed by Bro. Page, the charge in the given by Bro. Harris the S.W. All routine business hav- posed of, Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned nts. The visitors were Bro. J. Cook P.M. P.P.G.S.W. 481, rong P.M. P.G. Registrar 1626, John Wood P.M. 48, C. B. 31, T. Dinning I.G. 481, &c.

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sie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—At Bro. sters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, on Tuesday, Bros. Christian S.W., Jones J.W., Smyth S.D., Edwards J.D., Lorkin Secretary, Wallington Preceptor; also Bros. rr, Marsh, Polak, Hammond, Noble, and others. After e Bro. Marsh, as candidate for passing, was entrusted. opened in the second degree, when Bro. Marsh was the degree of Fellow Craft. Bro. Forss, worked the n of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Lodge was e second degree, and Bro. Christian worked the third sections of 1st lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. of Lodge 1278, was elected a member. Bro. Christian ted W.M. for the ensuing week.

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embers of the Friars Lodge of Instruction, No. end holding their Annual Excursion at the Crown Broxbourne, on the 16th inst. As the ladies will brethren, we trust the weather will be all that can d, to render the outing successful. Bro. W. Musto ceptor will preside at the banquet, and an efficient der the direction of Bro. R. Hirst, has been engaged ccasion.

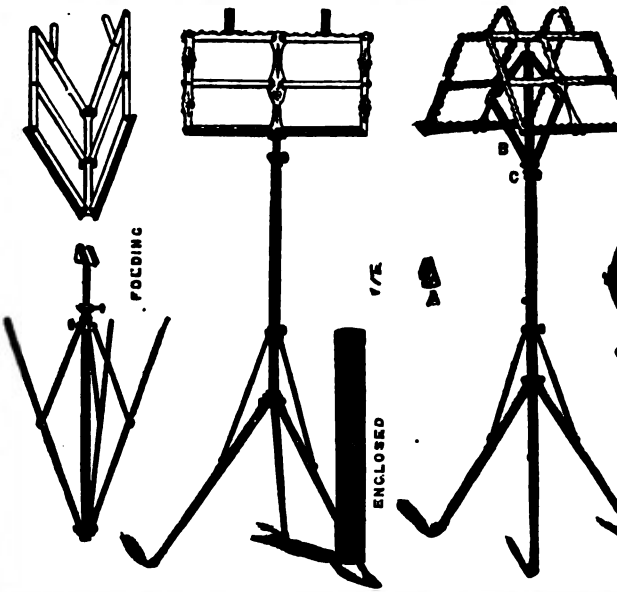
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eting of the members of the Royal Alfred Lodge of ion, No. 780, will be held at the Star and Garter New Bridge, on Friday, 19th instant, at eight o'clock hen the Lodge will proceed to the election of a or, in the place of Bro. P.M. Roe, resigned. On ugust Bro. Andrews P.M. will rehearse the ceremony llation.

Liberal Freemason states that James A. Garfield, nt of the United States of America, was born in , Ohio, 19th November 1831. He was made a in Magnolia Lodge, in Columbus, Ohio, but is now ber of Pentalpha Lodge, No. 28, of the District of bia. He is also a member of Columbia Royal Arch er, No. 1; of Columbia Commandery, No. 2; Knights ars, and of Mithras Lodge of Perfection, 14°, in cient and Accepted Scottish. Rite, all of Washing-

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ADELPHI.—At 7.15, THE MIDDY ASHORE. At 8.15, JANET PRIDE
HAYMARKET.—At 7.45, THE LITTLE TREASURE. At 9.0, G RALTAR.
PRINCESS'S.—At 7, TWO OLD BOYS. At 8, THE OLD LOVE A THE NEW.
STRAND.—At 7.30, UP THE RIVER. At 8, OLIVETTE.
OLYMPIC.—At 7.45, THE WORKMAN, &c. (Last Night.)
GAIETY.—At 7.0, OPERETTA. At 7.30, FAST COACH, At 8.30, FOR THIEVES.
CRITERION.—At 8, DOROTHY. At 8.45, FLATS.
OPERA COMIQUE.—At 8, UNCLE SAMUEL. At 8.30, PATIENCE.
PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 8.30, THE COLONEL.
FOLLY.—At 7.30, HIS LAST LEGS. At 8.30, IMPRUDENCE.
ALHAMBRA.—At 7.30, FARCE. At 8.15, BRONZE HORSE.
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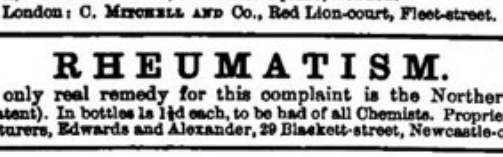
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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF DEVONSHIRE.

THE annual Provincial Grand Lodge and General Communication of the Freemasons of the Province of Devon was held on Saturday, 6th inst., at Plymouth. Business commenced at noon with a meeting of the Committee of Petitions for the Province in the Huyshe Masonic Temple. The Secretary reported that during the past year there had been a decrease of 123 votes as compared by the committee from the Province over those of the previous year, or about the number lost by the decease of Bro. the Rev. John Huyshe and the alienation of those of Mr. There were still several Lodges and Chapters that persisted in failing to send their votes through the committee, and others from whom attention retained them until too late to be of service. The votes had so acted during the past year were Lodges—494 first year, 710 tenth, 1135 third, 1138 second, 1486 third; Chapters first year, 248 eighth, 303 first, 444 first, 494 seventh, 710 tenth, second, 1138 first, 1284 third. The London representative (Bro. Godtschalk) read his report as follows:—Worshipful Bro. and Brethren,—The Committee will remember when placing their report before them, at Torrington, 27th January last, we had succeeded in electing five Devon candidates into or upon the Masonic Charities, namely the boy Herbert Norrish, Bro. Elias Mason, Mrs. Andrews, widow, the girl Drake, and the boy Hill, and that we, as a Province, were indebted by votes to various provinces as follows:—To Berkshire, 93 boys and 67 girls; to 300 boys; Shropshire, 100 boys; North Wales, 100 boys, 276 boys and 67 girls; and to myself, for votes borrowed on responsibility for use of Devon, boys 128; Benevolent votes which I hold the IOU of the Province—in all a total of 1. Against these figures Devon had to receive from Warwick 100 boys, and 400 Benevolent votes, leaving a balance to Devon of 896 votes. I now come to the first elections which took place since my last report, namely, the elections Royal Masonic Schools (Girls and Boys), 9th and 10th of April last respectively. The Committee are al

vill be observed, are cancelled. I have stated no by this Committee for either of these elections in son of having to pay our previously borrowed votes. there were on the list of candidates from Devon e children, duly qualified for admission on election. ow a good work was accomplished, and a profit made s I had in hand after repayments of debts. One of named as a duly qualified candidate from Devon, ected by this Committee, through a relative, Bro. o appears to be in a good social position, applied to of election for aid in form of votes. I explained tuated; that officially I could not give the votes ven from Devon, unless that candidate had been ommittee, and intimating that if he personally was anything—that is, would give a guarantee to f the R.M.I.G. for fifty guineas—I, through my obtain sufficient votes to elect the girl Rawle. o do. The guarantee was written out, handed to once. I went to work, and without pledging the l on my responsibility the votes. Having taken up on the day of election—in fact, after the elections —before the poll closed at three o'clock we had polled elected the child Rawle, the highest polling at that tes. By this election the Province is relieved of a e same time placing to Devon the credit of fifty Institution in liquidation of my Stewards' list for which Devon will have the votes for future ng taken up this case under circumstances stated own responsibility, and without consultation with ven Bro. Gover, who I fancy was rather more sur- ult than most people—I, therefore, most respectfully mmittee, should they demur to my action in this ate the transaction, I will relieve them of the onus votes by doing so out of my own resources. At let it be well understood, and this will be seen at f this report, that although Devon has elected six the Great Masonic Charities during twelve months, excess of its voting power as a province, and even girl elected, U. T. Rawle, Devon stands free from rovinces, and to all others excepting the votes due o next election was that of the R.M.B.I. for Aged lows, May 1881. For this election, had circum- favourable, I should have polled all votes for Bro. ter. I received from Devon, through Bro. Gover, s election, 414 aged masons votes, and widows Devon 677. Repaid Warwickshire 300 aged masons votes; these votes, with my own and sundry others, use at this election of 1119. The official list of can- the Institutions for this election showed an approved icants, but only seven vacancies—or in other words, e elected out of 61. These seven vacancies were to be by every Province in England. I merely mention the n this list of 61 applicants for seven vacancies, Devon ws asking to be admitted, and all eligible. From the nall number of vacancies, and although the number to fifteen on the day of the election, this elec- he most difficult that has yet taken place. Upon this widow's vote was worth four men's votes, and many e made, even five and six men's for one widow's vote. this difference in value was that twenty-five aged be elected out of a list of thirty-five. Even then had l to make a great sacrifice, I could probably have w; but in the interests of the Province I was not pre- it. Look at the figures. I had 736 men's votes and Out of these I repaid to South Wales forty widows', and 220 men's—see cancelled towns for same. The residue after these payments, with the rate of exchange as have only produced half sufficient votes to elect a ld then have had to have borrowed 500 or 600 widows'— crificed our men's votes at four to one, and borrowed remium would have been burning the candles at both he probability is at next election men's votes will be than widows', and that a widow will be elected number of votes used at this election. I therefore en's votes at their full value, having them all for use. As stated, I held 736 men's and 383 widows' votes: Repaid South Wales 10, and Cumberland 220. I then ince of Monmouth 535 Benevolent votes. To Bro. John behalf of Bro. Hughan, I lent 444 aged Masons' votes,

This report was received and adopted, and Bro. Godtschalk was warmly thanked for his management, and congratulated on his successful efforts. It was resolved that the report be printed for distribution amongst the Lodges, and that in future reports be, if possible, printed before the meeting.

Bro. Godtschalk proposed that the sum of fifty guineas be given to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Masons' Male Fund, fifty guineas to the Widows' Fund, and fifty guineas to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls—There was an amendment that the sum of fifty guineas be given respectively to the widows, boys, and girls. The original motion was, however, carried by a large majority, and the amounts were ordered to be placed on the list of Bro. Godtschalk as Steward, and for the benefit of the Province to liquidate his open Stewards' lists. There were four petitions for relief, and the Committee voted the following sums:—The sum of £5 to the widow of a late brother of Lodge 112, and recommended a further grant from P.G. Lodge of £8; the sum of £5 to the widow of a late brother of Lodge 494; the sum of £5 to the widow of a late brother of Lodge 156, and recommended a further grant of £8 from P.G. Lodge; and the sum of £5 to the widow of a late brother of Lodge 1205, and they recommended a further grant from the P.G. Lodge of £5. There were three candidates for the votes of the Province for the London Schools, and after discussion—during which the Secretary deprecated the growing practice of the friends of candidates sending circulars to Lodges and subscribers, the tendency of which was to weaken the voting powers of the Committee, whilst after all they must at last depend on it, the boy Sidney Sowdon, whose late father was a member of Lodge 372, was unanimously adopted. The report to the P.G. Lodge was then prepared and adopted, and the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman. By direction of the Committee of the Associated Lodges luncheon was provided at the Temple for the brethren who came from a distance.

The Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge, was held at the Mechanics' Institute, under the presidency of the Prov. G.M. Viscount Ebrington. The attendance of brethren from all parts of the province was very large. The minutes of the meetings held at Barnstaple and Torrington were read by Bro. Brewer (the Secretary), and duly confirmed. Bro. Moon (the P.G. Treasurer) presented the accounts, which reported a total of receipts of £419; and a balance after meeting all liabilities of £198 in favour of the Province. The statement of the Fortescue Annuity Fund exhibited receipts during the year amounting to £357, and, after meeting all disbursements, there remained an available balance in the hands of the P.G. Treasurer of £67. The amount invested in Consols and other securities on this account was reported to be £2,229. Bro. Gover presented the report of the Committee of Petitions on their proceedings during the past year. They had been successful, he stated, in electing the candidates of the Province on the foundations of the great Masonic Charities, but to accomplish this very satisfactory result they had not received the support of all the Lodges. This was much to be regretted. Whilst the Province included 2,500 subscribing members, only 1,520 had been represented in the names that had passed through the committee. The consequence was that fully 600 votes had either been lost altogether, or had been diverted into other channels, which, so far as the interests of the Province were concerned, was even worse. At the meeting held that day various sums were voted in relief of the families of deceased or distressed Masons, a catalogue of which was now read for approbation. The committee had also determined to propose that sums of fifty guineas each should be voted to the Masonic Institution for Aged Masons, the Masonic Institution for the Widows of Masons, and the Masonic Institution for Girls. A brief discussion ensued on the reading of the report. Bro. Simon Hyne thought that some proportion of these contributions might legitimately be applied to the Devon Masonic Educational Fund. He moved a resolution to that effect, namely, the sum of £20, with a view of testing the feeling of the meeting. Bro. Lethbridge seconded the motion. Bro. the Rev. W. Whittley, however, whilst acknowledging the hearty good feeling of those who had proposed the amendment, remarked that the brethren identified with the management of the Devon Educational Fund could not be blind to the fact that it was receiving liberal aid in answer to its appeals for assistance. They remembered that the Province received no less than £1250 annually from the Great Central Charities it was proposed to assist in this way, and the brethren ought to do their utmost for them when the treatment the Province received was so generous. The report of the Committee was adopted, the mover and seconder of the amendment alone dissenting. Bro. S. Jones proposed the election of Bro. Stocker as P.G. Treasurer for the ensuing year, and he was unanimously elected. In

posed to establish to perpetuate the revered name of the late P.G.M., he Rev. John Huyshe. The P.G.M., Lord Ebrington, presented a synopsis of the wishes of the various Lodges in the Province, the members of which had been duly consulted. Seventeen out of the total of fifty Lodges desired that their subscriptions should be devoted to some charitable or educational purpose. Nine Lodges had expressed a decided preference for associating the movement with the Devon Masonic Educational Fund, and seven expressed as decided a preference for erecting a memorial window in Exeter Cathedral. Under the circumstances, he thought that the window was distinctly out of the question, and for the same reason the ideas of making the memorial partake of an educational form, so far as the Devon Educational Fund was concerned, was out of the question also. The Lodges which had given an idea of the probable extent of their subscriptions had named sums amounting in all to 200 guineas, and if the remainder of the Lodges voted sums proportionately large a Fund of 400 guineas would in all probability be placed at the command of the Committee that would have to be appointed for giving effect to such resolutions as they might come to. His Lordship proceeded to suggest various other suitable means of commemorating the respect and love of the brethren for their late G.M. It had been suggested to him by Bro. Charles Godtschalk, that a life presentation to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys would be the best possible mode by which the Memorial and the name of Huyshe might be perpetuated. Having received from that brother the details of the scheme, he was inclined for his own part to adopt it, believing it met all the objections brought against the window form of Memorial, as well as those against the Devon Educational Fund. Referring also to the Fortescue Annuity Fund, and, so far as his family were concerned, they would be happy to see the names of Fortescue and Huyshe combined in one fund for annuitant purposes. Annuitants, however, were proverbially long-lived, and the brethren would rarely be called upon to appreciate the benefits of the scheme. An agreeable alternative would be the purchase of the right to place one boy in the Masonic Institution for the Sons of Masons. This right could be purchased for 500 guineas, and would avail the Province during the life-time of any particular brother in whose name the right was purchased. He should be ready—the P.G.M. observed—if this course commended itself to the Province to insure his life for the sum named, and to keep up the premiums for the benefit of the Province, so that at his death the second 500 guineas might be forthcoming. Bro. Charles Godtschalk said, Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master, from the very able and lucid manner in which you have placed the various proposed forms the Memorial to our late P.G.M. should take before the brethren, and your seeming inclination to favour the scheme of a life presentation to one of our Central Masonic Charities, and for which you give me the credit of first suggesting its details to you; to clear the ground, allow me to call attention to the especial meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge at Torrington, in January last. At that meeting, called specially to consider this question, a resolution was proposed by the D.P.G.M. that the form of Memorial should be a window in the Cathedral of Exeter. This I opposed, and in place of the window suggested a Scholarship to be attatched to the Devon Educational Fund, both questions were adjourned to obtain the expressed wishes of the Lodges throughout the Province. During the interval, on 16th March, you issued a circular letter, in which you stated that Mrs. Huyshe had expressed a strong opinion and entertained objections to have the name of her husband associated with the Devon Educational Fund. I have also received in correspondence with Mrs. Huyshe a letter in which that lady warmly expresses herself as against the Memorial being attatched to the said Fund. I, in common with the great majority of the brethren loving the name of Huyshe, bow to the expressed wishes and feelings of Mrs. Huyshe. The wishes and feelings of that lady I am confident all will respect and gladly see carried out to a successful issue. It is also mentioned in that letter, of 16th March, that Mrs. Huyshe would gladly see the proposed Memorial to her late husband connected with some other Masonic Charity, hence was it I suggested the Life presentation to the Boys' School. I am not wedded to one charity over the other, provided the proposed Memorial take that form. Therefore, attaching it as I do to the R.M.I.B., is from the fact that from the Institution in question we get the best possible value for our outlay. A life presentation to that Institution will cost 500 guineas, giving the Province the right of presentation during the life named, without election; to have one boy in the Institution, one down the other come on. I propose to name with the presentation the most eminent Masonic life we have in the Province, that of Viscount Ebrington, our Prov. G. Master; he has the advantage of being young, healthful, and what I am sure all sincerely hope, a long life—at same and wide of Devon. It is an active and practical form and Benevolence, in keeping and in unison with our late well spent life. This form of memorial will again and ag the name of Huyshe; and Masons at this moment in circ well to do, God forbid it should be otherwise, whose yet unborn, may from the circumstances of our lives, its ch uncertainties, have cause to bless the name and memo Huyshe. Bro. Charles Godtschalk then moved the followi tion:—That a fund, to be called the John Huyshe prese raised, to purchase a life presentation, at a cost of 500 gu ing the right to the Province of Devon of having one Royal Masonic Institution for Boys without electi the life named to the Institution with such pr The proposition was seconded by W. Bro. the Rev. William An amendment was proposed by W. Bro. Maynard, and se W. Bro. Stone,—to use the money in adding a Widows' Pr to the Fortescue Memorial Fund. An amendment was pr seconded,—to join the Memorial to the Devon Educational F amendment was also lost, the proposer and seconder only it. W. Bro. J. B. Gover said that he could not at all under making the Memorial take the form of a Scholarship in with Devon Educational Fund was out of the question, s were more Lodges in favour of that form than of any more money promised; but the Devon Fund was well su the private donors and subscribers, and it would, therefor better to have a scheme which would be acceptable to all p Province, and have universal assistance. He, therefore, supported the proposition of B o. Godtschalk. On being vote, the proposition of Bro. Godtschalk was carried dissentient voice. The Prov. Grand Master then propos Committee to collect the funds should be appointed, consis following brethren:—The Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Br Rae, Whittley, Gover, Godtschalk, Moon, Brewer, Jerman and Hine-Haycock. It was then resolved to appoint a Co collect the money. That duty was conferred on the Bye vising Committee, with power to add to their number. Th motion from W. Bro. J. B. Gover—"That the following passed at a Provincial Grand Lodge held at Exeter, on th 1859, be rescinded:—'That the whole of the increased pa fees of honour and annual dues from members of applied to the said Fund (the Fortescue Annuity), p the resolution of the Provincial Grand Lodge on October 1858'"—was withdrawn with the understandin resolution asked to be rescinded should instead be into a Bye-Law. That concluded the business, and the closed.

In the evening the brethren dined together at the Globe P.G.M. Lord Ebrington presiding. The Loyal and Ma were given from the chair, with especial reference to the labours of the Officers of the Grand Lodge of England. the Order to universal benevolence was well sustained, the three great Masonic Charities distributed no less t per annum. Bro. Curteis felicitously submitted the h P.G.M. He spoke in hearty terms of his Lordship's desire to thoroughly carry out the functions of his exalted po it scribed him as a worthy successor in the chair of his rev father. The Prov. G.M. in response thanked the brethren way in which they had recognised his efforts, and Bro. cially for the flattering manner in which he had associat with that of his grandfather. His Lordship expressed hi he had been constrained to select a day for the meetin ill-suited, perhaps, the convenience of the brethren, or of them. But his official engagements in town had ab cluded his naming any other day in the week, and as h the few Officers with whose attendance the Lodge could dispense—the meeting had had to be held to suit his pers ments. He very much regretted the necessity, howeve veniencing the brethren, and another time trusted he sh to make a selection which would better please all parti gave the health of the D.P.G.M., Bro. Rogers, to whom advice and aid in work of the Province, and who at all gave it. During the evening the Prov. Grand Mast Wardens and Secretary, visited Prudence Lodge, No. Huyshe Masonic Temple, where its members were holdi meeting under the presidency of Wor. Bro. M. C. Lakem

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r said he had a most pleasing duty to perform, and
i be sympathised in by all in the Province. He had
e name of the Provincial Grand Lodge, a brother who
rthily discharged his duty as a Mason, and served the
able and efficient manner, with some slight token of
hich he was held by his brother Masons. He wished
e part of the Grand Lodge, to Bro. Le Feuvre, that
and efficient service as Provincial Grand Secretary he
most unqualified satisfaction to the brethren of the
ell as earned the respect of every brother throughout
e office of Secretary was a peculiarly onerous one, and
a very great task to call upon any one to discharge the
ere allowed to appoint two Provincial Grand Secre-
, to some extent, relieve the duty, but that was not
Grand Lodge, and the consequence was that one had
laties which were none too much for two. Bro.
carried out those duties with marked ability, and
nic spirit. His Masonic talents and abilities were
one in the Province. He had, on the r part, to pre-
e slightest token of their esteem—a j wel and a testi-
m. He did not offer them for their intrinsic value,
e Bro. Le Feuvre would not receive them as such, but
n which they were offered—from the hearts of the
ow the esteem in which he was held by them. The
resented the j wel and the address; the latter was
minated and handsomely framed. Bro. Le Feuvre, in
ot, said that the kindness he had received at the hands
en of the Province during the ten years he had
e of Provincial Grand Secretary would never be
is memory. He was called into active service when
ceeded the late Admiral of the Fleet, Sir Lucius
vincial Grand Master, and he was induced to undertake
erous nature of which he was little acquainted with.
avoured to discharge those duties conscientiously, and
had committed he assured them were due to want of
than want of heart. As a proof of the manner in which
increased he mentioned that in 1869, when he accepted
Secretary, there were in the Province twenty-four
1000 members, and now there were thirty-six Lodges,
ber of members was nearly doubled. He referred to
etus given to Freemasonry by the acceptance by His
es the Prince of Wales of the office of Grand Master,
this Province had shared largely in the increase, and
xtent had Masonry advanced that he knew of Lodges
rithin the past ten years which were now prepared to
ster Lodges to promote the principles of the Craft. Bro.
el gave notice of a resolution to the effect that in future
ions from this Province to the Masonic Charities be in-
uble the amount at present subscribed. The Deputy
Master (who then presided. Bro. Roach having been

P. G. Timbs, J. E. Sheffield 413. L. Alcott P.M. 733, C. Jolbile 177, R. Smith 169, E. Sewell 1744. R. Wall 1744, Samuel Blasby 780, Benjamin Blasby W.M. 780, W. W. Morgan Sec. 211, E. Peragia 1744, W. Snelling 180, G. Mosley 1447, F. Sillis W.S. 1744; S. Dickey 1744, R. Fraser 1507, Henry Stiles J.W. 1507, E. E. Barratt Kidder S.W. 12, C. J. Scales I.P.M. 1507, W. Side W.M. 1507, William Stiles W.M. elect 1507, George Clark jun. S.D. 1507, F. J. Perks 1507, S.D. 1771, T. L. Edmonds 1507, C. Willcocks 975. Bro. W. M. Stiles, the Preceptor, presided at the banquet, which, though supplied at a moderate price, was all that could be desired, both as regards quantity and quality of the viands. On the removal of the cloth the few toasts customary on these occasions were done full honour to, and some complimentary speeches were elicited. Altogether the members have every reason to congratulate themselves on the success of the day's proceedings.

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908—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
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77—Freedom, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend
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425—Bedford Masonic Hall, New street, Birmingham
434—Meri., Derby Hotel, Whitefield.
930—Egerton, George Hotel, Wellington Road, Heaton Norris, near Stockport
937—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland.
1141—Mid Sussex, Assembly Rooms, Horsham.
1199—Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury.
1208—Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover.
1238—Gooch, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1502—Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 139—Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
R.A. 1051—Rowley, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

TUESDAY, 16th AUGUST.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
880—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
941—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1339—Stockwell, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Cannon Row, at 7.30 (Instruction)
367—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 Instruction)
420—Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge, S.W.
446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30 (Instruction)
558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd , at 8 (In.)
695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 8.30 (Inst.)
R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)

213—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich.
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6 30 (Instruction)
248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
418—Menturia, Mechanics' Institute, Hanley.
651—Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon.
667—Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
906—Tregullow, Masonic Rooms, St. Day, Scorrier, Cornwall.
952—Callender, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
276—Warren, Stanley Arms Hotel, Seacombe, Cheshire.
325—Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
427—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle.
470—Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable.
473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6 (Instruction)
534—Concord, George Hotel, Prestwich.
551—Charity, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
570—Prince Arthur, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool
764—Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton.

WEDNESDAY, 17th AUGUST.

193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
224—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
538—La Tolerance, Green Dragon, 2 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
783—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 7.30 (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
865—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
1284—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
121—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzance
178—Antiquity Royal Hotel, Wigan.
203—Old Globe, Private Rooms, Globe-street, Scarborough
325—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
342—Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, 79 Commercial Road, Landport
581—Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
643—Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction.)
795—St. John, Ray Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
969—Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Workington
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1019—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield, Yorks
98—St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
208—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street, Ashton-under-Lyne
343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston
345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blackburn
367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn, Smallbridge
600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford
1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street, Salford
1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
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1299—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near Liverpool
1320—Blackheath, Green Man, Blackheath
1327—King Harold, Britannia Hotel, Waltham New Town
1392—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
1590—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instructi
R.A. 275—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield.

FRIDAY, 19th AUGUST.

House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green, at 4.
Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instructi
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8 (Instructio
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 165 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (In
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury,
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich,
R.A. 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington

152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction
516—Phœnix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
541—De Loraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
963—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George street, Leeds
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingh
R.A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfi
R.A. 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingha

SATURDAY, 20th AUGUST.

1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (In
1641—Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., a

GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLA

A QUARTERLY Communication of the Grand Lodge was held on Thursday afternoon, 4th inst., in Freem Edinburgh—the Most Worshipful Grand Master Mason R. Shaw-Stewart, Bart., on the throne. Brother R. F. S was in his place as Senior Grand Warden, and Brother Ca Crombie, Junior Grand Deacon, acted, in the absence of Haddington, as Junior Grand Warden. There were als Brothers D. Murray Lyon, Grand Secretary; David Kin Cashier; the Rev. T. N. Wannop, Grand Chaplain; John Grand Jeweller; George Fisher, Grand Bible Bear Davidson, Grand Organist; James Turner, President of t Grand Stewards; and the following Representatives of Fo Lodges:—Brothers William Officer, Egypt and Pe Maxwell Muller, Saxony; James Caldwell, Wyoming; W bers, Arkansas; and Dr. Loth, of California. The follo Lodges were also represented: England; The Three Glo the Countries, Germany; West Virginia, Liberia, and B Apologies for absence were intimated from the Earl Kellie, Depute Grand Master, and other Grand Officers a Grand Masters. Reports of their Proceedings were re thanks from the Grand Lodges of Kansas, New Jersey, New Brunswick, New Hampshire, Manitoba, and Iov resolved, on the recommendation of Grand Committee Lodge Carron (No. 139) to meet at Carron, in terms granted in 1757. Grand Committee reported that they the Master and other Office-bearers of Lodge Leith a (No. 5) in regard to the circumstances under which cert the Lodge's minute-book had been cut out and burnt; a had expressed their strong disapproval of such actions, the Lodge under suspension. This was confirmed by Brother Francis J. Arantra was appointed Provincial G of the Bahama Islands. Charters were ordered to be iss of the following Lodges:—Perfect Unanimity, Launcest Caledonia, Landour and Dehra, India; and St. John North-East Valley, near Dunedin. The Grand Commit

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odge, E.C.—The chain of Masonic Lodges on the e Auckland district may now be fairly considered to be rakawa, Whangarei, Warkworth, Tauranga, and Gis- for some time had its Lodge at work, but a link was ect the two latter, which was supplied on Friday, 3rd nstitution of a Lodge at Opotiki. The Freemasons Province have long wondered how it was that their t important settlement had not sooner attempted to mple in their midst, while the latter have been ing for the time to arrive when they might lay a which a perfect and permanent superstructure might zing lately received such an addition to their numbers red justified them in proceeding, no time was lost, a g was secured as a Lodge-room, the necessary altera- a very handsome suite of Masonic furniture procured, al warrant obtained from the District Grand Master of the 2nd June Bro. W. P. Moat D.G.R., who at the D.G.M. had undertaken the duties of Consecrating from Auckland by steamer, and was met on the wharf of the brethren, and conducted to the Lodge-room, onnced in every way suitable for its intended purpose, ited the brethren on the Masonic knowledge displayed in which the alterations had been effected; also on anner in which the room had been decorated and laid as a large attendance of brethren at the ceremony on igh noon precisely, Bro. Moat, acting as D.D.G.M., by Bros. Captain Turner W.M. 462 I.C. as D.G.S.W., 28 I.C. as D.G.J.W., and his other Officers entered the procession and took the chair, and after the usual pre- had been disposed of proceeded in his usual effective tute, consecrate, and dedicate the Lodge according to n. The consecration ceremony being ended, Bro. Moat, ast Master's Turner and English, installed Bro. R. S. s first Worshipful Master of the Lodge, who then in- ficers as follow:—Stewart Bates S.W., John Parkinson Powell Secretary, Robert King S.D., J. Thompson J.D., I.G., Charles B. Rogers Tyler. The addresses to the were then impressively delivered by Bro. Moat, after dinary Lodge business was proceeded with. A number for initiation were proposed, after which the W.M. con- Moat the thanks of the Lodge for his kindness in coming ckland to perform the ceremony; they all felt under a on to him and they would feel gratified if he would con- minated as an honorary member of the Lodge. Bro. in appropriate terms, thanking them for their apprecia- vices, and stated that he would be happy to receive the ed to be conferred on him. He also congratulated the the favourable circumstances under which they started. e had seen of the W.M. and Officers he had no doubt lly up to their work. They had a good, well-furnished were clear of debt. If the Lodge did not soon occupy position in the district it would be the result of its mem- arged them to be particularly careful as to whom they members. It was, as they very well knew, the duty of r to do his utmost to prevent the reception into the Craft who was given to mischief-making, or whose character ear the strictest scrutiny. He thanked the brethren for reparations they had made for the occasion. He also d the Rev. Bro. A. C. Sontar on the effective manner in r difficult circumstances, he had conducted the musical eremony, and Bro. Connelly for his performance on the A cordial vote of thanks was then accorded to Bro. ner for his kindness in coming from Tauranga to assist which the Lodge was closed in proper form. A grand was held in the evening to celebrate the event, when all was filled with a large assemblage of the brotherhood outh and beauty of Opotiki. The rich dresses of the he regalia and jewels of the different Masonic degrees brethren gave a picturesque appearance to the gathering. rable evening was spent. The catering was everything e desired, both as to quality and quantity; and the manner whole affair passed off reflected the greatest credit not Stewards, but on the people of Opotiki.

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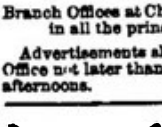
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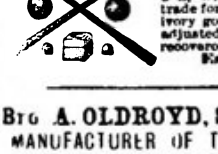
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TENTERDEN ON MASONIC PROGRESS.

nterden, in his eloquent speech at the banquet followed the Provincial Grand Lodge of some remarks on the progress of Freemasonry latter years which deserve something more than ng remarks. In propounding to himself the What is the reason of this great spread of Free- his lordship went on to consider the several which different people have offered, and the redit to which they were severally entitled. he uninitiated, for instance, he remarked, ac- this increase in our numbers by the fact that f Wales is Grand Master of the Craft in Eng- s reason, however, did not, in his opinion, self to account for the progress which has been eemasonry, not in England only, but likewise the whole of the civilised world. No doubt, he e ability and zealous example of His Royal ad attracted many to our ranks, but, he added, e something more than the fact that the Craft is governed by so popular a prince, which rethren all over the world to establish Masonic We have had Princes of the reigning house to r us in past times and the effect has been similar, t to a similar extent. Frederick, Prince of of George II., who was initiated in 1737, took art in the doings of the Craft, but most of the nd sons of George III. became members of the and from 1781 to 1843 the Craft in England ned by a Prince, first by the Duke of Cumber- nd Master 1781-90, then by George Prince of erwards George IV. G.M. from 1790 to 1813, and the Duke of Sussex, G.M. 1813 to 1843. During period Freemasonry made very considerable head- pite of the internal dissensions which prevailed e first half, until 1813, when the rival Grand greed to re-unite the Lodges in their respective ons. But though the progress during the govern- these royal chiefs was, as we have said, consider- ust be admitted that the popularity of our present ugh it will not wholly explain the general increase aft, has exercised a very sound influence. Accord- and Lodge Calendar for 1881, and without taking unt of the Lodges for which warrants have since nted, there have been constituted between the 75 and 1880, both inclusive, no less than 359 giving an average annual addition to the roll of odge of sixty Lodges. But Freemasonry is con- advancing in other countries in which our Grand cannot possibly claim to exercise any influence r, and hence, no doubt, Lord Tenterden's hesitation t the Grand Mastership of the Prince of Wales sfactory explanation of Masonic progress latterly. rdship next glanced at another reason which is ly assigned, namely, that Freemasonry "leads to dinners and social gatherings." This, however, isses curtly with the remark, that "in the days conviviality, singing Bacchanalian choruses, and endless toasts, were the fashion, and the popular a Freemason, as illustrated by Hogarth, was a man ntastic apron staggering home at early morning, sonry made comparatively little progress." We ree with his lordship that, "pleasant dinners and cise a certain influence on the fortunes of the Craft, wil not by themselves, account for its progress. At the sam time, with all respect for his lordship's opinion, we mus point out that our countrymen were known for their con vivial habits during all the years which elapsed from th establishment of Grand Lodge in 1717 to (say) the end o the reign of George IV. in 1830. Yet in that tim Masonry extended, from a few Lodges in London and York as well as in other parts of the United Kingdom, to man hundreds, spread all over the civilised world. France Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden, Denmark, and othe European countries received the Craft from us; so did ou North American colonies, now the United States, an Canada; so did India and other parts. If we look to th roll of our Grand Lodge, we shall see there are only 30 Lodges yet remaining, which were established before th Union of 1813, and not quite 500 which were constitute before the death of the Duke of Sussex in 1843. But in orde to form a correct estimate of what was done in the course o those years, we must take account of the numerous Lodge in foreign countries, which received their warrants in th first instance from our Grand Lodge, to say nothing o those which owed their allegiance primarily to the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland. The war of American Independence led to the severance of the Masonic ties ex isting between the States of the American Union and th United Kingdom. The same result attended the establish ment of Grand Lodges in the various European States Later still, the erection of Canada into a separate and in dependent Masonic power further reduced the Lodges o our roll. All this must be considered in forming an esti mate of the progress made by the Craft from 1717, as wel as the fact that at the commencement of any enterpris the progress is ordinarily slow, and the extent of that pro gress correspondingly less appreciable But, as nothing succeeds like success, so when the enterprise has attained a certain degree of stability, the work ordinarily proceed thenceforward overwhelmingly. We fancy Lord Tenter den has hardly made sufficient allowance for the difficulties with which the Grand Lodge of 1717, like all novel insti tutions, was surrounded, or for the dissensions which broke out in the Craft about 1738, and led ultimately to the es tablishment of a rival Grand Lodge. Had he done this we think it is probable he would have viewed the progress of the Craft during the convivial period of our history somewhat more favourably. However, we are of his opinion that the true explanation lies in the fact that Free masonry is a Charitable Institution, not in the narrowest but in the widest sense of the term. The Masonic Charities, of which we have so great reason to be proud are only a subordinate part of our system. They are only one of many results which Masonry seeks to attain. As Lord Tenterden points out, and it is impossible any one could have done so more precisely or correctly "not only must a Freemason have 'a tear for pity, and a hand open as day for melting charity,' but he is bound by his Masonic obligations to exercise the spirit and brotherly love towards all mankind, and espe cially towards his brethren in Freemasonry." Herein lies the gist of the whole matter. "It is very often much easier to give a sovereign than to forgive an injury. Free masonry teaches us not only to succour the distressed, but to exercise universal toleration, and to receive and treat as brethren men of all races and creeds who join us in recog nising the landmarks of our Order, the duties we owe to the Most High, to our Fraternity, and to the Queen."

morality imposes, this Charity is of a higher and more refined character. It is a sort of divine attribute of man, and being such, is more difficult to be acquired and exercised. This is the Charity which induces a man neither to think nor speak evil of his fellows, which never faileth either in judging a man's actions or helping him out of a difficulty, and it is this characteristic of Freemasonry "which constitutes its real value to mankind, which has given it permanence, and which is ever attracting worthy men to its ranks."

Lord Tenderden deserves the thanks of the Craft, not only in England, but in all other countries, for thus placing before the public the true aims and objects of Freemasonry, especially "at the present time, when secret societies are principally known as recklessly threatening death and revolution." Such a time is undoubtedly the fittest opportunity for calling attention to the fact that "throughout the British Dominions, and in every country where freedom and enlightenment prevail, there are thousands, probably hundreds of thousands, of our Society, who, while recognising the great principles of natural equality and mutual dependence, are bound to exercise universal fraternal toleration, and above all to render reverence to the Great Architect of the Universe, and respect to all lawfully-constituted authority." Let brethren weigh these words carefully, as they deserve to be weighed. Let them bear in mind that as almsgiving is only a small part of what is known as charity, our Charities are not the "be-all and end-all," of Freemasonry. Charity is love, and love is exemplified by kindness of feeling for "men of all races and creeds," but especially for our "brethren in Freemasonry," by wisely avoiding all interference with their lawful acts, and the liberal toleration of their religious and political opinions. They who do these things act up to the principles of our fraternity.

FREEMASONRY IN CANADA.

THE Twenty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada was held in the Grand Opera House, Hamilton, on the 13th July, M.W. Bro. J. A. Henderson, Q.C., Grand Master presided, and, according to the *Canadian Craftsman*, the gathering was one of the largest that has taken place since the establishment of the Grand Lodge. Bro. Henderson, in his address, referred in appropriate terms to the removals by death of certain distinguished members of the Craft, to wit, Bro. W. H. Weller, who was initiated 20th January 1846, in St. Andrew's Lodge, Toronto, was thrice W.M. of St. John's Lodge, Cobourg, Grand Master of Canada 1877-8, and died 28th March of this year; Bro. James V. Mackey, lately representative of the Grand Lodge to the Grand Lodge of Ireland; and Bro. W. Mostyn Past District Dep. G. Master Ottawa District, who, in the fulness of health, and all the pride of manhood, was unfortunately drowned on the 29th March last. He also expressed his deep sympathy with the people of the United States, on the life of whose chief magistrate, Bro. General J. Garfield, a most dastardly attempt had been made. He next went on to state that he had granted Warrants for five Lodges, and Dispensations for nine, while the Warrants of two had been surrendered. He congratulated the Grand Lodges of Quebec and Scotland at

past, and Grand Lodge adjourned till the next
the following were amongst those elected Grand
the ensuing year, namely:—Bros Lieut.-Col. Jar
Grand Master, Daniel Spry Deputy Grand Maste
Hayden Grand Senior Warden, W. G. Gunn Gra
Warden, Rev. Evans Davis Grand Chaplain, E
Grand Treasurer, E. H. Long Grand Registrar, J
Grand Secretary, F. J. Hood Grand Tyler.

After the investiture of G. Officers, Grand
closed, but as showing the spirit in which the r
Master enters upon the duties of his office we
better than reproduce the following brief but
address which he delivered on the announcem
result of the ballot:—

Most Worshipful Master and Brethren of the Grand
feelings at this moment can better be imagined than exp
over forty years I have been a recipient of many fav
hands of my fellow citizens, and many honorary disti
my Masonic brethren. I have prized them all very highl
of them as highly as this honour you have seen fit to b
to-day: There is a curious coincidence in connection wi
tion in relation to me. In 1855, nearly thirty years ago, I
brethren in forming the Grand Lodge of Canada, in this
Hamilton, and now in the same place my brethren, ma
were present at that time, honour me by choosing me as th
I trust, I hope, I pray, that the Great Architect of the U
assist me in conducting the affairs of the Grand Lodge
faction of my brethren of the Craft. Without His as
efforts will be as naught and in vain. I am known to
circle of Masons in this and other jurisdictions. I have
years a Mason, and consequently cannot be regarded as
the work of the Craft. Thirty years of that time have
with my London brethren, who know me as one who ide
self with every object calculated to advance the inte
brethren. I will do the work assigned me cheerfully, and
of my ability, relying upon the brethren for that cordial su
has been vouchsafed the Grand Master in the past. I thac
most heartily.

The twenty-fourth Annual Convocation of
Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, was held in th
Hall, Hamilton, on the 15th July, under the pres
M.E. Comp. Daniel Spry Grand Z., who, in his
address, congratulated those present on the
prosperity of Capitular Masonry in Canada, as
by the amazing increase in the number of R.
since the 20th January 1857, when their Grand
was established, and only sixteen Companions we
He then referred in terms of regretful sympa
losses they had sustained by the deaths of Comp
Weller Past Grand H., and James Kimball, th
sentative near the Grand Chapter of Massachuse
rest of his remarks were purely of local interest
the customary report of Committee on G
address had been handed in and read, Grand Ch
ceeded to the election of the following as—amon
—Grand Officers for the ensuing year:

Comps. Donald Ross Grand Z., Henry M
Grand H., Thomas Sargant Grand J., David
Grand S.E., Edward Mitchell Grand Treasurer,
Duncan Grand S.N., Colin Munro Grand
Sojourner, Francis Gallow Grand Registrar,
Grand Janitor.

A Committee having been appointed for the
procuring a suitable testimonial to present to the
Grand First Principal Comp. Spry, Grand Ch
closed.

On the 12th July, the National Great Priory o
Templar held its Annual Conclave in Hamilton,
following, among other Sir Knights, were elec

cheap travel. The Great Western traverses a very ion of England, and is in communication with some ttractive cities and towns. Wales, both North s innumerable attractions to the tourist. It is not fore to find that the arrangements made for his con- little, if anything, to be desired. Thus there are no circular tours, tickets for which are issued at the rates. The first of these extends as far as Tenby, r New Milford, thence viâ Carmarthen to Dolgelly, Bala, the Vale of Llangollen, and Shrewsbury. The broken at any station between Gloucester and Whit- ta Florida, Lampeter, and any station below nd Dolgelly, so that passengers obtain the opportunity ucester, Chepstow, Newport, Swansea, Tenby, &c., &c. ney may be made the reverse way, from Shrewsbury by angollen, &c., to Tenby. By the second route the tourist elly by the Vale of Llangollen and Bala, returning outh Junction, Machin Ulth and Oswestry, or Welsh- wsbury. The journey may be broken at any station wsbury and Dolgelly, Barmouth Junction, and Oswestry, Junction and Shrewsbury. The third route is by the ollen or Bala to Dolgelly, thence by Barmouth and Carnarvon, returning via Chester and Ruabon, and break- ey at any and every station between Ruabon, Dolgelly, nd Chester. The fourth and fifth routes embrace the Wye, the former by Swindon, Hereford, and Pontypool outh, returning by Pontypool Road, Newport, Glou- windon, Ross, Gloucester, and Swindon, or Chepstow, nd Swindon, the journey being broken at Hereford, Ross, Tintern, Chepstow, Newport, Usk, Raglan, and Aber- ording to the route followed. The other tour is by Glou- hepstow to Monmouth, returning by Ross and Glou- journey being breakable at Gloucester, Newnham, epstow, Tintern, Monmouth, Symon's Yat, Lydrood, and fares are :—First tour 95s first class, 70s second class ; , 71s and 42s ; third tour, 84s and 62s ; fourth tour, 2s 6d : fifth tour, 48s and 35s 6d, cost of conveyance from y's station to another, or from Milford Haven to Pem- not being included.

District is, and ever will be, a favoured resort of holiday s beauties it is unnecessary to speak. Every English- them by repute, if he has not seen them. The tickets by , and third class issued to Windermere, Furness Abbey, range, Bowness, and Ambleside, range from 77s to Ambles- o Grange, first class ; from 59s 4d to 54s 4d second class ; 9s 6d to 36s third class. Passengers travel viâ Wolver- Market Drayton, Crewe, and London and North Western ter, breaking the journey, if so minded, at Birmingham, ancaster.

yshire District, with its well-known resorts, Buxton and equally accessible, and on similarly moderate terms. The xton range from 44s first class to 24s third, the journey Wolverhampton or Crewe, and London and North Western á Stockport, or viâ Birmingham, and thence by the Mid- ay by Derby and Ambergate. Those journeying by Crewe the journey at that place or Wellington, or viâ Midland ham or Derby, both going and returning. First and third ts only are issued in connection with the Midland Com- e fares to Matlock are 39s first class, and 21s third, the eing by Birmingham and Midland Railway Company viâ d breakable, both going and returning, at both the places

etshire, Devonshire, and Cornwall are rich in the attractions to the tourist, to whom the names of such cities and towns Dartmouth, Dawlish, Exeter, Falmouth, Ilfracombe, Lyn- ynton, Penzance, Torquay, Truro, Weston-super-Mare, &c., amiliar as household words. The fares charged to these e framed in a similar spirit of liberality towards the public, st latitude being allowed the tourist so that he may stop at n route. We may specially mention the North Devon Cir- ir to Minehead, thence by coach to Lynton, Ilfracombe, and le, and returning by rail viâ Taunton, or *vice versa* ; fares, s 6s ; second class 50s ; third class 43s.

s are also issued for Dorsetshire ; the Channel Islands ; kshire, Worcestershire, Herefordshire ; Ireland, and Isle of particulars of which we must refer the reader to the pro- of tourist arrangements. It should be added that in all e tickets are available for two months.

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Brighton, Newhaven, Dieppe, Rouen, Havre, or Trouville, Caen, and at any station between Cherbourg and Rouen on the return journey. The steamboat charge from Havre to Honfleur or Trouville is not included in the Cherbourg fares. In addition, a series of six Anglo-Norman and Brittany Tours have been arranged, the tickets being available for one month. The fares range from £7 11s first class, and £5 19s second class for Tour No. 6, which includes amongst other places visitable Mantes, Paris, Dreux, Avranches, Dol, St. Malo, Brest, Morlaix, &c., down to £3 14s first class and £2 13s 6d second class, for tour No. 1, which takes in Mantes, Paris, Pontoise, Gisors, &c., &c. Four tours, Nos. 1A and 2A being available for one month, and Nos. 1B and 2B for two months, enable the would-be traveller to visit the South of France, Switzerland, Italy. Nos. 1A and 1B extend to Berne, Fribourg, Lausanne, Geneva, the fares in the former being £8 4s 6d and £6 2s, and in the latter £8 19s 9d and £6 13s 2d in the respective classes. Fares 2A and 2B Brieus, Lucerne, Basle, Mulhausen, Belfort, &c., the former being for the month only, costing £8 16s 2d and £6 13s 7d, and the latter £9 12s 5d and £7 5s 7d. In addition are issued, Friday to Tuesday tickets to Dieppe ; Saturday to Monday tickets to Bognor, Hastings, Tunbridge Wells, Bexhill, Midhurst, &c., &c. and places in the Isle of Wight ; cheap trains, Saturday to Tuesday to Portsmouth, Isle of Wight, &c., and on Monday to Portsmouth, Hayling Island, and Havant and back. Lastly, tourist-tickets for one month, for the South Coast and Isle of Wight, may be had up to the end of October, every facility being offered the holders for visiting such places as they wish. The journey commences at London Bridge, Victoria, or Kensington, and may be taken either way, making for Hastings first, and going round the coast and Isle of Wight to Portsmouth, and thence to London, or for Portsmouth first, and thence round to Hastings, and home. It will be seen that the programme is on a large scale, and there is no question as to the efficiency of the service of this veteran Railway Company.

We congratulate Bro. Le Feuvre, Provincial Grand Senior Warden and Past Provincial Grand Secretary of Hants and the Isle of Wight, on the testimony of respect shown to him at the last meeting of the Grand Lodge of his Province, when a jewel and address on vellum were presented to him, which as R.W. Bro. Beach said, were not offered for their intrinsic value, but in token of the esteem in which he was held. During his ten years of duty as Provincial Grand Secretary Bro. Le Feuvre "had given the most unqualified satisfaction to the brethren of the Province, as well as earned the respect of every brother throughout the District." His duties had been increasingly arduous. When he first received the appointment, there were twenty-four Lodges with a thousand members in the Province. There are now thirty-six Lodges with close on two thousand members. His responsibilities, therefore, had nearly doubled, and it must be a source of satisfaction to him to have received so gratifying an evidence that his labours were appreciated as much as he himself was respected. We are glad of the opportunity of complimenting Bro. Le Feuvre on the presentation of this testimonial.

PRESENTATION TO BRO. J. TODD P.M. 236.

THE brethren of the Lodge attached to the 4th Dragoon Guards, lately quartered in York, have just forwarded to Bro. J. Todd P.M. of the York Lodge, No. 236, a very handsome gift, in recognition of many services given by him during the period that the meetings of the Military Lodge were held in Masonic Hall, York. The gift consists of an elegant polished oak case, velvet lined, containing two pairs of very handsome silver mounted carvers, on the lid of the case on a brass plate being engraved the following inscription, surmounted by the regimental and Masonic badges :—"To Honorary Member Bro. J. Todd P.M. 236, York Lodge, by the Brethren of S. Patrick's Lodge, No. 295, I.C.—A small token of fraternal regard for his ever ready aid.—1879-80." During the stay of the Regiment in

of mine is unnecessary. But perhaps I may be permitted to draw attention to the seventh of the proposed Bye-laws of the new Association, as published by you in your impression of the 6th August. This Bye-law reads as follows:—

"Whenever the Committee shall have resolved that any case is worthy of the support of the Province, they shall forthwith communicate with the several Lodges in the Province, and take such other steps as may appear advisable to make known the merits and claims of the candidate, and to secure the support and co-operation of the Lodges, and the assistance of the subscribers to the various Charitable Institutions, in order that their efforts may be united and attended with success."

The only votes over which the Charity Committee can claim to exercise any control are those belonging to the Provincial Grand Lodge and its Grand Officers in their official capacity, and Bye-Law VI. places these at the disposal of the said Committee. But as these form only a small part of those held by the Province and its members, it must look to the Lodges and subscribers to the several Charities for their hearty co-operation and assistance; for it is only by their aid that the Association can hope to be of any service. What may be done by means of this co-operation will best be seen by taking the case of the Devon Association as described in your report of the meeting of the Grand Lodge of that Province. Devon has 338 Boys' votes, 224 Girls' votes, and between 600 and 700 votes for the Benevolent, at least Brother Godtschalk says he received for his Province at the last election—414 Men's, and 268 Woman's votes, making together 677. Now, Bro. Godtschalk tells us that last year the Province secured the election of five candidates for the three Charities—namely, two Boys, one Girl, one Aged Mason, and one Widow, the result being that at the end of the year the Province was indebted as follows:—To Berks 93 Boys and 67 Girls; to Cheshire 300 Boys; to Shropshire 100 Boys, and North Wales 100 Boys; to Dorset 276 Boys and 67 Girls; to himself 128 Boys and 368 Benevolent votes, making in all 1499—say 1500—votes. On the other hand, there were due to the Province by Warwickshire 204 Boys and 400 Benevolent, leaving a net liability of 826 votes. This was not a very promising outlook for the current year, yet, although the Province was not officially supporting any candidate, Bro. Godtschalk managed to get a Devon Girl elected in April last. Starting with 652 votes to the good towards the payment of 1500 votes, he first set himself to repay to Cheshire, Dorset, Shropshire, and North Wales the numbers stated above, making a total of 843 votes, and would have repaid the 93 Boys and 67 Girls to Berks, but was requested to retain them as it had no candidate. He then, on a particular understanding, helped the girl Rawle, polling for her 1229 votes, and so securing her election, taking the whole responsibility upon himself—a responsibility which the Province has since seen fit to relieve him of. With 1119 votes towards the Benevolent election in May, he first paid off South Wales 40 votes, and Cumberland 220 votes, after which he lent Monmouth 535 votes, Bro. Constable 444 votes, and Cumberland 104 votes. As matters are now, the Province owes 1291 votes, exclusive of those due to Bro. Godtschalk, for which he is him responsible, and is owed 1297 votes. By this excellent management Devon has contributed at the last three elections to the election of six candidates—two Boys, two Girls, an Aged Mason, and a Widow, the votes available at each election—namely, some 1200 to 1300—being so manipulated as to have been equivalent to about 6000.

Essex has 350 Boys' and 199 Girls' votes, with probably some 300 or 400 Benevolent ditto—say some 900 in all—and provided the Lodges and brethren in the Province lend their hearty co-operation to the Charity Committee, there is no reason why its strength should not be utilised to the same extent, and with equal success.

Fraternally yours,

J. H. MIDDS.

LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I can confirm, from my own knowledge, your correspondent's statement as to the desirability of an alteration in the law as to the payment of sums recommended by the Lodge of Benevolence in excess of £50. A few years since a brother of my acquaintance, through heavy losses, was obliged to seek relief from that Lodge. He presented his petition, which was strictly in accordance with the prescribed conditions, and the Lodge, having duly considered his prayer, recommended a grant of over £50. This was approved at the Grand Lodge held two months afterwards, but it was three on the 24th inst., to give notice of motion to the follo
"That in such cases where the Lodge of Benevolence ha
applicant a sum exceeding £50, he shall be entitled to re
next Quarterly Communication a sum up to and not exc
when the Grand Lodge shall have confirmed the action
of Benevolence, and the remainder at the ensuing Qua
munication when the Grand Lodge shall have confir
minute wherein the grant has been approved of."

That, Dear Sir and Brother, is a step in the right direc
my opinion it does not go far enough. I shall therefore,
ing of 24th August, move an amendment, to this ef
whatever sum the Lodge of Benevolence has, in its co
dom, thought fit to grant to an applicant whom it has
fit and deserving object for such relief, shall be given to
applicant immediately after the confirmation of the acts
of Benevolence by the Grand Lodge at the next Qua
munication after the grant has been made, only deductin
the £10 which the applicant has received at the time of
Even by my amendment the applicant—the needy br
widow—may have to wait three months for that grant
prove of such vital importance to him or her. I ho
publishing this on the 20th, to get the support of the
the 24th.

To those brethren who are interested in the Ro
Benevolent Institution, I would advise them of
of the rules and regulations belonging to the san
advantageously to assimilate them to those of the
Girls' Schools. For instance, a Lady or a Lewis, by the
two latter Institutions, is entitled to double votes—that
a Lady or Lewis pay £52 10s towards either of the
they become Vice-Patrons instead of Vice-Presidents, as
with a Mason. There will also be brought forward a m
effect—"That for the six months ensuing the electio
vacancies occur, the Committee shall have power to pu
tants, either male or female, according to the orde
they stand on the list of unsuccessful candidates, a
where the number of applicants is equal, the pr
be decided by a show of hands at the meeting when
such election shall take place." By filling up th
in this manner you prevent the long and anxious time
without increasing the expense of an election, which wo
price of five or six annuities. I may be met with the p
an election, because a large sum of money is sometimes
for the purpose of securing the return of a particular ca
reply I would say, that the sum of money received on th
last election for the Old People was fifteen shillings, and
would ask whether it is worth while to risk so much to ga
I thank Bros. "WELL-WISHER" and "S. E. V." for aidin
causes with their able pens, which I trust will be followed
substantial aid of themselves and any friends whom they
to be present when the matter comes before Grand Lo
cussion.

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

C. J. I

PROV. G. HONOURS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

SIR,—The appointments to office in Provincial Grand L
were made at the recent meeting of the Grand Lodge of
and the Isle of Wight at Portsmouth, show some rath
results. Exclusive of the P.G. Treasurer, who was, of co
by the Brethren and two Grand Tylers, twenty-one appoin
made. Of these *seven* were given to members of Portsmo
the P.G.T. being also a Portsmouth Craftsman; *five* a
went to Southampton; *three* to Gosport, which is real
Portsmouth for all Masonic considerations, although the
between them, while Fareham and the Isle of Wight, the
one Lodge, the latter with *seven* get two offices each, and
and Aldershott wind-up the list with one each. But when
ments are analysed we find a very extraordinary state of th
the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, the Senior Grand
Grand Secretary, Sup. of Works, and Director of Cer
reside at Southampton; the Junior Grand Warden, one o
lains, the Grand Organist, the assistant D of C., Standard
two Stewards are credited to Portsmouth; Gosport ha
Grand Deacon, Pursuivant and one Steward; Farnham,

Yours fraternally,

T. W. FAULKNER,

P.M. No. 25, P.P.J.G.W. Isle of Wight.

August 1881.

E WORK AND CRAFT LITERATURE.

the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

AND BROTHER,—While there are few who will deny the ir remarks as to the monotony of Lodge work, I am l it will be some time before even your influence will oringing about a change. The private business of a in very exceptional circumstances, occupies but very Candidates are not always being balloted for. When, ere is no private business, and no initiations, passings, there is literally nothing to do beyond opening and odge. Then is the time when some brother might with ad a paper on some subject more or less directly asso- Freemasonry. I feel certain it only requires the exercise urage in order to reconcile the brethren to so slight, and time so desirable, an innovation. A well-written paper, a brief discussion, would give an increased appetite for . There is certainly no lack of subjects on which ho is so disposed might find it easy to throw some

Yours fraternally and faithfully,

STUDENT.

LODGE WORK.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

R AND BROTHER,—It will perhaps be edifying if I give mary of the work done at a Lodge of Instruction during a ree months taken consecutively. I have selected the par- om a volume of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE, but, for sons, I suppress the name of the Lodge. I am desirous of the system followed generally, and have no wish to cast mblance of blame on the one I have chosen for the par- is well conducted, and the brethren work diligently within they have marked out for themselves in common with the f other Lodges.

Meeting: Initiation and three sections of the first lecture
" Passing and four " "
" Raising and two " third lecture
" Initiation and three " first lecture
" Passing and raising
" Passing and initiation
" Raising and two sections of the third lecture
" Passing and initiation
" Initiation and three sections of the first lecture
" Initiation and passing and two sections of the first lecture
" Passing and raising and two sections of the first lecture
" Annual supper
" Initiation and three sections of the first lecture

a lively picture.

Faithfully yours,

MARS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

London, 13th August 1881.

SIR AND BROTHER,—I cannot agree with the majority of respondents in this matter, and more particularly when they Lodges of Instruction.

appear to me to forget that before you can learn a language st first master the alphabet. Surely you must be perfect in monies before the explanation of them can be of any profit. serve the members of Lodges of Instruction.

They work hard, and learn the ceremonial by rote—like a mag- on like.

They want to know something more, and sections are looked then the lectures on tracing-board, and when that is con- where can they obtain more knowledge? If those brethren

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Every one must necessarily entertain a great respect for the opinion of any brother who has attained to the office of Deputy Provincial Grand Master, especially when, as the writer of a letter which appeared in your Masonic contemporary of last week tells us, he brings to bear upon this question of precedence an experience extending over more than eight and twenty years, during which he has almost continuously held office. But much as I respect a brother's opinions, as I do those of "ANOTHER DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER," and the Rev. C. W. Arnold Prov. Grand Chaplain, who is Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Surrey, I cannot necessarily bring myself to accept them. I have already endeavoured to show that the Rev. C. W. Arnold's opinion in favour of the Grand Registrar's views as to the relative precedence of Grand Officers and Provincial Grand Officers are untenable (see FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE for 16th July last, Vol. XIV. p 52). In the letter of mine you published in the number for that date I pointed out that if our Rev. Brother's interpretation were correct, his statement that in sec. 2, p 51 of the Book of Constitutions "Grand Officers" meant nothing more than "Provincial Grand Officers" was tantamount to saying that Provincial Grand Officers were Provincial Grand Officers; and I expressed my belief, in which I think the majority of your readers will agree, that "the framers of the Constitutions would hardly have been at the pains of announcing in solemn terms so self-evident a proposition." I cannot see that in his letter of last week to the *Freemason* "ANOTHER DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER" has added anything to his side of the argument. He says the status of Provincial Grand Officers is determined by section 2, p 51 of the Constitutions, which I take leave to quote in full:—

"The Grand Wardens and subordinate Provincial Grand Officers (except the Treasurer, who is to be elected) are to be annually appointed by the Provincial Grand Master, and such Officers are respectively to be invested in the Provincial Grand Lodge, and shall possess within their district the rank and privileges of Grand Officers; but they are not by such appointment members of the Grand Lodge, nor do they take any rank out of their district, though they are entitled to wear their clothing as Provincial Grand Officers or Past Provincial Grand Officers in all Masonic meetings."

Section 2, page 50, which treats of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, may also be quoted.

"He"—that is, the D.P.G.M.—"is invested with the rank of a Deputy Grand Master within the Province, and may preside, unless the Provincial Grand Master be present, in any Lodge he may visit within his district. He is not, by his office, a member of Grand Lodge, nor does he possess any rank out of his district, though he is entitled to wear the clothing of a Provincial Grand Officer, or Past Provincial Grand Officer, in all Masonic meetings."

But if Provincial Grand Officers, not being, by virtue of their office, members of Grand Lodge, are not Grand Officers even in their own Province, then I revert to my former proposition, namely, that the Constitutions in the above sections solemnly proclaim the self-evident truth that "Provincial Grand Officers are Provincial Grand Officers." Now, a careful examination of the exact words used in the set sections will enable us, I imagine, to arrive at a correct understanding of what is meant. Had they been intended to mean what those who take the same view as the Grand Registrar affirm they do, we should have had the word "of" or "over" substituted for "within," for there is a very wide difference between Grand Officers *of* a Province, and Grand Officers *in* a Province. The former are Provincial Grand Officers, while the latter are Grand Officers.

"ANOTHER DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND OFFICER," argues the Rev. C. W. Arnold, "is quite right," when he says, "Provincial Grand Officers are Grand Officers in their own Province, but they are not Grand Officers of England, and therefore in the presence of Grand Officers yield their precedence." But it strikes me that just as the Master and Wardens, and other Officers of a regular Lodge, in their own quarters, take precedence of the Officers of other Lodges of the same relative rank, so Provincial Grand Officers, being Grand Officers in their own Province, take precedence of other Grand Officers. "YORK" put the matter clearly and pithily when he argued that "Provincial Grand Officers in their district shall have the rank and privileges of Grand Officers whatever that rank, or whatever those privileges may be; and, therefore, in any Province Grand Officers cannot have further or greater privileges than its own Provincial Grand Officers." The Constitutions lay it down that the Grand Master, in his absence the Pro Grand Master, and in the absence of both these, the Deputy Grand Master, may preside in any Lodge—and any, of course, includes Provincial Grand Lodges as well as private Lodges—and either of them may invite the Grand Wardens to act as Wardens, but not a word is said about the rest of the Grand Officers, though [illegible] matter, of course, they will be received

"but they are not by such appointment members of the Grand Lodge, nor do they take any rank out of their district." They are not entitled to appear in Grand Lodge as Provincial Grand Officers, but only as Masters, Wardens, and Past Masters of private Lodges, or, it may be, as Grand or Past Grand Officers of England. Had their been no such limit to the extent of such privileges, they might (and probably would have desired to sit in Grand Lodge by virtue of their Provincial rank. In fact, this seems to be the true and only explanation by the meaning of the section.

I will content myself with adding, that what I have said does not, as a matter of course, apply to the Provincial Grand Masters, who have their place assigned in the table of precedence contained in the Book of Constitutions.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

NOT A LAWYER.

London, 16th July 1881.

A REBUKE TO MASONIC SERMONISERS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Since I mailed my paper on Masonic Sermonising, I came across the following in an American paper:—

"In a forcible and admirable article Cardinal Guibert, Archbishop of Paris, protests against the proselytising spirit displayed by some Catholics at the bed-side of Jews and Protestants in public hospitals; he requests them to remember that:—

"If the conscience of the Catholic people has rights which must be respected, the conscience of Protestants, of Jews, and even of free-thinking people have also their rights."

Now! has not the Catholic Archbishop of Paris a higher and purer conception of right and justice, than our Masonic Protestant sermonisers have?

Fraternally yours,

JACOB NORTON.

Boston, U.S., 2nd August 1881.

On Monday, the 1st instant, Washington was the scene of a highly interesting Masonic ceremony. The corner stone of a church, known as "The Congregation of the Tabernacle" was laid with the customary formalities by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. Bro. N. D. Larner M.W. G.M. presided, and some excellent music was performed by the Masonic choir, as well as by the Marines band which accompanied the procession.

A most worthy Mason, Bro. Anthony Buchly P.M., Federal Lodge, No. 1, and P.G. Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, has been gathered to his fathers, leaving sufficient funds to establish the "Buchly Grand Lodge Charity Fund," as well as for the "Federal Lodge Charity Fund," and to the "St. John's Mite Association for the relief of distressed Widows and Children of Masons." The moneys thus bequeathed amount in the aggregate, writes the Washington correspondent of the *Keystone*, to 60,000 dollars (£12,000), which, on the death of an aged sister, will be very largely increased.

It is expected that a very large gathering of Freemasons, especially from the original thirteen states of the Union, will take part in the Yorktown Centennial celebration, when the corner-stone of the monument which is to be erected in commemoration of the surrender of Yorktown to General Washington, will be laid by the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

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servant will be found enough, where two formerly
necessary, and the lady and daughters of the hou
possible to take a more active part in their domestic d
glad of this opportunity of saying these few words
Fletcher's patent.

Sir Knight Robert Macoy, Recorder of the
mandery of New York, says the *Keystone*, is
the preparation of a History of Templarism in
which he hopes to have ready by the next A
clave, to be held at Poughkeepsie, in the mont

The *Canadian Craftsman* for last month
announcement to the effect that arrangemen
made by the St. Andrew's Lodge of Toronto
days' excursion to New York. Facilities in
reduced fares and hotel charges were offered
to making the party as numerous as possible.

We regret to announce the death of Bro.
son, one of the oldest members of the North
Lodge, No. 406, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Bro. N
much respected in the North, and for many ye
position of President of the Licensed Victu
ciation.

The following officers were elected at the re
Communication, held at Concord, of the G
of New Hampshire, namely:—

Bros. Frank A. McKean, of Nashua, M.W.G.M.
Baker, of Lebanon, R.W.D.G.M.; John Francis Webst
R.W.S.G.W.; Henry W. Burnham, Manchester,
Joseph Kidder, of Manchester, R.W.G.Tr.; George
Concord, R.W.G. Sec. Bro. Andrew Bunton, Manchest
mously re-elected M.W.G.M., but, owing to his busines
declined. Among those present were Bro. Isaac Stea
of the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

The following letter, says the *Canadian Cra*
received by the Secretary of one of our Lodges

To the W.M., Wardens, and Brethren of —— Lodge
Enclosed please find the dimit of brother———. He
from here so long, and we do not know of his where
last heard from he was travelling with his mother, who
His dues were accumulating here, and arrangements
settle them for him, we thought it best to dimit him, t
from accumulating. Please find his whereabouts an
dimit to him.

Yours fraternally,

The new markets which have been erected a
at a cost of £25,000, will be formally opened t
on the 8th September prox. Among the vis
occasion will be the Right Hon. the Earl

attractive almost any portion of the Masonic
a crude and mangled presentation of even the most
parts of the system will most surely disappoint the
of cultivated minds. It follows, then, that the
asonry should command attention—that it should be
and rendered with precision, by those who have the con-
Lodge affairs. In this view it becomes important that
text shall be made authoritative and come into general
at a uniform practice shall prevail in illustrating the
nonial which belongs to the ritual. The endeavour should
as much conformity as possible in the conferring of
d the setting forth of the principles of Masonry. Among
brethren there should always exist an earnest feeling to
he exact language and requirements of the ritual, and
uld be to follow the same with exceeding carefulness.
ible, however, to err in this direction. There are brethren
to imagine that Masonry is nothing else but a system of
eremonies, and that the proper formulating of a ritual is
s the organisation together. They will become greatly
over the misuse of words in the text, or
ing in the ceremonial, and be quick to notice and con-
lightest deviation from what they hold to be the ancient and
ve ritual. Brethren of this stamp, we think, put too much
mere words, whilst they unduly magnify customs and
s, which, after all, are only the dress of ideas, or the
by which work is done and results are reached. It is a
to have textual exactness in the Lodge; to have a unity
nd ceremony in the unfolding of Masonry; but it is not
pend too much time or effort in this direction; certainly it
nwise to neglect more important matters for those of
rank. Masonry cannot live and flourish on mere ritualistic
alone. It will live and thrive, notwithstanding the lack of
ormity and technical correctness of work, if it can but have
gent membership, who shall comprehend the true genius of
ution as a moral and beneficent force among men. Masonry
han a system, and its power depends upon the character of
ers rather than upon their ritualistic acquirements.—*Free-
Repository.*

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following are the principal Grand Officers of the
Lodge of Manitoba elected for the current year,
: Bros. J. H. Bell (re-elected) Grand Master, Wm.
t Deputy Grand Master, D. B. Murray Grand
Warden, C. F. Forrest Grand Junior Warden, Rev.
O'Meara (re-elected) Grand Chaplain, J. J. John-
e-elected) Grand Treasurer, D. G. Dick (re-elected)
Registrar, James Henderson Grand Secretary, D.
hur Grand Tyler (re-elected by open vote), A.
n Grand Senior Deacon, T. W. Robinson Grand
Deacon, Hugh McCowan Grand Lecturer, Dr.
n Grand Sword Bearer, A. R. Routh Grand
ist, A. McCowan Grand Pursuivant.

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understand that Bro. F. B. Chatterton has taken
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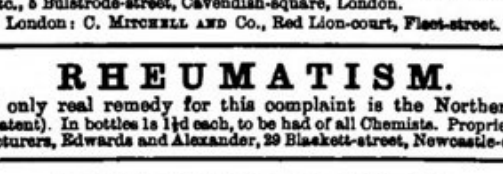
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FREEMASONRY IN JAMAIC

BY H. J. BURGER.

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NO documentary evidence has yet been found to shew masonry existed in Jamaica, in a regularly organize before the 14th April 1739, when Mother Lodge of K warranted as No. 182 by the original Grand Lodge of En Island of Antigua appears to have had the precedence of two years, but no other Colony in the West Indies can cl of introduction, whilst Jamaica received the light before Frankfort, Denmark, Rotterdam and Amsterdam.

In 1742 the second Lodge was organised at Port Royal on the 29th April 1746, the third as No. 208 in Spanish To 17th February 1757, the fourth as No. 219 in St. Mary's 1771; the fifth as No. 418 in Kingston; and nine other that date to 1775.

The Athol or "Ancient Masons," as they called themse mined, however, that Jamaica should not exclusively be original Grand Lodge, whereupon they granted a warrant tion on the 1st October 1763, to a Lodge held at Old Har 121; another on the 22nd October 1772, to a Lodge at G as No. 177—places where no Lodge has yet been establi original Grand Lodge.

In 1775 the original Grand Lodge issued a warrant for be held at Green Island as No. 483; on this the Athol Ma have considered their jurisdiction had been invaded, a were therefore at liberty to constitute Lodges where oth existed under the original Grand Lodge, for we find tha February 1786, a Lodge was warranted by them for King 233; another in 1789 as No. 257; a Military Lodge at P the following year as No. 262; another Lodge at Port R 12th August 1793, as No. 281; and on the 10th May 179 Lodge (still extant) as No. 283, which Lodge was recon

l from Ireland for the Independent Lodge, No. 35.
ion of the Grand Lodges of England in 1813 it was dis-
: almo t all if not every one of the Lodges previously
the original Grand Lodge had fallen into abeyance, so that
l struck off the list then prepared; whilst those that had
ted by the Ancients were nearly all of them in working

ie Grand Orient of France issued charters to the French
Kingston to erect three several Chapters or Consistories:
s called the Sublime Lodge for conferring the so-called
grees; the second for a Council of Princes of Jerusalem;
d for a Grand Council of 33 Degrees. But the members
ies soon wearied of those diversions, and becoming desirous
legitimate Masonry applied in 1818 to the United Grand
ngland for a warrant to open the Loge la Bénignité; the
hat the so-called High Degrees rapidly declined, yet, as no
es arrived from Haiti and La Bénignité worked always in
s Lodge lingered out a questionable existence till 1829,
lly collapsed.
nry continued, however, more or less prosperous until the
831, when the Provincial Grand Master, Sir Michael
lare, sailed for England, from whence he never returned;
ut the middle of the following year, and the Provincial
ge then ceased to exist.
t social and political changes which ensued on the aboli-
ery in this Colony, and the depression of all interests con-
ereon, affected very considerably the progress of Free-
.ctive members who entertained the opinion that a terrible
atastrophe had overtaken both the agricultural and com-
erests of the Country, hastened away to other fields of
and left the Lodges here to languish. Few or no new
re constituted, whilst several old ones, such as the Seville,
t. Elizabeth's, Cornwall, and Union, of Falmouth, closed
; nor did any reaction set in until about the end of 1844
nber of Columbian patriots, who had taken refuge in Kings-
d a Lodge under a Charter from the Grand Lodge of
a, to work Symbolic Masonry in this City. As this proceed-
owever, in violation of Masonic International Law those
were informed that they and their initiates would not be
in the Island, and were advised to apply for a warrant
and to legalize their work. On this advice they acted, and
ere recommended by the other Lodges in Kingston, a
as obtained from the United Grand Lodge for the Union et
Lodge, No. 754.
v a new era appeared to have dawned for Freemasonry in
l, as during the year 1845 certain brethren residing in St.
-the-Vale became desirous of practising once more the
ysteries, and thereupon applied to the Grand Lodge of
for a warrant to constitute the Elgin Lodge of that parish.
had the application been considered ere certain other bre-
Kingston applied to the same authority for a warrant to
the Glenlyon Lodge. Brethren in St. Elizabeth sought for
; to establish the Union Lodge at Black River; others at
for a warrant for the Athol Union of that town; and St.
or a warrant for its own Kilwinning.
a Freemasonry having become thus popular sought now a
minent position, and petitioned for the erection of a Pro-
and Lodge for regulating Masonic work in the Colony.
al of the Scottish Masons provoked a laudable spirit of
amongst the English Brotherhood, and this new born zeal
manifested by a desire to work the so-called high degrees.
Royal Lodge began by opening their long-dormant Royal
pter, and this was the signal for the other English Lodges
on to do the same, if they possessed charters, and if not, to
them.
olumbian Brethren, who founded the Union et Concordia
ow learned that there was then no Masonic Law which pre-
he Grand Council of Carthagena from issuing Charters for
to work the Sublime Degrees in this country; and as several
Brethren expressed a wish to dabble in those mysteries a
Grand Chapter was thereupon established in Kingston. But
ren soon grew weary of those pseudo-historical and philoso-
ventions, and the English Craft in Kingston now thoroughly
to the fact that the Provincial Grand Lodge of Scotland had
ce in all Masonic arrangements, determined on petitioning
ovincial Grand Lodge of their own, naming at the same time
ert Hamilton, a landed proprietor in affluent circumstances,
ast Master of the Sussex Lodge of Kingston, as a competent
for the distinguished office. To this petition the brethren on

nian Lodge, No. 554, and others in Kingston established the St. John's
Lodge in 1878, under warrant No. 623.

There are at present in Kingston three Grand Lodges, viz., The
Provincial Grand Lodge of East Jamaica; the Provincial Grand Lodge
of Scotland; and the Provincial Grand Mark Master's Lodge of Eng-
land. Under the Provincial Grand Lodge of East Jamaica are the
Royal, Friendly, Sussex, Jamaica, Collegium Fabrorum, and United
Service Lodges, all in active working order. At Port Royal is the
Phœnix; in Spanish Town the Hamilton; at Savanna-la-Mar the
Westmoreland; and at Montego Bay the Friendly Lodge, which last-
named holds, however, direct communication with London.

Mark Masters' Lodges are attached to the Royal, Sussex and
Friendly Lodges; but to this latter the title of Clifton Mount has been
given in compliment to Dr. Hamilton, this being the name of one of
his properties in the Island. The Phœnix Lodge, at Port Royal, holds
a warrant also for a Mark Masters' Lodge.

Royal Arch Chapters are likewise attached to the Royal, Friendly,
Sussex and Phœnix Lodges on the South side, and one to the Friendly
Lodge, of Montego Bay, on the North side of the Island.

Mark Masters' Lodges are worked also under the Scottish Constitu
tions by the Glenlyon and St. John's Lodge in Kingston, the Caledo-
nian at Port Maria, and the Seville at St. Ann's Bay; but only to the
Glenlyon is a Royal Arch Chapter attached.

There are two Rose Croix Chapters in Kingston—No. 49, called the
Jamaica, and No. 80, called the Kingston, under the Supreme Council
of England; and there has recently been established another Chapter
in Kingston under the authority of the Supreme Council for Scotland.

A Council for the Royal Ark Mariners' Degree has lately been
erected in Kingston, and another at Port Royal; but at present little
can be recorded of their work. On the 16th September 1880, certain
brethren opened in Kingston a Preceptory of Knights Templar, but
their enthusiasm appears to have been consumed in the effort as no
further work is on record.

English Freemasonry sustained, however, a lamentable loss during
last year (1880) in the death of its Provincial Grand Master, the Hon
Dr. Robert Hamilton, who, after a protracted illness of several months
breathed his last at 2.30, p.m. on the 20th May, at his residence
Clifton Mount, in St. Andrew's. On the fact of his death becoming
known, all the English Lodges were, for six months, put in mourning
—a period twice as long as that for which they mourned for Sir
Michael Benignus Clare, their first Provincial Grand Master; while
the Lodges under the Scottish Constitutions adopted black crape for
an entire quarter of the year.

The Scottish Lodges are under the government of the Hon. Samuel
Constantine Burke, Assistant Attorney-General and member of the
Legislative Council—a Brother whose elevation to the high offices
positions which he has attained in his native country is a subject of
profound gratification to every member of the Craft. As Scottish
Provincial Grand Master for Jamaica and Grey Town, he assisted at
the Installation of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales as Grand
Master for England in April 1875; and, on his last visit to Edinburgh
in 1876, was received into the Royal Order of Scotland and created
Sovereign Grand Inspector General.

There are no Masonic periodicals in Jamaica, but a practice prevails
of supplying the local newspapers, whose editors are members of the
Craft, with reports of installation meetings and festivities, and the
names of Brethren forming every new Administration.

Montreal was enlivened on the evening of the 13th Jul
be the visit of thirty-six American Knights Templar fro
Syracuse, who were accompanied by several members of th
Order and a number of ladies. The visitors, headed b
Mauver's band, from Syracuse, marched in full panoply fro
the boat to the hotel. Having been regaled to their heart
content, they visited the principal places of interest in th
city, and then set out on their return home, highly grat
fied with what they had seen, and well pleased with th
hearty reception they had met with.

The ceremony of Installation will be rehearsed in th
Whittington Lodge of Instruction, No. 862, held at Br

connected with gas engineering and gas companies. These—if we may so term them—"Class Lodges" are in a prosperous condition, and are adding rapidly "strength to strength," and member to member. It is not to be wondered at, then, that the members of the Press in the Galleries of the Houses of Lords and Commons, who are very far from being numerically weak, should be anxious to possess a Lodge specially devoted to themselves. That consummation has now been arrived at, inasmuch as on Saturday last the Lodge the name of which heads this report was consecrated at Brixton Hall, Acre Lane, Brixton, under unusually auspicious circumstances. That so many literary gentlemen, including members of the Press, happen to reside in South London is a remarkable coincidence. Brixton Hall, which has recently been erected, has been designed for public meetings, and Masonic Lodges. The architect, however, owing to some unaccountable oversight, has rendered the building anything but adapted to the purposes for which ostensibly it is intended—so far at least as concerns the Masonic Order, for whose comfort and accommodation scant room has been afforded. Thus, for instance, there is no provision made for dining, so that after the labours of the day an adjournment for refreshment must be made elsewhere. This is a decided inconvenience, as was experienced on Saturday. With so much room, and to spare, we wonder that some portion of the Hall had not been utilised for the purpose of providing the necessary refreshments on the premises. At the Masonic Hall, Camberwell New Road, every provision has been made from a culinary point of view, and every Lodge has a cellar devoted to its use exclusively. This, we apprehend, could also have been done at Brixton had forethought been exercised. The omission is to be deplored. Passing, however, from these introductory remarks, we come to the immediate labours associated with the Consecration of the Gallery Lodge, by Wor. Brother Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Secretary of England, who was well and ably assisted by Rev. Ambrose W. Hall, M.A., P.M. Grand Chaplain of England, and Bro. the Rev. Dr. J. E. Cox P.G. Chap. of England, as Consecrating Chaplains, W. Bro. Captain N. G. Philips Past Grand Deacon of England as S.W., Hugh David Sandeman Past District Grand Master of Bengal as J.W., Frank Richardson P.M. P.G.D. of England Director of Ceremonies. The musical arrangements were under the direction of Bro. F. H. Cozens, who was assisted by Bros. Ashton, Carter, Lawler, and Seymour Smith. Throughout the afternoon their performances were appreciated. Among the brethren present we noticed Bros. R.W. General Brownrigg, C.B., Prov. G.M. Surrey, Col. Sir F. Burdett, Bart., Prov. Grand Master Middlesex, J. Allen West Kent 1297 P.M., G. S. Dunkley Royal Hanover 1777 Grand Organist of Middlesex, J. J. Brinton Sphinx 1329 I.G., R. H. Goddard P.M., H. Lovegrove Royal Hanover 1777 P.M., J. Wilson Phœnix 173 P.M., R. W. Giddy D.G.M. Griqualand, Africa, T. Vine Vitruvian 87 P.G.D., J. Finn 257 P.M., Lieut.-Col. J. Creaton G.Tr., J. Parck P.G.D., N. G. Griffiths P.G.D. Friends in Council 1383, F. Richardson Tuscan 14 P.G.D., Tebbitt Alliance 1827 W.M., W. K. Frith Duke of Cornwall 1339 W.M., E. C. Massey West Kent 1297 P.M., R. R. Davis 256 P.M., and H. G. Buss Assistant G. Sec. of England. The brethren having assembled in the ante-room, walked in procession to the Lodge-room, in which the presiding Officer took the chair, who, after the Lodge had been opened in the three degrees, addressed the brethren on the motive of the meeting, and the Grand Chaplain then offered prayer. After some other formalities had been gone through, the D.C. Bro. F. Richardson addressed the Presiding Officer, who having made a most suitable reply, put the usual question to the brethren of the Lodge, and read the petition, and warrant from the M.W. the G. Master of England. Bro. Cox then delivered an eloquent oration, in the course of which he remarked that it afforded him great pleasure to take part in the solemn ceremonies of that afternoon. He had for a long series of years been connected with the Press, and the gentlemen associated with the Galleries of both Houses of Parliament. During that period he had frequently to rely on them for information, which had to reach his hands at a particular moment, and he embraced that opportunity of thanking the representatives of the Press for the punctuality and ability they exhibited on all occasions. No class of hard-working men possessed the confidence of those who engaged them more than did the members of what was termed "the fourth estate." It was not his intention to dwell on Masonic subjects, for the reason that all the brethren he addressed were as conversant with them as himself. But it afforded him infinite pleasure to know that their M.W. G.M. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales had readily granted them a warrant, on the ground that the petitioners had made out a good cause for a dispensation to be accorded. As he (the

where Bro. J. B. King had in readiness a most *récherché* r
was justly appreciated and commended. On the removal
the W.M. in appropriate terms proposed the Queen a
which was pledged right loyally, and followed by t
Anthem. The W.M. then proposed the health of the M.W. G
His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. Hobbs's Ode, "
Albert," was rendered by Bros. Ashton, Carter, Lawler,
Smith, with excellent effect. The W.M. next gave the toas
Pro Grand Master the Earl of Carnarvon, the Right
Deputy Grand Master the Earl of Lathom, and the
Officers past and present. He remarked that at no
history of Freemasonry had there been associated with
more efficient and painstaking brethren than at the pres
Everything connected with the Order received immediat
attention on their part. The Grand Master devoted a
portion of his valuable time to the interests of the Craft.
and dignity of the Order was maintained, and at no
principles been more popular and better understood
moment. After further eloquent remarks, the Worsh
observed that there were present as their guests severa
Grand Lodge who he could vouch for took a lively in
consecration of the Gallery Lodge, and who expedited t
that the Lodge should be constituted as speedily as poss
brethren were so much indebted to the Officers of Gr
reference to what had passed, and for being among
occasion, he felt assured they would with all fealty d
health in a bumper. The R.W. Prov. G.M. for Middle
Sir F. Burdett, in a felicitous speech, acknowledged the
and referred to the arduous labours devolving on the G
more or less daily. He regretted the absence from amo
evening of the able and respected Chairman of the Boar
Purposes. He had no doubt the Gallery Lodge
short period make its mark, judging from what
during that afternoon. They had as Worshipful M
tleman respected by all who knew him, and, moreover,
understood and appreciated Freemasonry. Under his
and guidance, and with the co-operation of his efficient
Lodge could not fail to be prosperous. He congratulated
of the Press on having a Lodge exclusively their own.
spected them more than did he—a respect shared, m
public men, who were under deep obligations to them fo
of their speeches. Although speakers took imme
preparing their speeches, and also in their deliver
read them the following morning in the newspape
often surprised to notice the improvements introduced
dations made. He thanked them for the cordial ma
they had received his remarks. The W.M. observed
toast was one which commended itself to them all, being
Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, their Grand Secretary, who
consecrating Master that afternoon. That brother
inconvenience attended personally, having to put off a
engagement in order to do so. Bro. Clerke had also
important services in obtaining the Charter for their
spoken to in reference to the matter, he at once warm
and rendered all assistance and exercised all his i
matter. There had been no "hitch" throughout. I
Master of the Ceremonies, Bro. F. Richardson, had
service to them, and at the consecration, as they were
had been assiduous in rendering his able services.
pledged most cordially. Bro. Col. S. Clerke ack
compliment in an eloquent speech, and assured the br
Officers of Grand Lodge, those present more particular
the Lodge inasmuch as they had been made honor
He had no doubt that the Lodge would be a p
and one that would take a prominent place in
As there were 350 Lodges in London, the M.W. Grand
not grant a warrant for a new one unless good cause c
that such a warrant was absolutely needed. As regard
Lodge, however, he at once saw there was a necessity,
to its consecration. He (the speaker) congratulate
having such a respected W.M., who was so much este
out the Craft. He had filled the responsible positi
that most efficiently, so that they had a guarantee
do so once again. He was fully satisfied that at the en
office, the Gallery Lodge would be fully established
further remarks in reference to Bro. Massey, wh
hearty response, Bro. Clerke proposed his health.
modest speech responded, and observed that he repud
that it had been owing to his instrumentality th

ir office with efficiency. These brethren responded in as. The toast of the Officers followed, to which Bro. by replied in appropriate terms. The Tyler's toast concluded the interesting events of the evening.

ST. ANDREW'S LODGE, No. 1151.

ING of the above Lodge was held at Tywardreath, on day, the 11th inst. The W.M. W. Bro. R. C. Pearce ad was supported by the I.P.M. W. Bro. Colonel Bake, ain T. Stephens, J. Tregaskis, J. Stephens, J. S. Rundle, N. Pallow S.W., J. Nettle J.W., J. Parkyn S.D., R. ., T. S. Bailey Secretary, Dr. Tuckey Treasurer, W. H. .G., H. Eliot Tyler, and Bros. J. T. Baker and S. Yeo. odge had been opened, and the usual business transacted, ro. Pearce, addressing Bro. Colonel Bake, said that it was nd regret that the brethren had heard that he was about ie county, as his connection with the St. Andrew's Lodge long and honourable one, and in order to show their love nd their appreciation of the way in which he had acted am, the whole of the brethren had subscribed (without any n the Lodge) towards practically showing the esteem in was held by them, and he the (W.M.), therefore, present to Colonel Bake "a very handsome Past jewel, in 18-carat gold, attached to a ribbon with ," on which is inscribed in raised letters—"St. odge, 1151 S.G B.," and on the other side is the following :—"Presented to Bro. Colonel S. G. Bake, by the brethren Andrew's Lodge, as a token of their affection and regard erosity to the Masonic Charities in general, and to this particular. Dated 11th August 1881.—A.L. 5881." Wor. iel Bake (who appeared in his new jewel, and with the wels of all the Institutions, and with the Steward's jewels s' and Benevolent Institutions for the present year) was ceived, and said how grateful he was for this expression of He had been a Mason for many years, and having been n the West Indies, he looked on 1151 as his mother England. He should remember with pride his connection Andrew's, and although he was leaving the county, he was to leave the Lodge, but would still take the same interest are, and visit them whenever it was convenient. Colonel resumed his seat, amid many expressions of love and fraetings. The value of the jewel is about twelve guineas, and ntiful case. A large number of brethren who subscribed oidably absent from the gathering.

ROYAL ARCH.

PANMURE CHAPTER, No. 720.

ULAR Convocation of this Chapter was held at the Horna rn, Kennington, on the 8th inst. Chapter was opened by Z. R. N. Field, S. Pointer H., J. Terry acting J., James Z. Scribe E., and Henry Smith P.Z. and Treasurer; and others present during business were Comps. B. R. Bryant, Watts P.S., H. Baldwin A.S., M. O. Larlham P.Z., W. J. Gilbert, &c., and Visitors Comps. J. Keith Grosjean P.Z., Archer H. of Zetland Chapter 1157, George Wale Dobie T. S. Watts P.Z 916. The members of the Chapter ap- deep Masonic mourning, and the furniture was draped e in token of sad respect for the late Ex.-Comp. Thomas ne recently installed J. of the Chapter, whose loss was eplored by the members generally. In the course of the Ex.-Comp. James Stevens addressed the Companions on the nd bore testimony to the many good qualities of the departed on, as well in the relation of friendship outside Freemasonry nection with Lodges and Chapter, and proposed a vote of and condolence with the widow and family, which was sly recorded. Four candidates for Exaltation were ap-, and two being in attendance, viz., Bros. C. Taylor and son, both of the Burgoyne Lodge, No. 902, were introduced ted with full ceremony and lectures. The work was very ied out, and gave great satisfaction to the Visitors and newly Companions. Notice was given of election and Installation

general desire for artistic productions being apparent. It was said that the association of true art with the familiar articles every day life will create an influence which will act more imperceptibly on the general public than any other means in the artistic education of the nation. For this reason we think that the production of "artistic" furniture, which during the last three or four years has become really a special feature with many manufacturers, is to be commended. Before this class of furniture can become anything like popular or of general use, it will be necessary to show it is as useful and substantial as the class we have been accustomed to in our houses, and this we consider no very difficult task. We lately had the pleasure of inspecting the Factory and Show-room of Mr. Stringer, 209 and 211 Old-street, and were fully satisfied on the subject. At present the principal attention is devoted to drawing-room furniture, of which some very handsome designs were shown us, particularly some cabinets, corner-cabinets, screens, &c. It is no little gratification to purchasers, previous to spending their money in furniture, to be able to inspect the goods from time to time in the course of the manufacture, and thus to see the class of article they are paying for, all of which can be done at Mr. Stringer's establishment, where special attention is also paid to the production of furniture from customers' own designs. Very much depends on the class of wood of which the several articles are made, more particularly in the manufacture of "ebonised" goods, soft wood sometimes being used as the basis, and proving a miserable failure, after but little use, so that some amount of consolation can be derived from a personal knowledge that nothing but mahogany has been used—a fact easily ascertainable while the work is in progress, when it is possible to visit the manufactory. Indeed every one seems to be taken by Mr. Stringer to turn out a good article; solid wood is used, so that the dangers of veneers, particularly in hot climates, are avoided, while as regards the true artistic view of the matter, it is only necessary to say that the articles are made from designs, and under the supervision of first class artists; the cost of production, carried on under one roof being minimised as far as possible. In conclusion, we can but advise our friends to pay a visit to this Factory, if only for the purpose of obtaining a little knowledge of the manufacture of furniture, feeling assured they will be interested, if not instructed, in the time they may devote to looking round.

The stock not being confined to "fine art furniture," many other articles may be inspected, and information on furniture matters generally obtained.

In the legislative investigation into Freemasonry during the anti-Masonic agitation in Pennsylvania, the late Thaddeus Stevens had under examination a certain supposed Master of a Lodge. "What is the initial proceeding in a Lodge?" inquired Stevens. "The Lodge is opened with prayer," was the immediate answer. "State the proceedings at the initiation of a candidate," said Stevens, which was answered the following:—"Mr. Stevens, if on the —— day of —— A.D. 18—, you had been worthy, you would have become a member of ——— Lodge, in ——— and would have been initiated in all the secrets and mysteries connected with the Fraternity, and then possessed a knowledge that, except one becomes an initiate, no man will ever possess." What followed, hints the *Keystone*, which we are indebted for the story, may be more easily appreciated than described. The witness having the effectually sat upon the cross-examining counsel, himself sat down. Some years previously Stevens had been proposed in one of the Lodges of Pennsylvania as a candidate for admission into the ranks of Freemasonry, and had been rejected—a circumstance which had not been forgotten, he fondly hoped it would have been.

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1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1635—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road, at 8 (In.)
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)

48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead.
734—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Inst.)
999—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1049—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8 (Instruction)

TUESDAY, 23rd AUGUST.

25—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, 3 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1340—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1473—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1658—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1693—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle, 7.30 (In.)
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30 (Instruction)
988—Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
1016—Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
1079—Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1675—Antient Britm, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 158—Adam, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness
R.A. 822—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool,

WEDNESDAY, 24th AUGUST.

General Committee of Grand Lodge and Lodge of Benevolence, Freemasons' Hall, at 6
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
228—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
538—La Tolerance, Green Dragon, 3 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
754—High Cross, Seven Sisters', Page Green, Tottenham, at 2.30 (Installation)
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 7.30 (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
861—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
1274—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
1288—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1534—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

230—Harmony, Garston Hotel, Garston, Lancashire
734—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction)
1039—St John, George Hotel, Lichfield
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruction)
1302—Egerton, Stanley Arms Hotel, Stanley-street, Bury, Lancashire
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
1633—Avon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1723—St. George, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall-square, Bolton
R.A. 43—Unanimity, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire
R.A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
R.A. 503—Belvidere, Star Hotel Maidstone
R.A. 605—De Tabley, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
R.A. 1356—De Grey and Ripon, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

THURSDAY, 25th AUGUST.

General Committee, Girls' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6.30. (Inst.)
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1611—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)

111—Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Archer-street, Darlington
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
286—Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup
346—St. John, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshawgate, Bolton
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
807—Cabbell, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich
904—Phœnix, Ship Hotel, Rotherham
935—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
966—St. Edward, Literary Institute, Leek, Stafford
1319—Fermor, Masonic Hall, Southport, Lancashire
1325—Stanley, 214 Gt. Homer-street, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
1459—Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, [illegible], West Gorton, near Manchester

SATURDAY, 27th AUGUST.

1541—Alexandra Palace, Alexandra Palace, Muswell Hill
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street,
1483—Wharncliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone
R.A. 178—Harmony, Royal Hotel, Wigan.
R.A. 308—Affability, Station House Hotel, Bottoms, Stansfield

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Palatine Lodge, No. 97.—A meeting was held evening, 11th instant., at the Masonic Hall, Park-te land. Present—Bros. G. C. Watson W.M., J. H. I McNamara J.W., J. R. Pattison Hon. Secretary, Joh William Vincent J.D., John J. Clay P.M. Director of M. Wake and R. Davison Stewards, R. Singleton I.G Tyler. Past Masters Bros. Kinmond W.M. 80, Hunt 80, Monroe W.M. 949, Eggleston 949. Frampton 94 I.P.M. 97, T. M. Watson 97, Dodds W.M. 1119, J. Lord 97. Visitors—Bros. Craven 80, Broughton 80, Swain J.W. 949. The business comprised two initiati Storey, solicitor, Mr. J. G. Marshall, solicitor (both c two passings—Bros. Thomas Thompson, and R. M. Bu

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Montagu Lodge, No. 665.—A meeting was h 8th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Royal Lion, Lyme Reg Bros. D. S. Skinner W.M., H. Miller S.W., F. E. Dollin Treasurer, J. Walter Secretary, J. L. Ramsey S.D. J.D., G. Mortimer Steward, J. Martin I.G., J. Jack C. H. Radford, William Prosser, E. Dollin. Visitors 417 P.M. and P.G. Treasurer Dorset, W. Tucker V Richards 1178. The business comprised the re-installa and the appointment and investiture of Officers, a S. S. Moore I.P.M., F. E. Dollin S.W., J. L. Ramsey Treasurer, J. Walter Secretary, H. W. Pryor S.D., G. W. Prosser I.G., C. O. Snell P.M. and H. Radford Jackson Tyler.

Royal Brunswick Lodge, No. 732.—The ing was held on the 11th inst., at the Royal Pavilion, the presidency of Bro. Dr. Hauxwell W.M. Bros. Da Soper J.W., H. Histed Secretary, S. R. Legg P.M. as J.D, W. Nell I.G.; there were also present Bros. Smith, W. Smith, S. Solomon, Legg, B. Bennett, G Lodge was opened, and the minutes of last meeting Mr. L. Titcomb, who had previously been balloted mously accepted, was duly initiated into the Ord whose perfect and impressive working it was a pleas The charge in the first degree was impressively W.M., who likewise gave the lecture on the tracin Dr. Hauxwell received well-merited encomiums fro The resignation of a brother was accepted, with good wishes were then tendered, and Lodge was clos were Bros. Lipscomb 1669, Sharp P.M. 1141, W. F. N Wallingford P.M. P.G.W. Hants, W. R. Wood A.G. P Chandler 1017, and H. M. Levy P.M. 188. A su took place at Tasola's, in East-street.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No ing was held on Friday, 12th instant, at Star and Ga Bridge. Bros. C. E. Botley (Hon. Sec.) W.M., Tuc S.W., Andrews P.M. J.W., Gomm P.M. S.D., F. Bot I.G.; Bros. Coope, Maton, &c. Lodge was oper degree, and minutes were read and confirmed. The mony was rehearsed, Bro. Maton candidate. Lodge c degree, and the questions leading to the third degree Lodge opened in third, and the ceremony of raising Bro. Coope candidate. Bro. Tucker was elected meeting.

The Fraters of the Masonic Rose Croix Chapter their annual meeting on Monday at the Chapter R Hall, Granby-street, Devonport. E. and P.P.E. Ai installed as the M.W.S. for the ensuing year, an Officers invested:—Comps. Joseph Austin I.P.M. 1st G., John Baxter 2nd G., Lieut. Edward L. Wil Marshal, C. Watson Raph., John Flanagan Herald, J

J. Toms, G. Timmins, W. H. Jenkins, S. Wade, Herbert G. F. Whitley. The Lodges represented were:—Meridian Fortitude 78, Truro, Cornubian 87, Hayle, Love and Falmouth, Boscawen 101, Chacewater, St. Michael 175, 206, Newquay, St. Austell 275, St. Austell. A vote of with Mrs. Peard and family, on the decease of the lamented d, late P.G.M.M. of Cornwall, was passed, and this was he installation of Sir C. B. Graves-Sawle, by the R.W. kes, P.G.W. Grand Secretary, as P.G.M. Master of Corn- Binckes was assisted in the installation by W. Bro. T. P.G.M. After the installation the P.G.M.M. invested the his Officers for the ensuing year:—W. Bros. T. Chirgwin , W. E. Mitchell 206 P.G.S.W., Dr. W. Mason 275 P.G.J.W., 94 P.G.M.O., G. B. Pearce 87 P.G.S.O., Bryant Welling- J.O., W. Tweedy 78 P.G. Treas., W. L. Fox 94 P.G. Re- J. Johns 78 P.G. Sec., H. Trembath 175 P.G.S. Deacon, P.G.J.D., W. D. Roger 94 P.G.J.O. of Works, S. Harvey Ceremonies, W. Guy 275 P.G. Assist. D. of Ceremonies, 275 P.G. Sword Bearer, Harry Heath 73 P.G. Organist, rne 80, J. Tillman 78, and J. W. Higman of 275, Stewards, 78 P.G.I.G., J. Langdon 78 P.G. Tyler. A desire was hat the next Provincial Grand Lodge should be held at St. most recently organised Lodge in the Province. A vote o R.W. Bro. Binckes concluded the proceedings. The erwards dined together at the Red Lion Hotel.—*Western ry.*

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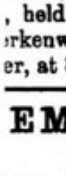
e the earliest opportunity of supplying an omis- n occurred in our last issue. Therein we inserted t of the meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge shire, without giving the customary acknow- to our contemporary the *Western Daily Mercury*, we were indebted for the greater part of the We do this all the more readily as it affords us an tv of complimenting its conductors on the regular which they record the doings of the Craft, districts, few meetings either of Craft, Arch, higher degrees escaping their attention. They tanunch supporters of the Charities of the Order, ublicity and devoting no inconsiderable part of e to announcements in connection with the Cen- tutions as well as local charities. We think that arity of Freemasonry in the West of England is great measure, to the reports they give of the the Craft.

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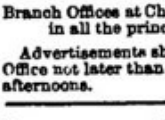
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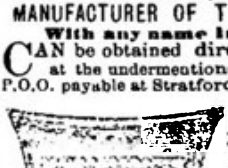
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FREEMASONRY IN INDIA.

MUNICATION was held some time since of the trict Grand Lodge of Madras, at which Right l Brother Major A. W. O. Saunders District ster presided, the attendance being worthy of the Perhaps the most important part of the business had reference to the conduct and government and Masonic Charity Fund of Southern India, a alterations in the Bye Laws of which were nder notice, with a view to be considered at the munication of District Grand Lodge, a Special e consisting of the President and members of the General Purposes being requested to report thereon erim. The address of the District Grand Master he most part couched in terms of satisfaction at of Freemasonry in his District, but he expressed that the Lodges of Instruction were not better and that certain grave irregularities had occurred tion with the supply of refreshments in a par- odge. Bro. Saunders further sought to impress se present the absolute necessity for observing ctly the laws relating to the admission of members, her commended to their notice the *Book of the* the late Dr. Oliver, a new edition of which had been issued by Bro. Spencer, of 23A Great reet, W.C. The following are the District Grand for the new year, namely—

Handley 150	-	Deputy Grand Master
G. E. Weston 1049	-	Grand Senior Warden
F. G. Lys, M.A., 1285		Junior Warden
J. F. Browne 1043	-	Chaplain
J. G. Coleman 150	-	Treasurer (elected)
ampion 150	-	Registrar
Saunders 150	-	President Bd. Gen. Purposes
Greatorex 273	-	Secretary
lls 434	-	Senior Deacon
nith 1043	-	"
cCartney 1049	-	Junior Deacon
. Kœneman 260	-	"
r A. Curtois 500	-	Superintendent of Works
. Schmid 1285	-	Director of Ceremonies
sjee Eduljee 273	-	Assist. Dir. of Ceremonies
ain H. P. Law 1406	-	Sword Bearer
uith 1198	-	Organist
. Winch 1198	-	Pursuivant
Dring	-	Tyler

rict Grand Lodge was shortly afterwards closed. The ts for the past year, both of the Grand Masonic Fund and the District Grand Lodge were them highly satisfactory. The former, with an balance of over 1,669 rupees, showed receipts ting to 2,739 rupees, the expenditure being only pees, so that the balance in hand at the close of the t was over 1795 rupees. The latter set out with a e from former account of over 503 rupees, the receipts in excess of 1,013 rupees, making a total on the side of over 1,517 rupees. The expenditure was 82 rupees, so that the balance remaining to the good s nearly as possible 734½ rupees. It should be added he Madras Masonic Institution has stock amounting 00 rupees.

the Regular Communication of the Provincial Grand e of Mark Master Masons, held at the Masonic Hall, y, Bro. Major Saunders Provincial Grand Mark r Mason presided, but the attendance was limited. address of the Prov. Grand Master was less encouragi than might have been hoped for, but Bro. Saunders w very far from despairing of a recovery of the Degree in t District, especially as the other branches of Freemasonr were in so flourishing a state. The following are the Pro Grand Officers for the current year :—

Bros. Lieut.-Col. R. H. Cunliffe 61	-	D. Grand Master
Lieut.-Col. A. H. E. Campbell 81		Grand Senior Warden
W. Grant 106	-	Junior Warden
Captain H. P. Law 81	-	Master Overseer
Cowasjee Eduljee 61	-	Senior Overseer
J. Smith 82	-	Junior Overseer
P. Shaw 106	-	Registrar
Surgeon R. Harvey 61	-	Treas. (elected)
J. T. Greatorex 61	-	Secretary
M. L. Wilkinson 81	-	Senior Deacon
E. Grant 160	-	Junior Deacon
H. Reuben 82	-	Supt. of Works
J. J. O'Flynn 160	-	Dir. of Ceremoni
J. H. Ellis 61	-	Asst. Dir. of Ce
Captain J. J. Ross 82	-	Sword Bearer
H. M. Upshon 61	-	Standard Beare
D. Jesadusen 61	-	Organist
A. Johnson 61	-	Inner Guard
G. L. Winch 160	-	Steward
Captain P. S. Watts 82	-	"
J. S. Dring	-	Tyler

The regular Convocation of the District Grand Chapt of Royal Arch Masons was held in the same Hall abo the same time, and under the presidency of M.E. Com Major Saunders District Grand Superintendent. T District Grand Treasurer's account showed a balance favour of the District Grand Chapter of only a fraction le than 163 Rupees. The District Grand Superintendent e pressed himself well satisfied with the state of things R.A. Masonry in Madras. The following are the ne Officers of the District Grand Chapter :—

Comps. H. B Bernard	-	Grand H. J.
Lieut.-Colonel R H Cunliffe		Scribe E.
J. T. Greatorex	-	Scribe N.
W. Grant	-	Principal Sojourner
J. Hills	-	1st Asst. do.
J. Smith	-	2nd Asst. do.
Surgeon R. Harvey	-	Treasurer (elected).
Hon. J. G. Coleman	-	Registrar
A. Champion	-	Sword Bearer
A. Gerdes	-	Standard Bearer
Captain H. P. Law	-	Director of Ceremonie
Cowasjee Eduljee	-	Organist
J. Jesadusen	-	Grand Janitor
J. S. Dring	-	

M.E. Comp. the Hon. H. T. Prinsep, District Gra Superintendent, presided at the Annual Convocation of t District Grand Chapter of Bengal, held a few months sinc at Freemasons' Hall, Calcutta. After the usual confirm tion of the minutes, Comp. Prinsep delivered his addres in the course of which he expressed his satisfaction wit the progress which Royal Arch Masonry had made durin the year. A new Chapter—Faith, No. 1526—had bee opened at Jamalpore, raising the number of Chapters o the roll to ten. The Star of Gwalior Chapter, No. 106 Merar, had resumed working under M.E. Comp. Lieu Col. G. B. Wolseley Past District Grand Scribe N. More over, in spite of no returns having been forthcoming fro two Chapters, the number of Companions had increase from 156 to 172. Later in the course of the meeting, th recommendation of the Committee of General Purposes t the effect that a donation of 100 Rupees should be given t

THE PROSPECTS OF THE COMING SEASON.

THURSDAY next being the 1st of September, may be said to mark the commencement of the Masonic season of 1881-2, and we therefore do not consider it out of place for us to pause a few moments to glance at the position of affairs. As regards the past we think our readers will agree that English Freemasons can look back with pleasure. The Order has maintained its position under the rule of the United Grand Lodge of England, indeed, has very considerably extended, and we think there is very little either in the proceedings themselves, or the result thereof, which calls for regret or feelings of dissatisfaction. It has become the rule of Grand Lodge to discourage the further multiplication of Lodges, especially in the metropolis, a course we think likely to prove beneficial to the Craft. Increasing with such rapidity as had been the case during the last few years it was more than probable that the Order would prove to have overgrown its strength, and therefore the checking for a time of further extension can but tend to the strengthening of the already existing parts. That no hard and fast line has been drawn is evidenced by the fact that only last week we chronicled the establishment of the Gallery Lodge, No. 1928—a body which has already given promise of becoming a bright star in the Masonic firmament. The Charitable Institutions associated with the Order have done well, the Festivals in connection with each having passed off successfully, and large amounts having been announced by the Secretaries as the result of the Stewards' efforts. As regards the general outlook of the country, matters are perhaps not so satisfactory, trade has been and is bad, while the weather has proved most unfortunate for harvesting purposes; these facts, although really outside the question of Freemasonry, yet exercise great influence on the welfare of the Brotherhood, as they may be said to do more or less on that of most other matters.

The future gives promise of many discussions of interest to English Craftsmen, there are rumours of changes contemplated in the Constitutions, more particularly in the matter of the administration of the Fund of Benevolence, while in private Lodges the usual installations and annual gatherings are looked forward to. The Charities of the Order will require a large amount of support, the expenses of maintaining them in their present position being very heavy, while generally there are signs of a busy season. We hope all may go well, and that the result will be all that can be desired.

MEETING OF THE LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

The monthly meeting of the Lodge of Benevolence, was held on Wednesday Evening, at Freemasons' Hall. Bro. J. A. Clabon President, Bro. Joshua Nunn Senior Vice-President, and Bro. James Brett Junior Vice-President, occupied the three chairs during the early part of the evening, and latter on, in consequence of Bro. Nunn having another engagement, his place was taken by Bro. Brett, who was succeeded in his chair by Bro. George Lambert Grand Sword Bearer. Grand Lodge business paper for Wednesday week was first read to the General Committee of Grand Lodge, and the Lodge of Benevo-

day in question, to open the Lodge at the Duncombe Street, York, when the Provincia Grand Lodge Officers and visitors will be rece usual formalities. The Worshipful Masters and Eboracum Lodges, Bros. M. Rooke an will then welcome their visitors, and some sp course, follow. The Lodge will then be closed, sazione will follow. The ancient records Lodge of All England, which are in the pos York Lodge, will be open for inspection i room, as well as a large number of antiques Masonic interest, lent from the collections of Eboracum Lodges, and by other Lodges an lectors. I may add that the Secretaries will to receive any objects of similar interest fr brethren who may feel inclined to lend them. care will be exercised in their preservation, be returned free of expense. The old MS. and Minutes will be shown by the Treasure Lodge, Bro. J. Todd P.M., and other brethre pared to give explanations of the many curio During the course of the evening there will entertainment, consisting of songs, glees, un torship of Bro. T. Luke, Organist of the Yor the visitors will be entertained at a cold far as possible circular invitations will be s brethren, but it is impossible for the Secret all those who may be in York on the day i shall be glad of the opportunity, through t your columns, to say that all visiting bre heartily welcome on the occasion. I will only joint Secretaries of the Reception Committe all information may be obtained, are Bros. A 236, of the Manor House, York, and J. S. P.M. 1611, of St. Paul's Square, York.

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COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GIRL

THE General Committee of the Royal Masonic Inst met at the Hall in Great Queen-street, on Thu Colonel J. Creaton presided. There were also pres Richardson, Colonel J. Peters, A. E. Gladwell, E. L Rucker, E. C. Massey, and H. A. Dubois. The min General Committee and of the House Committee petition of Agnes Fife was received for the list of ca election in April 1882. On the motion of Bro. Rich by Bro. Dubois, a Committee was appointed to act wi in furnishing the new Offices, and Bros. Richards Gladwell were selected to act thereon. A letter wa Bevis, Secretary of the Southwark Lodge of Instruct that the services of Secretaries of such Lodges (w able trouble in the collection of sums of money fo received no recognition, while the Stewards on whos were placed received complimentary votes, granted tions, and asking that the Committee would consi This it was agreed should be done, and the Secretary to write to Bro. Bevis, informing him that the matte considered at a subsequent meeting. A vote of tha man closed the proceedings.

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of the ceremonies, the proper working of which renders gs especially effective, while the want of such knowledge ils the whole. Repetition therefore is necessary, not perfecting of the several parts, but because, from various bers of Lodges are debarred from regular attendance, and re would ofttimes lose opportunities of gaining that knowh they are in search. Lodges of Instruction are also those who have passed the chair, to keep them *au fait* rk, that they may the better be enabled to fulfil their instructing those in the inferior degrees, and be ready upon to help and assist any of the Officers who may be gain, my experience is, that in spite of regular attendre many who require the aid of the Preceptor to carry h their duties, and but very few, perhaps not one in a o can go through the work perfectly without. I cordially Bro. "ALDERMAN" that a Superior School or Lodge of t, where the more hidden mysteries were taught, great boon to many. Lodges of Instruction are not ose who are perfect, but for the imperfect, and those who e being taught; where due credit should be paid to those part what knowledge they possess. In the curriculum by Bro. "MARS." I find no mention of the ceremony of which should find a place occasionally in a Lodge of as also should a recital of the Charges after the rehearsal second, and third ceremonies. These Charges are pecupriate and impressive, but they are seldom given.

ow like to call the attention of your readers to the follow- f motion, and my amendment thereto, which will come d Lodge on the 7th September:—"That applicants who granted sums exceeding £50 by the Board of Benevolence e up to that sum on the action of the Board being con- Grand Lodge; and the remainder at the next Quarterly tion when the Grand Lodge shall have confirmed the its previous meeting." Thus Bro. Nunn. Upon this I llowing amendment: "That the whole of the sum agreed be given at the first meeting of Grand Lodge after such have been made." I now earnestly entreat all qualified Grand Lodge who have the speedy relief of their brethren at heart to attend, and by using their voting privilege same.

urgently-needed amendment in our laws I would likewise tention of your readers to. As the law now stands, no Mason can make application for relief should two years d after his father's death previous to his making the appli- at is to say, if the widow or the orphans have been able to hemselves without seeking relief from the Fund for two matter what reverse of fortune take place that source of t off from them. I feel quite sure that such an anomaly intended, and that it only requires to be brought promi- ward to ensure the necessary alteration.

Yours fraternally,

C. J. PERCEVAL.

WORK AND LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

IR AND BROTHER,—I am glad to find that some brother has taken up the cudgels on behalf of Lodge Work as exemplir Lodges of Instruction. It savours of mercilessness to attacking a person or institution for whom or for which no attempted. However, your correspondent "ALDERMAN" tly put pen to paper, and calls in question the justice of the hich has latterly been made on this particular class of No material exception can be taken to what he says on alf. It is quite true that, "before you can learn a language, first master the alphabet," and equally true that "you perfect in the ceremonies before the explanation of them any benefit." I think it highly probable that what he calls e or Lodges of Oratory"—though why he should so designate annot see—might in time attract a very considerable amount rt. It does also, I admit, seem uncharitable, and therefore ic, to speak lightly of those very worthy brethren who take themselves "to afford assistance and instruction to their friends." But what then? The complaint urged so forcibly of your correspondents that the work done in Lodges of In- is monotonous almost beyond the utmost limits of a endurance still holds good, and "ALDERMAN" very wisely go the length of saying that such a state of things is absoithout remedy.

rgument amounts to this. Young brethren stand in need of speak Masonically, First Ceremony and Lecture, Second Ceremony and Lecture, Third Ceremony and Lecture. I admit, he is more likely to be letter-perfect in his knowledge, so far as it goes, but how much of it will he be likely to understand? Masonry, we are told—and one of your correspondents has made a note of this—is a progressive science. But if we are not required to know anything more about it than the ceremonies, lectures, and tracing boards of the three degrees, then I say it is a "stationary," not a "progressive" science. It never recedes, but neither does it make a step in advance. Is it asking too much of a Preceptor that occasionally he should set apart one evening for an exposition of the more hidden meaning of different passages in our several ceremonies and lectures, so that a young brother, at the end of his course of instruction, may be able to congratulate himself on understanding a portion at least of what he has been learning by rote.

I allow that, on the principle that one must not "look a gift horse in the mouth," it is a question of great delicacy to criticise the manner in which a Preceptor fulfils his self-imposed task of affording assistance and instruction to his younger brethren. We know that he willingly gives up much of his leisure time to this end, and that he does so without hope or expectation of reward. But what must an educated brother think to himself when he finds the Preceptor of his Lodge never opens his mouth without murdering the Queen's English, and that though the latter knows his work by rote, he is incapable of explaining its meaning? How can an educated Mason be expected to sit under a Preceptor so incapable of imparting anything beyond a mere parrot-like knowledge? Yet a very large number of our Preceptors are of the character I have depicted. They are capital fellows, and as ready as the day is long to do a fellow-Mason a good turn, but they have not the requisite ability to teach, and the question, therefore, arises, *Quis præcipiet preceptores ipsos?*

I write without the slightest animus. There are many Preceptors whom I both know and respect, but you were pleased to insert a letter of mine in your issue of last week, in which I furnished a summary of the work done by one of our Lodges of Instruction in the course of thirteen consecutive weeks. I did not mention the Lodge, for obvious reasons. I made the selection at hazard, not even troubling myself as to which volume of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE I searched in order to compile my statement. But I venture to say, that if you had the space and I had the leisure to continue the search, it would be found there was not in any one of the volumes of the CHRONICLE which have yet been published a single report of the proceedings of this Lodge of Instruction in which was recorded any sort or kind of work above or beyond what I noted in my letter of last week.

With an apology for writing at such length,

I remain, faithfully yours,

MARS.

London, W., 23rd August 1881.

LODGE WORK.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR BROTHER,—I think no one, after reading MARS's letter of last week, will venture to assert that the work done in our Lodges of Instruction is not monotonous, or that it is calculated to excite the—enthusiasm, I was going to say, but I will correct myself and substitute the word—interest of young brethren. From my experience of these Lodges, I have no manner of doubt that the statement showing the work done during a period of three months might have been extended over ten times as many months, and yet there would be seen the same endless repetition of initiations, passings, raisings, &c., &c., varied by an occasional installation or consecration. Of course, I know there must be repetitions, or newly made Masons would never be able to acquire the requisite knowledge of our ceremonies, &c., but that is no reason why there should not be now and again lectures explanatory of the inner or esoteric meaning of our mysteries. If such lectures were only given, say once a month, it would be a great boon to many brethren, who, like myself, rarely, if ever, attend a Lodge of Instruction, because it is so wearisome to be compelled to listen to the same humdrum, dull routine of work endlessly repeated.

Yours fraternally,

BRO. JACK.

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BRO. R. HIRST engages to provide, at short notice, an efficient Band for Annual Banquets, Dinners, Excursions and Quadrille Parties,

Memphis rites too. When the high grades were first introduced into Charleston, South Carolina, their number was confined to a few, so that each member could be some kind of a Grand; but in the early part of this century, a number of high grade emissaries swarmed in New York, who manufactured high graders by wholesale, and pocketed the fees. The New York *sublimes* would not be ruled by the Charlestonians; they, therefore, picked up Mons. Cerneau, a Frenchman, a jeweller by trade, and made him Sovereign over the U.S. and its territories in 1807.

In 1812, Charleston sent to New York a Sublime Grand to investigate, who was sure, said he, that Cerneau was not a 33rd; but the New Yorkers swore he was a 33rd. Eventually Charleston set up Gourgas, another Frenchman, as S.G.C. over the Northern jurisdiction. But Gourgas could get no followers, and he continued for many years solely G.C. of himself. At last, some enterprising Bostonians brought out Bro. Gourgas's concern, removed the "Zenith" of the Northern jurisdiction to Boston, and appointed a Bostonian G.C. Unfortunately, in 1860, the "Secretary of the Holy Empire" quarrelled with his Sovereign, deposed him, and made a New Yorker G.C.; but as the old Sovereign had friends who rallied round his banner, we had two *Zeniths* in Boston.

Each faction was however anxious to have a preponderance in the G.L., and in order to secure it, they not only vilified each other in print, but each party went to work, and for little or nothing gave away their secrets to every Mason who was willing to receive them. Nor was this confusion confined to Boston; the same policy was pursued throughout all the Northern States. Had these Sublime gentry been real Sovereigns, blood would have flowed like water; but fortunately, their Sovereignty, Chivalry, &c., was after all mere *moonshine*. So, with the exception of the hatred engendered, and the disgrace it brought on the Craft, no further harm ensued. After seven years' war, the Cerneanites and the two factions of the Boston Gourgasites united (in 1867). It was then naturally supposed that the fight was ended. But a few years ago an old Cerneanite in New York revived the Cerneau concern for the whole U.S., and fighting continues, not only in the North, but also in the South, for they actually invaded Sovereign Albert Pike's dominions, by establishing a high grade concern in Florida. Poor Sovereign Pike's dominions are torn to pieces, for, in addition to the Cerneauite invasion already mentioned, a French faction in New Orleans set up some years ago a high grade concern of their own, and who knows how many more such concerns may yet spring up?

These high grade Sublimes have a notion that they are endowed with right and power to rule the Grand Lodges of Craft Masonry too. When these notions became known to the G.L. of South Carolina, the G.L. summoned the Sublime dignitaries, to enquire "from whence they held their powers." The Sublimes then went into a long rigmarole about Stephen Morin, Frederick the Great, &c., about whom the reader will learn more hereafter. "The G.L. at once took exception to their proceedings, and disputed their authority. A pretty warm contest ensued, but it appeared in the sequel that some of the Officers of this Supreme Council were also Officers or Members of the G.L." So at last the Sublimes condescended to *waive* their rights over Craft Masonry. But in 1830, Bro. Attwood, by virtue of being Sovereign Grand Commander of the 33rd, the last and highest degree in Masonry of the Cerneau faction in New York, actually created a Grand Lodge in New York, and granted Charters for Lodges, Chapters, Commanderies, and what not!

Bro. M'Cosh of South Carolina was doubtless a pious and sincere man, but like many of his stripe was stupidly credulous. The Cerneau faction in New York made him feel very sad; he therefore selected a number of documents from the Charleston archives, and published them, in 1823, for the purpose of convincing the Masonic world of the sinfulness of the New Yorkers. The first document contains the history of Masonry and the high grades from the Creation. Omitting the said history, and the latin heading, I shall proceed with some extracts which will convey an idea of the pretensions of the *Sublimes*.

"From the east of the Grand Supreme Council of the Most Puissant Sovereigns, Grand Inspectors General, and under the Celestial Canopy of the Zenith, which answers to the 32nd degree, 45 minutes N.L.

"To our illustrious, Most Valiant and Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, Knights of the K.H., Illustrious Princes and Knights, Grand, Ineffable, and Sublime, Free and Accepted Masons of all degrees, ancient and modern, over the two hemispheres.

"It is well known that about 27,000 Masons accompanied the Christian Princes in the Crusades to recover the Holy Land from the Infidels. While in Palestine they discovered several important

* The Scotch Rite has 33 degrees and the Memphis Rite has 96 degrees, but neither of them [illegible]

the system became complete.

"From such of our records as are authentic we are i
Sublime and Ineffable degrees of Masonry in Scotland
Prussia immediately after the Crusades. But from some
which to us are unknown, after the year 4658 they fell
until the year 5744, when a nobleman from Scotland v
and re-established a Lodge of Perfection in Bordeaux.

"In 5761 the Lodges and Councils of the superior
extended throughout the Continent of Europe, His Ma
of Prussia, as Grand Commander of the Order of Prince
Secret, was acknowledged by all the Craft as the head
and ineffable degrees in Masonry throughout the two her
Royal Highness Charles, Hereditary Prince of the S
and Vandals, Duke of Sudermania, Heir of Norway,
was, and still continues the Grand Commander and P
Sublime Masons of Sweden; and His Royal High
Bourbon, Prince of the Blood, Duke de Chartres, &c.
the Cardinal Prince and Bishop of Rouen, were at the
degrees in France.

"On the 25th of October 5762, the Grand Masoni
were finally ratified in Berlin, and proclaimed for the
all the Lodges of Sublime and Perfect Masons, Chap
Colleges, and Consistories of the Royal and Militar
masonry, over the surface of the two hemispheres.
Constitutions, which have existed from time immem
alluded to in these instruments.

"In the same year the Constitutions were transmitt
trious Brother Stephen Morin, who had been appointe
of August 5761, Inspector General over all Lodges,
the new world by the Grand Consistory of Prince
Secret convened in Paris, at which presided the Ki
Deputy, Chaillian de Johnville, Substitute-General
Right Worshipful Master of the first Lodge in Fr
Anthony's, Chief of the Eminent degrees, Command
Prince of the Royal Secret, &c., &c., &c.

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"When Brother Morin arrived in St. Domingo, he,
patent, appointed a Deputy Inspector General for
This high honour was conferred on Brother M. M. H
power of appointing others where necessary. Brother
pointed Brother Franken Deputy Inspector General f
the British Leeward Islands, and Brother Colonel
Windward Islands and the British Army.

"Brother Hayes appointed Brother Isaac Da Co
spector General for the State of South Carolina, wh
5783, established the Sublime Grand Lodge of Perfec
ton. After Brother Da Costa's death, Brother Jos
appointed Deputy Inspector General for this St
Hayes, who also had previously appointed Brother
Bush Deputy Inspector General for the State of Pe
Brother Barnard M. Spitzer to the same rank for Ge
confirmed by a convention of Inspectors, when conve
phia, on the 15th of June 5781.

"On the first day of May 5786, the Grand Con
Thirty-third Degree, called the Supreme Council of
Inspectors General, was finally ratified by His Majc
Prussia, who, as Grand Commander of the Order of t
Royal Secret, possessed the Sovereign Masonic pow
Craft. In the new Constitution this high power v
a Supreme Council of nine brethren in each nation,
the Masonic prerogatives in their own district that
vidually possessed; *and are Sovereigns in Masonry*"
is not mine].

After giving the doings of five meetings, held be
5802, and also the names of the thirty-three degree
on to say—

"Besides these degrees, which are in regular suc
the Inspectors are in possession of a number of d
given in different parts of the world, and which
communicate, free of expense, to those brethre
enough to understand them, such as Select Mason
Royal Arch, as given under the Constitution of Du
of Maconnerie D'Adoption, Compagnon Ecossais, Le
and Le Grand Maiter Ecossais, &c., making in a
grees.

* * * *

"They respectfully salute your Grand Council,
Numbers.

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"Charleston, South Carolina, the 10th day of
called Chislen 5553, A.L. 5802, and of the Christian

STORY OF AN EMBLEM.

STAR—THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM!"

From the Voice of Masonry.

ER has enjoyed the privilege of admission to a lodge of
emasons has observed among the emblems on the Trestle-
gure of a peculiarly constructed *Star*, with five points, and
nclosing a letter G in the centre. It is conspicuous in the
blems; and, as you first approach, it seems to move for-
d the centre of the collection of emblems, and there
n important attitude, to give you an imperious look as if
, too, have something important to reveal,—I, too, as well
biate emblems around me, can suggest new thoughts and
s of doctrines and duties of high importance to all, and
o every member and lover of our Royal Art." It is well
didate, as well as the Mason of maturer years, to make a
s, and give attention to it at an early and fitting occasion.
g star, in all Anglo-Saxon Freemasonry, is one of the
s of a lodge, and this has been the character assigned it for
ntury, if not longer. But mere ornaments are not, like the
t and the working tools, absolutely essential in constitut-
l Lodge. We may have a Lodge without any ornaments;
ve a legal Lodge without the Mosaic pavement or the tesse-
er; but we can have no legal working Lodge without the
e Law, the square, the compasses, and the working tools of
nitude and importance. The working tools are essential,
ork of the Lodge cannot be properly accomplished without
ence and their aid, but we may do without the five pointed
leed, in an emergency, we *could* work a Lodge if there were
se present except the Charter, the Holy Scriptures, and the
d compasses, as a Lodge may hold its meetings out of doors,
ent cases, and the work be as legal as though the meeting
in the finest Hall in Christendom. We have known at least
cases within our recollection,—one was held on the open
nd the other on a mountain crag or summit. But what busi-
this emblem in a Lodge, and what is its mission and object
For the satisfaction of our readers, therefore, we will call up
nge mysterious emblem and see what it has to say for itself,
ts friends can testify in exposition of its nature and mission,
it foretells, and what it ultimately reveals, of truths and
n that thrill the world. Let us first see what others, well able
nformation on Masonic matters, have to say on this question.
arliest tangible evidence existing of the use of this emblem, so
he writer's knowledge extends, is a "Tracing-board," which
lished in the early part of the last century—now over one
and fifty years ago. In the centre of that venerable relic is
g star of five points, enclosing the letter G. Dr. Oliver, in
ng this tracing-board, says,—"Over the centre pillar is a
star which forms one of the ornaments of a Lodge, and is an
of Prudence which ought to appear conspicuous in the conduct
Mason; but it is more especially commemorative of that star
appeared in the east to guide the wise men to Bethlehem, to
n the birth and the presence of the Son of God. Here we have
reference to that divine Being who came into the world to
he cup of sorrow for the purpose of reconciling us to God, and
s a sacrifice that He might work out human redemption. Our
of morality, thus invigorated by a brilliant object, ever present,
e Deity whom it represents, to quicken our faith, enliven our
nd stimulate our charity, can scarcely fail to be effective both
temporal and eternal benefit. In this point of view the blazing
ecomes a symbol of more than ordinary value. If the other
ns of Masonry be inestimable from their moral signification and
sal application to regulate our conduct in the affairs of this
this will far exceed them, because it bears a spiritual reference
stem of infinite value and surpassing grandeur—a system which
delight of angels, and the souls of just men made perfect."
tor Hemming says—"The Blazing Star, or glory in the centre
e Tracing-board), refers us to the sun, which enlightens the earth
ts refulgent rays, dispensing its blessings to mankind at large,
iving light and life to all things here below."
know not where the good Doctor obtained the information that
emblem represented the sun, for we have found the opinion
ssed nowhere else in any of the Masonic writers that we have
ined.
v. Doctor Ashe, an eminent English Mason, intimates that the
ng object of this emblem is to teach prudence, but that it also
s to the Star of Bethlehem. He says, "The emblem of prudence
e first and most exalted object that demands our attention in the
e. It is placed in the centre, ever to be present to the eye of the

"The Blazing Star must be considered merely as the creature wh
heralded the appearance of the Grand Architect of the Universe, b
the expressive symbol of that Great Being Himself, who is describ
by the magnificent appellations of the Day Spring, or Rising Su
the Day Star; the Morning Star; and the Bright or Blazing St
This, then, is the supernal reference of the Blazing Star of Mason
attached to a science which, like the religion it embodies, is univers
and applicable to all times and seasons, and to every people that ev
did or ever will exist on our earth."

Doctor Mackey says of this emblem,—"Formerly it was said to
commemorative of the star which appeared to guide the wise men
the East to the place of our Saviour's nativity. But as this allusi
however beautiful, interferes with the universal character of Mason
it is now generally omitted, and the Blazing Star is said to be
emblem of Divine Providence. In the English ritual it is emblema
of prudence.

So writers differ as to the meaning of this emblem. Doctor Mack
as stated above, says that in the English Lodge it teaches prudenc
but we have seen that Doctor Oliver, as well as Doctor Ashe, adm
that it refers to the star which guided the Wise Men of the East
the Manger in Bethlehem, and at the same time the virtue of prude
as well. In this country, from Webb to the present time, the rit
used in almost every Lodge makes it emblematic of the Star
Bethlehem.

Doctor Mackey's objection to its reference to the star which led t
wise men on their way to Bethlehem, we think, is not tenable.
everything that "interferes with the universal character of Masonr
must be excluded from our Lodges, strictly speaking, their dedicat
to the Saints John, and all allusions to Solomon and the Temple a
the Jewish rituals must also be omitted, and the New Testame
must be removed from our altars, and the parallel lines destroyed, a
a hundred other changes made. Indeed Masonry would present
sorry aspect if every jewel borrowed from the Christian Dispensat
were torn from its robes. This "universal character of Masonry"
after all, mere moonshine,—it has no such character, in the sense th
some would have it. We see Jew and Christian, Chinese and Par
and Mahommedan, kneeling at the same altar, though we *do* refer
events in the history of Christianity; yet these facts do not justify
in declaring Masonry universal, or that all may be admitted to
privileges. If everything Christian about it must be removed for f
of destroying its universality, for the same reason all its Jew
features must be destroyed; and having lost the lineaments of b
Jew and Christian, it would be exceedingly difficult to discover
parentage, its relations, or its nature. Instead of having a "univer
character," it would have no character at all; and we should have
strange exhibition presented of that most beautiful structure despoi
of its attractions and all torn to fragments, because, forsooth, it is
entirely of the Corinthian, Composite or Ionic order in architect
Masonry is neither Judaism nor Christianity; but, drawing its inspi
tion from the revelation of God to man, it partakes of both. In
symbols and forms and ceremonies, it partakes largely of the el
dispensation, but like everything in it which was typical of bet
things to come, it also bears a spiritual application, and breathes
living spirit of the New Testament revelation. The Blazing Star u
be regarded as an emblem of prudence, and by some has long b
regarded as such, although we cannot see why that, more tha
square, a circle, or any other object of a particular form, should
so regarded. It may also have been thought to represent Divine P
vidence, and one or the other of these *may* have been the origi
signification. But as far back as any *recorded* evidence exists of
explanation, it has been commemorative of the star which led
wondering Magi to the cradle of the infant Redeemer at Bethleh
This application of it, too, accords with the recognition of the Ch
tian religion in the dedication of our Lodges, and the festivals of
Baptist and the Evangelist, and many other kindred references. Th
all point to the same thing, and breathe the same spirit, and are
born of that "life and immortality" from the grave of sin and de
which were brought to light by the introduction of a new and bet
dispensation. We are not willing, therefore, to rob this beautiful
expressive emblem of the character it has borne for more tha
hundred years.

Webb, among the earliest American Masonic writers on our ritu
used it, and that too after he had thoroughly investigated its clai
with the facilities furnished for that purpose by the most illustri
of the Craft in Europe and America; and every Masonic writer in t
country, since his day, with one or two exceptions, has conceded t
Webb was correct. We are willing it shall teach us prudence, but
have another and more expressive representation of that virtue.
will consent that it shall remind us of that Divine Providence wh
watches over the pathway of frail humanity, and shelters it fro
thousand dangers; but let this not be its only language, nor
exclusive object of its mission. The wonderful artisan of Tyre was

be the long expected of Israel—the promised Shiloh, and at last died a victim to the jealousy and malice of His foes. And this parallel might easily be carried farther, if we dared to trace it on paper; but the intelligent Craftsman will readily perceive what our pen is forbidden to record.

From these and many other considerations that might be urged, this reference of the Blazing Star to the scenes of Bethlehem, and the after results, must be regarded as in perfect harmony with the whole genius and spirit of Masonry. It uses the same language that other types use, and partakes of the same general features of the whole family of Masonic emblems.

There let it stand, then, in its life-developing character, and in its sublime moral beauty, pointing with unerring finger to Bethlehem and the Manger.

"Star of Hope, thy mystic ray,
Pointing to the promised One;
Now foretells the coming day—
Ushers in the glorious Son.

From the East and the West, from the North and the South, let it continue to lead the enquiring stranger to the "Hope of Israel." Let it tell of a calm, peaceful, starry night, with shepherds in the fields watching their flocks, and inquiring strangers following the light of the Blazing Star, until it rests "over the place where the young child lay," and sheds its rays of calm and serene beauty along the path to the caravansera, and the manger, and Shiloh. Let it be the herald of good tidings and great joy—the abiding reminder of that wonderful event which proclaimed deliverance to humanity, and opened, through the dark chambers of the tomb, a "highway" to immortality in the heavens. Let the mystic light which emanates from that radiant star flame along the pathway of the obedient Craftsman, until it shall guide him to Mount Zion—the emblem of that Temple "not made with hands."

"Hail to the Craft! whose light broadly beaming,
Streams from the loveliest Star of the sky;
O'er sorrow's vale ever cheerfully gleaming,
Guiding to yonder bright temple on high.
Still may that *holy ray*,
Type of Immortal day,
Light the lone path of the pilgrim along;
Till the Grand Master's 'hest,
Bid all his labours rest,
Attuning his harp to the mystical song."

SOC. ROSICR.: in Angliâ.

York College.—The August gathering of the members of this body was held in the Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, Ripon, by kind permission of the W.M. and brethren of the De Grey and Ripon Lodge, No. 837, on Wednesday, the 17th instant. The fraters assembled about noon, from York, Leeds, and other places, and after luncheon at the Unicorn Hotel, Ripon, drove to Studley, when they inspected the glorious old ruins of Fountains Abbey. Fra. Peterson, of Bradford, was to have given an explanation of the architectural features of the building, and from his professional knowledge, and the fact that he has for years made Cistercian Architecture his special study, the fratres had looked forward to the event. At the last moment, however, came the intelligence that Fra. Peterson was dangerously ill, and quite unable to be present. Fra. Dr. Maffry, of Bradford, however, most kindly and bravely stepped into the gap, and conducted the party round the ruins, acting most ably as guide. On returning to Ripon, the M.C. was formed by the following members:—T. B. Whytehead IX. Chief Adept, T. W. Holmes VI. Celebrant, J. S. Cumberland VII. Secretary and Treasurer, W. Bowley VI. 1st A., W. Paley I. as 2nd A., J. Oates I. as 3rd A., S. Middleton I. as 4th A., J. Maffey IV. Con. of N. A. T. B. Turner II. Organist, J. F. Taylor I., C. S. Lane I. Successful ballots were taken for four candidates, and Brothers T. Trevor, G. Ayre, C. R. Fry, and W. Harrison were duly admitted into the M.C., the ceremonies being worked by Fraters T. W. Holmes Celebrant, and J. S. Cumberland Past Celebrant. It was resolved, on the motion of the Chief Adept, that accepted aspirants who do not come forward for addission within twelve months of acceptance shall be ineligible without a fresh proposition and ballot. Votes of thanks were passed to the brethren of the De Grey and Ripon Lodge for the use of their Lodge-room, and to Fra. Maffry for his promptness in undertaking the task of the morning, and it was suggested that he should put his remarks in form for publication. Several letters of apology for absence [illegible]

Church of England Temperance Society, who in t
pertinent remarks drew attention to the advance m
ciated with the Temperance movement since the
persons who did not wish to partake of intoxica
supply their requirements were a few coffee-stal
This exhibition showed what had been done to sub
refreshing, and palatable beverages for those w
urged to give up. He hoped the Exhibition would b
advocates of Temperance, and he trusted th
this movement might be to bring the var
societies into a much closer union. Among ot
sonages who have taken part in the moveme
tioned Canon Duckworth, Lord Claud Hamilton,
the United Kingdom Alliance, while in the list of
found some of the most enterprising firms in the co
every known requisite that will tend to simpli
minimise the cost of the several articles they dispen
has been arranged under the direction of Mr. T
most creditably has he carried out the task entrus
of the features that claim attention is the artisti
their goods by Messrs. Evans, Sons, and Co., of
takes the form of a gigantic "trophy," of pyramid
its immense height cannot fail to attract the
Messrs. Evans distribute samples of their Mont
Vin Santé, &c. In the same class of exhibitors we
tion to the Messrs. Feltoe, who claim for their "Spec
that it is absolutely non-alcoholic and pure; is f
acid; contains no medicinal substance; and wi
sound and bright in all climates after the b
We are great believers in lime juice as a remedy f
its accessories, and speak from some experience
derivable from it. At the same time it is absolut
something should be done to overcome the "
generally complained of. Messrs. Feltoe claim ths
succeeded, and judging by the sample we
award them due meed of praise for the success
their efforts. Messrs. Samuel Gulliver and Co. stat
ral and aerated waters are manufactured from wate
Hills, procured from the Vale of Aylesbury. They
their "Vinita," which is perfectly free from any of
of iron, soda, &c., which have been found to be d
many instances. It may be said of this firm that
first class awards at the Melbourne Exhibition, t
obtainable for mineral waters. Special reference wa
quality of their exhibits, which likewise received
and honourable mention, the firm thus securing
Mr. G. W. Bruerton is the representative for Messr
points out, with justifiable pride, the compact way i
pals arrange their wares for the public and the elega
bottle presents when offered to the consumer.
freshing drink much to our taste was Messrs. Clayto
link Hopetta, which though it looks like beer, sm
tastes like beer, is not intoxicating, and has been
beer." It has the especial merit of being ver
Imperial half-pints can be supplied from the Br
Trent, or from any of Messrs. Clayton's Agents
(bottles 1s and case 5s extra); and in 6 dozen ca
ance of 10s being made when case and bott
Hopetta may also be had in casks, and as a d
we doubt not it will meet with special favour
to understand the demand for this artic
necessitated its manufacture to the extent of 300
Messrs. Clayton also introduce a Hopetta Champ
supply at 6s 6d per dozen pints in six dozen cases—
each case returned, and 8d per dozen for empty bo
the Hall likewise have the opportunity of passi
such well-known beverages as that supplied b
Wilhelms-Quelle Company, the Gerolstein Co
Apollinaris Company, while the deservedly
&c., &c., need not be overlooked. The princip
Tea, Coffee, Cocoa, &c., are represented by Messrs
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Redwood's Prepared Cocoa Perfected, &c. As re
Messrs. Phillips & Co., it is worthy of something b
passing word of commendation. In the first plac
taste and ingenuity of Mr. Dorrell, the assistant in c
exhibits are most judgmatically arranged. Distribu
is an excellent display of vases in China and Japa

ty, such as Materfamilies would have no hesitation in ore her family. We have been at some pains in order to e details before our readers because of the teas, &c., we ied some are only to be had pure of such long and well- firms as Messrs. Phillips & Co., while others, also we feel ll in time find favour, not only with the ordinary consumer, e with the Connoisseur, and can also only be had of this may add that we took the opportunity of tasting Redwood's ocoa, and found it a most palatable and satisfying beverage. our readers who enjoy a cup of good coffee should avail s of the opportunity of testing that made from Branson's It frequently happens that after our banquets a made for this "corrective," but it is also frequently urged ties are not to hand, or the time requisite for preparation ate. Whenever or wherever these excuses are put forth recommend those who tender them to consult Mr. Branson. entleman's process coffee is "made in a moment," a single enty may be prepared with equal facility; it is quite clear, anteed free from chicory. Moreover, we found it what it esented to be. At the Hall, no inconsiderable amount of evoted to the various appliances used in every day domestic ers. Ewart are very happy in their arrangements for heat- , for cooking, or for warming apartments or conservatories. ral ice-making machines, and refrigerators are well worthy , while fittings for coffee palaces, restaurants, &c. are of perfect construction. Nor would it be just to pass en- noticed the Soups and Gravy Sauce Powders of Messrs. nd Co., of Belgrave House, Argyle Square, W.C., which have so many Prize Medals at previous Food exhibitions. These ll known that it will be sufficient if we say they are as esented here as they ever have been before. Among the eous exhibits which are only, as it were, indirectly connected purposes of this Exhibition, are the Bronzed-Iron and Marble s for Cocoa Houses, Restaurants, &c. shown by Mr. C. Huf- e Conybere Works, Birmingham. A similar compliment is r. George Edwards of the Kingsland Road, E, who has fitted s than three stalls, at which he exhibits some of the best tured billiard and bagatelle tables—with the accompanying ies in the shape of balls, cues, markers, settees and the tings—which it has been our good fortune to see. They are spects a credit to the manufacturer, and have the further f not being over costly. Altogether the Exhibition, which ain open till 3rd September, is worthy a visit.

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s always satisfactory to hear that the differences have arisen between brethren have been amicably , and, accordingly, we have great pleasure in an- ing that the dispute between Grand Treasurer and lassa is at an end. Bro. Massa has unreservedly awn the objectionable epithet which, in a thought- oment, he applied some time since to the late Grand arer, and, on hearing of this Lieut.-Col. Creaton has reservedly withdrawn the objectionable epithets he d to Bro. Massa. We take some credit to ourselves is result. We pointed out to Bro. Massa at the time, ot only was his reflection on the memory of the late Samuel Tomkins unwarrantable, seeing that a de- d brother could not take up the cudgels to defend lf, but likewise that it was untrue. Being thus ad- , Bro. Massa has most honourably withdrawn his ment, while Bro. Grand Treasurer, with a similar sense nour, has retracted what he said of Bro. Massa. We ld, indeed, be pleased, if differences between other iren were always put an end to thus amicably. Had been the case in a certain memorable instance, which made the subject of more than one discussion in Grand ge, and that too, after it had been fought out to the r end in a Court of Law, Freemasonry would have been ed a very grave scandal We feel great pleasure in ng that Bro. Clabon used his kind offices in bringing it this desirable consummation.

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THE earliest records of Royal Arch Masonry in those of the Chapter Concord, held in the and attached to the Witham Lodge (present No. Botolph's Chapter attached to the Harmony Lodge,

The Chapter of St. Botolph was first convened old minute book of that date being still in existence. ever is to be found relating to P.G. Chapter, excepti confirming the records of the Chapter of Concord gi

The Chapter of Concord was founded Aug. 21st, 1 continuously from 1808 to 1859 inclusive. Unfort the old Charter has been lost, as also the Minutes p

It is probable that these Minutes (from July, Register Book of the Chapter of Concord dating fr only existing records from which any information respecting the Provincial Grand Chapters constitute prior to 1875.

A careful search of these books has, therefore, b P.G. Registrar (Comp. T. C. Lazenby, J. 297), and the various references to P.G. Chapters which appe

Extracts from old Register and Minute B of Concord, 297, Lincoln.

1822. May 12th. "Rev. Matthew Barnett, reoc Supt."

It appears from the reference in the petition (w mending Dr. Oliver, that this Companion *was appo* but as his name does not appear as a member of the cord, Lincoln, it is probable he was a member of one Chapters in the Province.

1843. At a Chapter held Sept. 15th, it was propo "That the thanks of the Chapter be given to th trouble bestowed and diligence employed in investi tures affixed to the Petition for a Chapter to be held

"That the many irregularities thereby brought imperative to apply for the controlling authe Superintendent."

"That the Principals of this Chapter be reque respectful petition to the M.E. Pro Grand Z. the soliciting him to make such appointment, and sugg name of the M.E. Comp. the Rev. George Oliver, D. fitting for the office."

1844. Feb. 22. The following Memorial was acco to W. H. White, Esq., Grand Scribe E., for presenta Zetland.

"*To the most Excellent the Earl of Zetland, Pro cipal of the Supreme Grand Chapter of R.A. Masons*

"We, the Principals and Companions of the Ch

Province, and humbly suggest as a proper person to be
d to that office Comp. the Rev. George Oliver, D.D., Vicar of
c, near this City, a subscribing member and past First Prin-
this Chapter, who was for many years the First Principal of
leia * Chapter at Great Grimsby, in this Province.

in open Chapter, No. 374, this 20th day of February, 1844.

(Signed) Robert Goodacre, 55 and 374. Z.
J. Osmond Dakeyne, 366 and 374, H.
Rd. Sutton Harvey, Past H., as J.

Sept. 5th. At a Chapter held this day it was proposed that
quence of Comp. Dr. Oliver retiring from the active duties of
nonry, on account of advanced age, a memorial be forwarded
M.E. the First Grand Principal withdrawing the previous
endation, and substituting the name of the then First Princi.
the Chapter of Concord, viz., Comp. the Rev. John Osmond
e, M.A., Rector of South Hykeham, near this City, and Incum.
St. Benedict's, Lincoln, a Magistrate of the County, exalted
University† of Cambridge, about 1824, one to whom the Craft
n much indebted for his zeal and activity since he came to
n this City, having been principally instrumental in the revival
Masonry in the Province, a sincere lover of the Royal Art,
ll skilled in the Noble Sciences, particularly in those workings
ished by the last Grand Chapter of Promulgation.

Mar. 30. At an extraordinary Convocation, a Patent super-
by the Three Grand Principals, and subscribed by the Grand
was read in open Chapter (the Companions standing), nomi-
and appointing Comp. the Rev. John Osmond Dakeyne, past
Grand Supt. of R.A. Masonry for the Province of Lincolnshire.

following letter was also read and ordered to be entered on
nutes :—

"Freemasons' Hall, London, 27th March, 1846.

Comp.—

I have to acquaint you that the M.E. First Principal of
upreme Grand Chapter of R.A. Masons has been pleased to
t the Rev. John Osmond Dakeyne, of the City of Lincoln, to be
Supt. for Lincolnshire, to whom therefore you will in future
s all your communications relating to the Order; excepting the
ns of your Chapter, applications for Certificates, and other mat-
pecially directed by the Regulations of the Order to be made to
rand Scribe E., and which are to be forwarded to me.

"(Signed W. H. White, G. Scribe E.

Principal of Chapter of Concord, 374."

6. May 28. The Principals and Companions of the Chapter of
rd accompanied the G and Supt. to pay a visit to the
er of St. Botolph at Boston.

6. July 22. Special Convocation. In the minutes of this Chap-
he first mention occurs of P.G. Chapter. "The Chapter was
resolved into a Provincial Grand Chapter," when the following
s. were appointed to hold office ‡ in the Province.

M.E. Comp. E. A. Bromhead	-	P.G.H.
Comp. J. Middleton	-	P.G.R.
„ R. Goodacre	-	P.G.S.E.
„ E. F. Broadbent	-	P.G.N.
„ R. Taylor	-	P.G.P.S.
„ Osborne	-	P.G.O.
„ Harrison	-	P.G.S.B.

47. July 20. A Provincial Grand Chapter was summoned to
at the County Assembly Rooms, Lincoln.

PRESENT—

M.E. Comp. the Rev. J. O. Dakeyne	P.G. Supt.
„ „ E. A. Bromhead	P.G.H.
Comp. Rt. Goodacre	P.G.S.E.
„ E. F. Broadbent	P.G.S.N.
„ Ralph Taylor	P.G.P.S.
„ John Middleton	P.G. Reg.
„	P.G. St. B.
„ Osborne	P.G.O.
„ Johnson	
„ J. Stark	P.Z., Humber Ch., Hull.

Comp. H. G. Buss, Assist. Gd S.E. writes—"I can find that there
prior to the Union in 1813, a Chapter at Grimsby named Alethein.
I am unable to find any list of Members or date of Charter. In
the Chapter does not appear ever to have made any Returns to

ing, and to take such steps as might be requisite to secu
appointment of his Lordship consistent with the regulations
Order.

1849. That this appointment was duly made appears fr
minutes of the Chapter held July 17th, 1849, when a Dispens
"From the Right Hon. the Earl of Yarborough, Grand Supt.
Province of Lincolnshire, for exalting Bro. Charles Mann as a
Companion"
Was read in open Chapter, a copy of the Dispensation being i
in the Minutes.*

1851. Sep. 30. A Special Convocation met for the pur
making arrangements for the Provincial Grand Chapter on th
October next, for the enthronement of the Right Hon. the
Yarborough, Charles Anderson Worsley Pelham, as the Pro
Grand Supt. for Lincolnshire. Comp. Bromhead, as P.G.H.,
what had been done, and it was agreed that all the fur
jewels, &c., belonging to the Chapter of Concord be lent
P.G. Chapter for the occasion.

1851. Oct. 27. At a Special Convocation held at the
Assembly Rooms, Lincoln, the Right Hon. the Earl of Yarboro
duly enthroned as the P.G. Supt. for Lincolnshire.

"The Principals having vacated their chairs to the res
Officers of the P.G. Chapter, the business of the Convocati
carried on and completed by them.

"(Signed) Chas. Nairne

1856. Feb. 19. M.E. Comp. Chas. Nairne P.Z., communic
this Chapter his appointment by the M.E. Provincial Grand S
his "Deputy Supt." for this Province; the appointment being
the 22nd day of August 1855.

The present Provincial Grand Chapter was constituted i
when the M.E. Comp. William Henry Smyth, of Elkington Hal
Louth, was appointed Prov. Grand Superintendent (the date
Patent being Mar. 25, 1875). He was duly installed and enthr
Lincoln, on the 19th August, 1875, by the M.E. Comp. John
Bell, M.D., J.P., Prov. Grand Superintendent for N. and E. Yor
Prov. Grand Chapter at that time consisted of thirty-eight Me
all Subscribing Companions of one or other of the Five Chap
the Province as follows :—

St. Botolph's	272	...	8	St. James's ...	712
Concord ...	297	...	11	Oliver	792
All Saints ...	422	...	8		

Three of these are subscribers to two Chapters.

Twenty-eight Members of this P.G. Chapter were exalted
Province, ten having been exalted in other Provinces prior to
Chapters being formed in their own neighbourhood.

The Private Chapters in the Province at that time consisted
five above named, taken in the order in which they appear
Registry of the Supreme Grand Chapter of England.

Taking them, however, in the order in which they were *cons*
we find

1st. Chapter of *Concord*, 297, held in the City of Lincoln, f
Aug. 21st, 1808, and attached to the Witham Lodge, whos
number on the Registry of Modern Lodges was 374. Unfort
the old Charter of this Chapter is lost. It was held continuous
1808 to 1859 inclusive, but fell into abeyance from 1860 to 18

Notes from old Register Book, Chapter of Conc
Dating from Aug. 21st, 1808.

1809. May 2. Name altered to Chapter of Independence, (C
already in the County.†

1817. Aug. 21st. *Triple Triennial Festival.*

This seems to point to the probability of three Chapters the
ing, the third perhaps was the *Aletheia* ‡ at Great Grimsby, me

* Also in 1850, a dispensation was received by the St. B
Chapter, No. 339, from the Earl of Yarborough P.G. Supt., a
ing the exaltation of Bro. Wm. Howell, as a serving Compa
P.D.M.

† Where was the other Chapter of Concord? Comp. H. G
Assist. Gd. S.E., writes—"The first Concord Chapter attache
Witham Lodge, then 557, afterwards 374 (now 297) was grant
time between 1815 and 1817. This Chapter was erased b
Chapter in August 1861. I am unable to find any record of this
having taken the name of Independence, or of there having b

1849. The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Yarborough, Deputy Grand Master of England, and P.G.M. of Lincolnshire, appointed P.G. Supt. for the Province, in succession to M.E. Comp. the Rev. J. O. Dakeyne, who had left the county.

1851. Oct. 27. Installation and Enthronement of Lord Yarborough as P.G. Supt., Comp. Brombead as acting P.G.H. performing the ceremony.

1854. May 18. The new Chapter Hall, in Grantham Street, dedicated by the Earl of Yarborough.

The present Chapter was consecrated July 28th, 1869, by M.E. Comp. William Henry Smyth, the present Prov. Grand Supt., then P.Z. 792. The Present Charter is dated May 5th, 1869. The Chapter of *Concord* has held meetings in all for sixty years, but only twenty-eight Companions have filled the office of First Principal during that time, giving an average of over two years to each. Out of this number of past First Principals six are subscribing members in 1875. The meetings are held first Tuesday in each month.

2nd. *St. Botolph's* Chapter 272, held at Boston, and attached to the *Harmony* Lodge. The Chapter appears, from an old Minute Book in the possession of Comp J. Allen, S.E. 272, to have held meetings (without warrant) as early as 1807, which were regularly continued until 1821. No evidence is forthcoming between this date and 1844, when St. Botolph Chapter, No. 339, was constituted and dedicated by the Lincoln Companions (Comps. Dakeyne, Brombead, Goodacre, Taylor, Whitehouse, etc., being present as members of Concord, 374). The present charter is dated Nov. 1st, 1843, signed by Zetland Pro Z., Salisbury H., Ramsbottom J., William H. White S.E., and A. Dobie N.

Chapters were held in 1846, and again in 1850, 1862, and 1863, after which date there is no evidence until it was revived by dispensation dated 19th January, 1871. Since which time it has held regular meetings, and all its past principals continue subscribing members. The meetings are held the 3rd Monday in each month.

Extracts from old Minute Book, belonging to Chapter St. Botolph, No. 272, Boston, dating from Mar. 15, 1807.

FIRST ENTRY—

"*Holy Royal Arch Chapter* convened and held at the Ship Tavern, Boston, by the sanction of the Lodge of Harmony, No. 453.

Companions Present—

Wm.† Willman Z., Cohen H. Jno. Wilson J.

Bros. Wm. Wells, John Brotherton, West Brotherton, Adam Dods, Wm. Wilkinson, Jno. Barton, Hawson Scarborough, and Thos. Wilson.

"Chapter convened in due form 15th March,‡ 1807, when R.W. Bros. Willman, John Wilson and Cohen presided as Grand Chiefs, and finding Bros. Wm. Wells, Jno. Brotherton, West Brotherton, Adam Dods, Wm. Wilkinson, Jno. Barton, Hawson Scarborough and Thos. Wilson duly qualified, exalted them to the sublime degree of R.A. Masons. Chapter then adjourned until next meeting."

1807. March 18. "Chapter convened in due form, when E.W. Bro. Chas. Willman, John Wilson and Cohen presided as Grand Chiefs, Bro. Wm. Wells and Bro. John Brotherton, were duly elected Grand Chiefs for the ensuing twelve months. West Brotherton Scribe Ezra, Adam Dods Assistant Scribe Nehemiah, Wm. Wilkinson Treasurer, Bro. Jno. Wilson Principal Sojourner, Jno. Barton and Hawson Scarborough Sojourners, etc."

1807. Dec. 27. After two exaltations the "Chapter then adjourned until the first Sunday in April."

1813. Five guineas voted "to the Craft Lodge, toward[s] at the procession."†

1816. April 28. Agreed that "*on account of the* [illegible] *P.G.M. that Bro. Barnett, D.P.G., be wrote too, to now his Respect to gaining a Warrant for Holding a Chapter.*"

1817. Jan. 12. Two guineas voted to the widow of [illegible] and Comp. Rylatt. First mention here of new No. of H[illegible] 512, although altered in 1814.

At several meetings, there being no other busines[s] Comps. lectur'd on the Holy Royal Arch."

1819. April 18. First meeting at private room, C[illegible] Boston.

1821. June 17. Resolved to "write to Grand Chapter f[or]

The Chapter appears to have met regularly from 180[illegible] from this date till 1844 the Minute Book is a blank. I[t] bable that no meetings were held as on the *very next* above entry appear the following:—

The Royal Arch Chapter of St. Botolph, No. 339, co[nsecrated] Lodge Room, Church Street, Boston, 11th June, 1844.

The Chapter was opened in due form by the Com[panions] Chapter of Concord, No. 374, Lincoln, when Bros. Cor[nelius] and James Thornton, Spalding, were obligated afresh.‡

The Chapter was duly consecrated, and Comp. Geo[rge] appointed first Principal, Bro. Comp. B. Williamson se[nior] Bro. Comp. Z. Woodward third Principal, and all wer[e] stalled.

It was agreed that the By-Laws be the same as t[hose] Concord.

1846. May 28. Among those present were several [members] Chapter of Concord, 374, viz. Rev. J. O. Dakeyne P.G. Brombead Z.,§ Cotton H., Goodacre P.G.S.E., Whe[atley] Taylor J., Middleton N., and Hanson J.

"The Grand Superintendent produced the Patent [and] to his office."

From an old account book it appears that at this ti[me] tion fee was £3 3s.

1850. April 11. "Bro. Wm. Howell was exalte[d] brother without fees by virtue of a dispensation f[rom] Yarborough, Grand Supt., for that purpose."

In the present Minute Book we find the first entry [on] 1862. June. Comp. Bailes elected first Principal, T[aylor] and Stainbank third.

No notice of any meeting between 1850 and 1862.

1863. Dispensation from the Earl of Zetland M.E.Z. Joshua Marjason as Serving Comp.

1871. Chapter revived by dispensation, since which [meet]ings have been continuous.

3rd. All Saints' Chapter, No. 422, held at Gainsbor[ough] Aug. 15, 1836, and attached to the Yarborough Lod[ge] No. 611. The Charter is dated May 1, 1836. Meet[ings] held since its commencement, but the Register of t[he] cipals has not been kept. Of the nine First Principals office in this Chapter, whose names have been register[ed] subscribing members, including M.E. Comp. J. W. Pa[ley] Principal of this Chapter when it was founded. T[he] held the 2nd Monday in Feb., May, Aug., and Nov.

4th. Oliver Chapter, No. 792, held at Grimsby, wa[s] 5, 1865, and is attached to the Pelham Pillar Lodge, t[he] dated May 3, 1865. It has held meetings continu[ously] establishment, and is the largest Chapter in the Provi[nce] Companions who have held office as First Principals [on] tion of the P.G. Chapter, six are still subscribing mem[bers] M.E. Comp. W. H. Smyth, the present Prov. Grand [Z.] First Principal of the Chapter when it was founded. [Meetings] are held on the third Tuesday bi-monthly in Feb., A[pril] Oct., and Dec.

5th. Saint James Chapter, No. 712, held at Louth, [in] the Lindsey Lodge. This Chapter was founded Ju[ne] Charter being dated May 6, 1874, M.E. Comp. James [Stevenson] First Principal elected. The meetings are held the [first] full moon in Jan., April, July, and October.

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but the only circumstance connected with it that I am able to give is that Bro. George Parker was elected First Principal in 1814. It was no doubt attached to the Apollo Lodge."

* In June, 1833, a resolution was passed in Grand Chapter "that a Committee be appointed to consider the Ceremonies of Installation of Principals, and other Ceremonies of the Order." In February, 1834, a Committee was nominated for the purpose, and in February, 1835, the Grand Z., the Duke of Sussex, issued his Warrant nominating twenty-seven Companions in all to form the "*Committee or Chapter for instruction and promulgation of the several Ceremonies of the Order.*" This Committee or Chapter of Promulgation doubtless had many meetings, to one or more of which it would appear that Comp. Wright was

* Query Cohen.

† In the record of P.G. Lodge we find Aug. 12th, [a] a procession to Church at Grimsby after dedication [of] by the D.P.G.M.

l on the minutes to the Installing Master for the manner he ormed the ceremony, for which he returned thanks. Lodge n closed, and the brethren adjourned to banquet, which they justice to. On the cloth being removed the Loyal toasts were d, and full honour done them. The I.P.M. proposed the of the W.M. in a short but effective speech, which drew forth dial approbation of the brethren. Bro. Clark replied by the brethren he would ever have the interests of the Upton t heart, and whatever he could do for its advantage he would. gratulated the Lodge on its having such an efficient staff of to assist him in carrying out the duties, and trusted s conduct during his year of office would be such as to merit inuance of their confidence. The W.M. then proposed alth of the Installing Master Brother Fenner, in a very nentary speech, and presented him, in the name of the Lodge, Past Master's jewel. In doing so he observed that he had rned it, and expressed a sincere wish that he might live for ears to wear it. In reply, Bro. Fenner said he felt proud at gained the honourable distinction of P.M., also of feeling he confidence of the brethren of the Lodge. He trusted that might occur to lessen this confidence, and assured the brethhe would in the future as in the past strive to do his best for efit of the Lodge. The other toasts were in due course proand as duly honoured. Bro. Initiate remarked that he felt l to become a member, and hoped to gain such Masonic knowas others had undoubtedly achieved. The toast of the Visitors sponded to by Bro. Lardner W.M. 1745, while Bros. Picking and replied for the P.M.'s. The Treasurer and Secretary severally . Brother Wayland, in thanking the brethren for the ment paid him, said he had lost an efficient Secretary, m what opportunities he had already had of judging, thought Clark would be efficiently replaced by Bro Rowe. Bro. replied by assuring the brethren that he would try and do his he felt confident that he should be able to secure the appro- of the W.M. and the confidence of the brethren. The Officers' was responded to by Bro. R. W. Pearcy. As the time was short, and trains do not wait for Masons more than for other he W.M. had to sound the gavel for the Tyler's toast, which t a very pleasant evening to a close. The Visitors were Bros. P.M. 1155, Payn W.M. 201, Lardner W.M. 1745, Woolly 15, 181, Weeden and Perl 813, and Dupree 1851. The following en, by songs, contributed to the enjoyment of the evening :— Lund, Serjeant, Patrick, G H. Clark, Stroud, and last, though st, the Organist, Bro. Sherwin, who assisted both in a vocal as instrumental capacity.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT LODGE, No. 1834.

E regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Commercial-road, Landport, on Tuesday, 23rd inst., when a assemblage of the Craft attended to witness the installation of .M. elect Bro. George Mason, of Southsea. The ceremony was lly rendered by Bro. J. Willmott P.M. 342, and the W.M. ted and invested the following brethren as his Officers for the g year: Bros. T. Good I.P.M., W. D. Parkhouse S.W., G. y Brown J.W., S. R. Ellis P.M. Treasurer, John Wesley Gardner tary, George Banning S.D., J. Westaway J.D., J. S. Gardner James Moody D. of C., Henry Bainton and W. W. Slade rds, J. Exell Tyler. After the customary work of the Lodge een concluded, the brethren adjourned to the spacious dining where about fifty partook of a banquet served in a *récherché* by the staff of the Freemasons' Club. The usual Loyal and ic toasts were duly honoured, and Colonel Shadwell Clerke, the l Secretary of England, in responding for H.R.H. the Prince les and the Officers of the Grand Lodge, in a lengthy speech estimony to the great and increasing interest manifested by the e in the promotion and welfare of the Ancient Order. The l Secretary, after passing a high eulogium on the other memof the Royal Family—viz., their R.H. the Dukes of Connaught lbany, who were prominent, active, and most zealous Masons, hose working in the Craft was of high merit, proceeded to out to the brethren the high moral effect the influence of nry had in uniting all classes in one great fraternal union. thanking the W.M. and brethren for their cordial and hospireception, and congratulating the brethren on their magnificent e room, and good working of their Lodge, the Grand Secretary nded, amidst the hearty plaudits of the brethren. Bro. Mark

W.M. 905, Thomas P. Pilsgrove W.M. 907, [illegible]
J. Gieve W.M. 1069 P.G. Secretary, J. Hayman W.M. 257, V
Judd, J. J. Slade, George Sylvester, George Dean, George
T. Good W.M. 1834, J. V. Banjalup Secretary 344, 1776,
Parkhouse 1834, George Forney Brown 1834, George Banning
John Westaway 1834, James Moody 1834, J. W. Gardner Sec
1834, W. W. Slade 1834, Charles Bovis 1834, J. W. Wilmott 18
P.M. 342, H. Bainton 1834, T. V. Box 1834, J. S. Gardner 183

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—A
Smyth's, the Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, on th
instant. Bros. Christian W.M., Jones S.W., Edwards J.W.,
S.D., Clark J.D., Smyth I.G., J. Lorkin Secretary, C. Lorkin
Preceptor; Bros. Polak, Carr, A. Clark, Yonng, Gompertz,
and others. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the m
of last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Polak answe
questions leading to the third, and was entrusted. Lodg
opened in the third degree, and Bro. Polak was raised
sublime degree of Master Mason. The W.M. gave the trad
history; he also worked the third section of the lecture, assis
the brethren. The Lodge was resumed, when Bro. Carr, as
date for passing, was entrusted, and passed to the degree of
Craft. Bros. Gompertz and Clegg, of the Gresham Lodge, N
were elected members.

On Tuesday, 23rd instant, Bros. Wardell W.M., Clark S.W.
J.W., J. Lorkin Secretary, Wallington Preceptor, Polak S.D., A
J.D., Christian I.G.; also Bros. Boyce, Young, Carr. Afte
liminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro.
acting as candidate. Bro. Christian worked the first, secon
fourth sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro
was elected W.M. for the ensuing week, when the ceremony
stallation will be rehearsed by Bro. P.M. Wallington, the abl
ceptor. Brethren will have a Masonic treat, as Bro. Wallington
a high reputation as an exponent of the ceremonies. Lodge
opened at 8 o'clock. Lodge was closed in due form, a
journed.

The La Tolerance Lodge of Instruction has removed
Maddox-street, Regent-street, to Morland's Hotel,
street, Oxford-street. The members meet every Wedn
evening at eight o'clock.

His Royal Highness Prince Leopold, Duke of Alban
signified his acceptance of the invitation to preside
217th Anniversary Festival of the Scottish Corpo
which will be held on the 30th of November (St. An
Day).

THE THEATRES, &c.

DRURY LANE.—At 7.40, YOUTH.

COVENT GARDEN.—At 8, PROMENADE CONCERTS.

HER MAJESTY'S.—At 8, HAVERLY'S MONSTER TROUPE O NIGGERS. Wednesday and Saturday at 2 also.

ADELPHI.—At 7.15, THE MIDDY ASHORE. At 8.15, JANET P

HAYMARKET.—At 7.30, THE LITTLE TREASURE. At 8.3 LYNNE.

PRINCESS'S.—At 7, TWO OLD BOYS. At 8, THE OLD LO THE NEW.

STRAND.—At 7.30, UP THE RIVER. At 8, OLIVETTE.

GAIETY.—At 7.0, OPERETTA. At 7.30, FAST COACH, At 8.30, THIEVES.

OLYMPIC.—At 8, CLAUDE DUVAL.

CRITERION.—At 8, WITHERED LEAVES. At 8.45, FLATS.

OPERA COMIQUE.—At 8, UNCLE SAMUEL. At 8.30, PATIE

PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 8.30, THE COLONEL.

FOLLY.—At 7.30, HIS LAST LEGS. At 8.30, IMPRUDENCE.

NEW SADLER'S WELLS.—HAMLET.

ALHAMBRA.—At 7.30, FARCE. At 8.15, BRONZE HORSE.

ALEXANDRA PALACE.—This day, HORSE LEAPING FETE COSMOPOLITE. Monday and Tuesday, TROTTING M CONCERT, &c.

CRYSTAL PALACE.—This day, CONCERT, THE PAL

704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1469—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In.
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road, at 8 (In.)
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)

62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
148—Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
1177—Tenby, Royal Assembly Rooms, Tenby, Pembroke
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8 (Instruction)

TUESDAY, 30th AUGUST.

55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
940—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)

241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30 (Instruction)
299—Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
310—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle
573—Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen
1358—Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton
1566—Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead
R.A. 721—Grosvenor, Masonic-chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester

WEDNESDAY, 31st AUGUST.

House Committee, Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, Croydon, at 3
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
224—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, at 8 (In.)
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dean Street, Oxford St. at 7.45 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 7.30 (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
861—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
1288—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

163—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
439—Scientific, Masonic Room, Bingley
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction)
996—Sondes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk
1083—Townley Parker, Mosley Hotel, Beswick, near Manchester
1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby (Instruction)
1119—St. Bede, Mechanics' Institute, Jarrow
1219—Strangeways, Empire Hotel, Strangeways, Manchester
1283—Ryburn, Central-buildings, Town Hall-street, Sowerby Bridge
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
M. M. 178—Wiltshire Keystone, Town Hall, Devizes
R.C.—Philips, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

THURSDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER.

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., at 8 (Instruction)
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6.30. (Inst.)
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst.)
1445—Prince Leopold, Mitford Tavern, Sandringham-road, Dalston
1611—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Inst.)
M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Bell Hotel, Shoreditch. (Instruction.)

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle.
38—Union, Council Chamber, Chichester
123—Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorkshire
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Instruction)
254—Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry
266—Napthali, Masonic Hall, Market-place, Heywood
269—Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
291—Constitutional, Assembly Rooms, Beverley, Yorks
295—Combermere Union, Macclesfield Arms, Macclesfield
300—Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne
309—Harmony, Red Lion, Fareham
R.A. 758—Bridgwater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
R.A. 1339—Stockwell, Half Moon, Herne Hill.
M.M. 63—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.

FRIDAY, 2nd SEPTEMBER.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Inst
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edg
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8 (Instr
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instru
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonl
1385—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instructi
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenw
Metropolitan Masonic Benevolent Association, 155 Fleet-street,

44—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
81—Doric, Private Room, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
219—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Todmorden.
242—St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster.
306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instru
521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfi
539—St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall.
837—De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
839—Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1143—Royal Denbigh, Council Room, Denbigh
1333—Athelstan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick.
1387—Charlton, Masonic Room, Charlton-cum-Hardy
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1528—Fort Masonic Hall, Newquay, Cornwall.
1557—Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham.
1561—Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Edward-street, Morecambe
1648—Prince of Wales, Free masons' Hall, Salem-street, Bra
1684—Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, High street, Gosforth.
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birr
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmi

SATURDAY, 3rd SEPTEMBER

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., at 8. (Inst
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7
R.A. 975—Rose of Denmark, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st.,

306—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood.
1273—Amherst, King's Arms Hotel, Westerham, Kent
1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton He

HIGH CROSS LODGE, No. 73

THE Annual Meeting of this Lodge was held at th Hotel, Tottenham, on Wednesday, when Bro. J placed in the chair. The meeting was well attende bers and visitors; the work was admirably performe Bro. Clements, while the after proceedings were of a character. All things considered, the installation may be pronounced one of the most successful know After the usual formalities Bro. James Garrod was gated, and installed, and having been saluted, he inv ing brethren as his Officers, viz.—Bros. Tegg S.W Dance P.M. Treas., Cunningham P.M. Sec., Fidler Meek D.C., Goodall and Gilling Stewards, and W ceremony of installation was then completed, and closed. Among the Visitors who were present we Broadley P.D.D.G.M. Malta, F. Binckes P.G. Sta W.M. 1110, J. Chapman 1768, J. H. Thompson 1580, 40, A. Durrant P.M. 1185, Barber 933, E. Poore 123 A. Bryant J.W. 1237, Taverner W.M. 1237, C. C. Pear P.M. 27, J. E. Pinder 1707, J. Bell 181, T. Evans 1237, J. Webb 1707. A. Pawson 1732, W. H. McBirney 18 A. C. Boot 362, J. Charlton 1446. Hale 8, W. W. 1107, &c. The brethren then repaired to the banq an excellent repast was provided by the host, to which ample justice was done. At its concl grace had been said, the W.M. proposed the toast of which was coupled that of the Craft. This was ledged, and followed by that of H.R.H. the Prince G.M., after which the W.M. proposed that of th Present and Past. In introducing this toast he ha in referring to the presence of a distinguish Past District Grand Master of Malta, Bro. B from such a distance, the W.M. felt all the greater tioning the name of Bro. Broadley in connection The District with which he was associated was just lent state, but he trusted that the trouble there h

very proud to attend a Lodge which had for so long a time credit of being a staunch supporter of the Charities, and was or its generally strict adherence to the principles of the He owed his knowledge of the members to the Masonic ince the introduction of which he thought a great and bene- ange had come over Freemasonry. It would now afford him easure to be able to endorse the good opinion already formed friends as to the character of the Lodge, which he had with great pleasure. Bro. Clements now assumed the gavel ose the health of the Worshipful Master. During his term of ceremony had given him greater pleasure than had that of ng Bro. Garrod into the chair. In initiating a member into er it was necessary for a Master to rely to a very great ex- the recommendations of others, but in the case of installing ssor it was different; in that case the Master, and indeed brethren, had their own experience on which to base an , and it was but natural that a different feeling should be ex- ed by the Master, more particularly when, as was the case ro. Garrod, the incoming brother was more than usually profi- the work of the Lodge. In installing such a Master he felt eally he was not longer wanted in the Lodge, as his successor ite capable of performing all the duties that could possibly be d of him. If any further proof of the fitness of Bro. Garrod office were required than that possessed by each individual r, he thought that the action of the members of the Lodge of ction attached to the High Cross Lodge would supply it. apron with which he had that evening had the honour esting Bro. Garrod was presented to him by the members ark of their esteem and regard. The gift in itself, he felt, be agreeable to Bro. Garrod, but when with it were tendered artiest good wishes of the donors, he felt it would be even more could only hope that as Master of the High Cross Lodge Bro. d would continue to merit that regard from all with whom he ssociated that was so apparent at the present time. The apron ed to is mounted with silver fittings, and enclosed in a case bears the following inscription :—

resented by the members of the High Cross Lodge of Instruc- to Bro. James Garrod on his installation as W.M. of the High Lodge, No. 754, 24th August 1881."

. Garrod tendered his sincere thanks for the kind way in which rethren had received the toast. He should endeavour to conduct work of the Lodge to the satisfaction of them all, but he was d, following in the footsteps of such a Mason as Brother ents, that he had a very hard task before him. Five years he had been initiated in the Lodge, and forty-six years since id made his appearance in this world, to disturb the peace and ony of the establishment he thus formed a part of; so far the was an auspicious one as far as he was personally concerned. oped to enjoy his Masonic meetings as much in the future as he in the past. Referring to the testimonial presented to by the Lodge of Instruction, he could only say he valued it much, and desired to thank the members for their kindness. then proposed the health of Bro. Clements the I.P.M., referring to very satisfactory manner in which that brother had performed the mony of installation, and the work of the Lodge generally during past year. He had great pleasure in presenting him with the el which had been voted by the members, and which all felt was l deserved. He might say that although Masters in the past have been as much entitled to the jewel of a P.M., there was one who could possibly have better deserved it than did Bro. ments. Bro. Clements in a few well chosen words tendered his nks to the brethren for the support they had given him in the t, and for the jewel that day presented him. He hoped he ht never disgrace the position of Past Master, to which he had succeeded, but ever fill it to the benefit of the Craft in general l the High Cross Lodge in particular. He had the satisfaction of ling that he left the chair of the Lodge with the esteem of the thren, and also with a clear conscience, having done all that lay his power to fulfil his duty. Bro. Garrod had said that he was it night really placed on his trial; and he (Bro. Clements) could y hope that twelve months hence he would deserve clean and clear a verdict as had been given to him at evening. Brother Garrod then introduced the toast of Visitors, which was responded to by several of the ests of the evening; after which the Charities was given m the chair, and acknowledged by Bros. Binckes and Thompson. e Past Masters, the Masonic Press, the Officers, and the Tyler's asts were severally given and acknowledged, thus bringing the pro- edings to a conclusion. Among the Past Masters present were os. J. Wells, T. Jones, J. Linzell, J. Cunningham, G. Townsend, Barham, W. Dance, H. Stephens, G. Burford, &c.

A COMPLIMENTARY inaugural banquet was held on the instant, at the Royal Aquarium, Brighton, the occasi Bro. Douglas M. Sherwill 813 (late Manager to Bros. Ritte Clifford, of the Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, City) undert the proprietorship of the refreshment department of the establishment. Several friends came specially from London to port Bro. Sherwill and wish him success in his new ente The chair was occupied by Mr. McMillan, Q.C., Chairman Company, supported by the Mayor (Bro. David Smith), Ald Davey (ex-Mayor), Sir John Bennett, General Streeter; Ald Brigden, Cox, Hallett, Albery; Messrs. Evitt, Curtis, D. H. J Collings, Wilks, A. Painter, Arthur, Levey, C. Hudson, Pinn, Taylor, Wilkinson, H. M. Levy, &c. The déjeûner place in the Exhibition Room, which was artistically deco and where was exhibited an antique cabinet, over two hu years old, in splendid preservation, presented by the last of Venice to the English Ambassador, Sir Richard Worsley, in kindly lent by Bro. T. Winter, of Blencoe House, Brighton. room was photographed by Messrs. Lombardi and Son, of street. The Chairman eloquently proposed the Loyal and o mentary toasts, Bro. Sir John Bennett making a very hu speech. The Chairman, in proposing the toast of the day, re that he thought the Directors might congratulate themsel having made a happy selection. However, he felt bound to sa their late contractor, Mr. George Reeves Smith jun., had done h to their satisfaction; he left of his own accord, and all wishe success in his new venture. Personally, he thought the Direct acted wisely in selecting Mr. Sherwill to fill the position. H been chosen from among a number of applicants, and durir short time he had occupied the post he had discharged his duti satisfactory manner. Not only does he individually exert hi but he has also the assistance of his amiable wife. On the oc of the visit of their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princ Wales he gave them every satisfaction. He would now ask the to drink to his health and success. With the toast he would cou name of Mrs. Sherwill. Bro. Sherwill, in responding, said he anticipate so many being present from London. He was ho by the presence of the Chairman, the Mayor, Sir John Benne many other kind friends, who had attended to welcome him on auguration. He regretted the absence of many distinguished ci and re-echoed the sentiments of the Chairman, that whate try to do we should do well and to the best of our ability Sherwill then announced that in future there would be a table from five till eight, at a charge of 3s 6d, including admission Aquarium. The company were delighted with songs and gl Bros. Chaplin Henry, Kift, J. Brown, and Arthur Thompso H. Harker was the Toast Master. All these brethren came to Bro. Sherwill, and gave their valuable services, which we appreciated by all present. The company separated about o'clock, when hearty good wishes were given by the friends Sherwill, who desired him every success.

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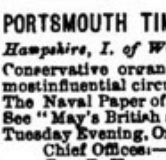
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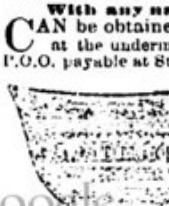
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L ARCH MASONRY IN LINCOLNSHIRE.

published last week so much of the History of Royal Arch Masonry in Lincolnshire as Comp. F. den, Provincial Grand Scribe E., has been able to from the few sources of information open to him. particulars are neither so ample nor so consecutive it have been desired is not Comp. Marsden's fault. e which befals the Minute Books of so many Lodges and Chapters appears to have befallen colnshire Chapters. Some of these archives have st, we fear, permanently, and others have been ctly kept, so that Comp. Marsden is to be congra- on having gleaned the information we placed before ders last week. Our present duty is to sort the he has obtained, and make them into as connected y as their many imperfections will allow.

ference to the Grand Lodge Calendar shows that in shire there are at the present time six R.A. rs, namely, St. Botolph's Chapter, No. 272, Boston; d Chapter, No. 297, Lincoln; All Saints' Chapter, 22, Gainsborough; St. James's Chapter, No. 712, ; Oliver Chapter, No. 792, Great Grimsby; and St ew's Chapter No. 1447, Barton-on-Humber. The st of the last-named Chapter bears date the 3rd ber of last year, the date of its consecration being f March 1881. Chapter No. 712 is also young, as arter is dated only as far back as 6th May 1874. Oliver Chapter is nine years older, having been red on 3rd May 1865, while No. 422 was founded August 1836, its warrant being dated 1st May of that Thus there are only two out of the six Chapters which int to any lengthened existence, namely, Nos. 272 and nd these, unfortunately, have had the misfortune to abeyance years together, and for a time both dis- red from the roll of Grand Chapter, the present nts being dated, that of No. 272 1st November and that of No. 297 the 28th July 1869. The two. ver, have a history extending back to the first decade present century. St. Botolph, No. 272, held meet- without warrant from 1807 to 1821. What befel it be- the latter year and 1844 there is no evidence to show; n this 1844, being then No. 339, it was formally con- ed and dedicated. Between 1863 and 1871 there are ecords of anything being done, and it was revived by [illegible] January 1871. Concord No. 297, [illegible] to the Witham Chapter was founded 21st August [illegible] held continuously till 1858 inclusive. It [illegible] 1858, and its present Charter, as we have [illegible] 16th July 1860. There appears also to have [illegible] Chapter at Great Grimsby, bearing the name [illegible], of which the late Dr. Oliver was for many [illegible] Principal, but when became of it is no [illegible] probably never will be, unless the missing [illegible] of the Province should be recovered.

[illegible] Companions who at different times have held [illegible] of Provincial Grand Superintendent, we find [illegible] made of the following, namely

[illegible] Rev. Matthew Barnard, recommended and appointed.
[illegible]6, Rev. J. O. Miskeyne, appointed.
[illegible]. The Earl of Yarborough, continued in 1851.
[illegible]. Major W. H. Smyth (present P.G. Supt.)

[illegible] appointments [illegible] Earl of Yarborough, so that R.A. Masonry does n seem to have enjoyed a continuous period of prosperi though it may be taken for granted that, at no ti during the present century, or at all events d ing but a very brief period, has Lincolnshire been wit out at least one R.A. Chapter.

The first mention of a Prov. Grand Chapter is ma 22nd July 1846, when a special Convocation of t Concord Chapter, then No. 374, was held, and the Chapt was "resolved into a Provincial Grand Chapter," and c tain Companions were appointed Officers of the Provin The year following another meeting of Provincial Gra Chapter was held, but the minutes are not forthcomi On 20th July 1849 another Provincial Grand Chapter w held, and on the 27th October 1851 the Earl of Yarl rough was enthroned, while on 18th May 1854 the n Chapter Hall in Grantham-street, Lincoln, was dedicat by his lordship. This is the sum and substance of wh appeared in our columns last week, and it now remains t us to give a short history of Royal Arch Masonry in t Province since Comp. Major W. H. Smyth was install and enthroned by Comp. J. Pearson Bell, Provincial Gra Superintendent of North and East Yorkshire, and afte wards appointed his Officers. At this time there were 1 Royal Arch Masons in the Province, of whom 38 we members of Provincial Grand Chapter, 25 being su scribing Past First Principals. At an especial Conv cation held at Boston on 14th November 1875, the Prov cial Bye-laws were submitted and approved by Provinc Grand Chapter, and signed by the Provincial Gra Superintendent, being in due course declared by the auth rities of Grand Chapter to be "in accordance with t Regulations for the Government of Royal Arch Masons On the 29th May 1877 was held the second regular Conv cation, for the purpose of dedicating the new Maso Hall of the Oliver Chapter, No. 792, Great Grimsb Comp. Smyth, Provincial Grand Superintendent, who h occupied the chair of First Principal during the fi year of the Chapter's existence, and had been re-chosen fill the same office three years later, presided, and includi Provincial Grand Officers and visitors, there were prese in all forty-one Companions. When the dedication w concluded, the ordinary business of Provincial Gra Chapter was proceeded with. The Finance accounts, audited, showed a balance on 31st December 1876 £9 10s as against £3 14s 6d at the corresponding date 1875. A sum of five guineas was voted towards t Oliver Memorial Fund, and Provincial Grand Scribe was ordered to procure the requisite jewels and collars f the Provincial Grand Officers. The Register of Co panions showed 172 subscribing members, or, deducti six who subscribed to two Chapters, 166 as against 1 the previous year. The appointment and investiture Provincial Grand Officers brought the meeting to a clo On the 1st December 1879 the third regular Convocatio was held at Gainsborough, the chair of Provincial Gra Superintendent being occupied by Companion Smyt there being in all forty-one Companions present. T business was of the ordinary character. However, it m be stated that the finance account showed a balance balance of £18 9s at the end of 1879 as against £9 10s end of 1876, while the Register of Members showed diminution of eleven during the years 1877 and 187 After the appointment and investiture of the Provinci Grand Officers, Provincial Grand Chapter was closed, a

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thirty-eight were Present or Past First Principals, two ditto Second Principals, four ditto Third Principals, and six other Provincial Grand Officers who had not passed a Principal's Chair. There is also a list of Companions who have died since the establishment of the present Prov. Grand Chapter, the most conspicuous name among them being that of the late lamented Comp. John Sutcliffe.

We beg to present our thanks to Comp. Marsden for having placed a copy of his History at our disposal, and so enabled us to present the result of his labours before our readers.

EDITORIAL BLUNDERING.

IT is not a little singular to note the strange mistakes into which even editors not infrequently permit themselves to be betrayed, or which, for lack of a little careful supervision on their part, are permitted to appear in the columns they are supposed to edit. Here is one such error which has been, in its chief particulars, laid bare by our genial contemporary the *Masonic Review* of Cincinnati, Ohio. It appears to have occurred in the Masonic column of the *New York Dispatch*, but how any one could have committed so egregious a blunder is to us unaccountable. A correspondent, in search of information on the subject of Lewises, submitted a series of questions to the Masonic Editor of the said *Dispatch*, among them being the following:—"Was General Washington initiated under twenty-one? Was the Prince of Wales, Grand Master of England, initiated under the age of twenty-one years by reason of being the son of a Mason?" And what do our readers imagine were the answers, or rather the answer, for the queries were dealt with as one—vouchsafed by our fraternal wiseacre of the *Dispatch*! Let them read, mark learn, and, if they are so fortunate as to possess the requisite powers of digestion, inwardly digest the editorial reply.

It were better, perhaps, if we premised that the antecedent questions were (1) whether a Lewis could be initated under twenty-one years by the existing laws of the Grand Lodge of New York, and (2) if such were not the case, whether such a law ever existed. The former is answered in the negative, and the latter in the affirmative, with the supererogatory addition that the law in question "has however long since fallen into desuetede," which is a matter of course, for, if the law had not fallen into desuetude, we presume that, in the order of things, it would still be in force, and might be acted upon. The editor then proceeds as follows: "Under it, however"—that is, under the law "which has long since fallen into desuetude"—"we know that General Washington, and we believe H.R.H. the Prince of Wales were made Masons, not so much because of their being sons of Masons, as on account of their disguished position. One had marshalled his country through a long and hopeless war to final victory, and the other was, and is the heir of a long line of kings, and the Fraternity in each case found itself more honoured in the breach than the observance of the law We may be wrong, but we think no mistake was made in either case. Washingtons and Wales do not grow on every bush, and the honour they have each done the Craft goes to show that exceptions prove the rule. The rule, however, no longer exists, and until another Washington or Wales turns up, there will be no excuse for making Masons of young gentle-

Virginian, and the fourth to the Prince of W
an Englishman. For this concatenation the M
of the *Dispatch* is, of course, not responsible.
has overlooked, and in his eagerness to
Washington was initiated into Freemasonry
one years, because he entered on the task o
"his country through a long and almost ho
final victory" some four and twenty years *af*
made a Mason, has made confusion a th
worse confounded. Let us confine ourselves f
to this matter of Washington's initiation.
was born in Westmoreland County, Virginia,
ruary 1732, but we have never heard, nor h
seen it recorded in any Masonic History, th
Augustine Washington, who died in 1743,
mason. He may have been, of course, as Fre
found its way into North America some t
before. But be this as it may, George Wa
initiated, when still a minor, in a Lodge at F
in Virginia, on 4th November 1752. His fi
in active warfare was in 1754, on the 27th
year he defeated a detachment of the Frenc
M. de Jumonville, who was slain in the actio
with Braddock in his ill-starred expedition
lowing, when he still further distinguished hi
was not till the 15th June 1775, that he was
the American Congress Commander-in-Chief
and commenced his task of marshalling his
victory. He had then been a member of
Fraternity for close on three and twenty year
Independence of the United States was not a
the year 1783, or eight years later, we are
understand, except on the Irish principle o
backwards, how, when at the mature age of f
he had brought his country successfully th
and almost hopeless war, he could have been
minor in a Lodge at Fredericksburg, Va.,
account of his distinguished military services

Let us now turn to the Prince of Wales,
respecting whom the Masonic Editor of the
had the good sense not so egregiously to co
He *knew* that Washington, who was initiated
yet a minor, was so initiated, not because he
a Mason—if, as we have said, such was re
though we do not know if it was—but on acco
tinguished military services rendered from t
thirty-one years after he had been made a M
believes the Prince of Wales was initiated as
because he was the son of a Mason, but beca
and is the heir to a long line of Kings."
inquiry would have satisfied our friend the e
tion firstly that the Prince of Wales was not
he was initiated into Freemasonry, and seco
was not the son of a Mason unless indeed he
ther of his own mother, who was the daught
H.R.H. the Duke of Kent; or the so
his mother's uncles, the late William the
Duke of Sussex, or Ernest Duke of
afterwards King of Hanover; in one o
ter cases he would have been King in
mother being Queen of England, while in t
unless his mother had remained single, or bein
had no children, he might not have been the "
line of Kings." As a matter of fact, the Pri
was born 9th November 1841, and was initiat
masonry some time during the year 1868, wh
the twenty-seventh year of his age, by the

ne should have stated that the Masonic laws of
ork and Virginia had not of necessity anything in
, and that because a certain law existed in New
r Virginia, therefore it did not necessarily exist in
l. It may be there is no law in New York or
a for the initiation of a minor by dispensation
e Grand Master or otherwise, but there is such
n England, and as a matter of fact a very large
of the members of our University Lodges are
l while they are as yet under age—to say nothing
t occasionally happens in other Lodges. Thus, as
our own Grand Lodge, there will be no necessity
till another Prince of Wales turns up, in order
e "Masons of young gentlemen under twenty-one;"
en if another George Washington should turn up,
r of the New York Grand Lodge, forbidding the
on of minors, will have to be either obeyed or
ed. On the whole, we cannot congratulate our
Editor of the *New York Dispatch* either on the
dge or the sense he has displayed in his answers
queries to which we have drawn attention.

Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of
ts Templar of Ohio, will be held at Cincinnati on the
nd 8th September next, and the Cincinnati and
lmann Commanderies have, according to the *Masonic*
, already issued numerous invitations to be present
reception they have arranged to give to the Grand
andery, the active co-operation of the other Com-
ries of the State being courteously invited in order
honour to the occasion. The programme, as at pre-
rranged, is on a grand scale. On Wednesday, the 7th
nber, the Grand Commander and Officers of the
Commandery, will assemble at the Gibson House,
a.m., and at 10.30 a.m. Grand Commandery
ssemble in the Masonic Temple. At 2.30 p.m.
Commanderies will meet at their respective head-
rs, and march to the rendezvous where, an hour
there will be a grand parade and review by the
Commander. From 8 to 11 p.m. there will be
ions by the different Commanderies. The remodeled
refurnished suite of Templar rooms in the Masonic
le will be thrown open to visiting Sir Knights. The
ng and afternoon of the day following there will be a
fête champétre and concerts in the Zoological Gardens,
rom 7.30 p.m. to 2 a.m., a grand reception and pro-
le concerts at Highland House, Mt. Adams, admission
ich will be confined to the Sir Knights and accompa-
ladies. An efficient Committee of prominent Knights
lar has charge of the arrangements.

Voice of Masonry says that the Grand Master of
is, during his first six months of office, answered fully
undred unofficial letters in addition to those officially
ssed to him; that he visited five and twenty Lodges,
red some thirty addresses to the Craft, and at-
d and worked in three schools of instruction. In fact,
knowledge he left no communication unanswered and
ty unattended to, and all this without neglecting his
ar avocations.

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the 28th July the first stone of a Normal College at

Mortons, Chapmans, Cusmans, and other bright par
lar Masonic Stars of the time. From 1824 to 184
was almost constantly in office either in Lodge or Cha
or the Grand Bodies of those degrees. Since then he
contented himself with remaining a simple member o
subordinate Lodge and Chapter. Bro. Billon has
been a Freemason for just fifty-eight years—a wo
record, which fully justifies the respect in which h
generally held in his State and wherever else he
known.

We read in the *New York Dispatch* that on Wednes
the 3rd ultimo, the members of St. Andrew's Lo
No. 16, Toronto, Canada, accompanied by their ladies
several prominent gentlemen of that city, arrived in
York City, *viâ* the Albany day steamer. The party n
bered some 250, and Bro. Horace S. Taylor, Grand Ma
of New York, having been apprised of the intended v
entrusted the duty of welcoming the visitors, and cond
ing them over the city to a Committee, consisting of B
W. H. Corsa D.D.G.M. Sixth District, James M. Aus
John Boyd, Seymour, Ehlers, Wright, and Van Blaric
On their arrival, the brethren and their friends w
escorted to Earles's Hotel, where they had their first e
rience of the hospitality of New York Masons, subsequen
visiting the principal objects of interest in and about
city, including Coney Island, Long Branch, and Rockaw
On Thursday they were shown over the Temple, a
which they assembled in the Grand Lodge Room, and w
formally welcomed by Bro. Corsa on behalf of the Fratern
The Toronto brethren expressed their admiration of
building and its appointments, and after the Levee, B
Anderson, W. Master of the St. Andrew's Lodge, retur
on behalf of himself and his fellow visitors his hea
acknowledgments for the kind and hospitable reception t
had experienced. Among the excursionists were B
Saunders, D.D.G.M. Toronto District, W. C. Wilkin
Secretary of the Public Schools of that city, Boustead
Kent (members of the Board of Aldermen), Ande
(City Auditor), Snyder, Tait, &c., &c.

We learn from the *Masonic Review* that the Corner S
of the new Court House at Denver, Colorado, was
some time back, with full Masonic ceremonial, by
Lawrence N. Greenleaf Grand Master, assisted by
Officers of Grand Lodge, in the presence of over 5
persons. Able addresses were delivered by Bro. Greer
and his Excellency Governor Pitkin.

The list of Lodges for which warrants have been gra
since the last Quarterly Communication of Grand L
is, as will be seen elsewhere in our columns, longer
it has been for some time past. They are twenty
in number, namely, seventeen Colonial, six Provit
and two—the Earl of Lathom, No. 1922, and the Ga
No. 1928—Metropolitan.

Of the seventeen new Colonial Lodges, seven belo
New Zealand, of which no less than five will me
the District of Canterbury, while one is for the Dis
of Auckland and one for that of Auckland. This r
the number of English Lodges in Canterbury to
twenty, the total for the whole of New Zealand
about seventy. There are also some thirty-one L
under the Scottish Constitution and about eleven I

Whenever, in ancient times, a contract or pledge of any kind was made between two parties it was made binding by plucking off the shoe and handing it to the opposite party, when the contractor was neither barefoot nor shod. Pilgrims, in early times, when they went upon that long journey of religious devotion were oftentimes required by their religion to go barefoot. This last was not a custom of the Jewish nor the Christian religion, except among the early Catholics, when it was sometimes required as an act of penance. As a ceremony it was beautiful in its teaching of humanity, from whatever source it came, and it is not to be discountenanced merely because it did not always come from the source we may have desired.

In the social element of society a similar custom prevailed. Whenever a visitor appeared at the door of the tent or dwelling it was the social custom to meet him there; remove his sandals, wash his feet, and permit him to enter, when he was seated upon the costly mat or carpet that was spread within the middle of the room. In the case of an ordinary guest this was done by a servant of the household, but when it was a distinguished person, this service was performed by the lord of the house. It was to this custom that Christ referred when Mary washed his feet, and when he reminded his host that he had not given him water to wash his feet, but that the woman had washed them with her tears and wiped them with the hairs of her head. John the Baptist also referred to the same custom when he declared that he was unworthy to undo the lachet of his Master's shoes. It was not only a custom of menial servitude, though that office was the most lowly of the oriental household, but also a question and custom of etiquette and honour among them.

When Isaiah, xx. 2, is speaking of the king of Assyria going against Ashdod, he says, "Go and loose the sackcloth from off thy loins and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot." In ancient times it was always the custom as one of the rules of war that captives were always led barefoot to their captors' homes. Thus in Isaiah xx. 4 it is said, "So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptian prisoners, and the Ethiopian captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt."

In any event among men wherever any of these things are perpetuated they are commemorative of some principle involved. Now two principles are plainly seen in these customs, first that of holy humanity, second that of fidelity to contract or promise. Were we then to use such an impressive custom, in any way, it would be to fasten thoughts of humanity and fidelity upon the mind of that one whom we desired to lead into the truth and importance of the rite we celebrated.

When the Romans demanded that the young man should be of lawful age before he could wear the manly gown, which was conferred upon him under very solemn and impressive ceremonies, it was the protection of a political right, and was a portion of that law which defined the age at which a young man was first to obtain the right of citizenship as a man. This point of determining upon a certain age for such or similar purposes was not merely Roman, nor is it only Masonic, for such laws now prevail in almost every country, but in different manners according to the degree of civilization. Among the old Spartans there were systems of training, the completion of which was celebrated by severe tasks upon the young men arriving at lawful age. Among certain tribes of Africa the boy is taken out into the forest or plain, and there receives certain lashes, which fall so heavily upon the back as to cause the blood to flow at every lick; but the absence of tears, the presence of laughter and humour, and the fact of not flinching as the heavy lash cuts into the bone, is a mark of manhood, and when he has unflinchingly endured all, he is regarded as a man. The German government requires the youth to enter the army, while the American government requires a certain age, which being attained the youth becomes a man, regardless of all other facts or conditions. Hence, in a similar sense, it is a protective requirement that Masonry demands men to be of a certain age before they can enter a Lodge.

Under the Roman government there was a certain requirement of good report, nobility of family, or of good reputation before the admission to citizenship. This does not prevail, politically, in governments of the present day; but it does prevail in Masonry, because there are certain principles involved and secrets to be kept which would be altogether unsafe in the hands of those of low moral character. Governments do not demand moral conditions as a prerequisite of citizenship, but the moral teachings of Masonry demand it as an essential qualification.

A higher principle than this is found in the character of the Jewish priesthood, where not only mental power, but high moral qualities were required; hence men were not allowed to enter the priesthood until they had arrived at the [illegible] of full [illegible]

First, then, lawful age embodied the idea of citizenship know that, technically speaking, women were not no regarded as citizens in the same sense as men; for pretation of citizenship meant the right of franchise. are regarded as of lawful age it refers to the acquisiti and the right of marriage without the consent of demanded. Second, women were not admitted i organizations because they were societies of workm and in the days of Numa they were political organ women were not admitted into these societies of wo they were not tradesmen, nor have they ever been in the world. They were not allowed to become priest any religious organization. The Jewish law require the same prevailed in heathen religion. Though som of heirship women became queens, and often rulers in times have been great manipulators of the politics of yet they have never been regarded as an essential pe cal organization of the government. Being thus dep custom of all these things which entered so largely i tion of the early societies, it was but in perfect consi membership was confined to men, and as social Mas rates these ancient orders it would be inconsistent wi to allow of such innovations.

Dr. Mackay (Encyclopædia 294) shows that all t tions demanded the use of the word "Freeborn," bu abolition of slavery in the West Indies the Grand L changed it to "freeman," but the former word demanded than the last, and as before shown the undoubtedly correct for the reasons already given in But somewhere in an argument of this kind we h reason for the words Free and Accepted, which whi in a plausible light, we have hardly investigated en full endorsement. The writer (whom we cannot give the organizations were strictly those of some tr instance, which having gained great power, were sidered by certain lords and distinguished men w with them, but were prevented from the fact tha tradesmen. Their political influence being desir granted them the freedom of the Lodge; they were a as Masons. Thus this style of writers shows that th *and Accepted Masons*," hence distinguished from the Masons. If this is the true origin of the words, it sistent with Speculative Masonry, because as the drifted away from the former Operative Masonry m tions have gotten into the ranks. These men are n are only accepted as such, and are granted the *freed* tion, hence we have become "Free and Accepted Ma undertaking to prove this theory, however plausibl the consideration of the reader.

Sharp instruments were, in the early ages, used a torture to compel men to violate their principles of c their religion or their country. They were generally swords or other instruments of war, but always instr for the purpose. It is very easy for any one to ascert character of such instruments, their use and effec their torture many denied their religion, but the us ments developed many a hero. If the ancient orde of this fact to impress inviolable secrecy upon a can tainly would never have used a working tool, becaus at times when these instruments were used and he were developed; and knowing well what was used used such instruments as would have had the desir in any later times any instrument has been usec thought, other than some real instrument of torture innovation, and should be corrected.

The *Masonic Advocate* announces that and forty-four volumes and a large numb pamphlets belonging to the late Bro. Albe are about so be offered for sale, among the old and valuable works.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Diseases of the Skin of the skin, be its nature what it may, has failed to be l potent remedies have been properly applied. In scrofu affections they are especially serviceable. Scurvy, erupt swellings, which have resisted all other modes of treatmen come worse from year to year, have been completely e cooling Ointment and purifying Pills, which root out the di itself, and leave the constitution free from every morbid ta Holloway's Ointment is [illegible]

s the knowledge requisite to make them perfect in the duties
ge. What I do object to is (1) that the ordinary course as
an average Lodge of Instruction from year's end to year's
ing else than repetition, and the system, therefore, in time
monotonous as to drive away those brethren who would
devote some time to the study of something still
ofitable; (2) that very many Preceptors, though
, as they do undoubtedly, the most perfect goodwill
termination to do their duty to the best of their
e neither intellectually nor educationally qualified to
structors. I do not blame them for their shortcomings,
they are in all likelihood in a blissful state of ignor-
blame rests with the system or want of system, which
e appointment of brethren as Preceptors without taking
east trouble to ascertain whether or not they possess the
qualifications for so important an office. I again venture to
can an educated brother continue sitting under a Pre-
o, albeit probably the jolliest of jolly good fellows, has but
nited knowledge of the grammar and pronunciation of the
anguage? If I am desirous of learning a science or an art,
ly seek out the services of a competent teacher. Why
be so ordered in Masonry, that a brother in search of know-
st content himself with the assistance of an imperfectly quali-
uctor or go without? As Bros. "ALDERMAN" and Perceval
—and I quite agree with them—there *must* be repetitions,
further, and say, additionally—That is no reason why with
rrangement there should not be occasionally forthcoming
g in the way of explanation as well.

are, in round numbers, in the Metropolitan district some
ndred regular Lodges and 110 Lodges of Instruction; conse-
the latter are to the former in the proportion of one to
Moreover, several Lodges of Instruction meet in close
y to one another, not a few in the same house. Is it, then,
ly necessary that all of them should follow the same system?
ot a plan be devised by which, while a majority of these
were reserved for elementary instruction, the minority were
t, under competent guidance, for that higher class of Masonic
hich I venture to say Bros. "ALDERMAN," Perceval, other
correspondents, and myself, are not alone in thinking desir-
not absolutely necessary.

is another way by which Lodges of Instruction might be
o far better account than they are now. If on off-nights—
when there is little else to do—the regular Lodges would
ually go through a ceremony, or work a section or two of one
ectures, I believe it would be welcomed by the members, and
ssure on the time of Lodges of Instruction would be less
so that explanatory lectures might find a place in the pro-
in addition to the work of which it now consists.

Fraternally yours,

MARS.

on, W., 30th August 1881.

IE LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE AND THE R.M.B.I.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

R SIR AND BROTHER,—I am glad to learn from Bro. Perceval's
of 20th ult. that two propositions having reference to the
t system of administering relief in excess of £50 will be sub-
to Grand Lodge at its next Quarterly Communication on
sday, the 7th September prox. Both propositions are good,
Bro. Joshua Nunn being as nearly as possible the same as the
casually suggested in my letter which appeared in your issue
6th instant. But since I have read your article of the same
have come to the conclusion that Bro. Perceval's resolution is
dly preferable. As you very properly point out: "The cases
the last few years in which a grant once made has been
d, reduced, or even questioned, might be numbered on the
s of one hand—a fact which is alone sufficient to show how
ss is this further provision by which the recommendation of
rant above £50 must not only be approved by Grand Lodge,
ch approval must be confirmed before the money can be paid
" This, as you add, is, "an excess of caution on the part of our
s, with which we could very well afford to dispense," and I trust
d Lodge, in its wisdom, will see fit to dispense with it. So long
ay is only to be justified on the ground of necessity, and the
sity, it is clear, does not exist, or exists only to an extent that
ppreciable having regard to the multitude of cases in which

desirable, its rules and regulations to those of the Schools. A La
or Lewis who subscribes to the Benevolent is certainly entitled to
same advantages as are accorded to them if they subscribe to eit
the Boys' or the Girls' School. Similar steps towards this assim
tion have already been taken, as when some years since the benefits
the Charity Jewel—if I may so speak of distinctions honourably w
—were extended to those who served the office of Steward a
Benevolent Festival, and fulfilled certain other conditions. Still m
recently, the word "pounds" has been altered into "guineas," in th
regulations respecting Life Governorships, &c., in which the for
occurred. But as to the resolution of which Bro. Perceval spec
and by which the Committee of Management will be authorised
put on annuitants, male or female, in the order in which they st
on the unsuccessful list, in order to fill up vacancies that may oc
during the six months following the election, I have my doubts at
this being the best plan for meeting an acknowledged difficu
Let the process of assimilation to which I have just refer
be carried a step further, and let there be half-yearly electi
to the Benevolent, as there are already to the Schools. I know
expenses for election must be considerable in postage alone,
I feel sure it will entail a very considerable amount of labour on
Terry and his officers. But I should be inclined to think the saving
sulting from annuities which fall in from time to time through the d
of annuitants would amply suffice to cover the outlay. There ar
will say, 150male annuitants, among whom, at £10 each, the sur
£6,000 is d e and payable yearly. But almost every month sees
death of one or more annuitants, and the full sum of £6,000 is n
quite expended. So it is with the female annuitants, among wh
if they are, say, as numerous, the same amount of £6,000 has to
distributed. Hence a little inquiry will show that the money sa
by deaths in the course of the year will suffice to cover the expe
of a second election, and leave a slight margin for remunera
additionally those on whom the additional work must fall. Th
think will be a better plan, because, as one of your correspond
some weeks since pointed out, the position of an unsuccessful ca
date on the poll is not always a true criterion to his real vo
strength. I think the brethren need not be afraid of making
changes as these, which merely involve the adaptation 'of exist
rules to an altered state of circumstances.

I thank Bro. Perceval for his courteous reference to my fo
letter.

Fraternally and faithfully yours,

S.E

BRO. PERCEVAL'S SUGGESTED AMENDMEN

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I am afraid Bro. Perceval is commi
a great mistake in piling up his amendments to our laws. F
one he has brought forward is of importance, and any change i
direction he has indicated will be an improvement in the law
now stands. But it is questionable policy, I think, for any o
propose a number of important changes all at once. In such
people are apt to get frightened, and without pausing to
whether or not the proposed changes are likely to prove bene
reject them off-hand. Within the past few weeks Bro. Perceva
brought under the notice of your readers no less than four pr
tions or suggestions, two of which concern the Rules of the Be
lent Institution and two the Constitutions. These in ord
their suggestion, are (1) a motion for dispensing with the cou
tion of Grand Lodge in the case of grants in excess of £50
have been recommended by the Lodge of Benevolence and app
by Grand Lodge; (2) proposal for a further assimilation of the
of the Benevolent Institution to those of the Schools, so that I
and Lewises may be on the same footing in respect of qualifi
for Vice-Patrons, &c., &c., to all three Charities; (3) that the b
unsuccessful candidates on the poll for the two Funds of the
volent should, in the six months following the election in M
placed on the Fund as vacancies occur; (4) that the law req
that the widows and children of deceased Masons must app
relief within two years from the death of the latter or not
should be rescinded. I see not the slightest objection to any
proposed changes. On the contrary, I think each and every o
will be a decided improvement on the existing laws and regul
But, as I have said already, the Craft generally will think a gre
more about the number and importance of the changes than
benefits that are likely to result from their adoption, and
eagerness to grasp too much, we shall stand an excellent cha
losing all.

I have an abiding faith in the wisdom, experience, and discretion of the Lodge of Benevolence, which is not likely to be prodigal of the funds entrusted to its charge.

Fraternally yours,

L. E. B.

LODGE WORK AND LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I cannot do better than leave your correspondents Bros. Perceval and "Mars," to fight the battle out. I agree with both, until we come to advanced education.

Bro. Mars never studied Homer on the same form, even if he did in the same school, as the Greek alphabet; and we can never learn or study the more hidden mysteries of Nature and Science in our present Lodges of Instruction, which were established for the especial purpose of preparing and perfecting brethren in the necessary work of regular Lodges. These Institutions must remain as they are, or their usefulness is gone. What we want is something beyond good and effective working—that can only be brought about by brethren of superior abilities, who will give their time and employ their energies in forming a Lodge or Lodges where discussion and lectures (Masonic, of course) should be the chief attraction, and if the orators were few, the listeners would be many.

Yours fraternally,

ALDERMAN.

I ought to have said I can sympathise with Bro. "Mars" on one point, viz., Queen's English, and more especially when all the vowels are *exasperated* so emphatically. On these occasions I feel as though I had had the misfortune to sit on the business end of a tin tack.

ERRATUM.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR and BROTHER.— In my article, "Review of a Curious Old Book," in yours of 30th July, page 84, near the bottom of the second column, you named Noah's *naughty boy*, "*Shem*," while in my MS. you will find it written *Cham*, the name is so spelt by Bayle, and in the Douay Bible, it is also spelt Cham; but in the King James's Bible, it is spelt *Ham*. I, however, followed the spelling of the name as in Bayle.

Any one acquainted with Hebrew will at once perceive the reason for the variation. In the Hebrew the first letter in the said name has a guttural sound, but as there is no such sounding letter in the European *alphabets*, on the Continent the name is written Cham, but the English translators of the Bible, evidently mistook the letter, and so wrote the name *Ham*.

Yours fraternally,

JACOB NORTON.

Boston, U.S., 16th Aug. 1881.

BRO. MASSA AND THE GRAND TREASURER.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—All those Craftsmen who are acquainted with the facts of the disagreement between Bro. Massa and Colonel Creaton will be pleased with the announcement made by you last week that the Grand Treasurer had withdrawn the "objectionable epithets" he had applied to Bro. Massa,—as you say, in a thoughtless moment. Do you not think, however, that Bro. Colonel Creaton has been somewhat tardy in acknowledging he was wrong? and would it not have been more graceful had he come to the conclusion that he had, in his capacity of Chairman, acted in an un-Masonic, if not arrogant, manner towards a brother Mason? I am well aware the duties of a President are oftentimes of a very trying nature, but in the case before us they were undertaken voluntarily; and Colonel Creaton's experience of his duties would lead us to expect him to be competent to uphold the dignity of his position—a position, by the bye, I, in common with others, think he is too often placed in. This is not the first instance with which I am acquainted where a

life. Its votaries must possess the quick eye of the hand of the surgeon; the cool nerve of a hero; the logician; the prompt judgment of a Solomon; the Job; and the good temper of an angel!

"And moreover, the noble game reminds us of—

"The Stage.—In the variety of its players, and the the Cue.

"Love.—By its choice of Partner, Love Games, and and the *Pretty Jenny*, so often won by a gentle

"War.—With its Canons, Balls, Long Shots, Sh Winning and Losing Hazards.

"Racing.—With its Tips, Breaks, Handicaps, Match Screws.

"Scenery."—By it great expanse of Green Table of Chalk, its Arctic Circle, its Pyramids, its fre and Beautiful Spots.

"Gaming.—By its Legs, Baulks, Flukes, Points, Ma the Pocket.

"Repose.—By its easy Cushions, Level Bed, and L

"And, finally, of

"British Pluck.—For every Player at Pool must a a fair shot at him, and loses his life three t considered dead."

The *Masonic Review* gives considerable the so-called Grand Lodge of New South Wa nised as an independent Masonic Body, a an article which appeared in the *Sydney Fr* calls itself its organ, and in which the Master under the English Constitutions i make good his assertion that the so-called "was created by a few Lodges of one jurisd or two of another," and in the next place created "in the face of a majority of disse This same *Sydney Freemason*, it may be r our London contemporary, the *Freemason*, holding this view, and the *Australian Freem* had the audacity to reproduce our neighb which that view was endorsed. Well, how A reference to our Grand Lodge Calendar in New South Wales there are forty-two nate to the Grand Lodge of England, and are some six and twenty Scotch Lodges, Lodges which have been warranted by, a allegiance to the respective Grand Lodge tries. This gives a total of Lodges in the tions amounting to seventy-six, and on t *mason's* own showing, at the establishmen Grand Lodge of New South Wales only and five Irish Lodges took part, and one En since given in its adhesion. Now if seventy-six Lodges all told does not const and a very small and insignificant minority then we must confess to being ignorant language. But, argues this most sapien *Sydney Freemason*, it cannot be that the Lodge has been established "in the face dissentient Lodges," because no single Lod dissent. But if sixty-two out of the seven the Colony stand entirely aloof from the will have nothing whatever to do with name of common sense, does that amount silent dissent, if you like, but all the more its being silent. As for blaming the Grand Master for issuing a circular to t

Grand Lodge for instance,—these so-called Grand are established for the glorification of the pro- ther than for the advancement of the interests of nry. Our English, Scotch, and Irish Colonial ave every freedom, and all the rights they could enjoy, even if they belonged to independent Grand What more can they hope for or desire?

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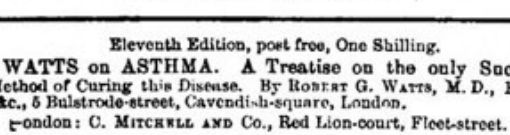
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1. The minutes of the Quarterly Communicati for confirmation.

2. Report of the Lodge of Benevolence for t which are recommendations for the following Gra

The Widow of a Brother of the Lodge of Enu London ... ...

The Widow of a Brother of the Yarborough L London ... ...

A Brother of the Lodge of Sincerity, No. 171, Lo

A Brother of the Sun, Square, and Compasses Whitehaven ... ...

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A Brother of the Bute Lodge, No. 960, Cardiff ...

The Widow of a Brother of the Skelmersdale Lo Camberwell ... ...

A Brother of the Shakespeare Lodge, No. 99, Lou

A Brother of the Lodge of St. John, No. 104, Stoc

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The Widow of a Brother of the Royal Sussex L Jersey ... ...

A Brother of the Priory Lodge, No. 1000, Southe

A Brother of Beadon Lodge, No. 619, Dulwich ...

3. THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENE

To the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and England:

The Board of General Purposes beg to report a

The Grand Lodge having at its last meetin

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The Annual Report of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution ged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons, dated the 20th of 1881, will be laid before Grand Lodge.

PROPOSED MOTIONS.

) By W. Brother Joshua Nunn P.G.S.B., Senior Vice-President e Lodge of Benevolence :—

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Article 16, page 104 (small edition.)

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ist of Lodges for which Warrants have been granted by the M.W. nd Master since the last Quarterly Communication of Grand ge :—

912.—The Foochow Lodge, Foochow, China.
913.—The Faith Lodge, Saharunpore, Bengal.
914.—The St. Thomas's Lodge Kidsgrove, Staffordshire.
915.—The Greystone Lodge, Foresters' Hall, Whitstable, Kent.
916.—The Conyers Lodge, Sydenham, Canterbury, N.Z.
917.—The Ionic Lodge, Leeston, Canterbury, N.Z.
918.—The Lincoln Lodge, Lincoln, Canterbury, N.Z.
919.—The Malvern Lodge, Kowai Pass, Canterbury, N.Z.
920.—The Eurydice Lodge, Surbiton, Surrey.
921.—The Victoria Lodge, Jamestown, South Australia.
922.—The Earl of Lathom Lodge, Streatham.
923.—The United Brethren Lodge, Malta.
924.—The Wickham Lodge, Brockley.
925.—The Lodge of Concord, Papanui, Canterbury, N.Z.
926.—The Wayfarers Lodge, Malta.
927.—The Victory Lodge, Nelson, Wellington, N.Z.
928.—The Gallery Lodge, Brixton.
929.—The Mozart Lodge, Croydon, Surrey.
930.—The Opotiki Lodge, Opotiki, Auckland, N.Z.
931.—The Lodge of Fiji, Suva na Vuti Levu, Fiji.
932.—The Whitworth Lodge, Spennymoor, Durham.
933.—The Kingston Lodge, Kingston, Jamaica.
934.—The Lodge of Concord, Terowie, South Australia.
935.—The Star of Africa Lodge, Jagersfontein, Orange Free State, South Africa.
936.—The Star of Agra Lodge, Agra, Bengal.

Note.—The "Freemasons' Calendar and Pocket Book" for 1882 ill be published early in November next. The Calendar Committee rect the attention of Masters of Lodges and Principals of Chapters the necessity of communicating to the Grand Secretary any change the day or place of meeting of Lodges or Chapters so soon as the solution for effecting such change shall be confirmed.—Vide Book Constitutions, pp 64, 92, 93.

A moveable Grand Lodge will be held under the auspices of the Britannia Lodge, No. 53, at the Freemasons' Hall, Surrey Street, Sheffield, on Thursday the 22nd inst. Grand Lodge will be opened at 2.30 o'clock precisely. The business will comprise the Installation of the V.W. Bro. J. W. Woodall, as R.W. Provincial Grand Master of North and East Yorkshire; and Installation of Bro. S. H. Gatty, Worshipful Master Elect of the Britannia Lodge, by M.W. the Grand Master, assisted by

reserve forces." In the course of some exceedingly remarks, in reference to the martial forces of our father Chairman, as a volunteer of more than twenty years standing well merited compliment to the latter contingent. These elicited cordial applause. Capt. Robertson, a veteran, resp the toast in eloquent terms, and we embrace this opport stating that in addition to being a poet of no mean order, th gentlemen has recently composed some excellent pieces of his poetry, which are being sold for the benefit of the Rahere The chairman in proposing the health of the Rt. Hon. t Mayor, M.P., and the Corporation of the City of London, said all occasions the Corporation of the City of London was re willing to render valuable aid to all who needed and deserved it not been for the reason that so many families were at that at the sea side, a vast number of the members of the Co would have been their guests; Messrs. W. Matthouse, Dickin Horace Marshall, however, were present, and their names l associate with the toast. The latter gentleman responde appropriate speech which was much appreciated. The man in proposing the toast of the evening, namely, the Fraternity of the Rahere Almoners, remarked numer mises had been rife as to the meaning of the title the society had designated itself. The word "Rahere" had several philological scholars; of this he gave an case in point, where a gentleman had conveyed to him effusion, which was read amid reiterated laughter. The chair observed that Rahere, who was "minstrel and jester" to H First, at one time lived a rather fast life; when, how came to his senses, he went to Rome, where he obtained ab which was followed by a grievous sickness, during which a solemn promise that, if spared, he would found a hos poor men. On his recovering, he founded a church s pital, in honour of St. Bartholomew, on some Crown p at Smithfield, which were consecrated and dedicated A.I in this year also the Priory alms were instituted, which wer printed "to the comforting of the sick and needy persons locality." In course of time the once thoughtless jester di Rahere, and great lamentation was made over his decease. "T Prior" was buried in the north chancel of his own church, w monument remains to this day. During the reign of He Eighth, the alms were confiscated, and consequently their tion was discontinued. Passing from the past of seven since, the chairman continued; during the unusually inclemen of 1880 and 1881 great distress was experienced among th classes, and in consequence the parishioners of St. Bartl resolved upon resuscitating, as far as possible, what had fa disuse. Accordingly, their mutual and esteemed friend Mr. Sangster assembled a number of the inhabitants and his friends, the result being that a benevolent and philan society, the Rahere Almoners, was formed. The primary ob this society are to prevent, as far as possible, distress or either overcoming a man, or reducing him to abject poverty a lessness. Thus, on the 7th March 1881, was resuscitated "Gloriam a Mortalium Beneficium," the fraternity of Rahere A in continuation of the Ancient Priory Alms of St. Barth which had been founded in 1123. The Stewards were not officers; they assisted those who, for various reasons, abstain from making application for parochial reli this relief was continuous and substantial if deemed After having expatiated in eloquent terms on the society, good it had already produced and was effecting, the chairm he would couple the name of Mr. Sangster with the toast this gentleman had acknowledged the compliment in gracefu Mr. Donald Clarke proposed the health of the Most Worth Prior, and members of the Grand Council of the Order, Frater John Hollinghurst M.W. Grand Prior responded. Th of the Chairman was then proposed by Mr. Dickinson. Mr. St response regretted the unavoidable absence of Mr. Hartla assured those present that he would do all in his power to the interests of the society, which would eventually achieve and good work. He had no doubt that on some future occa Lord Mayor would himself preside at their annual festive ga "a consummation much to be desired." The Chairman then p the Visitors, to which Mr. Hart responded. Then followed th to which the Chairman alluded in complimentary terms. J. Brinton (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE) replied. The Chairman posing the Stewards and Minstrels alluded to the aid and as rendered by the members of the Victoria Glee Club, and othe and gentlemen of the musical profession, who had tendere Society, not only on that day, but on other occasions also, th vices, and in particular mentioned Mr. Jas. Stevens jun.

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THE CONTINENT viâ THE GREAT EASTERN RAILWAY.

THE facilities for reaching the Continent are so numerous, and the different routes offer such a variety of attractions, that intending travellers are often at a loss in selecting the line they shall go by. Those who dislike the sea not unnaturally prefer crossing "the silver streak" where it is narrowest. Others prefer going by Newhaven and Dieppe, because it lands them at once in some of the most beautiful parts of Normandy. A third section of the public gives the preference to the Great Eastern train and boat service viâ Harwich and Antwerp or Rotterdam, this being especially the case with those who intend journeying up the Rhine or through the North of Germany. There are doubtless also other weighty reasons which incline people to select this route. The Great Eastern Railway Company is not one whit behind other companies in the excellence and regularity of its service, both by land and sea. Its tariff of charges is framed on the most moderate scale, and there is no end to the facilities it offers the traveller for breaking or prolonging his journey wherever or for as long a time as he may be desirous of doing. There is yet another reason we are going to suggest why this route should be even more extensively patronised than it is. In the grand tour of Europe, as prescribed by Fashion for its votaries, the two little states of Belgium and Holland either find no place at all, or, if they are included, it is because a part of one or other of them must be traversed before the more important districts to be visited can be reached. Yet we venture to say there are no two countries in Europe which, whether we have regard to the attractions they offer, or the historical associations which are connected with them, are more calculated to excite the interest of Englishmen. It is, perhaps, because they are so easily accessible that these attractions and associations have been overlooked; but whether this is the case or not, both Holland and Belgium undoubtedly offer a wealth of sightseeing which cannot be surpassed by France or any other of the greater European states. Antwerp, though not what it was in the days anterior to Philip II., when it was the great emporium of trade and commerce in this part of Europe, is still a grand old city. Brussels is a miniature Paris; Ghent, Bruges, Malines or Mechlin, Louvain, Namur, Liege, are places which will well repay a visit; while in Holland there are—Rotterdam, perhaps the busiest and most prosperous of Dutch sea-ports; Leyden, famous for its siege, and still more so for its University; the Hague, the polical centre of the country, and commonly known as the largest village in Europe; Amsterdam, the commercial capital; Utrecht, Haarlem, Alkmaar, Arnheim, and a host of other cities and towns, which are only, perhaps, less attractive because they happen to be less generally known or less populous. The appearance of these places is so unlike anything we are accustomed to see in England the architecture is so quaint, the public buildings so numerous, and the picture galleries so rich in works by the old Dutch and Flemish masters, that a journey hither offers, in our opinion, one of the greatest possible treats to the travelling Englishman. Indeed, it is

If the Antwerp route is selected, then the way is thence to Bonn, &c., as before. Should the trav journey, say to Vienna, then having made his wa Frankfort-on-the-Maine, he will proceed viâ Darms Brugsal, Stuttgart, Ulm, and Augsburg, to Munich Simbach, Neumarkt, and Linz, or by Salzburg, Neun to the Austrian capital. If he is bound for Italy, be m from Munich, viâ Innsbruck, Botzen, to Verona, wh eastward to Venice, or westward to Milan, and rou the chief cities in Italy, or southward by Mantua a which city he has the choice of diverging in a south- to Ancona, and on to Brindisi, or of going south-wes which he has a choice of routes by Pisa and Leghorn in order to get on to Rome and Naples. At Bâle, makes an abrupt turn northwards, he will find hi communication with Zurich, Berne, Geneva, and o and towns, or, if he has exhausted most of his time, way by Mulhausen and Belfort to Paris, and ther whether he journey to Rotterdam or Antwerp in the will have no difficulty in making for Paris, and th Switzerland, or up the Rhine either to Bâle for Vienna, or Munich, and on to Italy, the journey bein either direction, and breakable at the option of th hardly necessary to say that if the traveller is desi the beauties of the Rhine, he can take the boat up see the chief places of interest on either bank.

We have said the Great Eastern service offers for journeying through North Germany. Thus t railway communication between either Rotterdam o one hand, and Berlin on the other, the Rotterda course the shorter and more direct. From Berlin of lines to Vienna, by Dresden and Prague to Kolin on the Oder and Kohlfurt, and thence by a circuit th Brunn, or more direct by Koniggratz and Pardubitz on to Vienna. If, again, Russia has attractions for the railway will take him from Berlin to St Pete also another excursions that may be made, namely Rotterdam, Utrecht, Arnheim, Emmerich, Wesel, bruck, and Bremen. In fact, whatever part of Eur is desirous of visiting may be reached more or the Great Eastern Continental route, the necessary obtainable at the Company's offices, or of Messrs Ludgate Circus, or Messrs Gaze and Son in the of their agents in the principal cities and town Kingdom.

We are further desirous of calling attention to trips which those who have not yet made up their betake themselves will find very interesting. Th at Cleves, and will remain open till the beginnir Exhibition of Hunting and Sporting Apparatus. T numerous, in the shape of Musical Fêtes, Prize Hunting, an Historical Procession representing history of Cleves (on the 11th September), Hawkin 27th September), Greyhound Races on the latte winding up with an International Sportsmen's Co and 2nd October. For this visit tickets, available all boats and trains, are issued at £2 1s first cl second class. Here, then, is an opportunity for visiti and witnessing some of the sports of our German fr not occur every day, and which we doubt not wil The other is to the Ardennes, which may be desc new field for the tourist, and which cannot fail to b patronised the more generally it is known that sp visiting this picturesque country, in the heart offered. Tickets may be had in London or at a Railway Station, the prices ranging from 51s 4d firs second class, to 62s 4d first and 40s 7d second.

The St. Michael's Lodge of Instruction, hold its first meeting after the recess at Moorgate-street, E.C., on Thursday evenin eight o'clock. Brethren are invited to atte

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Messrs. W. H. and L. Collingridge, of announce the completion and occupation buildings, 148 and 149 Aldersgate-street, wi erected upon the site of the offices destr

work of the day we are called upon more especially to ce. Brother W. H. Myers Past Master had kindly ertaken the duties of Installing Master, and after Lodge had been ually opened, and the minutes of the last regular and rgency meeting had been read and confirmed, the event of the , the installation of Bro. N. D. Partridge, was commenced. Bro. tridge was introduced by Bro. Walters, who throughout acted as sector of Ceremonies, and Bro. Myers, of whose ability as Master Ritual we have frequently had occasion to speak, proceeded with work. In due course the Board of Installed Masters com- ted their part of the ceremony, and the brethren who had tem- arily retired were re-admitted, and the new W.M. was saluted in three degrees. The following are the Officers who were ap- nted:—Bros. S. Lewis S.W., W. McDonald J.W., W. H Myers M. Treasurer, G. E. Walters P.M. Secretary, James Robson S.D., MacGregor J.D., F. Kimbell I G., G. C. Young P.M. Organist, H. ymour-Clark D.C., H. Winkley Wine Steward, Marsh Tyler. e addresses were impressively delivered by Bro. Myers, after ich the W.M. rose; his first duty was a most pleasing one; had now to present the I.P M. Bro. Goddard with the Past aster's jewel so unanimously voted at the last meeting of Lodge. trusted it might be worn by the recipient for many years, both the Lodge and at other meetings of the Craft. Bro. Goddard pressed his appreciation of the kind remarks of the W.M. He had ld appointments of a public character, and this was not the first ne his services had been recognised. However, be assured the ethren he should esteem their gift more highly than any other he assessed, and should always consider it an honour to wear it. The uditors' report was then presented; it showed the Lodge to be in a osperous condition, and the accounts were unanimously accepted, d the report ordered to be adopted and entered on the minutes. earty good wishes were tendered, and Lodge was closed. Bro. tevenson then served up a capital banquet, which afforded every tisfaction to all present. On the removal of the cloth, the W M. ave the first toast—the health of Her Most Gracious Majesty. This oast is always well received at Masonic gatherings, and with it, as as the usual custom, he would associate the sentiment—Prosperity o the Craft. After the National Anthem was sung, by Bro. P.M. oung, the W.M. gave the second toast, His Royal Highness the rince of Wales, Most Worshipful Grand Master. All knew the mount of energy displayed by His Royal Highness. Had he more ime at his disposal the W M. felt he would do still more—if that ere possible—for the Order. With great pleasure he would call upon he brethren to drink the toast. After "God bless the Prince of Wales," the Worshipful Master introduced the third toast—he Earl of Carnarvon Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Lathom Deputy Grand Master, and the Grand Officers Present and Past. With it he would couple the name of Bro. Buss Assistant Grand Secretary, whom he heartily thanked for the honour he had done the Lodge by his visit. Here Bro. Seymour-Clark gave a spirited rendering of "The Lugger," which was heartily applauded; then Bro. Buss replied. He urged that but few words were needed from him; the every-day actions of the members of Grand Lodge commended them to every Mason in the land. He regretted he was the only Grand Officer present. However, he was not singular in his wish that the Prince Leopold Lodge should prosper. Bro. Buss referred to the interest taken by the late Bro. J. Hervey in this Lodge. He (Bro. Buss) was present at its consecration, when the late Grand Secretary performed the ceremony. He felt that at the present time the watchwards of the Order—Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth—were well carried out, and he trusted this happy state of affairs would long continue. Bro. Loring here sang, with great humour, Glover's popular song "Father Molloy." Bro. Goddard, in felicitous terms, then proposed the health of the W.M., who entered upon his duties under most favourable auspices. He (the speaker) felt assured Bro. Partridge would follow the course taken by those who had preceded him in the chair. By the observance of a due economy, which the members would readily support him in maintaining, the Lodge would be able to yet further improve its position, and render substantial aid to the Charitable Institutions of the Craft. At this stage of the evening Mr. Ernest Partridge, a son of the W. Master, favoured the company with Mr. Harry Hunter's popular song, "The Lord Mayor's Coachman." Bro. Partridge thanked Bro. Goddard for the way he had introduced the toast, and the brethren for the reception they had given it. He felt gratified at being in his present exalted position. He assured the brethren he should conduct the business in a prudent and careful manner. With the rest of the members, he had a strong desire to see visitors around their board. The interchange of visits with other Lodges possessed many advantages. Brethren had an opportunity of maturing their judgment, [illegible] Brothers Walters, Tomns, Potter, Young, Loring, cially distinguishing themselves. Bro. Morgan gave the the Indian Chief," and made reference to the fearful cal ciated with the loss of the mail steamer Teuton, int which had that day been received. It was a late hour summons for the Tyler's toast was given.

SINGAPORE, CHINA.

Zetland in the East Lodge, No 508.—T Meeting was held on the 12th July 1881. Present— perton W.M., Joaquim S.W., Harrington J.W., Joaquim S.D., Cano J.D., Woodworth I.G., and Thompson Tyler; likewise in attendance ten other members and eleven vis ballot was brought into requisition for the initiation of M Hudson, A. M. de Fontaine, and J. W. Gaum jun.; and Bro. W. Lingard M.M. of Lodge Minerva, No. 300. clear. Brother James Simpson was raised to the subl of M.M.

St. George's Lodge, No. 1152.—An emergen was held on the 26th July 1881. Present—Bros. D Dunlop S.W., Joaquim J.W., Cousins Sec., Gray S.D., Jo Emmerson I.G., Norris Tyler; six other members and th Bros. Brennand and Braddell were raised to the sub of M.M.

THE THEATRES, &c.

DRURY LANE.—At 7.40, YOUTH.

COVENT GARDEN.—At 8, PROMENADE CONCERTS.

HER MAJESTY'S.—At 8, HAVERLY'S MONSTER TROU NIGGERS.

ADELPHI.—At 7.15, THE MIDDY ASHORE. At 8.15, JAN

HAYMARKET.—At 7.30, THE LITTLE TREASURE. A LYNNE. On Monday, BLUE AND BUFF.

PRINCESS'S.—At 7, TWO OLD BOYS. At 8, THE OLD THE NEW.

STRAND.—At 7.30, UP THE RIVER. At 8, OLIVETTE.

GAIETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At 7.20, FAST COACH, At THIEVES.

OLYMPIC.—At 8, CLAUDE DUVAL.

CRITERION.—At 8, WITHERED LEAVES. At 8.45, FLAT

OPERA COMIQUE.—At 8, UNCLE SAMUEL. At 8.30, P

PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 8.30, THE COLONEL.

FOLLY.—At 7.30, HIS LAST LEGS. At 8.30, IMPRUDENC

NEW SADLER'S WELLS.—JEANIE DEANS.

ALHAMBRA.—At 7.30, FARCE. At 8.15, BRONZE HORS

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TESTIMONIALS.—Head Quarter Staff, Cabul, May 31st, 1880. M Dear Sir,—It is with mu h pleasure I am able to state that your been of special service to me in alleviating the wearisome spas which is here existent in an aggravated form Many of my pati and beg me to give them that medicine which always relieves th I need hardly say is your Chlorodyne. Yours faithfully, Cha L R.C.P. Lon., M.R.C.S. Eng., the Divisional Head Quarter Staff geon, Cabul.

The *Times*, August 13th, 1877. From our own Correspondent w Army. Okoum, July 25th, 1877. The want of sanitary arran Russian Camp was dreadful, and had we remain d there a few dysentery and typhoid fever would have played more havoc in the bombs of the Turks. I myself acquired an unenviable [illegible] being provided with a small bottle of CHL

548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In.
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7 30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8 30 (Instruction)
M.M.—Old Kent, Trocadero, Broad Street Buildings, E.C. at 6.30 (Instruction)
M.M. 139—Panmure, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.

37—Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Church Institute, Bolton-le-Moors
61—Probity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
33—Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham
154—Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
156—Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
264—Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
302—Hope, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
307—Prince Frederick, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
381—Harmony and Industry, Smalley's Hotel, Market street, Over Darwen
408—Three Graces, Private Rooms, Haworth
431—St. George, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street, N. Shields
467—Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
482—St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Wrotham Road, Handsworth, Staffordshire
597—St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead
613—Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport
622—St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
850—St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire
1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire
1050—Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester
1051—Rowley, Athenæum, Lancaster
1077—Wilton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire
1108—Royal Wharfedale, Private Room, Boroughgate, Otley, Yorks
1180—Forward, Masonic Rooms, New Hall-street, Birmingham
1211—Goderich, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street, Leeds
1238—Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1302—De Warren, Masonic Hall, White Swan Hotel, Halifax.
1380—Skelmersdale, Queen's Hotel, Waterloo, Liverpool
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1519—Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, Clayton-le-Moors, near Accrington
1542—Legionium, Masonic Hall, Carlton-street, Castleford
1573—Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer-street, Swansea.
1575—Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
1578—Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd, South Wales
1676—St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
1798—Zion, Hulme Town Hall, Manchester.
R.A. 380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley
R.A. 827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury

TUESDAY, 6th SEPTEMBER.

Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
890—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1319—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

70—St. John, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.
117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
120—Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford.
124—Marquis of Granby, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham
126—Silent Temple, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
158—Adams, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness
226—Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough.
231—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6 30 (Instruction)
248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
255—Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
301—Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath.
373—Socrates, George Hotel, High-street, Huntingdon
393—St. David, Masons' Hall, The Parade, Berwick
403—Hertford, Town Hall, Hertford.
493—Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester
558—Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone.
624—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Burton-on-Trent
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
685—Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Westgate-road, Newcastle
734—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay.
779—Ferrers and Ivanhoe, Town Hall, Ashby-de-la-Zouch
794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
804—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant.
847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon.
897—Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
980—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
986—Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
995—Furness, Masonic Hall, Ulverston.
1002—Skiddaw, Lodge Room, Market-place, Cockermouth
1134—Norvil, Private Room, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (
1663—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, E
1707—Eleanor, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Nottin
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., W
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7

74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham.
80—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescot, Lancashire
125—Prince Edwin, White Hart Hotel, Hythe, Kent
128—Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bolton-street, Bury, Lanca
258—Amphibions, Freemasons' Hall Heckmondwike
277—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
298—Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street, Rochdale
326—Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol
327—Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Commercial-street, Morl
387—Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate, Shipley
404—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-street, N
417—Faith and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Dorchester
471—Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, M
580—Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Grimskirk
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruc
606—Segontium, The Castle, Carnarvon
645—Humphrey Chetham, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-stree
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction.
678—Earl Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Kersley, Farnworth, L
758—Ellesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
910—St. Oswald, Masonic Hall, Ropergate, Pontefract
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruct
992—St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broughton.
1010—Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship-street, Hull.
1013—Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland. (Instruction.)
1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
1091—Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
1107—Cornwallis, Lullingstone Castle Hotel, Swanley.
1167—Alnwick, Masonic Hall, Clayport-street, Alnwick
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
1218—Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossley, near Mar
1274—Earl of Durham, Freemasons' Hall, Chester-le-Street
1323—Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind-street, Swansea
1335—Lindsay, 20 King-street, Wigan.
1354—Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh, Lancashi
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool,
1363—Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Gloucester.
1431—St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
1479—Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
1620—Marlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Brook, Liverpool
1645—Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Slaithwaite
1692—Hervey, George Hotel, Hayes
R.A. 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street,
R.A. 409—Stortford, Chequers Inn, Bishop's Stortford.
M.M. 36—Furness, Hartington Hotel, Duke-street, Barrow
M.M. 50—Temperance, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
M.M. 65—West Lancashire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

THURSDAY, 8th SEPTEMB

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq.
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.3
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C.,
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C.,
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Leicester-
1076—Capper, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instructi
1321—Emblematic, Tulse-hill Hotel, Tulse-hill
1639—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30
1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C.,
1558—Duke of Connaught, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwe
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Ga
1642—Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John'
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road,

35—Medina, 85 High-street, Cowes.
97—Palatine, Masonic Hall, Toward-road, Sunderland.
116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne
139—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (In
208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Dewsbury
216—Harmonic, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool.
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instructior
275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
283—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place, Haslingden
333—Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston
337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
339—Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Cumberland.
344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
346—United Brethren, Royal Oak Inn, Clayton-le-Dale, ne
369—Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Clithe
449—Cecil, Sun Hotel, Hitchin
456—Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
462—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
469—Hundred of Elloe, Masonic Rooms, London Road, Sp
546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Caroline-street, Longton, St
636—D'Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blyth
732—Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.
739—Temperance, Masonic Room, New-street, Birminghar
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
981—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberl
1035—Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool

Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instruction)
Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8 (In.)
Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
9—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
843—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd. N.Kensington. at 8. (In)

Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's-street, Cardiff.
Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Staidburn
Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7 30 (Instruction)
Aire and Calder, Private Rooms, Ouse-steet, Goole.
Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.
Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth
Dartmouth, Dartmouth Hotel. West Bromwich.
United, George Hotel, Colchester.
Blair, Town Hall, Stratford-road, Hulme.
Harrogate and Claro, Masonic Rooms, Parliament-street,
Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall. Eccleshill
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Mirfield, Assembly Rooms, Easthorpe, Mirfield
Rock, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry.
United Military, Masonic Hall, Plumstead
al Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
993—Alexandra, Medway Hotel, Levenshulme

SATURDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER.

Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
Loyalty, Alexandra Palace, Muswell-hill.
Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.
Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham.
Addiscombe, The Surrey Club, West Croydon

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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oyal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No. 780.—On lay, 26th August, at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew-bridge, ent—Bros. C. Andrews P.M. Preceptor W.M., W. Gomm P.M. ., F. Botley J.W., H. E. Tucker Treasurer, C. E. Botley Sec., H. son S.D., C. Maton J.D., Lees I.G. Past Masters Bros. Blasby Goss, with a large attendance of brethren. The Lodge having n opened in due form, the minutes of the last meeting were read firmed, and signed. Bro P.M. Andrews, in a most impressive ner, rehearsed the ceremony of installation, the Lodge having n advanced to the several degrees. The brethren below the rank Installed Master retired, the ceremony was continued, and heir re-admittance completed. Then followed the Investiture of cers. It was unanimously decided that a special vote of thanks iven, and recorded on the minutes to Bro. Andrews for his able king; he was also elected an honorary member of the Lodge. h compliments were acknowledged in appropriate terms. Bro. nm was elected W.M. for 2nd September, and the meeting was ourned to that date, at eight p.m.

Great City Lodge of Instruction, No. 1426.—The first eting of this Lodge, after the vacation, was held on Thursday, September, when Bro. Sibley W.M. worked the ceremonies of iation and passing in a very efficient manner; there was a fair ndance for a first meeting, but brethren are cordially invited e present at the next gathering on Thursday, 8th September. Bro. dner has been invited to work the ceremony of installation on the rth Thursday of the present month.

St. Cecilia Lodge, No. 1636, Brighton.—The regular eting was held on the 30th ult., at the Royal Pavilion. Bros. J. Hawkes P.P.G.S.B. P.M. 315 W.M., W. H. Gibson S.W., Broadbridge J.W., H. Payne Treasurer, W. R. Wood jun. retary, G. Cole S.D., Gates J.D., F. Marks I.G., W. Roe .O. Steward; P.M.'s W. T. Nell P.P.G.P., J. Eborall P.P.G.S. e Lodge was opened, and the minutes were read and firmed. Messrs. R. McKergon and C. J. Heald were initiated o the Order, the ceremonies being impressively delivered by the M., who gave the charge. The Junior Warden gave the lecture on Tracing Board. Appropriate music was played by Bro. Roe .O., and hymns were sung by the brethren. After Lodge was sed, the brethren partook of slight refreshments. The M. apologised for not providing a banquet. He had been ch gratified at the attention paid by the initiates to the emony, while from the recommendations they had brought he re there would become a credit to the Order. After these

THE Annual Grand Lodge of Mark Masons for the Prov Berks and Oxon, was held on Tuesday, in the County Abingdon, under the presidency of the Earl of Jersey, Pr Grand Master, who was supported by the Deputy Grand Mas Stephens, Bros. Binckes Grand Secretary, Broadley Grand M Tunis and Malta, Donald Dewar Grand Assistant Secretary, Provincial Grand Secretary, and nearly 100 brethren of t degree. The Provincial Grand Lodge was opened at half-pa o'clock, under Lord Jersey's presidency, when the various were presented, showing the province to be in a satisfactory Since the last Annual Provincial Grand Lodge upwards members have been advanced in the six Lodges in the Provin rovincial Grand Master appointed his Officers for the ensuin The business having closed, the brethren adjourned to the Chamber, where a dinner was served, and the usual Mark toasts were drunk.

COMMERCIAL CHAPTER, No. 41.

ON Thursday, 8th September, an interesting gathering masons will take place in the Masonic Hall, Nottingham occasion will be the consecration of the Commercial Chapte attached to Lodge No. 411. The petitioning Companions are— M. Vowles P.Z. 47 P.M. 411 1405 P.P.S.G.W., C. G. P.Z. 47 P.M. 411 1405 P.G.S., C. B. Truman P.Z. 4 411 P.G.S.D., A. Fletcher P.Z. 47 P.M. 411 P.P.G.S.B., J. E. P.S. 47 W.M. 411, H. J. Norris 411 W.M. 1794, M. T. Ingra 411, W. Hickling J.W. 411, J. Wigglesworth J.D. 411 J.W. 17 ceremony of Consecration will be performed by the M.E. J. Terry P.G.D.C. Herts, Secretary of the Royal Masonic Ben Institution. A banquet will be held in the evening.

A somewhat singular record will be noted in the brethren and others to whom sums from £50 and up have been recommended by Lodge of Benevolence. brother died three days after the Lodge recomme grant of £50, and a second three weeks after the sum of £75 had been agreed upon, as subject to the mation and approval of Grand Lodge being adequ his necessities. These indirectly show the necessity is for paying the moneys recommended with a delay as possible.

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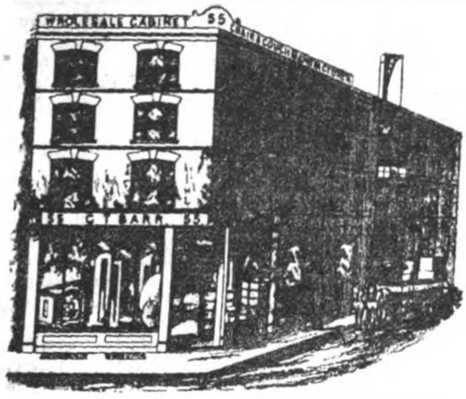
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FREEMASONRY IN THE BRITISH COLONIES AND POSSESSIONS,

AND OTHER COUNTRIES ABROAD.

THE casual reference we made in one of our editorial notes last week to the establishment of a so-called Grand Lodge of New South Wales has induced us to lay before our readers as comprehensive a sketch as the narrow limits of space at our disposal will permit of Freemasonry in the Colonies and Dependencies of the British Crown, as well as in certain foreign countries with which the sovereign of the United Kingdom is on terms of amity. That a strong feeling of surprise will be felt on discovering the extensive ramifications which English Freemasonry has made throughout the British Empire, and even outside its limits, is more than probable, while it is certain that no English Mason can feel otherwise than proud on noting the vast amount of popularity enjoyed by the Craft, of which these wonderful ramifications are the indubitable evidence. It is an old saying that the sun never sets on the Queen's dominions, and this is as true of English Freemasonry as it is of English territory at home and abroad. To slightly alter an expression which is necessarily familiar to our brethren, the sun is always at its meridian in respect of English Freemasonry.

The reader will hardly credit at first sight the statement that of the eighteen hundred Lodges—there or thereabouts—which owe allegiance to the Grand Lodge of England, not many short of five hundred are located in our Colonies or abroad. Yet a study of the figures we give in the course of this sketch will show this to be the case. What is still more striking is, that there is no division of the world which does not possess Masonic Lodges, acknowledging the kindly sway of the Prince of Wales as Grand Master. They are to be found in Gibraltar, Malta, the Ionian Islands, and European Turkey; in Asia, in North and South Africa, in North, Central, and South America and the West Indies; in Australia and New Zealand. Even Fiji can now boast of its Lodge of Masons, and who knows how long it may be before the Sandwich Islands, under the auspices of Bro. King Kalakua, will be as fortunately circumstanced? Taking as our guide the last edition of Grand Lodge Calendar, we find there were at the close of last year no less than 465 Lodges holding under the English Grand Lodge, and these, as we have said, are scattered over every division of the world. And since the Calendar was issued the number has been still further increased, warrants for no less than seventeen additional Lodges having been granted during the past three months. However, if we take the Lodges as they are arranged in the several Districts, and in the order in which they are given in the Calendar, we note that in the District of Gibraltar there are three Lodges, namely, St. John's, No. 115, warranted in 1767, and Inhabitants, No. 153, 1777, both of which were "Ancient" Lodges, and have received a Centenary warrant, and Friendship, No. 278, of the year 1789. In the Malta District there are seven Lodges, two having been warranted in the course of the present year, while the Tunis, No. 1717, and the Goletta, No. 1835, Lodges date, the former from 1877, and the latter from 1879. The Senior Lodge, the St. John and St. Paul, No. 349, dates from 1815. In the Dominions of the Sultan are eleven Lodges, four at Constantinople, one at Ephesus, and six at Smyrna, the oldest, the Oriental, No. 687, dating from 1856, the last year of the Crimean war. There are two Lodges in the Ionian Islands, one in Corfu warranted in 1837, and the other in Zante; while in Egypt there are eight Lodges, the oldest the Bulwer Lodge of Cairo, No. 1068, having been warranted in the year 1865.

We next come to the East Indies, in the various divisions of which there are over one hundred Lodges. Bengal heads the list with thirty-six, of which two have received their warrants during the present year. Those who have read Preston will remember that Freemasonry found its way into India at an early date, and it will surprise no one therefore to be told that in Bengal there are no less than six, and in Madras three Lodges, which were constituted before 1813, the year of the Union. The oldest Bengal Lodge, Star-in-the-East, No. 67, of Calcutta, dates from 1740, but as it has not received a centenary Warrant, it cannot have worked continuously from its establishment. No. 109, Industry and Perseverance, also of Calcutta, was founded in 1761, and has received its centenary Warrant. The next four Lodges meet in Calcutta likewise, namely, Nos. 218, 229, 232, and 234, all of them having held under the "Ancients," the first two dating from the year 1797, and the last two from 1801. The number of Lodges in the capital of the Presidency is eleven, the other important cities which can boast of a Lodge or Lodges being Agra and Allallabad, with two each, Bareilly, Benares, Cawnpore, Lucknow, Meerut, &c. Bombay has nineteen Lodges, the city of Bombay itself boasting nine of them, whilst the oldest, Orion in the West, No. 415, is located at Poonah. British Burmah has nine Lodges, but the oldest, Philanthrophy, No. 542, of Moulmein, was founded only as recently as 1847. Madras has nineteen Lodges, of which four meet in Madras, Perfect Unanimity, No. 150, dating from 1765, but having no centenary Warrant as yet; Universal Charity, No. 273, having been warranted in 1879, Lodge of the Rock, No. 260, of Trichinopoly, being two years older, its Warrant bearing date 1787. The oldest Lodge in the Punjaub, which has nineteen Lodges, is the Himalayan Brotherhood, No. 459, of Simla, which was founded in 1839. The District of the Eastern Archipelago has three Lodges, one in the island of Penang, and two in Singagore, and there is one Lodge which meets at Kandy in Ceylon, and three at Port Louis in the Mauritius. In China, which has recently been divided into two Districts, there are eleven Lodges, two at Amoy, four in Hong Kong, one—of this year's constitution—at Foochow, one at Chin Kiang, and three at Shanghae. The oldest, the Royal Sussex, No. 501, of the year 1844, meets in the last-named city; the next in point of seniority being the Zetland, No. 525, of Hong Kong, warranted in 1846. Japan, which was erected into a District in 1873, has four Lodges.

South Africa now claims our attention, the aggregate of Lodges in the various Districts being close on fifty. The Western Division, which includes Cape Town, has six

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Lodges, the senior being the British, No. 334, of the year 1811, and meeting in Cape Town. The Eastern Division has twenty-one Lodges, the Albany, 389, of Grahamstown founded in 1828, being the first on the Roll. Griqualand of which R.W. Bro. Giddy is the District Grand Master has five Lodges, and there are scattered about in other parts no less than eighteen other Lodges, the majority of them being in Natal, while one meets in St. Helena, one at Cape Coast Castle, and one at Lagos. These latter, of course, should properly be described as on the West Coast, but they are grouped in the Calendar with the Natal and Transvaal Lodges, and we have not thought it necessary to take them out of the category in which they are placed.

In the West Indies and Central America there are some thirty Lodges, of which eleven are comprised in the District of Jamaica, one being of this year's creation. The first on the roll, the Royal, No. 207, of Kingston, was an "Ancient" Lodge of the year 1794, and so, too, was the next, namely, the Friendly, No. 239, also of Kingston, founded in 1809. There is also the Friendly Lodge, No. 383, of Montego Bay, which, however, is not included in the District Grand Lodge. The District of the Bahamas has only two Lodges, while the remainder are scattered about in the various islands, Antigua having two, Barbadoes one—the Albion, No. 196, an "Ancient" Lodge of the year 1790; Bermuda three—the Atlantic Phœnix, No. 224, "Ancient," of 1797, the Prince Alfred, No. 233, "Ancient," of 1801, and Loyalty, No. 358, of 1819; Curaçoa one Lodge, Dominica one, Grand Turk one, St. Thomas one—the Harmonic, No. 356, of the year 1818; and Trinidad five, the senior being the Royal Philanthropic, No. 405, warranted in 1831, and therefore just sixty years old.

In North America there are twelve Lodges. Four of these—namely, three at Montreal, and one at St. John's—constitute the District Grand Lodge of Montreal, the oldest being St. Paul's, No. 374, of Montreal, founded in 1824. Five Lodges make up the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland, namely, one at Burin Bay, one at Fortune Bay, one at Grand Bank, and two at St. John's. There are also two in Cape Breton, and one in Nova Scotia—the Royal Standard, No. 398, of the year 1829, and meeting at Halifax. In South America are eleven English Lodges, four of which make up the District Grand Lodge of the Argentine Republic, while the remaining seven are scattered about, George Town, Demerara, boasting two—the Union, No. 247, "Ancient," of the year 1813, and the Mount Olive Lodge, No. 385, of the year 1827; Monte Video one Lodge, New Amsterdam, Berbice one, Pernambuco one, Santa Marta one, and Valparaiso one.

The rest of our Colonial Lodges are located in Australia, which has some 166 Lodges, and New Zealand, which has sixty-nine, while one has been quite recently warranted for Fiji. It will be readily understood that none of these are of very ancient date, the oldest—the Australia, No. 390, of Sydney, having been warranted only as far back as the year 1828. Of the Australian Lodges, there are forty-two in the District of New South Wales: Sydney, the capital of the Colony, having ten out of that number. Queensland has twenty Lodges, three of which meet in Brisbane, the capital. South Australia has eighteen Lodges, Adelaide the capital possessing four. Victoria, however, has no less than seventy-two Lodges on its roll, of which ten meet in the City of Melbourne. These four groups constitute as many District Grand Lodges, and there are besides five Lodges in Western Australia, which as yet have not been organised into a District Grand Lodge, and seven which form the District Grand Lodge of Tasmania, Hobart Town and Launceston having each two, and Hamilton-on-Forth, New Norfolk, and Sorrell one. Of the New Zealand Lodges there are fifty-one located in the South Island and twenty-eight in the North. Of the former, twenty-one constitute the District Grand Lodge of Canterbury, eleven that of Otago and Southland, six that of Westland, and there are three others which meet at Blenheim, Nelson, and Wakefield respectively. The twenty-eight in the North Island are arranged in two Districts, that of Auckland having thirteen Lodges and that of Wellington the remaining fifteen. The Grand Lodge of England may well be proud of its array of Antipodean Lodges.

Our sketch of English Freemasonry abroad is now complete, and if we were desirous of showing the full extent of the popularity attained by the Craft in the Colonies and elsewhere, it would only be necessary that we should enumerate the Lodges affiliated to the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland respectively. These together would furnish close upon 240 more, scattered, like our own, throughout India, China, Japan, South and Central America, and the West Indies, as well as in Australia and New Zealand. Thus, if we take the three jurisdictions together we find there are considerably over 700 Lodges which owe, and willingly pay, allegiance to the three oldest Grand Lodges in the World, the three, indeed, from which it may be asserted without fear of contradiction that all the other Grand Lodges now existing have originally sprung.

THE ANTIQUITY AND UNIVERSALITY OF MASONRY.

WE recently had the good fortune to discover, in the pages of an old magazine, the following essay on the "Antiquity and Universality of Masonry." As it contains certain opinions to which we have more than once given utterance as explaining the true character of that antiquity on which we so justly pride ourselves, we have not hesitated to reproduce it in full. It does not strike us as containing anything very novel, but, though we may have done so, it does not occur to us that we have ever come across it in the course of our Masonic reading, though there are many essays in which the writers have adopted a similar line of argument. However, whether new or old, it cannot fail to prove interesting to our readers, especially at a time when there is so little Masonic news stirring.

"It is an opinion prevalent amongst almost the whole of mankind that the greatest honours are due to antiquity. He who can trace back his line of ancestry to the most remote ages is considered superior to him whose origin lies buried with the bones of his forefathers in oblivion.

Nations as well as individuals have been equally anxious to deduce their origin from the earliest ages. Hence, the Chinese pride themselves upon their empire having existed thousands of years; hence Ireland boasts her Milesians; and hence other countries, not content with their present opulence or grandeur alone, claim greater glory from the distant years of their first founders. If such a pride is, therefore, so universal as to appear almost a principle inherent in human nature, it is not to be wondered at that the wisest and best constituted societies are not devoid of it.

Thus the Mason glories in tracing the origin of the Masonic Institution from the commencement of the world, in pointing out, amidst the religious forms and mystic rites, the true source from whence the present ceremonies of his art arise.

It is well known that science first arose in the East, and in Egypt was carried to the highest degree of perfection. To the Colleges of Thebes and Memphis all those who wished to be instructed in deep learning resorted, where the priests, with whom alone the treasure was deposited, communicated to such as were found worthy, those intricacies of learning which they concealed from the generality of mankind; lest, by becoming too common, they should be turned to a bad use: this society was evidently of a Masonic nature, though under a different appellation. The priests employed a peculiar kind of writing, and their temples were ornamented with various mysterious symbols, which, to the initiated, were full of instruction, but totally inexplicable to the profane, as in the Freemasons' Lodges of the present day.

From Egypt these customs passed into Greece, where schools of learning were established, under various sages, who, although they openly professed a particular system, yet reserved for the instruction of their favourite disciples alone certain principles of knowledge, which they concealed from the rest. In all the Eastern nations the candidates for admission into the sacred mysteries were proved by repeated trials; their prudence, fortitude, courage, judgment, were all put severely to the test, and one failure for ever condemned them to remain amongst the common herd of mankind. Twenty-one years elapsed before they could attain to the knowledge of the higher mysteries. During the first seven, they were commanded to listen, but not to speak; during the next seven they were permitted to inquire with prudence and diffidence; and during the last were gradually initiated, till, being

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proved worthy of the trust, the veil was withdrawn, and they were admitted into the sanctuary.

Many, however, never passed through the last seven years of probation, and others, having passed it, were not found qualified to have the great mysteries revealed to them; from this ancient custom it is probable that the Masons have borrowed their three degrees.

If we extend our views from the East to the Western or Northern regions, the same principle appears; the Druids confined the mysteries of religion, which were the mysteries of science, to themselves; they alone, of their whole nation, cultivated learning, and from the fear of its degenerating, writing was prohibited, and all their traditions were preserved by oral communication only.

I flatter myself these observations, trifling as they are, prove, in some measure, the antiquity of Masonry; since, whoever examines with attention the nature of the ancient sacerdotal institutions, or the manners of the Patriarchs, as recorded in sacred and profane history, and compares them with the Masonic Code, as far as the latter is permitted to be revealed, will find that they are all equally founded on the same system; and the further the search is pursued, the clearer will it appear that in all ages, and in all countries, Freemasonry has existed, though, from local circumstances, some variation must have arisen in the plan adopted. This investigation will likewise prove that the art, so far from being inimical to religion, morality, or social order, as its enemies have sometimes supposed, has its basis founded on these alone; and that he who is ambitious of becoming a TRUE MASON must first learn to be a GOOD CITIZEN and an HONEST MAN.

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SOCIAL FEATURES OF FREEMASONRY.

FROM THE VOICE OF MASONRY.

FREEMASONS are apt to neglect the social characteristics of our Institution. Great attention is often paid to the *work*, and the business transactions of the Lodge and Chapter are carried out with perfect exactitude, but beyond this the members of these bodies apparently care little, or naught. Some Masonic bodies even go so far as to elaborate the ritual into a species of melodrama or tragedy, with all the adjuncts of stage scenery, including the play thunder and dissolving views and lights. Of course this, in a large city, attracts—"draws houses," but it is not the Masonry that our fathers taught, nor is it the Masonry that is likely to produce a permanent or beneficial effect upon the mind of the neophyte. Scenic effect and gorgeous paraphernalia are all very well in their way, but they are of secondary importance. In such Lodges and Chapters the true spirit of the Institution is lost sight of, and the spurious coin passes as the pure metal. Of course, the work should always be done properly, impressively, and even with solemnity, but the philosophy and science of the Institution should never be slurred over.

In order to carry out the idea of "The Tie of Brotherhood" that we boast is a principal feature in the basis of our Institution, it is imperative that we cultivate, far more than we do, its social features, both inside and outside the Lodge room. It is not sufficient to formally receive a visitor and tell him to "be seated among the brethren," and then allow him, after Lodge, to grope down stairs alone, and find his way, as best he can, to his hotel.

Masons naturally desire to form Masonic friendships, and gain Masonic knowledge, when travelling in foreign jurisdictions, but, too often, they speedily find that the members of a vast majority of Lodges, at least on this Continent, are so engrossed with ritual and paraphernalia that they ignore those courtesies that render the Lodge room attractive to the visiting brother.

And if we neglect the pleasing amenities of life in the Lodge room, how much more are we apt to do so towards each other in the social every-day course of affairs? A brother comes to a strange place, and imbued with the cherished idea of the universality of Freemasonry, at once calls upon Mr. So and So, and Doctor This and That, because they are brethren of the Mystic Tie. Too often these gentlemen ignore the silken cord that binds the Brotherhood together, and after formally wishing their visitor success in his business, bow him out and leave him to battle for himself in his undertaking in a strange place. Yet, in all probability, these men are Masters of Lodges, or High Priests of Chapters, and nightly tell the neophyte that in every land he will find a brother. Is this the Masonry that wins for itself the love and enthusiasm of the young, the esteem, admiration and faith of the old? A few such practical illustrations of brotherly love soon dispel from the mind of the visiting brother the charm that once shed such a halo of light upon his Masonic lore. A cloud, dark, misty and gruesome has spread itself like a pall over his Masonic enthusiasm, and it is often a long and weary time before either the brilliant rays of the noon-day sun or the pale flitting effulgence of Luna's borrowed light disperses the blackened gloom and darkened shadow that has overspread his former love for Freemasonry. Why should Freemasons thus receive a brother?

But there is another class besides the visiting that is chilled and disgusted by this neglect of the social features of Freemasonry, viz.: our younger brethren. Who has not witnessed the initiation of a candidate performed with much pomp and ceremonial but cold and inanimate? Again, who has not seen the work slurred over and abbreviated, and, *the actual work being finished*, known the newly pledged Mason to be allowed to sit down amongst the brethren and to leave the Lodge room without even a personal introduction to a single brother? Now, what can the young Mason think of such a reception? If the ceremonial is very fine, he views the Institution as a sort of Ritualistic Association; if it is slovenly, he thinks it a bore and a humbug. In either case he is disappointed, and as first impressions are really most important, we should make every effort not only to impress the mind of the neophyte with the solemnity of the ceremonial through which he is passing, but we should, in addition to this, cause him to understand that in future the Lodge room is his Masonic home, and that wherever he goes he is to welcome a Mason as a brother and in return to expect a brother's greeting. This is what should be taught the candidate the night of his initiation, and if he is then properly welcomed into the Masonic fold, he will, in all probability, at a future time, be glad to greet a brother from a distant jurisdiction in that Masonic spirit which is the essence of true Freemasonry.

That Masons frequently grossly neglect this paramount duty, both in the case of the neophyte and the visitor, in the Lodge room and out of the Lodge room, cannot be satisfactorily refuted. The effect is highly disastrous to the best interests of the Fraternity, and the result is evident from the fact that "the vast army of the unaffiliated" is daily on the increase, and brethren, losing interest in cold formalities and formal ceremonials, neglect the Lodge-room and Chapter, and either seek diversion in the asylum of the Commandery or of the Consistory, where a more cordial reception generally greets them. Thus, *les hautes grades*, the offshoots, the dream vagaries of the Institution, often usurp the place that ancient Craft Masonry should ever hold in the heart of every true Son of Light. But worse than this, good men who care naught for the tinsel and glitter of quasi and pseudo Masonry, drop out, when they find neither philosophy, science nor sociability cultivated in the Lodge room or the Chapter, and many, alas! thoroughly wearied of the monotony, forget and neglect their Lodge, and allow themselves to be suspended for non-payment of dues. It is lamentable to think that such is frequently the case, but it is, and Masons should make a great effort to change the current of Masonic thought in this particular. Man is innately a social being, and if we neglect this feature of our Fraternity, we are committing a gross outrage in the name of Masonry. Gentlemen join us because they have heard of the *universality* of Freemasonry; of the brotherly love that exists amongst its members, &c., and when they find that these things only exist in theory, they become disgusted and disappointed and leave the Craft.

How easily all this difficulty might be avoided if Masters of Lodges and others high in authority would only make a united effort to cultivate a more social spirit. Every night the brethren should be called off for refreshment. Men thaw round the social board: visitors and younger members form friendships there in a few minutes that it would take a lifetime to make amidst the formalities of the Lodge room. There is no necessity for much expense; in fact, that should always be avoided, but a pretty little *récherché déjeuner* is what is required. Fun, wit, repartee, toast, song and sentiment ever accompany a pleasant reunion of this kind, and, although we may laugh at the "knife and fork degree," and "the roast beef of Old England," the truth is that our old country brethren are a-head of us in this particular. The genial reception accorded to the visitor in an English Lodge is generally far warmer and pleasanter than the formal and precise greeting accorded to strangers by Lodges on this Continent. We should not therefore neglect "the social features of Freemasonry," either in the Lodge room or outside its sacred precincts. In both instances we are equally bound as gentlemen, as Masons, and as brethren, to accord to the neophyte and the visitor such a reception as shall at once make him feel *at home*. The duty of the Mason, so far as sociability is concerned, is two-fold, and if he neglects it he is actually guilty of a high misdemeanour towards the code of ethics of Masonry universal.

1. He should, by precept and practice, strive by every legitimate means to make every Mason that visits his Lodge or Chapter *feel himself at home*; his manner should be warm, his greeting cordial, the grasp of his hand fraternal.

2. Outside the Lodge room he should exert his influence and use every effort to forward the interests of a brother, and to make him feel that the bond of brotherly love is a magic tie and mystic spell that binds all true Freemasons within its silken triple network of friendship, love and truth. This is what we require more in Freemasonry, and if we only strive to attain and practice it, we shall soon find that the warm and lasting friendships formed through the cultivation of "the social features of Freemasonry" will be amongst the most precious treasures harvested after many years of labour within the golden receptacle of the granary of Honour, Virtue and Truth.

THE FIFTEEN SECTIONS

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At the Fidelity Lodge of Instruction, No. 3, held at the Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-square, W., on Thursday, 6th October, at 7 p.m. precisely. Bros. C. Koester P.M. 435 W.M., E. Farwig P.M. 180 S.W., J. Hemming 1287 J.W. First Lecture:—Bros. J. Harvey, E. Knight, B. Kauffman, W. Birrell, R. Cook, J. Paul, and W. J. Burgess. Second Lecture:—Bros. L. Jacobs, G. L. Moore, F. J. Wray, E. Farwig, and J. C. Smith. Third Lecture:—Bros. J. W. Smith, J. Hemming, and F. W. Sillis. C. Koester P.M. 435 Preceptor, F. W. Sillis W.S. 1744 Secretary.

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MASONIC RECEPTION OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION AT YORK.

WHEN we consider the great antiquity of Freemasonry, the numerous books which have been published in reference to it, the almost innumerable other works bearing on the subject, and the general interest felt in its history by brethren throughout the country, we can but feel surprised that so few public collections of relics of the Craft are to be met with. With, we think, but two exceptions, namely, at the quarters of the Supreme Council in Golden Square, and among the brethren of York, no systematic public organisations exist in this country for the acquiring and preservation of curiosities and relics of Masonic history. In these two cases it is true the collections are of sufficient extent to compensate in a measure for the apathy displayed by the remainder of the English brotherhood, but when we weigh what has been, and is still being done, by the brethren associated with them, we feel regret that their example is not followed more generally, or that some more regular support is given them than is at present the case. On this occasion we shall confine our remarks to the collection which exists at York—the property of the York and Eboracum Lodges, or of the brethren who are members of them. The best we can say of this collection is, that every Mason who has an opportunity of doing so should devote a portion of his time to an inspection of it. We feel assured that he will be pleased at having done so, even if, by a personal acquaintance with some of the relics of the past, he does not feel greater veneration for the Order itself. On the occasion of the reception of the members of the British Association by the brethren of York, which took place on Monday, at the Masonic Hall, great pains were taken to secure the loan of every item of Masonic interest know of in the district, and the presence of most of these, together with those in the possession of the York brethren themselves, formed an exhibition which we can but hope will one day become a permanent one in the city. It is doubtless true that private collectors are loth to part with the treasures of which they have, perhaps after great trouble, possessed themselves, yet in the interest of the general body, it is often found they are willing to do so, provided some suitable place can be found for their reception. This, we venture to think, the brethren of York would be willing to provide, if it was found their already-erected hall was either unsuited or insufficient for the purpose. We would suggest that each of the exhibitors on the recent occasion be invited to co-operate in some scheme which shall have for its object the permanent collection, in one building, of the many interesting relics which were then only lent, and this having been done, that brethren throughout the country be invited to co-operate in making at York a really national collection of Masonic curiosities. If this were carried out, and a catalogue of the articles already secured were published, we believe many responses would be made. At present brethren are really unaware of the class of things for which to seek, or if by chance they become possessors of an old Masonic work, are at a loss to know where to send it in order that it may be of service to the Craft at large. But if it once became known that York was the recognised centre, the feeling that their gifts might be lost would no longer deter donors or loaners to the general collection. From the prominent part York played in Freemasonry in the past, it would be particularly entitled to the honour of becoming the home of Masonic relics, while the collection already formed by its brethren, gives it a further claim to this distinction. It has further the advantage of being the home of some of the most enterprising students of Masonic history we can boast of in this country, and is in many other ways eminently suited as the centre for a Masonic museum.

The reception of Monday took place, as we have said, at the Masonic Hall, in Duncombe-place, where at seven o'clock a Lodge of Emergency was opened by the W.M. of No. 236. The spacious hall was filled to its utmost capacity, there being upwards of three hundred brethren present, while in the centre of the Lodge, and around the walls, were arranged the various exhibits of the day, of which the following is a list:—

Curious old silver Masonic jewel, letter G in centre, and emblems—very finely cut. Date unknown—lent by Mrs. Tissiman, Scarborough. Curious old jewel, Mark and Craft combined; an old York Mark member's medal F.H.C., &c. Seems to connect Craft with Mark, rare, lent by Bro. R. Boggett P.M. 1605 P.G.S.B. Very fine gilt medal 1767, supposed to have been struck at the foundation of a R.A. Chapter, lent by Bro. R. Boggett P.M. 1605 P.G.S.B. North and East Yorkshire. Antique silver star, very old, about 1790, lent by Bro. R. Boggett P.M. 1605 P.G.S.B. Curious old silver Masonic jewel, rather rough in cutting, date about 1790 lent by Bro. Tissiman 236, York. Unique oval silver Masonic jewel about 1790, badge as Craft R.A., K.T. and "Rosa Crucis," remarkable, lent by Bro. R. Boggett P.M. 1605 P.G.S.B. Old brass tobacco-box, Masonic emblems, 1800, (puzzle to open), lent by Bro. J. T. Seller W.M. 1611, York. Copies of "toasts lists," &c., (Masonic Shakesperian, musical, &c.), Eboracum Lodge 1611, lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland P.M. 1611. History of the "Knights of Malta," by Mons. L'Abbé de Vertot, 71 heads of Grand Masters, Maps, &c., 1728, lent by J. S. Cumberland, P.E.P. York. Engraving of Foundation of Royal Order of the Freemasons in Palestine, by P. Lambert de Lintot, 1789, lent by Humber Lodge 57, per W. Bro. Dr. Bell D.P.G.M. Fine silver presentation Masonic jewel, presented to John Moore, 42nd R.H.R., St. Andrew's Lodge 243. Jewel, old, lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland P.M. 1611. Very fine Rose Croix Collar Jewel, of early date, lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland 18, M.W.S. Hilda Chapter. Old Snuffbox, Masonic Emblems, Eboracum 1611, York. Antique Masonic Jewel, presented by Bro. Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett P.M. P.P.G.S.W. North and East Yorkshire, lent by Eboracum 1611, York. Fine Old Mug (Leeds ware), Masonic Emblems, old, lent by Eboracum Lodge 1611, York. Very fine Old Glass Goblet and two smaller Glasses, beautifully cut, with Masonic emblems, 1800, lent by Bro. J. T. Seller P.M. 1611, York. Old Masonic Pitcher, St. George's Lodge 225, London, lent by Eboracum 1611, York. Pair of very fine Masonic Glass Goblets, from North Germany, 1780, lent by Bro. J. S. Walton P.M. Very curious old Engraving of a Freemason, made out of the materials of his Lodge, 1754, lent by Humber Lodge 57. Two Wax Impressions of the Seals of the Old Globe Lodge 200, lent by Bro. R. H. Peacock, Scarborough. Round Table Top, dark marble, beautifully cut, with Masonic emblems, exceedingly fine, lent by York Lodge 236. Engraving, published by P. Lambert de Lintot, emblematical of character, Grand Lodge and Knights Templars, 1789, lent by Humber Lodge 57. Engraving of Apron in commemoration of Earl Moira Acting G.M., 31st March 1813. Humber Lodge 57. "French Ritual," lent by Bro. R. H. Peacock, Scarborough. Very rare silver Masonic Medal, supposed to be second English issue, date 1766, lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland P.M. 1611. Curious old Masonic apron (nothing known of it) lent by Bro. R. H. Peacock Scarborough. Fine oval silver presentation medal, about 1790, presented to the great grandfather of present owner, lent by Bro. G. C. Caster, Peterborough. Gilt R.A. jewel (John Hirst) 1796, lent by Bro. John Church, Sheffield. Centenary jewel, Palladian Lodge 141, 1862, lent by J. S. Cumberland, P.M. 1611. Very rare silver Masonic jewel, supposed one of first English medals issued in "Marvin's" Book of Medals, 1750, lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland P.M. 1611. Honorary member's jewel, "Mary Commandery 36," Philadelphia, U.S.A., lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland. Fine pierced silver Masonic medal, emblems beautifully cut, 1740-50, lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland P.M. 1611. Old coins struck by the Grand Masters of the Order of Malta, 1780 to 1796, lent by Bro. T. B. Whytehead. Old Masonic Play Bill, 1791, lent by Eboracum, 1611, York. Curious old silk handkerchief, with Masonic emblems all over it, in a dilapidated condition, lent by Bro. R. H. Peacock P.M. 200 Scarborough. Engraving, dedicated to the Duke of Cumberland, by P. Lambert de Lintot, Master of Lodges 531, 787, lent by Humber Lodge 57. Bitumen cup, very beautiful, presented by Wor. Bro. Dr. Bell D.P.G.M., lent by Eboracum 1611, York. Photo of Masons' Marks from Stones at Ancient Carthage, presented by W. Bro. A. M. Broadley P.M., &c., Tunis, lent by Eboracum 1611, York. Fine old black letter Bible, formerly the property of Grand Lodge at York, 1761, lent by Eboracum 1611, York. Small American Rose Croix jewel, modern, lent by J. S. Cumberland 18 M.W.S. Hilda Chapter. Old Scotch apron, lent by Bro. B. P. Ord P.P.G. Org. Northumberland. Curious old Masonic engraving in commemoration of the Union of the two Grand Lodges in 1813, lent by Bro. Marshall, Leeds. Scotch Master Mason's apron, curious, old, lent by the Eboracum Lodge, York. Photographs, Ancient Carthage and Neighbourhood, and series of seven curious Masonic Cartoons, lent by the Eboracum Lodge. Doyle's Fellowship, Guernsey, 1820. Masonic cartoon, Woman's inquisitiveness and its result. Bronze K.T. badge, lent by Bro. T. B. Whytehead. Antique old silver loving cup, formerly belonging to the Grand Lodge of All England, lent by Mrs. Newstead, Selby. Pen and ink sketch of H.R.H. the late Duke of Sussex M.W.G.M., lent by Bro. R. Boggett. Framed series of etchings of Masonic emblems. Old Masonic plate, and curious old poigniard, formerly used by the Tyler of the Lodge. Fine old Tyler's sword, formerly belonging to the Royal Oak Lodge, Ripon, lent by the De Grey and Ripon Lodge. Knight Templar's sword, presented by Sir Knight John Dornan on the occasion of the visit of the Mary Commandery 1878, lent by the Ancient Ebor Preceptory. Unfinished carved stone from Ancient Carthage, lent by Eboracum Lodge, York. Series of fine portraits of the Grand Masters of the Order of Malta, lent by Bro. Whytehead. Six engravings, in commemoration of the Institution of Girls (Royal Cumberland), 1788, lent by Bro. J. P. Bell. Old silver verge watch, fine Masonic emblems, painted by hand on face, still goes, date 1783, lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland. Freemasons at work, engraved by Lambert, lent by the Humber Lodge. Scotch Moira apron in frame, 1813, lent by De Grey and Ripon Lodge. Curious cartoon of the procession of the Scald Miserable Masons, 1742, and fine old Masonic flagon, used as a loving cup. Flagon stand, very beautifully designed and emblematically finished, with names of subscribers for the purchase; lent by the Eboracum Lodge. Beautiful illuminated address, together with a charity jewel, presented to Bro. J. S. Cumberland for his labours on behalf of the Masonic Charities. American Masonic medal, to commemorate the laying of the foundation stone for the Egyptian Obelisk, New York, October 1880; lent by Bro. J. S. Cum-

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berland. Beautiful silver-enamelled P.M.'s star, presented to the late Bro. Metcalfe by the brethren of the Keighley Lodge, seventy years ago, lent by the De Grey and Ripon Lodge. Beautiful silver-enamelled star, very early date, lent by Bro. J. Laughton P.M., Lincolnshire. Three medals 1790, to commemorate the election of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales as Grand Master, lent by Bro. J. S. Cumberland. Marvin's work on Masonic medals, lent by Bro. Cumberland. Bro. M. C. Peck Provincial Grand Secretary N. and E. Yorks, contributed the following:—Small case containing fine bronze medal, struck to commemorate the election of the Prince of Wales (afterwards George IV.) as M.W.G.M., and the Duke of Clarence, afterwards William IV., as First Grand Principal. It is engraved in Oliver's "Revelations of a Square," which is shown with it. Masonic token, commemorating election of Prince of Wales as M.W.G.M., 1790. Medal, struck in commemoration of the defeat of the French by the burning of Moscow 1812. Medal, Admiral Vernon, taking of Portobello. Large gilt Masonic jewel, representing Craft and R.A. emblems on either side, date 1767. The Silver seal of the Minerva Lodge made in 1796. The two silver jewels (sun and moon) worn by the Deacons of the Minerva Lodge before the Union of the two Grand Lodges in 1813; Clavel's Histoire Pittoresque de la Franc Maconnerie, with fine steel plates; Clavel's Almanack de la Franc Maconnerie; Macoy's Masonic Manual, painted and beautifully illustrated; Lawrie's History of Freemasonry and G.L. of Scotland; Abimon Rezon, 2nd edition, with engraved front. and title, London 1764; Constitutions of Thos. Harper, with engraved front., 1807. This work states that Ancient Masonry consists of four degrees. Numotheca Numismatica, by Ernst Zacharias; a rare work, containing fine plates of Masonic Medals, &c.; Dr. Oliver's Signs and Symbols: Grimsby 1826, with autograph letter from the author; Manuel General de la Franc Maconnerie, by Teissier: a curious old Apron, with Masonic emblems, engraved by Cole.

The Lodge having been opened in the three degrees, the Provincial Grand Officers and Grand Officers were received and saluted according to their rank. The Worshipful Masters of the York and Eboracum Lodges then tendered a fraternal greeting to the visiting brethren, after which the Very Rev. the Dean of York, G.C., and Chaplain to the York Lodge, on behalf of the two Lodges, gave an address. He had very great pleasure in adding a few words to the welcome which had been given by the Worshipful Masters of the York and Eboracum Lodges. The brethren of York had very great pleasure in seeing so many distinguished brethren present, brethren he might say hailing from all parts. The meeting was held under very favourable auspices, taking place under the very shadow of a building which, if not the noblest, was at least one of the finest monuments of the skill of our ancient Craftsmen. At the present day the object of the Craft was not so much the cultivation of material structures, but rather something higher. The present occasion, when they were surrounded in York by the most learned members of the British Association, was admirably suited for such a meeting as the brethren of the Craft had provided that day. The brethren of York fraternally welcomed their visitors from all parts, and hoped they would go away gratified and interested. Bro. J. Glaisher, Past Grand Deacon of England, replied on behalf of the Grand Lodge Officers and Visitors. He had on many occasions been present at Masonic Lodges held in connection with the meetings of the British Association, and had a lively recollection of the splendour of some of those receptions; but that given by the York brethren stood out from them all as the brightest he had ever known. As a Mason he really felt so proud of what he had seen that night that he experienced some difficulty in expressing his thanks. He felt that every brother present would recollect the reception given by the Freemasons, and that the gathering of that night would ever be fixed on the memory of them all. Hearty good wishes having been tendered by the visiting brethren—who comprised representatives of a large majority of Provincial Grand Lodges, and not a few Foreign Grand Bodies—the W.M. proceeded to close the Lodge. Refreshment was then partaken of, and later on a Conversazione was held in the Lodge room, the following being the programme:—

GLEE—"Strike the Lyre"—Cook; the Masonic Glee Party—Bros. Wilkinson, Todd, Kirby, Sanderson, Lee, Humphreys, Marshall, and Cumberland.

ADDRESS—On Records and Antiquities belonging to York Lodge, by W. Bro. J. Todd P.M. 236 P.P.G. Reg.

SONG—"Madoline"—Nelson; Bro. J. E. Wilkinson.

ADDRESS—By W. Bro. T. W. Tew D.P.G.M. West Yorkshire.

GLEES—*a*. "Evening's Twilight"—Hatton; *b*. "Absence"—Hatton; Bros. Wilkinson, Todd, Sanderson, and Cumberland.

ADDRESS—By W. Bro. J. P. Bell D.P.G.M.

QUARTETTE—"Of a' the Airts"—Shore; Bros. Wilkinson, Todd, Marshall, and Cumberland.

ADDRESS—By M.W. Bro. Hyde Clark P.M. W. Grand Master of Columbia.

SONG—"Village Blacksmith"—Weiss; Bro. J. S. Cumberland.

GLEE—"Hail Smiling Morn"—Spofforth; Masonic Glee Party.

QUARTETTE—"Beware"—Hatton; Bros. Wilkinson, Kirby, Sanderson, and Marshall.

CONCLUDING ADDRESS—By Bro. T. B. Whytehead P.M.

GLEE—"As the Moments Roll"—S. Webbe, 1749; Masonic Glee Party.

"God Save the Queen."

It was not until a late hour that this programme was got through, but the interest evinced in the proceedings throughout showed the appreciation with which the efforts of the brethren were regarded. In conclusion, we can but give credit to those who were really responsible for the arrangement of the proceedings, viz., Bros. A. Buckle, J. S. Cumberland (Joint Secretaries of the Reception Committee), and T. B. Whytehead. To these three brethren may fairly be attributed the honour of having brought the meeting to so successful an issue, and we hope that the work they have done, may bear fruit, which will hand their names down to future generations in connection with the Masonic Museum we hope to see established. We have pleasure in reproducing elsewhere in our columns the paper read by Bro. P.M. Todd; and giving here the concluding address of Bro. Whytehead, who spoke as follows:—

It would not be right to break up this most pleasant gathering without some expression of feeling of the pleasure expressed by the Brethren of York at the success of their undertaking, and of their hope that their visitors will have nothing to regret in the memory of the evening they have passed under their roof. Such gatherings as the one in which we have taken part this evening are of unquestionable value, taken from any point of view. To those who are young in Masonry, the Association with brethren of age and experience must have an improving effect, and should urge them to follow in the footsteps of those whose labours have already made them famous. To those who are themselves active workers in the mines of Masonic research, the same association cannot but afford much pleasure from the advantage derived from the exchange of ideas, and from the encouragement afforded to perseverance in the paths they have already entered, whilst to those still older brethren who as yet have failed to find in Masonry anything of sufficient interest to engage their real attention, the display around them, as well as the addresses they have heard, will, I hope, prove that the Royal Art has an inner life and interest unknown to those who never penetrate behind the outer shell of our daily ceremonies. At this late hour I do not wish to detain you, but should not like to miss the opportunity of saying a word or two on the importance of close research into the real origin and history of Freemasonry. The day has long gone by for the repetition of the old fables which for a century and a half satisfied the members of our Order, and the danger seems to be that we are running into the opposite extreme of discrediting everything which cannot be absolutely proved by chapter and verse. Of the two mistakes, perhaps credulity may be the worst, but nothing could be more fatal to the elucidation of such a necessarily obscure history as that of Freemasonry than the absolute rejection of everything legendary. Nevertheless, I am perfectly satisfied that much may yet be discovered from the careful investigation of old documents, diaries, correspondence, and early newspaper files. From day to day discoveries are made of more or less importance, and the columns of the Masonic press frequently record such finds. Brother Lukis, of Ripon, made such a discovery a short time since in the diaries of Dr. Stakeley, and last week I had the pleasure of announcing Brother the Hon. Orde-Powlett's discovery of a monumental slab of the 17th century, recording the death of a Freemason, in Wensley Churchyard, North Yorkshire. It is from an accumulation of small facts that complete histories are formed, and there are doubtless plenty of material yet to be disinterred to throw light upon our descent from the mediæval guilds. I hold in my hand a copy of a paper published in York in 1775, Etherington's *York Chronicle*, which came into my possession a few days ago, containing three consecutive advertisements of considerable interest.

MORIAH LODGE, No. 176,

Of Free and Accepted Masons, under the constitution of the Ancient Grand Lodge of England.

The members hereof are desired to meet the Master, Wardens, &c., at the house of Mr. William Blanchard, the Star and Garter, in Nessgate, York, on Wednesday, the 27th inst., being the anniversary of St. John. Dinner on the table at two o'clock.

TANCRED, Provincial Grand Master.

The Free and Accepted Masons, under the constitution of the Grand Lodge of England, are desired to meet the Brethren of the Apollo Lodge, at the George Inn, Coney Street, York, on Wednesday, 17th December, being the anniversary of St. John. Tickets to be had at the bar of the said inn. Dinner at 2 o'clock.

STAPILTON, Grand Master.

Free and Accepted Masons are desired to meet the brethren of the most Ancient Grand Lodge of All England, at the York Tavern, on Wednesday, the 27th inst.

BEWLAY, CONSITT, } Grand Wardens.

Dinner on the table at two o'clock.

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The warrant for the Moriah Lodge was first issued to brethren of the 1st Regiment of Yorkshire Militia at Sheffield, and was afterwards removed to York, where it met at the hostelrie named in the advertisement. It was under the authority of the Athol Grand Lodge, the Seceders, in 1738, from the Grand Lodge of England. The Apollo, as Dr. Bell has told you, was under the authority of the Grand Lodge of England, Stapilton was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge at York. Thus we have three Lodges under three different constitutions celebrating St. John's Day at York in 1775. From time to time the files of the York papers of last century contain notices of the Freemasons sufficient in fact for the outline of a history of Masonry in this city did not other records exist. The importance of examination of old files in other counties where Lodge archives are not to be found should not be overlooked. I had hoped to have seen here to-night my friends and co-students, Bros. R. F. Gould and W. J. Hughan, the former our greatest Masonic statistician, and both of whose published works are of inestimable value to the Masonic investigator. It is satisfactory to know that those brethren are now engaged in the production of a new history of Masonry, which will embody all the latest discoveries. Brethren, we have been delighted to have had the opportunity of greeting you in open Lodge, and of extending to you our hospitality; and on behalf of the Masons of York, I may assure you that if you have experienced as much pleasure from your visit as we have done in your reception, our pains will not have been in vain. For ourselves, we shall ever remember with gratification our Masonic gathering at York in 1881.

The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Zetland R.W. Prov. Grand Master North and East Yorkshire, upon the invitation of the Kingston Lodge, 1010, will hold the annual meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge at Hull, on Wednesday, 5th October. The R.W. the Mayor of Hull has kindly consented to the meeting being held in the Town Hall. Prov. Grand Lodge and the brethren will go in procession to Holy Trinity Church, where a sermon will be preached by the Hon. and Rev. the Dean of York, Grand Chaplain of England. The banquet will be held at the Public Rooms.

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LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—One of "MARS'S" suggestions in his letter of the 30th ult. is, I think, an excellent one. He asks if some plan could not be devised by which, while a majority of our Lodges of Instruction were set apart for elementary coaching, a minority were reserved for those who are ambitious of obtaining a degree of knowledge somewhat above the average. This might very easily be done. As he points out there are some 110 of these Lodges in the Metropolitan District. There are several cases in which two or even more Lodges meet in the same house, while in most neighbourhoods the places of meeting are all easily accessible, any one, taken at hazard, not being more difficult to get at than any other similarly selected. If some, then, were promoted (say) to the rank of Master Masons' Lodges of Instruction, as is the Emulation Lodge of Improvement, a very considerable improvement on the present system would be effected at a very trifling expense in the way of change.

I am,

Faithfully and fraternally,

MASTER MASON.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I could have wished to have seen a proof of my letter in your issue of the 27th ultimo, before its insertion. Although the substance of the letter would have been the same, I should have made certain alterations which might have rendered my meaning perhaps a little clearer; for instance, line 24, "Superior Schools or Lodges of Improvement, where the more hidden mysteries could be taught." Again, 25 and 26, and "due credit should be given to those who are willing gratuitously to impart the superior knowledge they possess," again, in line 50, the words "the widow or" should have been left out, but I trust your readers will be able to understand the gist of the several points of my letter. I have read with great interest Bro. "Mars'" second letter, he still forgets they are simply Lodges of Instruction and nothing more, that new and young members are constantly coming in, and that they especially are the class for whom the instruction is intended. The lectures and the different sections are meant to, and do in a great measure, explain the meaning of our different ceremonies, and these if attentively listened to, will afford the necessary instruction as to the fundamental principles, objects of research, and desired end of our ancient and highly honourable Order. Anything beyond this requires that which I hope this controversy will aid in obtaining, superior Schools or Lodges, same as ordinary schools, where the students are divided into different classes and taught by different masters in accordance with the extent of their attainments, and then complete their education—if it ever is completed—either at one of the universities, with private tutors, or by self imposed studies in after life. At Lodges of Instruction the groundwork is laid, whence by careful study further improvement in our ritual can be acquired, of course all the easier under superior guidance. I consider myself fortunate in having been under the able preceptorship of Brother Cottebrune, who does not content himself with the mere verbiage and other essential parts of our ritual, but is sufficiently master of the subject to, and does, explain the why and the wherefore, for as your readers are perfectly aware, there is a general connection in our whole system, and its several parts are dependent one upon the other.

I remain,

Yours fraternally,

C. J. PERCEVAL.

August 29th 1881.

BRO. PERCEVAL'S AMENDMENT.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Bro. Perceval must be gratified at the result of his first attempt to dispense with the confirmation by Grand Lodge of its approval of grants over £50, to this extent, at least, that though he did not succeed in carrying his point, he received so large a measure of support. I trust, under the circumstances, he will, sooner or later, renew his attempt, for I am sure that the more the matter is considered, the more apparent will it be to the Craft that when a considerable sum has been recommended and approved, it should be paid over without further delay. I think with "L.E.R." that we cannot do better than leave the chief conduct of these matters to the Lodge of Benevolence, whose members, as he very truly says, have so much "wisdom, experience, and discretion." If we cannot trust them to fulfil the responsibilities entrusted to them, without requiring from Grand Lodge a double approval of their recommendations in certain cases, then it seems to me the Lodge of Benevolence is not properly constituted, and should in some way or other be strengthened. However, I fancy most brethren think the fault to which the delays complained of are attributable lies with the Constitutions, which exact more caution than is necessary, rather than with the Lodge of Benevolence, for a too lax administration of the Fund.

Fraternally yours,

R.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

11 Bridge-street, Westminster, S.W.
8th September 1881.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Were I to say I was not disappointed at the result of yesterday's division on my amendment to Bro. Nunn's motion, it would be untrue; for I am more,—I am dissatisfied with the result of the count, as given by the tellers. So satisfied was I that I had a considerable majority—say about one and half to one—when the brethren had divided, that I sat down perfectly content, and was astounded when I heard the numbers given out. Though defeated in my first attempt, I shall most certainly not drop the matter, but try again. At the next Grand Lodge I shall bring forward a resolution—"That in all cases where a division is called for, there shall be a count out in a manner somewhat similar to that practised in the House of Commons, and that two tellers shall be chosen from either side." The method adopted yesterday was most unsatisfactory and impracticable; whereas, to count correctly, there should have been two tellers for each side, chosen from the body of the Lodge; not two only, and those from one side. I do not doubt for one moment the endeavour to make a correct count, but at the same time I very much question the accuracy of the return, and shall, in the meantime, consult with my friends as to the proper course to pursue in December next.

Yours fraternally,

C. J. PERCEVAL.

LODGE WORK AND LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—There is only one passage in Bro. 'ALDERMAN'S" letter of last week, to which I think exception can be taken. Every one recognises that our present Lodges of Instruction were "established for the especial purpose of preparing and perfecting brethren in the necessary work of regular Lodges;" but I cannot bring myself to admit that "these Institutions must remain as they are, or their usefulness is gone." I have said already that a knowledge of our ceremonial can only be acquired by "frequent" repetition; but I do not go so far as to assert that the repetition must be "constant." On the contrary, I believe that an occasional lecture, in which the more difficult passages or references were explained, while it must afford some relief from the monotonous routine of repetition, would likewise at the same time, and to a very appreciable extent, facilitate the acquisition of the requisite knowledge. But I shall doubtless make my meaning clearer if I illustrate it, so I will select for my purpose the famous Forty-seventh proposition of the first Book of Euclid. In the ordinary course of things a certain youth at school has this set him as a task, and he is given to understand that he must learn it so perfectly as to be able either to repeat it to the Master or write it out from memory. Well, he succeeds in

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time, and after some difficulty, and when the trial comes, he repeats or writes it out faultlessly. But as he is only at the beginning of his mathematical studies, it cannot be said that he understands much of what he has learnt. He has succeeded in committing it to memory, and, unless he is called upon to repeat it frequently, it is very certain that sooner or later, as his memory is more or less retentive, he will begin to forget it. This, however, would not be the case had the tutor been at the pains of explaining the several steps taken in order to demonstrate the correctness of the proposition. Once these steps are thoroughly understood and the youth's memory plays only a secondary part. He reasons out the sequent stages, and no longer has to trust only to his memory. Now much the same would happen in the case of the young Masonic student, who would master the difficulties of a ceremony or lecture with far less difficulty if he were able to reason them out for himself than if he had only to look to his memory to work it. Thus, if the programme of work were varied to the extent of introducing an occasional explanatory lecture, I think the usefulness of our Lodges of Instruction would be materially increased.

Again—and here, at all events, I have the sympathy of Bro. ALDERMAN—a further improvement would undoubtedly follow, if some, at all events, of our Preceptors were replaced by brethren of higher educational attainments. Bro. ALDERMAN tells us, that when he hears the vowels so unceremoniously *exasperated*, he feels like one who has had the misfortune "to sit on the business end of a tin tack," and if his attendance at Lodges of Instruction is at all as regular as mine was some three or four years ago, I am afraid he must experience those unpleasant sensations pretty frequently. It is one of the conditions of success in education that the pupil shall be able to look up to his tutor with respect, if not with reverence. But what possible respect can I entertain for a Preceptor when all the time I am listening to his instruction I am busily engaged in repressing my inclination to laugh at his errors of pronunciation. It is no joke, I can assure you, to sit under a Gallio who is continually murdering his native language. If all the Preceptors were like a few I might name, Lodges of Instruction would be still more useful for training purposes than they are now. On the other hand, in the case of those Lodges in which the presiding spirits are certain other Preceptors, whom it will be better to pass over as nameless, the wonder is, not that young brethren attend them, and make some slight progress in learning our ceremonies, &c., by rote, but that there should be any decently educated brethren who muster up courage to attend.

Fraternally yours,

"MARS."

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THE THEATRES, &c.

DRURY LANE.—At 7.30, YOUTH.

COVENT GARDEN.—At 8, PROMENADE CONCERTS.

HER MAJESTY'S.—At 8, HAVERLY'S MONSTER TROUPE OF REAL NIGGERS. Wednesday and Saturday, at 2 also.

ADELPHI.—At 7.15, A LAD FROM THE COUNTRY. At 8, IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO MEND.

HAYMARKET.—At 7.30, EAST LYNNE. At 9.30, BLUE AND BUFF.

PRINCESS'S.—At 7, A PHOTOGRAPHIC FRIGHT. At 8, THE LIGHTS OF LONDON.

GLOBE.—LES CLOCHES DE CORNEVILLE.

GAIETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At 7.20, FAST COACH. At 8.30, FORTY THIEVES.

OLYMPIC.—At 7.45, QUITE AN ADVENTURE. At 8.15, CLAUDE DUVAL.

CRITERION.—At 8, WITHERED LEAVES. At 8.45, FLATS.

OPERA COMIQUE.—At 8, UNCLE SAMUEL. At 8.30, PATIENCE.

PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 8.30, THE COLONEL.

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ON Tuesday afternoon there was a very considerable gathering of Masonic Brethren at Merthyr, which would doubtless have been larger but for the unfavourable weather. The occasion which brought the brethren together was in connection with the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the New Masonic Hall for the Loyal Cambrian Lodge, No. 110 (of which Brother Edward Henry James, of Dowlais, is the present Worshipful Master), by the Worshipful Bro. Marmaduke Tennant, Dep. Prov. Grand Master. The

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building, has already been proceeded with to a very considerable extent, and will, it is anticipated, be completed by the end of the year. It is being built under the auspices of the Merthyr Improvement Company, and in conjunction with the new Merthyr Club and other buildings, of which block it forms a portion. The Lodge was opened at two o'clock, in the Temperance Hall, members of the Provincial Grand Lodge and visitors of distinction assembling in the ante-room; brethren not being members of the Provincial Grand Lodge had places assigned for them in the Lodge room. At the conclusion of the Lodge business a procession through the town to the site of the new Masonic Hall was formed, under the direction of the Provincial Grand Directors of Ceremonies, brethren appearing in the usual Masonic costume—black dress and white gloves, and with Craft clothing and jewels. The procession started down the High Street at three o'clock, in the usual Masonic order, and headed by part of the Rifle Volunteer band, the display made exciting very considerable interest in the town. On reaching the site of the new building at the bottom of High Street the brethren at the head of the procession halted, opening right and left, facing inwards, so as to leave room for the Worshipful the Deputy Provincial Grand Master to pass up the centre of the avenue just formed, he being preceded by his standard and sword bearers. The band occupied a position which was assigned them, the Worshipful the Deputy Grand Master, the Provincial Grand Officers, and others taking part in the ceremonial, occupying the front rank round the stone a space being left clear; the rest of the brethren in the procession took up positions indicated to them by the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The Masonic brethren taking part in the proceedings were as follow: Officers and members of the Loyal Cambrian (Merthyr) Lodge:—Bros. E. H. James W.M., John Jones I.P.M., E. Clay S.W., D. J. Hirst J.W., Nestor R. Williams Chaplain, J. D. Williams Treasurer, C. Russell James S.D., R. R. Davies J.D., G. F. Harris D.C., J. J. Jones I.G., J. E. Davies and J. S. Jones Stewards, T. J. Deke P.P.S.G.W., E. Lawrence P.P.G.O., T. W. Goodfellow P.G.S.B., C. Wilkins P.P.G.T., D. Rees Lewis P.P.G.R., C. Harris, T. Hansard, M. L. Evans, B. Jones, F. Wilkins, D. J. Williams W.M., P. Williams, T. Flooks, L. Richards, J. W. Gunn, J. F. M'Clune, W. H. Priest, T. Williams, J. Jenkins, W. Owen, H. Jolliffe, A. Gunn, T. Harris, D. J. Williams, S. Sandbrook, and W. James. Visitors—Bros. J. Matthews P.M. Bute Lodge P.S.G.D., G. H. Nash P.M. Bute P.P.G.D.C., G. M. Watson P.M. Glamorgan P.G.J.W., John Guthrie W.M. Windsor, D. Hopkins, J.P., P.P.J.S.D., W. D. Jones G.W. P.G.S., J. A. Whittle W.M. Brecknock, G. E. H. Teale Secretary Brecknock, W. J. Lewis P.M. St. David's, Titus Lewis W.M. St. Quintain, W. Lewis W.M. St. David's, G. W. Blackwall Cambrian, G. W. Palmer Cambrian, E. Fish S.S. Indefatigable, R. P. Hunter I.P.M. Merlin, Thomas Dickson W.M. Merlin, William R. Perrott Merlin, D. R. David P.M. Afon, J. Jones Chaplain Afon, J. M. Smith W.M. Afon, Isaac George S.D. Afon, A. P. Fabian P.P.G.S.W. Glamorgan, Thomas Walters P.G. Chaplain Caradoc, Thomas Thomas P.P.G.M. Talbot, J. Jones P.G. Secretary Afon, W. Dobbs P.G.S. Wales, J. O. Lewis, Robert Jones P.M. P.G.D. Afon, F. Lewis Organist 651, T. Phillips Cambrian, D. C. Jones W.M. Caradoc, J. C. Brigham P.M. P.P.G.P. Canynges (Bristol), W. J. Morgan W.M. Indefatigable, E. H. Howard Organist Merlin, R. Thomas Steward Merlin, J. Spragne J.D. Merlin, B. Phillips St. George, W. A. James St. Quintain, Walter Evans W.M. Loyal, C. A. Thompson W.M. Bute, A. Arthur J.W. Windsor, J. Padey Secretary Windsor, J. Hitchings W.M. Ogmore, Alfred G. James St. Quintain, J. Rees P. Prov. G.J.W. Caradoc, Alexander Peters I.G. Cambrian, W. J. B. Fry D.C. Windsor, H. Calaminus Windsor, A. Jenkins Tyler Windsor, T. Phillips P.G.M. St. David's, J. J. Morgan P.P.G.S.D. Monmouthshire St. George.

The Prov. Grand Chaplain (Dr. Walters, Llansamlet), having offered up a short prayer, the whole company joined in the chanting of the anthem—"Great and marvellous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty. Who shall not fear Thee, O Lord, and glorify Thy name? for Thou only art holy." "Glory to God in the highest; let all brethren cry aloud, Praise the Lord." *So mote it be.* The latter expression formed the response intoned by the congregation. The anthem, as well as all the other musical parts of the ceremony, was accompanied on the harmonium by Bro. E. Lawrence P.P.G.O.

Bro. E. H. James, the Worshipful Master of the Loyal Cambrian Lodge, then stepped forward, and in addressing the Worshipful the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, said he had the pleasure, on behalf of the members of his Lodge, in asking him to lay the stone in the manner customary to Masonry.

The Worshipful the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, in complying, addressed the brethren at some length, remarking that he had much pleasure in acceding to the request, and took the opportunity of expressing to the brethren of the Loyal Cambrian Lodge the pleasure which it gave him to be present on that auspicious occasion, to lay the foundation stone in that district of a room to be devoted to the principles of Freemasonry. Since he had undertaken his office in the government of that important Province, one of the principal things he had endeavoured to do was to see in every district a room specially devoted to Freemasonry, and he was pleased to say that in a very great respect his wishes had been fulfilled, inasmuch as when the present Hall was completed there would be only five Lodges out of fifteen in the Province not having a Hall specially devoted to Masonry. But this was not the only gratifying and auspicious element affecting Freemasonry, or to the brethren and those who took an interest in it. In laying that stone their thoughts were naturally divided between the past condition of the Lodges and their future condition and welfare. That Lodge, like every other in the kingdom, and every society in the kingdom, had had days of adversity and days of prosperity. That Lodge, at one time, it must be acknowledged, did not take its proper place in the Masonic part of the Province. He himself remembered that it was difficult at one time to get a sufficient number together to conduct the ordinary business of the Lodge, and that twenty was considered a good average number at special meetings. But he was glad to see these days of adversity had passed away, and that under the guidance of several Past Masters of the Lodge, they had succeeded in bringing about a different state of things. He was pleased that day to congratulate them upon their present prospects, and he hoped the erection of the building would be completed in a manner creditable to the builder and worthy of the members of the Lodge and the Order.

The Provincial Grand Secretary then read the inscription upon the engraved plate about to be placed between the two large stones, which was as follows:—

"This Foundation Stone of the Masonic Hall, Merthyr Tydfil, was laid with Masonic Honours, on Tuesday, 6th September 1881, by Bro. M. Tennant, the Worshipful the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of the Province of South Wales (Eastern Division). E. H. James W.M., E. Clay S.W., D. J. Hurst J.W., E. A. Johnston Architect, J. Gabe Builder.

Bro. D. Rees Lewis P.P.G.R. (on behalf of the Prov. Grand Treasurer) having, by command of the Worshipful the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, deposited in the cavity various coins of the present reign, copies of the local newspapers, Bye-laws of Provincial Grand Lodge and of the Loyal Cambrian Lodge, also a list of present officers of the Loyal Cambrian Lodge, and copy of the programme, all of which were sealed up in a bottle, the inscribed plate was placed over the cavity with the inscription downwards. The cement was then spread on the surface of the lower stone by the Worshipful the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and the upper stone was slowly lowered and adjusted by him. Being satisfied in these particulars, he then gave the stone three knocks with a small mallet, delivered to him by the Worshipful Master of the Loyal Cambrian Lodge, No. 110, and the stone was declared to be duly laid according to ancient custom.

The elegant silver trowel presented to the Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master bore the following inscription:—"Presented to Bro. M. Tennant, Deputy Provincial Grand Master South Wales Eastern Division, on his laying the corner stone of the Masonic Hall for the Loyal Cambrian Lodge, No. 110, Merthyr Tydfil, September 6, 1881."

The dedication ceremony then took place; the brethren bearing the corn and wine now approached, and presented the vessels in order to the Worshipful the Deputy Provincial Grand Master; they were thrown over the stone with the customary ceremonies, symbolical of the building being dedicated to Masonry, virtue, universal benevolence, in the name of the "Great Architect of the Universe, to whom be all honour and glory." After each dedication a short and suitable passage of Scripture was read by the Provincial Grand Chaplain, and verses were sung, all present joining in, accompanied by the harmonium.

The architect (Mr. E. A. Johnson) next presented to the Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master the plan of the building, and explained the details thereof.

The Worshipful the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, in returning them to the architect, said: I have great pleasure in returning you the plans of this building, feeling assured you will carry them out to the satisfaction not only of yourself, but of the Lodge. I am only sorry I cannot congratulate you as a brother on this occasion.

A series of three verses in praise of Masonry were then sung to the tune of the National Anthem.

The impressive ceremony was concluded by the playing of "God save the Queen," and the order of procession having been re-formed, the brethren walked back again, headed by the band, to the Temperance Hall, where the Lodge was duly closed.

Subsequently the brethren dined together at the Bush Hotel, where their wants were in every way satisfactorily supplied by host Alexander, and a pleasant evening was spent, under the presidency of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge, Bro. E. James, of Dowlais.

The ceremony attracted a large concourse of spectators, the weather fortunately proving auspicious. When the block of buildings has been completed, one of the greatest improvements in the town will have been achieved. The architect is Mr. E. A. Johnson, Abergavenny, and the builder Mr. G. Gabe, Merthyr.—*South Wales Daily News.*

COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE BOYS' SCHOOL.

THE General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys met on Saturday last, at Freemasons' Hall. There were present: Bros. J. Joyce Murray (in the chair), Abner Torkington, Donald M. Dewar, S. Rosenthal, Alfred Williams, Charles Sanders, F. W. Ramsay, M.D., Arthur E. Gladwell, G. P. Britten, Richard Morris, D.D. (Head Master), H. Massey, Raynham W. Stewart, James Winter, Edw. Baxter and F. Binckes (Secretary). The various minutes having been read, three boys were placed on the list for the election in April 1882. Three grants were made:—One the usual £5 outfit to a late pupil of the Institution; another the maximum sum of £10, which the Committee now have the power to give to exceptional cases; and a third £10 towards the board of an elected boy who is being educated out of the School, on account of ill-health, at the expense of the Institution. Bro. Binckes having informed the Committee that since last meeting the Secretarial offices built by Grand Lodge for the Institution had been occupied, and were in working order, the proceedings were brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

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UNITED GRAND LODGE.

THE Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge was held on Wednesday evening, at Freemasons' Hall. General Brownrigg, Provincial Grand Master for Surrey, presided. Sir E. A. H. Lechmere, M.P., Provincial Grand Master for Worcestershire, acted as Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Hugh D. Sandeman Past District Grand Master of Bengal as Past Grand Master, Col. Cole as Grand Senior Warden, and the Rev. Sir J. Warren Hayes as Grand Junior Warden. The attendance of brethren was very large for the September meeting. Besides the confirmation of the minutes, the confirmation of grants recommended by the Lodge of Benevolence, and the adoption of the Report of the Board of General Purposes, there was but one other item of business—a motion by Bro. Joshua Nunn, and an amendment by Bro. C. J. Perceval, both directed to an alteration of one of the rules in the Book of Constitutions relating to the Lodge of Benevolence. Bro. Nunn's motion was, to alter the rule by giving power to pay as much as £50 the day after the Grand Lodge next succeeding the meeting of the Lodge of Benevolence wherein a larger grant than £50 had been recommended to any case instead of deferring the payment of the whole amount till after the confirmation of that Grand Lodge's minutes by the following Grand Lodge. His second proposed alteration was, that any vote or recommendation for a sum exceeding £20 (instead of £10 as at present) should not be affected until confirmed at a next or subsequent meeting of the Lodge of Benevolence, except in cases of recommendation to Grand Lodge; but the Lodge may at once pay any sum not exceeding £20 (instead of £10) on account of any vote or recommendation of the Lodge exceeding that sum. Bro. Perceval's amendment was that any applicant seeking relief from the Lodge of Benevolence, and being voted such a sum as requires a second confirmation by Grand Lodge, shall, within twenty-four hours, or immediately after such grant has been once confirmed, be entitled to receive the same in full without any further delay, save only £10, or such portion (if any) of £10 the grantee may have received on account. Bro. Joshua Nunn explained his motion, and said that if carried it would give the brother for whom the grant was recommended the advantage of having £50 to go on with for the three months between the two meetings of Grand Lodge which were required to confirm a grant which was more than £50. If £75, or £100, or more was granted by Grand Lodge, Grand Secretary would be able to pay at least £50 on the morrow, and the balance would remain till after the second confirmation. There might be exceptional circumstances in which Grand Lodge might be asked to give a larger sum than was first voted; it very rarely happened, but it had occurred, and it was as well to be prepared for the event. With respect to the alteration of £10 to £20, he had felt that it was of greater service to a brother to receive the money at once instead of waiting to have it confirmed at the next meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded by Brother Clabon, who stated that whereas twenty years ago the Lodge of Benevolence was dealing with £3,000 or £4,000 a year, it was now dealing with £8,000. Up to the last two or three years the sums voted during the year did not amount to one year's income, and the consequence was that about £50,000 was accumulated. For the last two or three years, however, nearly the whole of the income had been voted, although this was quite right, he hoped the brethren would not touch the accumulated capital, but keep it as a sort of nest egg, and he also hoped that the brethren would not vote for a larger sum than £50 being paid the day after the Grand Lodge had confirmed the recommendation of the Lodge of Benevolence. The £50 would be quite enough to provide for a brother's immediate necessities, and it must be remembered that cases had occurred in which Grand Lodge had had to negative recommendations that had been made. Bro. Perceval, in support of his amendment said the Lodge of Benevolence thoroughly sifted cases which came before it, and the Brethren in Grand Lodge had the advantage of having them before them for more than a week before they came on in Grand Lodge. Therefore, when a case had passed these two ordeals, the brother was entitled to have the money paid to him at once. Bro. Raynham W. Stewart seconded the amendment, which was also supported by Bros. A. E. Gladwell and F. Binckes. Bro. James Mason supported the original motion, but Bro. the Rev. R. J. Simpson thought that the amendment was but carrying out to its legitimate conclusion the gracefully progressive step of Bro. Nunn. Bro. Clabon reminded the brethren again of the cases in which the Lodge of Benevolence had erred in the first instance, and suggested that prudence was the better part of charity. Bro. Nunn thought his motion was a very liberal one, and that the Brethren should give the Lodge of Benevolence credit by leaving the matter in such a form as that they would be able to deal with the cases. Bro. Perceval replied, contending that where there were only a few cases of Brethren being unjustly relieved, those where the Brethren would be disappointed at not being able to get large sums within a short space of time were too many to be counted. Grand Lodge divided, when the numbers were—for the amendment 113, against 150. The amendment of Bro. Perceval was, therefore, lost. The motion of Bro. Joshua Nunn was then put and carried, and Grand Lodge was closed.

The North London Chapter of Improvement, No. 1471, has resumed its meetings. The Companions assemble every Thursday evening at the Jolly Farmers Tavern (corner of Church-road), Southgate-road, N., at eight o'clock. This being the only Chapter of Improvement in the North of London, the attendance of newly exalted Companions is invited, with a view to their advancement, as of the existence of this means of instruction they may possibly be unaware. Comp. T. C. Edmonds is the Preceptor.

RECORDS, &c., IN THE ARCHIVES OF THE YORK LODGE.

BY BRO. TODD P.M. 236.

ON the present occasion, when the York brethren are honoured by the company of several who are distinguished not only in the Craft to which we belong, but also in the scientific world, as well as by a large assemblage of brethren from this and other provinces, it has been thought that it would not be uninteresting in producing for their inspection the records and antiquities in the possession of the York Lodge, if a few words descriptive of those records were also placed before them. In Masonic history, the ancient city of York has from a very early period held an important and prominent position; indeed, there is no place more interesting to the Masonic student than the city which, by tradition and the evidence of the ancient manuscript contributions, is marked as the early seat of Masonry in this county. Nearly all the old Constitutions, of which there are upwards of twenty in existence, mention York as the place where in early times the meetings or assemblies of the Craft were held, and from these meetings or assemblies there is little or no doubt that the Grand Lodge of All England formerly held in the city was originally constituted. The history of the Grand Lodge has been ably written by Bro. Hughan, the well-known Masonic writer, in his Masonic "Sketches and Reprints," published in 1871. I need therefore only observe that after a long and somewhat chequered career it finally ceased to exist in the year 1792. After its dissolution the valuable records and antiquities of the old Grand Lodge were transferred to the York Lodge in whose hall we are now assembled, for safe custody. The most important of these records consist of the Ancient MS. Constitutions, the minutes of proceedings of the Grand Lodge, a large account of correspondence, and a number of miscellaneous documents, and with these were handed over the greater portion of the regalia used by the Grand Lodge when in active working in York. As regards the MS. Constitutions, these were originally in the archives of Grand Lodge, and according to the inventory of its property, taken in 1779, six in number. Of these five are now in the possession of the York Lodge. The first which is numbered is supposed to be of the date of 1600 or thereabouts, and is unquestionably the most interesting as well as the oldest of all the documents. It is composed of four pieces of parchment sewn together, and measuring 7 ft. in length. It is endorsed, "Found in Pontefract Castle, at the demolition, and given to the Lodge, by Francis Drake, A D. 1736." Dr. Drake, the eminent antiquarian and historian of York, was at that time a prominent member of the Grand Lodge, and took an active part in its proceedings. The demolition of Pontefract Castle commenced in April 1649, but how this document found its way there, and how long it had remained in that fortress, it is impossible to ascertain. It was not, however, destined to remain at York. After having been presented to the Grand Lodge by Bro. Drake, it was in fact lost sight of for a long period, until discovered a few years ago by Bro. Hughan, in the Archives of the Grand Lodge of London, along with another of the York MSS., and mainly through the exertions of Bro. P.M. Hollon, the senior member of this Lodge, both were restored to its custody in 1877, the year its centenary was celebrated. The Roll No. 2 is the most modern of the York MSS., and is also written on parchment, and is headed "The Constitution of Masonry. 1704." It is, I believe, the only one of the York Constitutions in which the word "Freemason" is made use of, the word "Mason" generally occurring. Both the MSS. 1 and 2 contain an Anagramme on Masonry, that in the latter being of a similar character to the former. The manuscript No. 3 is unfortunately missing, and up to the present time has not been traced. It is referred to in the Inventory of 1779 as a Parchment Roll of Charges on Masonry, 1630. No. 4 MS. is dated 1693, and appears to have been written by Mark Kypling, and there are also several signatures of officers or members of the Lodge attached to it. It is written on a roll of paper 10½ feet long, and was given to the Grand Lodge by Brother George Walker, of Wetherby, in 1777. There is a peculiar clause in this MS., providing for the admission of females, which is as follows:—"The one of the elders taking the booke, and that hee or shee that is to be made Mason, shall lay their hands thereon and the charge shall be give." Brother the Rev. A. F. A. Woodford is of opinion that this MS. is in the earliest form of all the Masonic Constitutions, and represent in its traditions a form probably even anterior to 1491, and coeval with the Guild of Masons mentioned in the York Fabric Rolls, the passage relating to female membership pointing to a very early period of Guild history and organization. The MS. also contains a special charge to apprentices, and is altogether a most interesting document. The MS. No. 5 is a long roll of paper, containing neither date nor signature, but its date is supposed to be about the year 1670. It is evidently a copy of MS. No. 1, except that it indicates the book on which apprentices, were sworn to secrecy to be "Ye Holy Scripture." This also occurs in the MS. 1794. MS. No. 5 was published by Bro. Hughan in last month's "Masonic Magazine" No. 6, the last of the MSS., which was discovered in the Grand Lodge of London, along with No. 1, is mentioned in the York Inventory also. A parchment roll or Charge whereof the bottom part is "awanting." The date of it is about 1680, and its contents are similar to the earlier Roll, but the conclusion is certainly different to all the known Mason MSS. It is as follows:—"Doe all as you would be done with, and I beseech you at every meeting and assembly you pray heartily for all Christians." Time does not permit of a further description of these interesting and valuable MSS. Most of them have been printed in the pages of the Masonic Magazine, or in the works of Bro. Hughan, who has done so much towards opening out the field for Masonic investigation, and all of them, being evidently transcripts of much older documents, are well worthy of a careful and attentive perusal. I come now to the minutes or proceedings of the old Grand Lodges, the first being a parchment roll, commencing 19th March 1712, when it appears that several members were sworn and admitted. There are also several minutes of Lodges held prior to the revival in London in 1717, when Sir Walter Hawksworth, Bart., and Charles Fairfax, Esq.,

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were Grand Masters, or as they were then termed Presidents. In the Inventory of 1779, previously referred to, is mentioned a Masonic folio manuscript book, containing sundry accounts and minutes relative to the Grand Lodge; and as the date of this minute book is twelve years earlier than the formation of the Grand Lodge of London, and it would no doubt show that Speculative Masonry was in active existence in York at that period, it is earnestly to be hoped that this minute book will yet be discovered. From the records in existence it appears that Dr. Francis Drake was initiated at a private Lodge at the Star Inn, Stonegate, on the 6th September 1725, and in December of the same year was chosen Junior Grand Warden. On St. John's day 1726, he delivered his celebrated charge at a Grand Lodge held in the Merchants' Hall, York, which was afterwards printed, and a copy is still in the possession of this Lodge. From 1734 to 1761 the minutes are preserved, but in the latter year the Grand Lodge was revived by six of the surviving members, Bro. Drake being elected Grand Master. The members from this date to 1775 are very carefully entered. The minute book commencing 27th December 1774, and ending 31st July 1780, and the minutes of the Grand Chapter at York, commencing Feb. 1778, and ending 10th September 1781, were discovered by Bro. Hughan amongst the records of the Grand Lodge of London, and were restored to us in 1877. The latter book is interesting, as containing a minute of a R.A. Chapter having been held in the Crypt of York Minster on Sunday, 27th May 1778. The minute is as follows:—York Cathedral, 27th May 1778. The Royal Arch Brethren whose names are undermentioned assembled in the ancient Lodge, now a sacred recess within the Cathedral Church of York, and then and there opened a Chapter of Free and Accepted Masons in the most sublime Degree of Royal Arch. (Here follow the names of nine brethren.) The Chapter was held, and then closed in usual form, being adjourned to the first Sunday in June, except in case of emergency. In the Grand Lodge minute book, under date of February 1780, is a Record of Proceedings of the Companions of the Honourable Order of Knight Templars, and subsequently a resolution was agreed to affirming the authority of the Grand Lodge over the five Degrees in Order of Masonry, viz:—1st, Entered Apprentice; 2nd, Fellow Craft; 3rd, Master Mason; 4th, Knight Templar; 5th, Royal Arch; being the only Grand Lodge in Great Britain which recognised Knight Templary. There is also a certificate issued by the Grand Lodge, signed John Brown, GS., as follows:—Admitted (1st degree) 26th Jan. 1779; raised (2nd degree) 29th February 1779; raised (3rd degree) 27th September 1779; raised (4th degree or R.A.M.) 27th Oct. 1779; Knight Templar (5th degree) 29th November 1779. This is believed to be the earliest official document in Great Britain and Ireland showing the connection of Knight Templars with Freemasonry. The minutes of the Grand Lodge end with an entry of 23rd August 1792, which records the election of officers, Bro. Edward Woolley (whose portrait hangs in the banquetting-room) being elected Grand Master, Bro. George Kitson paid Treasurer, and Bros. Richardson and Williams Wardens. Amongst the records will be found a list of Masons made in the Grand Lodge from 1712 to 1734, and from 1764 to 1790, a large number of them being members of the principal families in the North of England. From 1761 to 1790 about 200 members were initiated. The earliest record of the working of the Royal Arch Degree in York was, until recently, supposed to be an entry relating to a most sublime Chapter having been opened 8th February 1778, although there is mention of that degree in the Treasurer's book a few years earlier. Last year, however, as Bro. Whytehead and myself were looking over the books in the possession of the Lodge, we discovered an old minute book of that degree, commencing 7th February 1762, thus showing the actual working of the R.A. Masonry sixteen years earlier, by the members of the Grand Lodge of York. The date of this, it will be observed, was very shortly after the revival of the Grand Lodge before referred to, and I am not aware of any earlier records of the working of the R.A. degree than those contained in the minute book thus discovered. There is also, amongst the records of the Grand Lodge, a sheet of parchment, endorsed, "Old Rules of the Grand Lodge at York, 1725," which contains nineteen articles respecting the conduct of business and refreshment (the latter having evidently been an important matter) at the meeting of the G. Lodge. Some of these are of a very quaint and original character, and differ considerably from the Constitutions of the G. Lodge of London. In the Book of Miscellaneous Records and Documents will be found part of a minute book of the Honourable Order of Knights Templars, assembled in the Grand Lodge room at York. Sir Francis Smyth G.M." The first entry, under date of 18th February 1780 (according to Bro. Hughan) is the earliest record of Masonic Templars in England. There is also a form of ritual, entitled, "Royal Union Band of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, Order of Aaron," &c. (whatever that may have been), and to which only Knights Templars appear to have been eligible for admission. The Order of "Knights of the Tabernacle" is mentioned in 1780. The book also contains various interesting matters relating to the proceedings of the old Grand Lodge, extending over a number of years. Amongst the furniture and paraphernalia of the Grand Lodge may be mentioned the large silk banner, with the arms of the Grand Lodge, which is in a very excellent state of preservation; a large painting of the Crypt of York Minster, which is now hung on the Lodge staircase, a mahogany pedestal cushion, with crimson velvet cover, given by Bro. Sir Thomas Gascoigne, Bart.; three columns of the Doric, Ionic, and Corinthian orders, with silver sockets; three Gavels placed on the pedestals of M.W. the W.M. and Wardens of the York Lodge; also a pair of Gold Compasses, Plates for Summonses, Seals of Grand Lodge and Chapter, and other relics, which are placed on the table for the inspection, with descriptions referring to them. I would also refer the brethren to a complete set of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of London, exception, some of which formerly belonged to the Grand Lodge of York. In conclusion, I need hardly say that iquities of the old Grand Lodge of York Lodge in whose custody they now remain, wise than a matter for regret that an institution composed in a great measure of the first families in Yorkshire and the North of England, after having been in existence for so long a period should have become extinct, it is some satisfaction to be able to record that the Craft, of which we are proud to be members, continues to flourish in the ancient Metropolis of the North of England.

THE VISIT OF KING SOLOMON.

BY BROTHER ROBERT MORRIS, LL.D.

The tradition embodied in this poem is well known to the Orientals, viz.: that King Solomon promised the Freemasons in his dying moments that in the fullness of time he would return to them and demand a strict report from them of the manner in which they had done the work of Masonry in his absence.

In the far East 'tis said—
And I have heard it there from reverend men,
That Solomon, though dead,
Will on the appointed day come forth again!
Will rend the tomb its crumbling wall that rears,
And break the silence of three thousand years.

'Tis said that he will stand
Upon the sacred hill, upright and square,
And summon all our Band
Who're subject to his will to meet him there:
And when his Gavel falls, from every part
He'll call the workmen of the Mystic Art.

Masons! suppose to-night
In far Jerusalem of ancient fame
First source of Mason's Light
Glorious, thrice-blest above all other name—
Suppose our king, the wisest of the three,
Should rise and stand and summon you and me!

'Tis said that he will inquire
Who has best worked and who has best agreed:
And how the mystic fire
Has cheered their gloom and helped the poor in need!
Suppose our Master in this way should speak
To us, what answer, Brethren, should we make!

If David's son were here to-night,
We Master Masons need not shame
Even at the ancient source of Light
To call King Solomon by name:
For we can show him, should he come,
Kentucky's pride, the ORPHANS' HOME.

Yes, we can show a noble Hall,
Larger by far than was the one
That Hiram built, and how the call
Was answered by the Craft alone:
For there the desolate heart is light
With works of Masonry to-night.

We'll point to where the dead are lying
In sweet repose 'neath sprigs of green—
Laid with celestial hopes undying,
Guarded by angels though unseen;
Waiting in their sweet verdant home
Till we their loving ones shall come.

We'll show him how GOD's holy law
Upon ten thousand altars lies
From whence our daily bread we draw
To shape eternal destinies:
And o'er the East the sacred sign
That speaks the Presence all divine.

We'll show him in each household band
The Mason-father, brother, son,
Skilled to obey and to command
As taught them by King Solomon:
No happier hearts are seen on earth
Than those that grace the Mason's hearth.

We'll show him,—but there is no need—
These works abundant prove us true:
Our royal Master sure will read
In these the things that Masons do:
The orphan's smile, the widow's cheer,—
This is the feast prepared him here.

Come when he may—at noon or night,
He'll find our faithful hearts prepared,
Working the utmost hours of light
Waiting the promise of reward:
In sure belief when man shall die
There is a better Lodge on high!

The Voice of Masonry.

A Convocation of the Burdett Chapter, No. 1293, will be held this day (Saturday), at the Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court, when the Principals and Officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

The Confidence Lodge of Instruction will resume its weekly meeting on Wednesday next, at the Railway Tavern, Fenchurch Street, at 7 o'clock.

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DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

We shall be obliged if the Secretaries of the various Lodges throughout the Kingdom will favour us with a list of their Days of Meeting, &c., as we have decided to insert only those that are verified by the Officers of the several Lodges.

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SATURDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER.

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
1607—Loyalty, Alexandra Palace, Muswell-hill.
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.

149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham.
1556—Addiscombe, The Surrey Club, West Croydon
R.A. 1293—Burdett Chapter, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court.

MONDAY, 12th SEPTEMBER.

45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 8 (Instruc.)
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
1366—Highgate, Gate House Hotel, Highgate
1485—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In.
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)

40—Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
75—Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
104—St. John, Ashton House, Greek-street, Stockport
151—Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields
292—Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
296—Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
297—Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
411—Commercial, Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham
481—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Manle-street, Newcastle
502—Rectitude, Town Hall, Rugby
589—Druids of Love and Liberality, Masonic Hall, Redruth
665—Montagne, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
721—Independence, Masonic Chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
797—Hanley, Hanley Hall, Dartmouth
827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
883—Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook, Cornwall
949—Williamson, St Stephen School, Monkwearmouth, Durham
1021—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Custom House Buildings, Barrow-in-Furness
1174—Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
1221—Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
1237—Enfield, Market-place, Enfield
1350—Fermor Hesketh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1436—Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1474—Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
1593—Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
1611—Eboracum, Queen's Hotel, Micklegate, York
1618—Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea
1790—Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
R.A. 148—Elias Ashmole, Chanter Rooms, Warrington
R.A. 306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
M.M.—Egerton, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry, Cheshire.
M.M. 171—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
K.T.—Jerusalem, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
R.C.—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool

TUESDAY, 13th SEPTEMBER.

55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
167—St. John, Holly Bush, Hampstead.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 Instruction)
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
131—Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Truro
184—United Chatham of Benevolence, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Kent
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
272—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Bridge, Boston.
284—Shakespeare, Masonic Rooms, High-street, Warwick
406—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-st., Newc.-on-Tyne (Instr.)
448—St. James, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
473—Faithful, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
495—Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
503—Belvidere, Star Hotel, Maidstone
510—St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Lisgeard.
603—Zetland, Royal Hotel, Cleckheaton
626—Lansdowne of Unity, Town Hall, Chippenham
696—St. Bartholomew, Anchor Hotel, Wednesbury
726—Stafford-shire Knot, North Western Hotel, Stafford
829—Sydney, Blacksmith's Arms, Sidcup
903—Gosport, Union Arms Hotel, High-street, Gosport
1260—Gilbert Greenhall, Masonic Rooms, Sankey-street, Warrington
1314—Acacia, Bull Hotel, Bromley, Kent
1325—Stanley, 214 Great Homer-street, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
1414—Knole, Masonic Hall, Sevenoaks
1465—Ockenden, Talbot Hotel, Cuckfield, Sussex
1545—Baildon, Masonic Room, Northgate, Baildon
1713—Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walton, Liverpool
R.A. 43—Fortitude, Great Western Hotel, Birmingham.
R.A. 265—Juden, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
R.A. 289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
R.A. 991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland
M.M. 6—Adams, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness

WEDNESDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER.

Committee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 3.
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth.
183—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
238—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dean Street, Oxford St. at 8 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 7.30 (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
861—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
1282—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
R.A. 178—Harmony, Royal Hotel, Wigan.
R.A. 1260—John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall W.C.
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

54—Hope, Spread Eagle Inn, Cheetham-street, Rochdale
146—Antiquity, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshawgate, Bolton
191—St. John, Knowsley Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury, Lancashire
204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall Manchester.
210—Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton
225—St. Luke's, Coach and Horses Hotel, Ipswich
274—Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, Newchurch, near Manchester
281—Fortitude, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster
288—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
290—Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
363—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
483—Sympathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
567—Unity, Globe Hotel, Warwick
625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
666—Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince Town, Dartmoor
750—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Railway-street, Cleckheaton
754—Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn, at 7.30. (Instruction)
795—St. John, Ray Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
851—Worthing of Friendship, Steyne Hotel, Worthing.
852—Zetland, Albert Hotel, New Bailey-street, Salford.
854—Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, near Oldham.
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction)
1018—Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1031—Fletcher, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Church-street, Tamworth.
1064—Borough, Bull Hotel, Burnley.
1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1209—Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
1248—Denison, Grand Hotel, Scarborough.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruction)
1343—Walker, Hope and Anchor Inn, Byker, Newcastle.
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Toxteth Park, Liverpool
1396—Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Furness
1403—West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Ormskirk
1424—Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Chatham.
1434—Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Nottingham.
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
1520—Earl Shrewsbury, Public, Rooms, Cannock, Stafford.
1547—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1643—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebburn-on-Tyne.
R.A. 24—De Swinburne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
R.A. 709—Invicta, Bank-street Hall, Ashford.
M.M. 56—Temperance, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
M.M 174—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham.
M.M. 192—St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, The Parade, Berwick.

THURSDAY, 15th SEPTEMBER.

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., at 8 (Instruction)
435—Saliabury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Lu tgate-hill, at 6.30. (Inst.)
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1227—Upton, Spotted Dog, Upton, E.
1278—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Victoria Park
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst.)
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
1729—Temple Bar, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Inst.)
M.M. 199 Duke of Connaught, Bell Hotel, Shoreditch. (Instruction.)

42—Relief, Albion Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury, Lancashire
56—Howard, High-street, Arundel
98—St Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
215—Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingden
268—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street Ashton-under-Lyne
343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston
345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blackburn
367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn Smallbridge
523—John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester
600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford
605—Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
663—Wiltshire of Fidelity, Town Hall, Devizes.
971—Trafalgar, Private Room, Commercial-street, Batley
1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street, Salford
1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1299—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near Liverpool
1320—Blackheath, Green Man, Blackheath
1327—King Harold, Britannia Hotel, Waltham New Town
1432—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
1432—Fitzalan, Wynstay Arms, Oswestry
1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room Dean House, Lindley
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1812—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
R.A. 204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
R.A. 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 307—Good Intent, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
R.A 337—Confidence, Commercial Inn, Uppermill
K.T.—William de la More, Town Hall, Bootle.

FRIDAY, 16th SEPTEMBER.

Quatuor Coronati Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
177—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
186—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd, 8 (Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8 (Instruction)
813—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
861—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 158 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instruction)
1538—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1706—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8 (In.)
1785—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1842—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Castlebar-rd, N. Kensington, at 8. (In)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)

152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
454—Chigwell, Prince's Head, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
516—Phœnix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
541—De Loraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle

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963—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George street, Leeds
1383—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A. 402—Hertford, Shire Hall, Hertford.
R.A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield
R.A 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5
M.M. 123—Callender Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire.
K.T.—De Furnival, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield
K.T.—Jacques de Molay, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

SATURDAY, 17th SEPTEMBER.

186—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., at 8. (Instruction)
1339—Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
1556—Addiscombe, Harewood House, High Street, Croydon.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

York Lodge, No. 355, Brighton.—The regular meeting of this flourishing Lodge was held on Tuesday, the 6th instant, at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton. The banner, with the arms of His Royal Highness the Duke of York, was suspended over the Master's chair. Bros. G. Nash W.M., W. H. Gibson S.W., G. Lookyer J.W., W. Hudson P.M. Treasurer, J. Ridge Secretary, Nye J.D., G. R. Godfree I.G., H. Payne Steward, A. Crook Organist; P.M.'s W. T. Nell P.P.G.W., A. J. Hawkins P.P.G.S.B., Eborall P.P.G.P., C. Hudson, Packham I.P.M., J. W. Stride P.P.G.J.W., V.P. Freeman P.G. Sec, Sandeman. Visitors—J. Hughes 87, J. Burrell 1821, T. C. Woodman 271, J. B. Hannay 1821, Newsome 1821, W. H. Chambers 1466, A. Burrows 186, M. Lelen 1821, D. Sherwell 813, Burtsal P.M. 929, T. Berry 1821, Biggs 77, Parnell 1829, H. M. Levy P.M. 188. Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. It was announced that the Provincial Grand Lodge of Sussex would be held at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on the 7th of October, under the presidency of the R.W. Bro. Sir Walter Burrell, Bart., M.P., Provincial Grand Master of Sussex. Mr. James Terry, Chief Constable of Brighton, who had been previously balloted for, and unanimously elected, was duly initiated into the Order, very impressively. Bro. Eborall P.M. gave the charge excellently. Bro. Packham I.P.M., by the courtesy of the W.M., passed Bro. Gibbs to the second degree. Mr. G. W. Ashdown was proposed for initiation at the next meeting. Hearty good wishes were tendered by the visitors, and the brethren adjourned to Bro. Paige's, the Unicorn Tavern, North-street, where a very sumptuous and enjoyable supper was provided, at the invitation of the W.M. The catering reflected great credit on the worthy host. The W.M. genially presided, and proposed the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts, including the Right Worshipful Bro. Sir Walter Burrell Provincial Grand Master. They were honoured, he said, by the presence of a brother whom every one in the Craft respected; he was an old and valued member. He referred to Bro. Freeman Prov. Grand Secretary, whose name he would associate with the toast. Bro. Freeman thanked the W.M. for his hospitality, so readily accorded to every member of Provincial Grand Lodge. The W.M. now remarked that he had had that evening very great pleasure in initiating three gentlemen connected with the town of Brighton—Bros. Terry, Gibbs, and Schofield. The members were proud to see them among them. Bro. Schofield was the first to respond; he was followed by Bro. Terry, who thanked the W.M. for so kindly proposing his health. He always had an ardent wish to become a Freemason, and this wish was now gratified. He had been thirty-seven years connected with the town, and hoped to become a useful member of the Order. Bro. Packham I.P.M. had great pleasure in proposing the next toast; it was one they would all feel a pleasure in honouring. It was the health of the W.M., who was well known to the brethren. It was the aim of Bro. Nash to promote the interests of the Craft in general, and of this Lodge in particular. He (the speaker) hoped to meet him in the Lodge for many years, in health and prosperity. The W.M., in reply, thanked Bro. Packham for his kind expressions, and the brethren for the manner in which the toast had been received; he had likewise to thank the I.P.M. for his kind assistance. Bro. Packham had rendered him great service. In fact, he felt indebted to every member of the Lodge; all had placed confidence in him, and thus it was that he stood in his present exalted position. The toast of the Visitors came next on the list. The W.M. had especially to welcome Bro. Chambers, who had not only done great service to the Navy, but also to the Craft. There were several other visitors, and he would couple with the toast the names of Bro. H. M. Levy P.M. 188 and Bro. Briggs 77. After those brethren had severally responded, the W.M. proposed the toast of the Wardens and Officers. Bro. Gibson S.W., was also S.W. of another Lodge, and Bro. Lookyer J.W., who is likewise in office elsewhere, know their duties thoroughly; in fact, these remarks will apply to every Officer, as all who witnessed the proceedings that evening could testify. Bro. Gibson S.W., in response, said he felt great pleasure in working under so excellent a Master. He hoped to be called upon to occupy the chair in due course. Bro. Lookyer followed; he felt it was an honour to be associated with such a Lodge, which was a credit to the Craft. He thanked them all very sincerely. The brethren separated at an early hour, after spending a very agreeable evening. Bros. Crook and Packham contributed to the harmony.

Crusaders Lodge of Instruction, No. 1677.—At the Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell. A meeting of this Lodge of Instruction was held on Thursday, 1st inst., when there were present Bros. Weedon W.M., J. Gibbs S.W., Samuel Goode J.W., W. J. Hunter P.M. 1677 S.D., T. Pingston J.D., J. Carnaby I.G., Robt. D. Cummings Preceptor, H. Halliday Hon. Sec., S. W. Reddall, Edgar E. Horne, W. C. Gay, T. Goode P.M. 1288 I.P.M 1677, A. Millward, J. Crossbie, J. Fletcher, T. Vernon, G. W. Tillett P.M. 572, W. J. Goode, C. G. Payne, E. Hemsley, and A. Bonner P.M. 569 S.C. 1444. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Hemsley acting as candidate. Bro. Crossbie, a candidate for passing, answered the necessary questions and was entrusted. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed. The Lodge was closed in the third, and called off. It was afterwards proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that Bros. Crossbie, Hodges and Bonner become members of this Lodge of Instruction. P.M. Hunter gave notice that he would at next meeting move, that the minute altering the time of Lodge meeting from 9 o'clock to 8.30 be rescinded. Bro. J. Gibbs was appointed W.M. for the ensuing week. Lodge was then closed in due form.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—At the Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, on Tuesday last. Bros. Edwards W.M., Dignam S.W., Glass J.W., A. Clark S.D., Olly J.D., Cushing I.G., Past Masters J. Lorkin Secretary, and Wallington Preceptor; Braated, Wardell, C. Lorkin, Carr, Clark, Gosling, Holdsworth. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. T. Clark acting as candidate. Bro. C. Lorkin worked the first, second, third, and fourth sections, assisted by the brethren. Bro. J. Little, of Lodge 1607, was elected a member. Bro. Dignam was appointed W.M. for the ensuing week.

Cornwallis Lodge No. 1107.—The regular meeting was held on Wednesday, at the Lullingstone Castle Hotel, Swanley, Kent, under the presidency of Bro. J. J. Michael W.M. Three brethren were passed to the degree of F.C., and various matters of interest to the brethren discussed.

West Middlesex Lodge of Instruction, No. 1612.—At a meeting held at the Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, on Thursday, 1st instant, Bros. G. Coop W.M., C. Andrews P.M. S.W., J. Green J.W., C. E. Porter S.D., H. Youens J.D., H. E. Tucker Treasurer and Preceptor, J. Wells Secretary, C. Bellerby I.G., W. Rickwood P.M. 192, J. J. Clarke, H. Stephens, J. Owen, T. Smith, J. R. Fernee, S. Smout jun. After preliminaries, the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Smout candidate. This being the first meeting of the season, the brethren proceeded to appoint the Officers for the ensuing year. The following were unanimously elected:—Bros. H. E. Tucker Treasurer and Preceptor, J. Wells Secretary, E. C. Porter and C. Andrews P.M. Audit Committee. Bro. Andrews was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and then Lodge was closed in due form, and the meeting adjourned.

On the 8th instant, Bro. C. Andrews P.M. W.M., supported by Bros. Green, Jones, Coop, Millson, Smith, Tucker, J. Wells, E. C. Porter, Murch. After preliminaries, the W.M. put the questions leading to the third degree. The Lodge was resumed to the first degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of installation. Bro. J. Green was appointed W.M. for the next meeting.

Panmure Mark Lodge, No. 139.—The Installation meeting was held at the Balham Hotel, Balham, on Monday, the 5th inst. Bro. H. Baldwin P.P.G.A.D.C. was ably and impressively installed by Bro. T. Poore P.G.I.G. Bro. Baldwin appointed his Officers as follows:—Bros. Mitchell S.W., Arkland Prov. G. Sword Bearer J.W., J. J. Gibson P.P.G.S of W. I.P.M., G. Lilley P.M. Treasurer, C. Pulman Sec., Bassett R. of M., J. Walmsley M.O., J. Vincent S.O., Whittaker J.O., J. H. Hawkins S.D., Wigg J.D., Allen I.G., Arnold Steward, and Thomas Tyler. The only visitor was Bro. H. Lovegrove, Grand Superintendent of Works Middlesex. The proceedings, which were very successful, passed off to the satisfaction of the brethren.

Bro. Osborn, the W.M. of the Sir Hugh Myddelton Lodge will rehearse the ceremony of installation at the Kingsland Lodge of Instruction, on Monday, the 26th inst. On Monday, 19th instant, a well-known brother has promised to attend, and read a paper on some subject of interest to the Craft.

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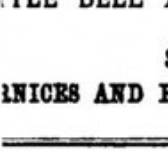
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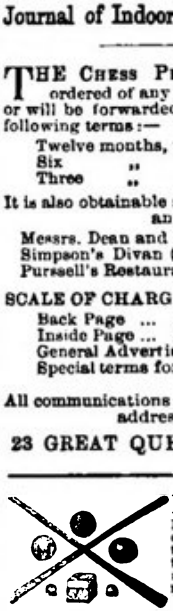
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THE LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

BY the adoption of Brother Nunn's resolution a step has been made in the right direction, and brethren who e under the necessity of applying to the Lodge of enevolence, and whose cases are deemed to be of unusual avity, will no longer be compelled to wait for four, or may be close on six months, until all but a modest £10 of ie grant recommended is paid over to them. The law, as stood until the proposed alteration was accepted, was to ie effect that in all cases of grants in excess of £50, they ould not be paid to the applicant until the minutes of ie Grand Lodge, at which the said recommendations were pproved, had been confirmed; while in the case of smaller ms which might be paid forthwith, that is, immediately fter they had been voted by the Lodge of Benevolence, the mount was stated at £10. The effect of Brother Nunn's esolution will be that in future where a sum in excess of 50 is recommended, a payment of £50 may be made on ccount the very morrow after the recommendation of the odge of Benevoleuce has been approved by Grand Lodge, while as to sums in excess over £50 they will not be paid ill the minutes of the approving Grand Lodge have been onfirmed. As regards the amount of the grant which may n future be paid at once, it has been altered from £10 o £20.

It cannot be denied that these changes are, as we have aid, in the right direction, and both Bro. Nunn, who submitted them, and Bro. Clabon, who seconded, expressed themselves as most anxious to adopt any plan by which, as far as possible, the relief administered should be immediate. Both these brethren—and from their long connection with the Lodge of Benevolence, Bro. Clabon as President, and Bro. Nunn as Senior Vice President, we must not fail to show due respect for the opinions they set forth—both these brethren, we say, seemed willing to suggest or accept any changes in the Constitutions which were calculated to improve our present system of administering relief in the larger and more important cases, their sole reason, as they stated most emphatically, being that the action of the Lodge of Benevolence should be governed by prudence. If we think their notions of prudence most nearly resemble an excess of caution which, having regard to the circumstances is uncalled for, we must, nevertheless, thank them for having placed their views so clearly and conscientiously before Grand Lodge. They have taken the lead in bringing about a change in our laws which cannot be otherwise than beneficial to the class of brethren whom it will affect, and so far at all events, we have every reason to be satisfied with what has been done.

Another resolution was subsequently moved in Grand Lodge by Bro. Perceval and seconded by Bro. Raynham W. Stewart, to the effect that in the case of all grants in excess of £50 recommended by the Lodge of Benevolence, they should become payable immediately after they had been approved, and without waiting for the further confirmation of Grand Lodge, that is, for a further period of three months. Bro. Perceval pointed out that an applicant to whom a sum above £50 was awarded was recommended to the Lodge of Benevolence, whose members had all the facts of the case before them, and that after careful ation of those facts they proposed the grant of su they considered would meet the necessities of th brother. Bro. Stewart pointed out that it be the intention of Grand Lodge to keep waiting for that which would do him said he knew cases where if the grants made immediately, the recipients might have somewhat of their former prosperity. And why should they doubt their Committee, who thoron tigated every case that was brought under th If they intended to benefit their fellow-cres should do so simply and at once. Bro. Binckes st these arguments by stating that he knew of c grants of a large amount would have been almos if some good friends of the applicants had not co and advanced money till the grants were recei Grand Lodge. He said it seemed to him that, sent law, Grand Lodge itself interfered betwee of the Board to adminster relief and the app sought it. He added that in no case would a attempt to support an exceptionally large gra Lodge of Benevolence unless he had good and su on which to recommend it. He suggested it w if the recommendation of a grant passed the the Board in the first instance, and then of the of the Craft in Grand Lodge assembled, and he speech by stating it as his opinion that Bro. Nu lution, though a progressive one, did not go f while, if they adopted Brother Perceval's a they would be doing that for which t of Benevolence was organised—namely, a needy brother at the time when he most wan ance. Bro. James Mason inclined towards th Bros. Nunn and Clabon, while Bro. the Rev. R. P. Grand Chaplain thought the balance of ad between the two propositions was in favour immediate relief. The difference, he urged, w a proposition of principle and a proposition Bro. Nunn's proposition was a very graceful on Perceval's was merely carrying out that grac sition to its legitimate conclusion. Bros. Nunn however, still adhered to the views they had that it was necessary in these cases to act with They were all desirous of giving liberally and as possible to applicants for relief, but if, whe given the whole sum voted in the manner pr Bro. Perceval, any question should afterward thought they would all regret it. After a few Bro. Perceval, in the course of which he point where a few cases occurred in which grants negatived, the number of cases which were disa not being able to have the larger sum within a of time were too many to be counted. Gr divided on the amendment, which was rejec votes to 113. Bro. Nunn's resolution was th agreed to, and the discussion ended.

For ourselves we should rather have had the than the original resolution, our chief reason b have more than once laid down in articles or c the point at issue, namely—that we have the

EPPS'S (GRATEFUL COMFORTING) COCC

Crystal Palace Gas Company was held on Thursday, when the directors presented their report for the six months to 30th June 1881. This report was in all respects satisfactory. The capital account showed that of £437,500, the aggregate of the amounts authorised to be raised, less than £300,000 had been paid up. The Reserve Fund showed a balance on 30th of June of over £30,843, and the Insurance account one of over £3,331. There were made during the half-year 245,513,000 cubic feet of gas, of which 233,645,000 cubic feet were sold, and 2,951,900 cubic feet used on the premises. From the capital account it appeared that the receipts were £298,754 10s, while the total expenditure from the establishment of the Company, after making the requisite allowance for depreciation in the value of meters and gas stoves, amounted to £274,820 7s 6d leaving a balance to the good of £23,934 2s 6d. The revenue account, showed receipts amounting in all to £56,563, the principal items being gas (public and private) and metor rental over £42,703, and by sale of residual products over £13,771. Among the chief items of expenditure were, for manufacture of gas upwards of £31,002, for distribution of ditto £3,092, lighting and repairing public lamps just on £724, rents, rates, and taxes £1,727, expenses of management nearly £2,961. These with the lesser items made up a total of over £39,947, the balance to be carried forward to profit and loss being £16,616 5s 2d. The accounts being so satisfactory it was recommended and agreed that the following dividends—in every case less income-tax—should be declared, namely, 6 per cent. on the preference stock, 7 per cent. both on the ordinary and new ordinary 7 per cent. stock, and 10 per cent. on the ordinary 10 per cent stock, after making the necessary allowance for which there yet remained nearly £4,000 to be carried forward to the profit of the next half-year. In all other respects the tale as told by the Directors was similar. The gas examiners of the parishes supplied by the Company reported satisfactorily as to the illuminating power of the gas, its freedom from sulphuretted hydrogen and ammonia, and the limitation of the sulphur to the amount prescribed by the parliamentary standard. It was further announced that a contract had been entered into for a new gas holder to be erected in the spring of next year, the tank to receive the holder being already almost completed. This would give the Company an additional storage of 1,600,000 cubic feet of gas. The Directors also recommended an addition to the salary of the secretary (Brother Magnus Ohren P.G.A.D.C.) of £50, in graceful and grateful recognition of his services. The meeting passed off most satisfactorily. It may be added that the Chairman of the Company is Bro. Dr. Erasmus Wilson P.G.D., while one of the Auditors is Bro. James Glaisher P.G.D.

It is with great regret we announce the death, after a few days illness, at his residence, 28 Belgrave Square, of Robert Shapland, second Lord Carew. His Lordship, who was born in the year 1818, was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford, and it was during his stay at the University that he was initiated into Freemasonry in the Apollo University Lodge, No. 357. This was in the year 1838. He formerly sat for Wexford in the House of Commons, and succeeded his father the first Baron in 1856. The funeral took place on Thursday, at Castle Borough, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford, whither his Lordship's remains had been conveyed previously. By his death the title

less than that representing one of the United State
quote: "The Grand Lodge of Arkansas has put
against *anything* in the shape of atheism, infidelity
in the following:

Resolved, That the belief in GOD and the immort
a *cardinal* doctrine of Masonry, and it is the s
Lodge that the GOD of Masonry (the Divine Being
avows and demands faith in) is the Great Architec
the Creator and Preserver of all things, the GOD o
as the GOD of those who (as the heathen) know
teachings; that the GOD of Masonry is not a god,
istic cause, but the *one true and living God*, to wl
account; and that any one rejecting these truth
initiation into, or holding membership in a Lodge
and Accepted Masons."

That, as a human source, may settle the Deity
believers, for Masonic exemplification at least. F
on the divine side, most clearly, is derived apt
atheist, as shown by Psalm liii: "*The fool hath
There is no God.*" There being no quarrel with
to belief in what Deity is, agreeably, as to Faith i
Liturgy, its first article of religion forthshows, "
living and true GOD, everlasting, without body, pa
infinite power, wisdom and goodness; the Maker
all things both visible and invisible." So, too,
THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, Maker of heaven and earth
visible and invisible," acknowledged by millions
tongue and kindred, under the whole canopy of h
that, "without GOD," if left to its own baser self,
than "hell upon earth."

Ignoration and ignorance seem to furnish the
for professed infidelity. Is it not, indeed, a p
come to for "human intellect"—the boasted
notoriously of this world go so much on, by way o
sumption" to plead, after all said and done, pove
ing, and non-knowledge as their all-sufficient
"know-nothings!" It proves nothing. It is t
shift of the time-serving, sensuous and Godless.
this continual, "I don't know," and "I don't bel
ordinate, "Don't care," all the while, seekers
the world are not asking for negation, as *not* for t
but for something TO *believe in*! Meanwhile th
tinkling on with its puny refrain, like the musicl
little one-stringed instrument; "There is *no* Deit
know?"

Out upon it, men, Masons, Christians, religiou
our nineteenth century! Set yourselves against t
of doubt and unbelief, seeking to set up the mer
shipped as if Divine! Put foot on the enemy
your better self! *Believe* in GOD! *Seek* to serve
Trust in Him—our ALL-FATHER! Commit your
Ask light, and the true light of Him who is th
and the Life" and Light!

The Archbishop of Canterbury in a work just
pen, canstically remarks:

An agnostic is one who says, "I know nothing
and metaphysical. You tell me that there is a
grave, and that there is something within me whic
in that world when all the material objects of wh
can be certain have crumbled into dust. You te
men believing that they had intercourse in time
being who dwells somewhere above the clouds.
which is capable of corroborating such fancies.
regard them as the dreams of a heated imaginati
thing certain and I find this certainty only in the
around me, and in the unchanging laws of outv
just possible that there may be some truth in
ings, but I cannot ascertain it, and, therefor
purposes, I shall consider them to be but vain
there is a Supreme Intelligence animated by a F
regulates all things. I see no proof of it *
confine our thoughts to what we are certain of.
selves to the irresistible course of this all perv
which we find ourselves a part. Let us make the
material existence * * *. Priests and
philosophers, all the world over, have bee
us * * * *. I know nothing but
and classify, and I take no interest in your
philosophies."

Now, having read this as graphically depicting

upon which appearances are based." Not to claim of the supernatural here, for argument's sake, howso that may be, nevertheless,—*Science*, we are assured, "Enters into this *hidden* world only by *thought*," not by mere hand-touch—as by manipulating test of probe or crucible alone. And Science "implicitly assumes, therefore, that the *laws* of thought are valid for ALL *being*," material, immaterial, *Divine*, as well as human. To this, thus, we are logically brought. So conclusively, "Science, then, is built upon the notion that the real is rational and intelligible; not as, perhaps, some abnormally mis-witted, reckless or hair-brained one may assert or ignore, but SCIENCE *simplex et pura* "aims to grasp the rational system which is in things" *toto coelo*. For, "if we should assume that the *real* is irrational and unintelligible, *all* our *Science* would *perish*. If everything is to be "cut and dried," so to speak, just that the fool, *in his heart*, shall say I understand *that* perfectly and it is true, while I deny *everything* that my mind cannot comprehend, it is only *ex parte*. We are asked, for instance, "What would become of astronomy—if we assume that the flying planet is not bound by the rational principles of *mathematics*? And the Great Author of all is as much Master of Mathematics, as He is Architect of the Universe, Maker of mankind, and the Saviour of souls. So, moreover, "the atomic theory and ether theory use no facts of observation, but only rational *influences* from phenomena," which many an atheist may be confounded at and staggered by—"but if the real is not rational, of course these and all other scientific theories *fall* to the ground; and where would the materialist, agnostic and infidel be, then? Therefore the conclusion is, "There is Mind *back* of nature which realises *in* nature its preconceived plans and purposes." And, of whom we *are*, though many may deny or know Him not — of whom "through *Faith* we understand that the worlds were framed by the WORD OF GOD, so that things *which are seen*, were not made of things which do appear." His Divine Revelation informs us, Who formed all things, and after His own image, as best pleased Him, man *above* all things created by the WORD OF GOD. The fact of it is, the Divine Mind, as of the Omniscient, so utterly overlays, outweighs and altogether exceeding surpasses the pinched and contracted capacity of man's mind, that it cannot possibly fully "Know God!" Of whom "the invisible things of GOD from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that He hath made, even His eternal power and Godhead." For all that we are, therefore, of divine goodness, we can but look to Him, as the true source of immortal impartation for the mortal from the eternal, Holy, Ineffable, our LORD AND HEAVENLY FATHER. Remove the light of Faith like this from among men, and our race would indeed be all the more miserable, as with Faith lost, so also would fail Hope and Charity, the three great lights of the world.

On Saturday last a Grand Conclave of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine was held at Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, for the purpose of conferring the distinction of a Knight Grand Cross of the Order on His Majesty King Kalakua. Sir Knight Captain John Crombie presided as Grand Sovereign in the absence of the Earl of Kintore, and the King, who had been received by Sir Knights R. S. Brown and D. Murray Lyon, having been introduced to the G. Conclave, was presented with a copy of the Constitutions of the Order as well as with the star of Knight Grand Cross. Sir Knight James Crichton having offered the illustrious visitor the rank of an honorary member of the Edinburgh Conclave, No. 1, the King returned thanks for the honour they had done him, and said he should ever retain a lively recollection of his visit to Freemasons' Hall, and to the meeting of the Grand Conclave. He accepted the honorary membership of Conclave, No. 1, and should regard it as an additional tie between himself and Scotland. Before leaving, His Majesty was presented with portraits of Sir Michael Shaw-Stewart Grand Master Mason of Scotland and the Earl of Kintore M. Ill. G. Sovereign of the Order of the Red Cross of Constantine, &c.

The West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction will meet

great trouble in collecting sums subscribed for the In
being recognised. The letter was ordered to lie
Authority was given to pay the builder £400 on accoun
at Croydon, that amount being certified by the archite
was also given to the Secretary, in conjunction with th
mittee, to purchase furniture for the new offices provi
Lodge. Bro. C. J. Perceval gave notice of motion for
"That a sub-committee be formed to revise the by
Committee then adjourned.

MASONIC TRIP TO LLAND

LAST week the members of the Everton Masonic Lo
made a special pleasure trip to Llandudno, for th
West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution. Th
shine was chartered to convey the party to their destina
number of the brethren and their lady friends em
day's excursion to the Welsh watering-place. The
Prince's landing stage at half-past nine o'clock, ar
delightful sail arrived at Llandudno shortly after
company then dispersed, some to drive round the Gr
and enjoy its grand, rugged scenery, and others to
yellow sands or wander up the happy valley. Th
beautifully fine, and the visitors were thus enabled
enjoy themselves. In the course of the afternoon t
together at the Castle Tudno Hotel, Bro. John Houldi
Registrar presided, and amongst the others prese
Carefull W.M. (by whom the trip was specially org
P.M., Ashmore P.M., and Mr. C. W. Boote. The din
tuous and well served, and gave general satisfaction
six o'clock the Sunshine, which was under the co
Smith, left the landing stage at Llandudno, and
voyage home, reaching the Prince's Stage in three
dancing, singing, and other entertainments were got u
the delectation of the voyagers, and the result was
excursion.

His Royal Highness Prince William Frede
of the Netherlands, Grand Master for many
the Grand Lodge of Masons in that country
palace near the Hague, on Thursday, the 8t
the eighty-fifth year of his age. The late
brother of the late King William II., who
Orange, held the command of a division in
army during the Waterloo campaign, and
wounded towards the close of the battle. His
with the present King of Holland, William
of uncle. His Royal Highness was an hono
of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

The following compliment to Bro. Albert
United States is taken from an early numb
magazine entitled the *Knickerkocker*. "We
yesterday A. Pike, which was six ft. one in. i
weighed nearly two hundred pounds. He w
caught at Little Rock, as it is called, in Arkan
as fresh and lively as if he were still in h
ment." This Bro. A. Pike is Grand Co
the Supreme Council of the Southern jurisd
United States, and an honorary member of
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Ward Verry (Secretary), Henry Lloyd and A. Lazarus, some of the others being away on holiday trips. After the minutes of last meeting had been read and confirmed, the ballot was brought into requisition for the election of Mr. Geo. Leeder, who was proposed by Bro. H. C. Gould, and seconded by the W. Master. The result was in favour of the candidate, who was introduced and initiated into the mysteries of the first degree. After the Auditors' report had been received and adopted, Bro. Lazarus, the Immediate Past Master introduced the W.M. elect, Bro. Richard L. Sturtevant, who was duly obligated by Bro. Defriez. The brethren below the rank of Installed Master in due course withdrew, and the Board completed their part of the ceremony. On the re-admission of the brethren, the new W.M. was saluted in the three degrees, and he then appointed the following Officers: Albert Jones S.W., R. G. Chitson J.W., W. Crutch P.M. Treasurer, G. Ward Verry P.M. Sec., J. J. Berry P.M. Senior Deacon, G. T. Peall Junior Deacon, W. H. Making Inner Guard, W. Clark Director of Ceremonies, G. Hodge Wine Steward, Hammond Assistant Wine Steward. The W.M. proposed his son as a candidate for initiation, the name to be placed on the summons for next meeting. The Secretary announced a letter from Col. Sir Francis Burdett, an honorary member of the Lodge, regretting his inability to accept the invitation of the brethren to attend the meeting. Hearty good wishes were then tendered, and Lodge was closed. The banquet was capitally served; there was an abundance of everything, and every one present expressed gratification; but we think, in view of the journey home, 10.15 is almost too late to begin the toasts. As a consequence the hurry consequent with the desire to do justice to all somewhat marred the pleasures of the evening. The Loyal toasts were loyally received. For the Grand Officers, our worthy Brother Buss responded. The I.P.M., Bro. Defriez, proposed the health of the Worshipful Master. It was his opinion the brethren had made a wise selection in appointing Bro. Sturtevant, whom he described as a most zealous Mason, and one imbued with the true spirit of Freemasonry. Bro. Sturtevant, in response, said he felt scarcely able to express his sentiments. He had been deeply impressed with the conviction that the members reposed every confidence in him, and he assured them his heart should keep pace with his hands in carrying out the trust they had reposed. The Initiate's toast met with a cordial reception, and after Bro. Henry Lloyd had sung the E.A. Song, the compliment was manfully acknowledged by Bro. Leeder. Bro. Perrin, in a well-considered speech, replied for the Visitors. The other toasts comprised the health of the Immediate Past Master, the Installing Master of the day, to whom was presented the Past Master's jewel of the Lodge; the Treasurer and Secretary, the Officers, &c. On account of the advanced hour the remarks were curtailed, but each speaker referred to the pleasant nature of the proceedings. Bros. J. J. Berry, the W.M., Batchelor, and others entertained the company with songs, while Bro. Seddon, who, we think, never misses an opportunity of attending an installation meeting of this Lodge, rendered good service as accompanyist. We congratulate Bro. Sturtevant on the happy auspices under which he enters upon his duties. We are convinced the Burdett Coutts Lodge will prosper under his genial sway.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instruction, No. 1278.—The brethren have resumed their weekly meetings at the Lamb Tavern, Junction-road, Bethnal-green. On the 14th instant, Bros. Stewart W.M., Brittain S.W., Ward J.W., Anderson S.D., Sturtevant J.D., Chitson I.G., Clark Preceptor pro tem, Hand Secretary; Bros. Christian, Bonner, Clements, D'Ardenne, Abrahams, &c. Lodge was opened, and the minutes were read. The Worshipful Master rehearsed the ceremony of passing, Bro. Bonner candidate. Bro. Christian worked the first section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Lodge resumed, and the W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Sturtevant, who went through the formula of Investing Officers. On the W.M. resuming his duties, Bro. Christian worked the third and fourth sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. It was proposed by Bro. Sturtevant, and seconded by Bro. Bonner, that Bro. Musto P.M. be elected Preceptor. This was carried unanimously. Bro. Brittain will preside next week.

Sackville Lodge, No. 1619.—The first regular meeting since the installation of the new W.M. of this Lodge was held on Tuesday, the 6th inst., at the Crown Hotel, East Grinstead. Present—Bros. E. A. Head W.M., W. Rudge S.W., G. Mitchell Secretary, S. Davison I.P.M., John G. Horsey P.M. D.C., W. Pile S.D., G. W. Holmes J.D., A. M. Betchley W.S.; also Bros. G. Berry, J. Cooper, M. Ovenden, H. Histed, G. Histed, and G. D. Woolgar. Lodge was opened punc-

and the brethren then sat down to an excellent first rate style under the personal superintendence manager, Bro. Begbie. After the removal of th gave the usual loyal toasts from the chair, which ponded to by the brethren. The W.M. in propo Bro. Kearney the I.P.M. congratulated him on manner in which he had carried out his duties du and in the name of the Lodge presented him with jewel in recognition of his services. Bro. Kearn in a few well chosen sentences, and expressed h good feeling and harmony that prevailed in the l of the W.M. was very cordially received, and hea The W.M. in proposing the health of the Visitors welcome to 1743, and the toast was very cordial Brown P.M. 65 and Bro. Johnson 1297 in respondi pleasure in being present on the occasion, as did Bro. J. L. Mather P.M. Treasurer, in responding Charities, thanked the brethren for the support g casion of the Festival of the Boys' School, whi appear sixth on the list of London Stewards—a r able to so young a Lodge. After the toasts of the Secretary, and Officers, the Tyler was summoned, evening brought to a close. Visitors—Bros. G. W. G. London W.M. 1580, R. Ede W.M. 1471, Marx W.M. 957, J. P. Swayne W.M. 1572, S. Hol

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Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, N Smyth's, the Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalst Bros. Dignam W.M., Glass S.W., A. Clark J. Cushing J.D., Edwards I.G., J. Lorkin Secretar ceptor, Smyth Treasurer; also Bros. Brasted Wardell, Jones, Gosling, Olley and others. After been duly observed, Bro. Wardell, as candidate entrusted and passed to the degree of Fellow Cra a candidate for raising, was entrusted; the Lodge third, when Bro. Christian was raised to the Master Mason. Bro. Christian worked the first se lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Glass w the ensuing week.

Friars Lodge of Instruction, No. 13 Pavitt's, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, E., on Bros. Smith W.M., Pavitt S.W., Johnson J.W., J.D., Brown I.G., P.M. Musto Preceptor, Bro. Ive also Bros. Day, Willoughby, &c. Lodge being the second degree, and Bro. Brown as candidate necessary questions, the W.M., in his usual able the ceremony of passing, after which Bro. Pavitt of the brethren, worked the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd sec Lodge was regularly closed and adjourned to Tu We are glad to see this model Lodge has resum the season, with Bro. P.M. Musto, its old Precep brethren, especially those living in the neigh desirous of acquiring correct Masonic ritual, th than spend a couple of hours a week under Bro. The meetings commence at 7.30.

THE FIFTEEN SECT

WILL BE WORKED

At the Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, No gate, 15 Finsbury-pavement, E.C., on Monda instant, commencing at 7 p.m. Bros. H. J. Gr R. Larchin W.M. 1541 S.W., F. J. Wray P.M. 1 ture:—Bros. R. W. Fraser, B. Kauffmann, L. tine, R. Larchin, F. J. Wray, and C. Koester. Bros. T. C. Edmonds, W. J. Burgess, James H and W. M. Stiles. Third Lecture:—Bros. E. Storr, and F. W. Sillis. Bros. W. M. Stiles P. 1507, Preceptor; Edwin Storr I.G. 167 Secretar

At the Fidelity Lodge of Instruction, No. 3, Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-square, W., on Th at 7 p.m. precisely. Bros. C. Koester P.M. 4 P.M. 180 S.W., J. Hemming 1287 J.W. F J. Harvey, E. Knight, B. Kauffman, W. Birrell, W. J. Burgess. Second Lecture:—Bros. L.

ally as leading members of the two Grand Lodges of the County
nd the Very Rev. the Dean of York, Grand Chaplain of England,
gether with such influential local brethren as Bro. Todd P.M. of
ork Lodge, No. 236, and Bros. Whytehead and Cumberland, of
oracum, No. 1611, took a prominent part in the proceedings.
hat, however, I am anxious to draw attention to in connection with
is Masonic gathering is, not so much the zeal of certain brethren,
nd the excellence of the arrangements they made for the entertain-
ent of their guests, as the fact that outside the city of York none
the Craft seem to trouble themselves at all as to the collection of
asonic relics. There must be a great number of these scattered
out the country, and one would have thought that the authorities of
rand Lodge would have done something in the way of counte-
ancing the formation of some kind of Museum in connection with
e Grand Lodge Library. It is quite true that only during the past
wo or three years has Grand Lodge given any attention to this
ibrary, and the sum it has had the courage to vote annually would
ardly suffice to purchase two books of any rarity, such as some of those
nat were sold at the dispersion of the Spencer Library about five
r six years back. It cannot be denied that Grand Lodge has ample
unds at its disposal, and the Supreme Council of the Ancient and
ccepted Rite in Golden-square have shown what energy and a
udicious outlay of money will do in building up a valuable library,
nd gathering together interesting, and in some cases valuable, me-
entoes of the past history of the Craft. Surely if a couple of
rivate Lodges can, by the zeal of some of their more active
nembers, bring together a collection of rarities, and if an enterpris-
ng and wealthy body like the Supreme Council, which, after all,
owes its existence primarily to the connection of its members with
Craft Masonry, can do something similar, though on a larger scale,
our Craft Grand Lodge, which does not lack funds or the accommo-
dation, might imitate the good example set by inferior bodies.
So little, however, is done or said by Grand Lodge that I should say
there is hardly one brother in twenty who knows there is a Grand
Lodge Library, and that Master Masons are privileged to visit and
inspect its contents. Is not this being a little too much behindhand
in this age of curious investigation into the mysteries and singulari-
ties of past generations? If our Freemasonry is as progressive as it
claims, I should think it might occasionally muster up courage
enough to make a step or two in advance.

Fraternally and faithfully yours,

A. DRYASDUST.

THE LATE PUPILS' ASSISTANCE FUND.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—The total amount of the funds subscribed has, in compliance with a resolution passed at the final meeting, been returned or handed to the Charities, in accordance with the wishes expressed by the subscribers. The balance (unclaimed) left in the hands of the Treasurer, amounting to £143 5s 1d, has been paid to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

(Signed) CHARLES J. MARTYN,
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DICK RADCLYFFE,
Hon. Secretary.

12th September 1881.

FREEMASONRY IN RANGOON.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—The Book of Constitutions provides for the election of the W.M., Treasurer and Tyler of a Lodge. The Wardens are selected and appointed by the W.M., and after having served as such for a year are eligible for election to the Eastern Chair.

That the Wardens are important Officers in the government of a Lodge, and that great discrimination is exercised in their selection is to be presumed, but as a fact what do we find? That Wardens are too often selected by the W.M. on personal grounds, or from their social position, or to help them on to the chair, or it may be that they are of the oldest members of the Lodge. None of these motives are to be despised.

How seldom are brethren selected for Wardenships for their regularity of attendance, their Masonic qualifications, or their Masonic virtues.

How often do we find, after the installation of the Worshipful Master and the appointment and investiture of the Wardens, certain of

elected? II. Since 1877, Masonry in all its degrees, h
in this Province of British Burmah; it was never
except for a short interval immediately after the fo
District Grand Lodge, Provincial Lodge of Mark Maste
the District Grand Chapter. The question has been
the use of a District Grand Lodge and District Gr
One answer would readily be,—To rule, govern, direct,
Private Lodges; but all these functions have been abr
present District Grand Master, who seems not to
duties and powers as such.

The District Grand Lodge and District Grand Cha
exist only for the gratification of vain Masons, who
honours, but are both unable and unwilling to give th
money in furtherance of Masonry, and to put it on a
healthy basis.

The private Lodges remain unvisited. The District G
and District Grand Superintendent's opinion on Masoni
seldom sought, and when on occasion it is invoked, it
and treated with contempt. I would refer to some re
ings of the District Grand Bodies in illustration of
There are private and unattached Masons who know
Masonic economy than the District Grand Bodies: in s
sent District Grand Master is an incubus.

The only reason which justifies the existence of the D
Bodies in British Burmah is, that it enables us to lev
Provincial Charities—fees which formerly were paid to
Grand Lodge of Bengal, and not a red cent was ever
that period to any deserving case from this Province.
only can the existence of the District Grand Bodies of Bu
be justified. It is true that the Quarterly and Half-ye
nications of the District Grand Lodge and District Gr
are held with tolerable punctuality, but the hours fi
Communications are ungodly, while the proceedings of
Grand Lodge and the District Grand Chapter are hurrie
enable the District Grand Master and personal friends
to their dinners and amusements.

There has not been a single District Grand Lodge or D
Chapter Festival since the formation of the District G
nor has the District Grand Master or his following t
organise one.

On the installation of a brother in the Eastern ch
incapable, contentious, and spiteful, a sturdy old Mason
District Grand Officer exclaimed, "Thank God for t
Book of Constitutions! this brother will reign over
year."

In the same sense do we say that the District Gra
term of office will expire in 1882, when we hope to have
trict Grand Master.

The intention of this portion of my letter is to inq
whether a District Grand Master, Provincial Grand Mark
District Grand Superintendent may not be appoin
District Grand Bodies, virtually a Masonic Dictatorship,
years?

3. In the Craft, Mark, Arch, Templar, and Rose Cr
brethren are elected and installed Master, Principal, Pr
Prior, or Most Wise Sovereign within a week or month
leaving the Province for a lengthened period, when it is
they do not propose to, and are unable, to serve their y
This is notably so in the Rose Croix degree, several of th
Sovereigns having thus been installed. I challenge a
intention of this portion of my letter is to inquire w
brethren can claim to be Past Rulers in their respective

There is but one Rose Croix Chapter in this Province—
—which very properly has no Provincial Ruler.

4. There is but one Knights Templar Preceptory an
this Province—the Loyal Burmah Preceptory and the Em
—with a Provincial Priory, in which the same Companio
vincial Grand Officers. It has a sickly existence.

The intention of this portion of my letter is to inquire
sity there is for this Provincial Priory? Is it not suffic
should be under the Great Priory, instead of a contempt
cial Priory?

Lastly, by way of warning, I mention that several P
and brethren have had it under consideration whether it
better for the interests of Masonry in general to place
under the Grand Lodge of Scottish Masonry for all Indi
body—instead of the effete system and individual
under?

Yours fraternally,

A PROVINCIA

Rangoon, British Burmah,
5th August 1881.

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to find fault with the present system, which, whatever may be the case in British Burmah, has on the whole been found to work well as a rule. There would seem to be no particular reason for a Provincial Priory, but the Knights Templar of the District may be supposed to know their own business best, and if they seek and obtain one, who shall question the arrangement? As to the District Grand Master, we think he is spoken of in too uncomplimentary terms. We presume there is a Deputy District Grand Master, who visits the Lodges, and, moreover, visiting the scattered Lodges in British Burmah is probably a less easy task than visiting Lodges in Essex or one of the Lancashires. We may possibly refer to some of these points on some future occasion.—ED. F.C.]

We must all join in lamenting the very sudden death of Bro. Ex-Sheriff Woolloton, one of the most genial and jovial and thorough-going member of the Craft; a man of great linguistic attainments, and a great friend to the less fortunate of his fellow-creatures, as well as supporter of philanthropic institutions; the British Orphan Asylum at Slough, to which he had contributed largely, being a notable case in point. Our late Brother had but few days previously returned from a Swiss tour, and though sixty-three years of age leaves a father to bewail his loss. We offer our tribute of sympathy to the family and friends of the deceased.

On Saturday, Bro. Sheriff Waterlow laid the first stone of a new Wesleyan Church, at Willesden Junction. There was a large muster of spectators, among them being Bishop Simpson, President of the Wesleyan Conference, the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, and several members of the Common Council. The Lady Mayoress was in attendance to receive purses presented by twenty young ladies.

The ceremony of installation will be rehearsed by Bro. R. P. Tate W.M. 862, at the Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, No. 1056, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, on Friday, 23rd ult. The business will commence at 7 p.m.

We have pleasure in announcing that Madame Worrell will give her annual Evening Concert, on Thursday, 20th October 1881, at the Angell Town Institution Gresham Road, Brixton, commencing at 8 o'clock. Tickets, price 3s, 2s, and 1s, may be obtained of Madame Worrell, 52 Knowle-road, Brixton-road, S.W.

Bro. Edgar Mowbray, the respected manager of the Mohawk Minstrels, announces his annual benefit for the 28th inst. Since the return of the "Mohawks" to their old quarters at Islington, they have been well supported, as indeed they deserve to be. The entertainment they provide for their patrons is complete in every detail. Those who have not yet experienced the pleasure of listening to this minstrel troupe should pay them a visit at the Agricultural Hall.

We understand from the *Portsmouth Times* that the new Masonic Hall at Shanklin, which is described as a beautiful building, and which is situate in the East Cliff-road, has been completed, and will shortly be opened. The Provincial Grand Master W. W. B. Beach, Esq., M.P., who is to perform the opening ceremony, has not yet fixed the date on which he will attend for this purpose.

Master invested the following as his Officers:—Smith J.W., Dewsnap Treasurer and J.D., Brooke Secretary Smith I.G., Williams D.C., H. S. Trego Organist, Steward, R. W. Goddard P.M. Tyler. The address given, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren a Tavern to banquet. After a most enjoyable repast, list was gone through. In proposing the Grand Of alluded to the presence of the Grand Secretary, pleased to welcome as an honorary member of the Clerke tendered his thanks, and complimented the success which had attended their Lodge, giving cr part of it to the first Master and present Secretar The I.P.M. proposed the health of the Wor. M which he felt sure would be received with the siasm. He referred to the excellent way in which carried out the duties of the offices he had alre Lodge, and felt assured he would continue to devote the proper discharge of the work required of him deeply sensible of the kind way in which the toast h He had done all that lay in his power during the pas he hoped successfully. He should strive to make his ship a still greater success. He then proposed t I.P.M. He had on many occasions listened to t installation, but had never heard it rendered so imp been done by Bro. Corpe that day. He felt it very such Masters as those who had preceded him, ar feeling that for a time they had attained the summ He concluded by placing on the breast of Bro. C P.M.'s jewel. The I.P.M. tendered his hearty thanks and the kind expressions of the Lodge. He had cons to do all that lay in his power during his term of experienced the greatest pleasure in conducting t W.M. then proposed the health of the Visitors, to w replied. From what he knew of the W.M. he could that no brother had the interest of Freemasonry mo felt sure Bro. Bott would do all that lay in his powe the Order in general and his own Lodge in particula the Past Masters was duly honoured and replied to and Brooke, the latter brother also later on acknowl of the Secretary. Bro. Dewsnap, the Treasurer, ten thanks for the way his health had been drunk. H enjoy the confidence of the brethren of the Lodge. A his desire was to keep the finances in good order. Press was acknowledged by Bro. Morgan, and that the J.W., after which the Tyler's toast was given.

DE OGLE LODGE, No. 632, MOR

THE installation meeting of this Lodge was he Hall, Morpeth, on Thursday 8th inst. In the C. C. Davison, the retiring W.M. Bro. W. Davidson presided, and there was a good attendance of the o and visitors. After the minutes of the last meetin and confirmed, and the earlier business disposed of, B and W.M. elect was duly presented for the benefits Bro. T. Waters P.M., acting as Director of Ceremo course, after the retirement of brethren below the Master, was formally and most impressively induct Having been saluted according to ancient custom, th Master appointed and invested the following breth for the ensuing year, namely, Bros. C. C. Davison S.W., R. S. Dickenson J.W. and Organist, T. Ash Gillespie P.M. Treasurer, W. Graham S.D., J. Hann W. Davidson P.M. D.C., J. Watt and E. Ashton S Braithwaite P.M. P.P.G.S.D., having presented to silver pair of compasses and square, in the nam Bro. J. W. Bowery, Alnwick, Lodge was closed wi formalities, and the brethren adjourned to the Qu where, under the presidency of Bro. Jeffrey, a ca served by the host Bro. J. Watts. On the remov usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly hono Visitors present were Bros. Kenrick P.M. Worcest P.M. P.P.A.D.C. Hexham, Hall P.M. Stockton, P.P.G. Chaplain, Dr. F. W. Skrimshire Percy Lo Edlington Blagdon Lodge, Blyth, and G. Fawcus, Amble.

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ETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At 7.20, FAST COACH, At 8.30, FORTY HIEVES.

MPIC.—At 7.45, QUITE AN ADVENTURE. At 8.15, CLAUDE UVAL.

TERION—At 8, WITHERED LEAVES. At 8.45, FLATS.

RA COMIQUE—At 8, UNCLE SAMUEL. At 8.30, PATIENCE.

NCE OF WALES'S.—At 8.30, THE COLONEL.

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Installation of V.W. Bro. J. W. WOODALL as R.W. Pro North and East Yorkshire; and Installation of Bro. S Master elect of the Britannia Lodge, by the M.W. Grand Grand Officers.

The Banquet will take place at Five o'Clock. Tickets, Wine.

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ON Friday, the 9th instant, a meeting of th

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e Principals named in the Charter, and expressed their desire ... se form. Comp. the Rev. F. King P.Z. 586 P.P.G.J. then delivered oration on the principles of the Order, and the auspicious occasion on which they were then assembled. He reminded the Companions that the efficiency of a Chapter did not all depend upon the Principals, but to a great extent upon the Officers and Companions, and that its well-being was entirely in the hands of its members, who could promote it only by working well and harmoniously together. Remember, he said, that the chain is strong as the links are strong, and is no stronger than its weakest link. If any member allowed himself or his example to do despite to the honour of the Chapter, he would be the weak link in the chain, and the whole Chapter would suffer. He concluded by expressing his heartfelt wishes for the long-continued prosperity of the new Chapter. After a solemn chant, the first portion of the Dedication Prayer was given by the Acting Third Principal, and the Invocation by the Consecrating Officer. Then followed another chant, and the reading of a portion of Scripture (Ezra iii. 8-13), and the pedestal was unveiled. Then an Anthem was sung, after which the corn, wine, and oil were respectively carried round by the three Acting Principals, and the Consecrating Officer formally dedicated the Chapter. The censer was then borne round, and the remainder of the Dedication Prayer having been given, the Chapter was formally constituted by the Consecrating Officer, who, after the Anthem, "Glory be to God on High," pronounced the benediction. The three Principals named in the Charter were Ex. Comps. Robert Stokes P.Z. 586 P.G.H. Wilts as Z., Thomas Stephen Futcher P.Z. 586 P.P.G.S.N. Wilts as H., and William C. P. Powning P.J. 586 as J. These having all passed the chair, corresponding to those to which they had been appointed in the new Chapter, were installed therein without ceremony, and the Officers for the ensuing year were elected and invested. The names of eighteen or twenty candidates for exaltation, and five or six for joining, were proposed. Comp. Henry C. Tombs P.G.S.E. Wilts and P.A.S. England, who had taken an active part in connection with the formation of the Chapter, was unanimously elected an honorary member thereof, on the proposition of Comp. Tombs, seconded by Comp. Pike. A vote of thanks was most warmly passed to the M.E.P.G. Supt. Lord H. F. Thynne for his liberal donation to the Chapter of the whole of the new furniture and appointments, in acknowledging which vote his lordship took occasion to express his high appreciation of the compliment paid to him by the brethren of the Longleat Lodge in naming the new Chapter connected with their Lodge after himself. The members of the Provincial Grand Chapter now retired, and on being re-admitted, and received by the Thynne Chapter, the M.E. Comp. Lord H. F. Thynne took his seat as P.G. Superintendent, supported by Comps. Robert Stokes P.G.H. and William Nott P.G.J., and declared the Provincial Grand Chapter open. The roll of the Chapters was called by Companion Tombs P.G.S.E, all being found duly represented, and the minutes of the Last Prov. Grand Chapter were read and confirmed. The Prov. Grand S.E. Comp. Henry C. Tombs P.G.A.S. then read the report of the Charity Committee, held that morning, from which it appeared that out of the balance in hand the Committee recommended that £10 be voted to the newly established Wiltshire Provincial Benevolent Fund, and £10 10s to the Boys' School, in the name of the Prov. G. Superintendent, and to be placed on the list of Comp. Wm. Nott P.G. Treas., who had offered to represent the Province of Wilts at the next Festival of that Institution. The recommendations of the Committee were adopted. Comp. Nott Secretary of the Provincial Benevolent Fund, at the request of the P.G. Superintendent, explained the position of that Fund, stating that from the returns already sent in he had every reason to believe that it would be supported by the various Lodges in the Province in such a manner as to ensure its success, but that at present, for want of information from some of the Lodges, he was not in a position to give any precise figures. The Treasurer's report was then read and approved, after which the Provincial Grand Registrar Comp. A. Plummer read his annual report, recapitulating the position of the Chapters in the Province, both financially and numerically. The Prov. Grand Superintendent then addressed the Companions, whom he was pleased to see in attendance in such large numbers. This was a red letter day, adding to the Province, as it did, a new Chapter, which, he trusted, would prosper as the Longleat Lodge, to which it was attached, had done. He was glad to welcome so many distinguished visitors. He would more especially mention Col. Shadwell Clerke, and would thank him for performing the consecration ceremony in such an impressive manner as they had heard to-day, trusting that when he returned to Grand Chapter he would be able to take back a satisfactory report from Wiltshire. He the P.G. Supt. would also particularly express his obligation to Most Ex. Comp. Beach, from the neighbouring Province ... for his valuable assistance to-day. To Lord Methuen

it was unanimously resolved that the cordial ... be voted to Comp. Shadwell Clerke, for coming to co Thynne Chapter; to Comp. W. W. B. Beach, for his att assistance in the ceremony; and to the P.G. Master Lord Methuen P.Z. 855, for supporting them by his pr Companions named respectively acknowledged the vot After the usual routine business the Chapter was clo Companions adjourned to the Bath Arms Hotel, where t them an excellent banquet, to which the M.E. Superi contributed a liberal supply of venison and game.

BURDETT CHAPTER, No. 1293

THE September meeting of this Chapter was held Hampton Court, last Saturday, on which occasi present Comps. Thomas Massa M.E.Z., W. Mapl Phythian P.Z. as J., H. G. Buss P.Z. Treasurer, D. W. J. William Sanders S.N., W. Alfred Dawson 2nd A.S., H P.Z. G.S.B., Frederic Davison P.Z., A. W. Duret, G H. W. Roberts, Thomas G. Jarr, William Kirby, Herb P.Z., H. Massey P.Z. 619, T. J. Maidwell J. St. Ma Wrigglesworth, and W. W. Morgan. The only busine Chapter was the elections. Comp. W. Maple was cl Comp. C. W. Gray H., Comp. H. M. Gordon J., Com Sanders S.N., Comp. H. G. Buss P.Z. Treasurer, Comp. P.Z. S E., and Comp. Kentish P.S. A P.Z.'s jewel was voted to Comp. Thomas Massa for his ability as M.E. past year. The Chapter was then closed, and the Com to a charming banquet, and subsequently honoured the Arch toasts. After the loyal toasts had been disposed o in proposing "the Grand Officers" said, the Burdett the honour of having two Grand Officers present, a more, they were members of the Chapter, and very as members of the Burdett and of Grand Chap were Companions Buss and Levander. Compani responded, and said he should imitate the M.E Z in n short speech. In the name of the Grand Officers he M.E.Z. and Comps. for such a flattering mark of th leaving it to Comp. Buss, a much older member of G than he, to make a fuller response. Comp. Buss sai Levander, as well as himself, had met in Royal Arch M Grand Chapter with a very kind reception; it was his feelings, especially after being associated with l Masonry so many years, to find that his advanc high position in Grand Chapter was so cordially on all hands. He felt deeply sensible of the hon been conferred upon him, but additionally gratified approved of. It had always been his earnest study to interests of Masonry as far as lay in his power, an endeavours he had behaved in such a manner as to brethren around him that he had tried to promote th the Craft and Royal Arch, he was amply repaid for Grand Officers of every grade if present on this occas but feel heartily gratified at the way the toast had The M.E.Z, in giving the toast of "the Provincial G tendent," said Colonel Sir Francis Burdett was very h had done good work in the Province. They ha Provincial Grand Officers who were present—Comps. I Davison P.H., Phythian, and Pearse. Comp. F. Davis in replying said, that in the Provincial Superintend Provincial Officers they had a body of Masons who thing they could do to forward Masonry, in whatever he, in the Province of Middlesex, was both a pleasure they would continue to be actuated by those feelin Francis Burdett, the very mention of his name to t Comp. in the Province of Middlesex was sufficient to of enthusiasm that showed they appreciated his effo Freemasonry in the Province. Sir Francis was no the kind support he had received from his Bro Middlesex, and although he could not that day be Burdett Chapter, his heart and sympathies were panions. He trusted that the Chapter, which was t would continue to be as great a success as it had hit that the Comps. would often meet around that ta health of the Grand Superintendent. Comp. D. W. S.E. proposed "the M.E.Z.," a toast which was rec the evening. If at any time he (Comp. Pearse) should in speaking of Comp. Massa's zeal it was quite t

Grand Lodge's minutes by the following Grand Lodge. His second proposed alteration was, that any vote or recommend tion for a sum ceeding £20 (instead of £10 as at present) should not be affected until confirmed at a next or subsequent meeting of the Lodge of Benevolence, except in cases of recommendation to Grand Lodge; but the Lodge may at once pay any sum not exceeding £20 (instead of £10) on account of any vote or recommendation of the Lodge exceeding that sum. Bro. Perceval's amendment was that any applicant seeking relief from the Lodge of Benevolence, and being voted such a sum as requires a second confirmation by Grand Lodge, shall, within twenty-four hours, or immediately after such grant has been once confirmed, be entitled to receive the same in full without any further delay, save only £10, or such portion (if any) of £10 the grantee may have received on account. Bro. Joshua Nunn explained his motion, and said that if carried it would give the brother for whom the grant was recommended the advantage of having £50 to go on with for the three months between the two meetings of Grand Lodge which were required to confirm a grant which was more than £50. If £75, or £100, or more was granted by Grand Lodge, Grand Secretary would be able to pay at least £50 on the morrow, and the balance would remain till after the second confirmation. There might be exceptional circumstances in which Grand Lodge might be asked to give a larger sum than was first voted; it very rarely happened, but it had occurred, and it was as well to be prepared for the event. With respect to the alteration of £10 to £20, he had felt that it was of greater service to a brother to receive the money at once instead of waiting to have it confirmed at the next meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded by Brother Clabon, who stated that whereas twenty years ago the Lodge of Benevolence was dealing with £3,000 or £4,000 a year, it was now dealing with £8,000. Up to the last two or three years the sums voted during the year did not amount to one year's income, and the consequence was that about £50,000 was accumulated. For the last two or three years, however, nearly the whole of the income had been voted, although this was quite right, he hoped the brethren would not touch the accumulated capital, but keep it as a sort of nest egg, and he also hoped that the brethren would not vote for a larger sum than £50 being paid the day after the Grand Lodge had confirmed the recommendation of the Lodge of Benevolence. The £50 would be quite enough to provide for a brother's immediate necessities, and it must be remembered that cases had occurred in which Grand Lodge had had to negative recommendations that had been made. Bro. Perceval, in support of his amendment said the Lodge of Benevolence thoroughly sifted cases which came before it, and the Brethren in Grand Lodge had the advantage of having them before them for more than a week before they came on in Grand Lodge. Therefore, when a case had passed these two ordeals, the brother was entitled to have the money paid to him at once. Bro. Raynham W. Stewart seconded the amendment, which was also supported by Bros. A. E. Gladwell and F. Binckes. Bro. James Mason supported the original motion, but Bro. the Rev. R. J. Simpson thought that the amendment was but carrying out to its legitimate conclusion the gracefully progressive step of Bro. Nunn. Bro. Clabon reminded the brethren again of the cases in which the Lodge of Benevolence had erred in the first instance, and suggested that prudence was the better part of charity. Bro. Nunn thought his motion was a very liberal one, and that the Brethren should give the Lodge of Benevolence credit by leaving the matter in such a form as that they would be able to deal with the cases. Bro. Perceval replied, contending that where there were only a few cases of Brethren being unjustly relieved, those where the Bretbren would be disappointed at not being able to get large sums within a short space of time were too many to be counted. Grand Lodge divided, when the numbers were—for the amendment 113, against 150. The amendment of Bro. Perceval was, therefore, lost. The motion of Bro. Joshua Nunn was then put and carried, and Grand Lodge was closed.

The North London Chapter of Improvement, No. 1471, has resumed its meetings. The Companions assemble every Thursday evening at the Jolly Farmers Tavern (corner of Church-road), Southgate-road, N., at eight o'clock. This being the only Chapter of Improvement in the North of London, the attendance of newly exalted Companions is invited, with a view to their advancement, as of the existence of this means of instruction they may possibly

that the Grand Lodge of All England formerly originally constituted. The history of the Grand written by Bro. Hughan, the well-known Masonic "Sketches and Reprints," published in 1871. observe that after a long and somewhat chequ ceased to exist in the year 1792. After its dis records and antiquities of the old Grand Lodge the York Lodge in whose hall we are now assem The most important of these records consist of t stitutions, the minutes of proceedings of the account of correspondence, and a number of misc and with these were handed over the greater p used by the Grand Lodge when in active w regards the MS. Constitutions, these were origi of Grand Lodge, and according to the inventory in 1779, six in number. Of these five are now ir York Lodge. The first which is numbered is a date of 1600 or thereabouts, and is unquestional ing as well as the oldest of all the documents. I pieces of parchment sewn together, and measur is endorsed, "Found in Pontefract Castle, at the to the Lodge, by Francis Drake, A D. 1736." D antiquarian and historian of York, was at th member of the Grand Lodge, and took an activ ings. The demolition of Pontefract Castle comm but how this document found its way there, remained in that fortress, it is impossible to a however, destined to remain at York. After h to the Grand Lodge by Bro. Drake, it was in fa long period, until discovered a few years ago b Archives of the Grand Lodge of London, along York MSS., and mainly through the exertions the senior member of this Lodge, both were res 1877, the year its centenary was celebrated. most modern of the York MSS., and is also writ is headed "The Constitution of Masonry. 1704." only one of the York Constitutions in which the made use of, the word "Mason" generally occu 1 and 2 contain an Anagramme on Masonry, th of a similar character to the former. The mant tunately missing, and up to the present time ha is referred to in the Inventory of 1779 as a Parc on Masonry, 1630. No. 4 MS. is dated 1693, been written by Mark Kypling, and there are a of officers or members of the Lodge attached t a roll of paper 10½ feet long, and was given to Brother George Walker, of Wetherby, in 1777 clause in this MS., providing for the admission o follows:—"The one of the elders taking the book that is to be made Mason, shall lay the ir ha charge shall be give." Brother the Rev. A. opinion that this MS. is in the earliest form of stitutions, and represent in its traditions a form p to 1491, and coeval with the Guild of Masons m Fabric Rolls, the passage relating to female me a very early period of Guild history and organiz contains a special charge to apprentices, and is i teresting document. The MS. No. 5 is a long rol neither date nor signature, but its date is supp year 1670. It is evidently a copy of MS. No. dicates the book on which apprentices, were sw "Ye Holy Scripture." This also occurs in the 5 was published by Bro. Hughan in last month's No. 6, the last of the MSS., which was discovered of London, along with No. 1, is mentioned in the A parchment roll or Charge whereof the bottom The date of it is about 1680, and its conten earlier Roll, but the conclusion is certainly differ Mason MSS. It is as follows:—"Doe all as you and I beseech you at every meeting and assembl for all Christians." Time does not permit of a these interesting and valuable MSS. Most of th in the pages of the Masonic Magazine, or in the v who has done so much towards opening out nvestigation, and all of them, being evidently older documents, are well worthy of a careful an come now to the minutes or proceedings of the first being a parchment roll, commencing 19th ppears that several members were sworn and

Hughan amongst the records of the Grand Lodge of London, and were restored to us in 1877. The latter book is interesting, as containing minute of a R.A. Chapter having been held in the Crypt of York Minster on Sunday, 27th May 1778. The minute is as follows:—York Cathedral, 27th May 1778. The Royal Arch Brethren whose names are undermentioned assembled in the ancient Lodge, now a sacred recess within the Cathedral Church of York, and then and there opened a Chapter of Free and Accepted Masons in the most sublime Degree of Royal Arch. (Here follow the names of nine brethren.) The Chapter was held, and then closed in usual form, being adjourned to the first Sunday in June, except in case of emergency. In the Grand Lodge minute book, under date of February 1780, is a Record of Proceedings of the Companions of the Honourable Order of Knight Templars, and subsequently a resolution was agreed to affirming the authority of the Grand Lodge over the five Degrees in Order of Masonry, viz:—1st, Entered Apprentice; 2nd, Fellow Craft; 3rd, Master Mason; 4th, Knight Templar; 5th, Royal Arch; being the only Grand Lodge in Great Britain which recognised Knight Templary. There is also a certificate issued by the Grand Lodge, signed John Brown, GS., as follows:—Admitted (1st degree) 26th Jan. 1779; raised (2nd degree) 29th February 1779; raised (3rd degree) 27th September 1779; raised (4th degree or R.A.M.) 27th Oct. 1779; Knight Templar (5th degree) 29th November 1779. This is believed to be the earliest official document in Great Britain and Ireland showing the connection of Knight Templars with Freemasonry. The minutes of the Grand Lodge end with an entry of 23rd August 1792, which records the election of officers, Bro. Edward Woolley (whose portrait hangs in the banquetting-room) being elected Grand Master, Bro. George Kitson paid Treasurer, and Bros. Richardson and Williams Wardens. Amongst the records will be found a list of Masons made in the Grand Lodge from 1712 to 1734, and from 1764 to 1790, a large number of them being members of the principal families in the North of England. From 1761 to 1790 about 200 members were initiated. The earliest record of the working of the Royal Arch Degree in York was, until recently, supposed to be an entry relating to a most sublime Chapter having been opened 8th February 1778, although there is mention of that degree in the Treasurer's book a few years earlier. Last year, however, as Bro. Whytehead and myself were looking over the books in the possession of the Lodge, we discovered an old minute book of that degree, commencing 7th February 1762, thus showing the actual working of the R.A. Masonry sixteen years earlier, by the members of the Grand Lodge of York. The date of this, it will be observed, was very shortly after the revival of the Grand Lodge before referred to, and I am not aware of any earlier records of the working of the R.A. degree than those contained in the minute book thus discovered. There is also, amongst the records of the Grand Lodge, a sheet of parchment, endorsed, "Old Rules of the Grand Lodge at York, 1725," which contains nineteen articles respecting the conduct of business and refreshment (the latter having evidently been an important matter) at the meeting of the G. Lodge. Some of these are of a very quaint and original character, and differ considerably from the Constitutions of the G. Lodge of London. In the Book of Miscellaneous Records and Documents will be found part of a minute book of the Honourable Order of Knights Templars, assembled in the Grand Lodge room at York, Sir Francis Smyth G.M." The first entry, under date of 18th February 1780 (according to Bro. Hughan) is the earliest record of Masonic Templars in England. There is also a form of ritual, entitled, "Royal Union Band of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, Order of Aaron," &c. (whatever that may have been), and to which only Knights Templars appear to have been eligible for admission. The Order of "Knights of the Tabernacle" is mentioned in 1780. The book also contains various interesting matters relating to the proceedings of the old Grand Lodge, extending over a number of years. Amongst the furniture and paraphernalia of the Grand Lodge may be mentioned the large silk banner, with the arms of the Grand Lodge, which is in a very excellent state of preservation; a large painting of the Crypt of York Minster, which is now hung on the Lodge staircase, a mahogany pedestal cushion, with crimson velvet cover, given by Bro. Sir Thomas Gascoigne, Bart.; three columns of the Doric, Ionic, and Corinthian orders, with silver sockets; three Gavels placed on the pedestals of M.W. the W.M. and Wardens of the York Lodge; also a pair of Gold Compasses, Plates for Summonses, Seals of Grand Lodge and Chapter, and other relics, which are placed on the table for the inspection, with descriptions referring to them. I would also refer the brethren to a complete set of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of London, with one exception, some of which formerly belonged to the Grand Lodge of York. In conclusion, I need hardly say that the records and antiquities of the old Grand Lodge of York are highly prized by the Lodge in whose custody they now remain.

That Solomon, though dead,
Will on the appointed day come forth ag
Will rend the tomb its crumbling wall that
And break the silence of three thousand ye

'Tis said that he will stand
Upon the sacred hill, upright and square
And summon all our Band
Who're subject to his will to meet him t
And when his Gavel falls, from every part
He'll call the workmen of the Mystic Art.

Masons! suppose to-night
In far Jerusalem of ancient fame
First source of Mason's Light
Glorious, thrice-blest above all other nam
Suppose our king, the wisest of the three,
Should rise and stand and summon you and

'Tis said that he will inquire
Who has best worked and who has best s
And how the mystic fire
Has cheered their gloom and helped the
Suppose our Master in this way should spe
To us, what answer, Brethren, should we n

If David's son were here to-night,
We Master Masons need not shame
Even at the ancient source of Light
To call King Solomon by name:
For we can show him, should be come,
Kentucky's pride, the ORPHANS' HOME.

Yes, we can show a noble Hall,
Larger by far than was the one
That Hiram built, and how the call
Was answered by the Craft alone:
For there the desolate heart is light
With works of Masonry to-night.

We'll point to where the dead are lying
In sweet repose 'neath sprigs of green—
Laid with celestial hopes undying,
Guarded by angels though unseen;
Waiting in their sweet verdant home
Till we their loving ones shall come.

We'll show him how GOD'S holy law
Upon ten thousand altars lies
From whence our daily bread we draw
To shape eternal destinies:
And o'er the East the sacred sign
That speaks the Presence all divine.

We'll show him in each household band
The Mason-father, brother, son,
Skilled to obey and to command
As taught them by King Solomon:
No happier hearts are seen on earth
Than those that grace the Mason's hearth.

We'll show him,—but there is no need—
These works abundant prove us true:
Our royal Master sure will read
In these the things that Masons do:
The orphan's smile, the widow's cheer,—
This is the feast prepared him here.

Come when he may—at noon or night,
He'll find our faithful hearts prepared,
Working the utmost hours of light
Waiting the promise of reward:
In sure belief when man shall die
There is a better Lodge on high!

The Voice

A Convocation of the Burdett Chapter, N
be held this day (Saturday), at the Mitre Hot
Court, when the Principals and Officers for
year will be elected.

The Confidence Lodge of Instruction will
weekly meeting on Wednesday next, at t

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1386—Highgate, Gate House Hotel, Highgate
1475—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In.
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7 30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1624—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)

40—Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
75—Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
104—St. John, Ashton House, Greek-street, Stockport
151—Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields
292—Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
296—Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
297—Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
411—Commercial, Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham
481—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Manle-street, Newcastle
502—Rectitude, Town Hall, Rugby
589—Druids of Love and Liberality, Masonic Hall, Redruth
685—Montague, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
721—Independence, Masonic Chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
797—Hanley, Hanley Hall, Dartmouth
827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
893—Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook, Cornwall
949—Williamson, St Stephen School, Monkwearmouth, Durham
1021—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Custom House Buildings, Barrow-in-Furness
1174—Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
1221—Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
1237—Enfield, Market-place, Enfield
1350—Fermor Hesketh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1436—Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1474—Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
1592—Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
1611—Eboracum, Queen's Hotel, Micklegate, York
1618—Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea
1790—Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
R.A. 148—Elias Ashmole, Chapter Rooms, Warrington
R.A. 306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
M.M.—Egerton, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry, Cheshire.
M.M. 171—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
K.T.—Jerusalem, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
R.C.—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool

TUESDAY, 13th SEPTEMBER.

55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, 3 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
167—St. John, Holly Bush, Hampstead.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
890—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 Instruction)
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
131—Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Truro
184—United Chatham of Benevolence, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Kent
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
272—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Bridge, Boston.
284—Shakespeare, Masonic Rooms, High-street, Warwick
406—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-st., Newc.-on-Tyne (Instr.)
448—St. James, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
473—Faithful, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
495—Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
503—Belvidere, Star Hotel, Maidstone
510—St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Liskeard.
603—Zetland, Royal Hotel, Cleckheaton
626—Lansdowne of Unity, Town Hall, Chippenham
696—St. Bartholomew, Anchor Hotel, Wednesbury
726—Staffordshire Knot, North Western Hotel, Stafford
829—Sydney, Black Horse, Sidcup
903—Gosport, Lion's Arms Hotel, High-street, Gosport
1250—Gilbert Greenhall, Masonic Rooms, Sankey-street, Warrington
1314—Acacia, Bell Hotel, Bromley, Kent
1325—Stanley, 214 Great Homer-street, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
1414—Keyole, Masonic Hall, Sevenoaks
1465—Ockenden, Talbot Hotel, Cuckfield, Sussex
1515—Baildon, Masonic Room, Northgate, Baildon
1713—Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walton, Liverpool
R.A. 43—Fortitude, Great Western Hotel, Birmingham.
R.A. 265—Judea, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
R.A. 289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
R.A. 991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland
M.M. 6—Adams, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness

WEDNESDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER.

Committee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 3.
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth.
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383—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
483—Symnathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
567—Unity, Globe Hotel, Warwick
625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
668—Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince Town, Dartm
750—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Railway-street, C
758—Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn, at 7.30. (Inst
795—St. John, Ray Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
861—Worthing of Friendship, Sterne Hotel, Worthing
852—Zetland, Albert Hotel, New Bailey-street, Salfor
854—Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, near Oldham.
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Inst
1018—Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Br
1031—Fletcher, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Church-street, Tamwo
1064—Borough, Bull Hotel, Burnley.
1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1209—Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
1248—Denison, Grand Hotel, Scarborough.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruct
1342—Walker, Hope and Anchor Inn, Byker, Newcastle
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Toxteth
1398—Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Furness
1403—West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Ormskirk
1424—Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Ch
1434—Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Nottingham.
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction.)
1520—Earl Shrewsbury, Public, Rooms, Cannock, Staff
1547—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1643—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebburn-on-Tyne.
R.A. 24—De Swinburne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st
R.A. 709—Invicta, Bank-street Hall, Ashford.
M.M. 56—Temperance, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
M.M. 174—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street Birming
M.M. 192—St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, The Parade, Be

THURSDAY, 15th SEPTEI

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-stree
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham
902—Bargevne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Lu lg
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instru
1227—Upton, Spotted Dog, Upton, E.
1278—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Victoria Park
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.3
1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Coven
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C
1729—Temple Bar, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. Jo
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-ro
M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Bell Hotel, Shoreditch.

42—Relief, Albion Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury, L
56—Howard, High-street, Arundel
98—St Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
215—Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingden
268—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street Ashton
343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-st
345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blu
367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn Smallbridg
523—John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street
600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Brad
605—Combermere, Queeen's Hotel, Birkenhead
663—Wiltshire of Fidelity, Town Hall, Devizes.
971—Trafalgar, Private Room, Commercial-street, Ba
1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street, Salf
1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Le
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, a
1299—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near
1320—Blackheath, Green Man, Blackheath
1327—King Harold, Britannia Hotel, Waltham New To
1332—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
1432—Fitzalan, Wynstay Arms, Oswestry
1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room, Derby House, Lindley
1560—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7 30.
R.A. 204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
R.A. 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 307—Good Intent, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bri
R.A. 33[illegible]—Confidence, Commercial Inn, Uppermill
K.T.—William de la More, Town Hall, Bootle.

FRIDAY, 16th SEPTEM

Stanislaus Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall,
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at
67—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberw
96—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-s
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8
831—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8
856—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E
158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction
208—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road
905—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (I
942—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Camborne-rd., N. Kens
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street,

152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
454—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30

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NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

York Lodge, No. 355, Brighton.—The regular meeting this flourishing Lodge was held on Tuesday, the 6th instant, at the yal Pavilion, Brighton. The banner, with the arms of His Royal ghness the Duke of York, was suspended over the Master's chair. os. G. Nash W.M., W. H. Gibson S.W., G. Lookyer J.W., W. Hud- P.M. Treasurer, J. Ridge Secretary, Nye J.D., G. B. Godfree I.G., Payne Steward, A. Crook Organist; P.M.'s W. T. Nell P.P.G.W., J. Hawkins P.P.G.S.B., Eborall P.P.G.P., C. Hudson, Packham .M., J. W. Stride P.P.G.J.W., V.P. Freeman P.G. Sec, Sandeman. sitors—J. Hughes 87, J. Burrell 1821, T. C. Woodman 271, J. B. nnay 1821, Newsome 1821, W. H. Chambers 1466, A. Burrows 8, M. Lelen 1821, D. Sherwell 813, Bartsal P.M. 929, T. Berry 21, Biggs 77, Parnell 1829, H. M. Levy P.M. 188. Lodge was ened, and the minutes were confirmed. It was announced that e Provincial Grand Lodge of Sussex would be held at the Royal vilion, Brighton, on the 7th of October, under the presidency of e R.W. Bro. Sir Walter Burrell, Bart., M.P., Provincial Grand aster of Sussex. Mr. James Terry, Chief Constable of Brighton, no had been previously balloted for, and unanimously elected, was ly initiated into the Order, very impressively. Bro. Eborall P.M. ve the charge excellently. Bro. Packham I.P.M., by the courtesy the W.M., passed Bro. Gibbs to the second degree. Mr. G. W. abdown was proposed for initiation at the next meeting. Hearty od wishes were tendered by the visitors, and the brethren ad- urned to Bro. Paige's, the Unicorn Tavern, North-street, where a ry sumptuous and enjoyable supper was provided, at the invitation the W.M. The catering reflected great credit on the worthy host. he W.M. genially presided, and proposed the usual Loyal and asonic toasts, including the Right Worshipful Bro. Sir Walter urrell Provincial Grand Master. They were honoured, he said, by he presence of a brother whom every one in the Craft respected; e was an old and valued member. He referred to Bro. Freeman roy. Grand Secretary, whose name he would associate with the oast. Bro. Freeman thanked the W.M. for his hospitality, so readily ecorded to every member of Provincial Grand Lodge. The W.M. ow remarked that he had had that evening very great pleasure in nitiating three gentlemen connected with the town of Brighton—Bros. Terry, Gibbs, and Schofield. The members were proud to see hem among them. Bro. Schofield was the first to respond; he was ollowed by Bro. Terry, who thanked the W.M. for so kindly propos- ng his health. He always had an ardent wish to become a Free- nason, and this wish was now gratified. He had been thirty-seven ears connected with the town, and hoped to become a useful mem er of the Order. Bro. Packham I.P.M. had great pleasure in proposing he next toast; it was one they would all feel a pleasure in honour- ng. It was the health of the W.M., who was well known to the rethren. It was the aim of Bro. Nash to promote the interests of he Craft in general, and of this Lodge in particular. He (the speaker) oped to meet him in the Lodge for many years, in health and pros- erity. The W.M., in reply, thanked Bro. Packham for his kind ex- ressions, and the brethren for the manner in which the toast had een received; he had likewise to thank the I.P.M. for his kind as- istance. Bro. Packham had rendered him great service. In fact, he felt indebted to every member of the Lodge; all had placed confi- dence in him, and thus it was that he stood in his present exalted position. The toast of the Visitors came next on the list. The W.M. had especially to welcome Bro. Chambers, who had not only done great service to the Navy, but also to the Craft. There were several other visitors, and he would couple with the toast the names of Bro. H. M. Levy P.M. 188 and Bro. Briggs 77. After those brethren had severally responded, the W.M. proposed the toast of the Wardens and Officers. Bro. Gibson S.W., was also S.W. of another Lodge, and Bro. Lookyer J.W., who is likewise in office elsewhere, know their duties thoroughly; in fact, these remarks will apply to every Officer, as all who witnessed the proceedings that evening could testify. Bro. Gibson S.W., in response, said he felt great pleasure in working under so excellent a Master. He hoped to be called upon to occupy the chair in due course. Bro. Lookyer followed; he felt it was an honour to be associated with such a Lodge, which was a credit to the Craft. He thanked them all very sincerely. The brethren separated at an early hour, after spending a very agreeable evening. Bros. Crook and Packham contributed to the harmony.

Crusaders Lodge of Instruction, No. 1677.—At the Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell. A meeting of this Lodge of Instruction was held on Thursday, 1st inst., when there

wards W.M., Dignam S.W., Glass J.W., A. Clark S.D. Cushing I.G., Past Masters J. Lorkin Secretary, and Wa ceptor; Brasted, Wardell, C. Lorkin, Carr, Clark, Gosling, After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was reh T. Clark acting as candidate. Bro. C. Lorkin worked the third, and fourth sections, assisted by the brethren. Br of Lodge 1607, was elected a member. Bro. Dignam wa W.M. for the ensuing week.

Cornwallis Lodge No. 1107.—The regular meeti on Wednesday, at the Lullingstone Castle Hotel, Sw under the presidency of Bro. J. J. Michael W.M. Thr were passed to the degree of F.C., and various matters o the brethren discussed.

West Middlesex Lodge of Instruction, No At a meeting held at the Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, on Th instant, Bros. G. Coop W.M., C. Andrews P.M. S.W., J. C. E. Porter S.D., H. Youens J.D., H. E. Tucker Treasur ceptor, J. Wells Secretary, C. Bellerby I.G., W. Rickwoo J. J. Clarke, H. Stephens, J. Owen, T. Smith, J. R. Ferns jun. After preliminaries, the W.M. rehearsed the c initiation, Bro. Smout candidate. This being the first the season, the brethren proceeded to appoint the the ensuing year. The following were unanimously Bros. H. E. Tucker Treasurer and Preceptor, J. Wells E. C. Porter and C. Andrews P.M. Audit Committee. Br was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and then Lodge w due form, and the meeting adjourned.

On the 8th instant, Bro. C. Andrews P.M. W.M., su Bros. Green, Jones, Coop, Millson, Smith, Tucker, J. Porter, Murch. After preliminaries, the W.M. put th leading to the third degree. The Lodge was resumed degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of install J. Green was appointed W.M. for the next meeting.

Panmure Mark Lodge, No. 139.—The Install ing was held at the Balham Hotel, Balham, on Monday, t Bro. H. Baldwin P.P.G.A.D.C. was ably and impressiv by Bro. T. Poore P.G.I.G. Bro. Baldwin appointed his follows:—Bros. Mitchell S.W., Arkland Prov. G. Sword J. J. Gibson P.P.G.S of W. I.P.M., G. Lilley P.M. C. Pulman Sec., Basnett R. of M., J. Walmsley M.O., J. W Whittaker J.O, J. H. Hawkins S.D., Wigg J.D., Allen Steward, and Thomas Tyler. The only visitor was Br grove, Grand Superintendent of Works Middlesex. The which were very successful, passed off to the satisfa brethren.

Bro. Osborn, the W.M. of the Sir Hugh M Lodge will rehearse the ceremony of installat Kingsland Lodge of Instruction, on Monday, the On Monday, 19th instant, a well-known brother mised to attend, and read a paper on some subjec est to the Craft.

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elected the H. of the Chapter as the First Principal, and that was a proof of the esteem in which they held him. The J. was not present, but he had been elected H., and he was a Companion fully competent to do his work, and would be a great acquisition to the Officers. All the Companions knew Comp. Maple would make an excellent M.E.Z. Comp. Maple replied, and said the Companions had hitherto heard—and very rightly and properly heard—the praises of the rulers and leaders of the Chapter, including the M.E.Z.; he thought this toast separated the rulers from the Officers, who came in after them. It had been the custom, he thought—and certainly it was the wish of every Principal—his Officers should work in such a manner as would redound to the credit both of himself and the Chapter; that wish, he believed, had been attained. He trusted that in future so excellent a rule would not be departed from, but that himself and those who came after him would follow the good example of the M.E.Z., and strive to do their utmost for the honour and welfare of the Burdett Chapter. It was now some years since he (Comp. Maple) was exalted in the Burdett Chapter, and he trusted he had not been found wanting in the duties he had been called upon to perform. They had been severe, but they had been performed with the greatest amount of pleasure, because one always felt an amount of pleasure in striving for the office the M.E.Z. now filled. He trusted that during his year of office he might have the sympathy and kind assistance of the Officers and Companions, not only those who had preceded the present M.E.Z. in the chair, but those who would come after him (Comp. Maple), and that his year of office would be a credit and honour to the Burdett Chapter. The M.E.Z. next gave the Past Principals of the Chapter—Companions Pearse, Levander, Phythian, and F. Davison—a toast which he believed would be drunk as cordially as the other toasts had been, because they were all very good fellows, good Companions, and good workmen. Comp. Phythian replied, though he thought he was not the one who should be called upon to respond while Comps. Pearse and Davison were present. He thanked the M.E.Z., the Officers, and Companions for the kind support they had all given the Past Principals in days gone by, and also for the very great attention and excellent manner in which the business of the Chapter had been conducted. It was a source of great gratification to the Past Principals to find things going on so satisfactorily, and he hoped they would so continue for many years. The toast of the Visitors followed, and Comps. H. Massey, W. W. Morgan, and T. J. Maidwell returned thanks. Comp. Sanders, in responding for the Officers, said he hoped as the Chapter grew in age, the Companions would grow in their fellowship with each other, and that harmony might flourish and increase year by year. The Janitor's toast concluded the proceedings, which were enlivened during the evening by some excellent songs.

KING KALAKAUA IN EDINBURGH.

KING KALAKAUA, of Hawaii, left Edinburgh on Saturday afternoon, *en route* for Lancashire. His Majesty, who was the guest of Mr. Macfie, of Dreghorn, planted two Norwegian maples in the grounds on Saturday morning, and shortly after twelve left Dreghorn for Edinburgh. The route chosen was by Hunter's Tryst, past the Comistone and Fair Milehead Toll, and through Morningside. The drive was continued along the Grange to the Queen's Park, where "Sampson's Ribs" were first visited. The carriages were then turned, and the party proceeded along the Queen's Drive past Dunsappie and St. Margaret's Loch to Holyrood. After passing Holyrood, His Majesty was driven by Abbeyhill and St. Andrew Square to the Freemasons' Hall, George-street, where an interesting ceremony was about to be performed. There a Grand Conclave of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, an ancient chivalric and religious Order in connection with Freemasonry, had been specially summoned for the purpose of investing His Majesty with the Grand Cross of the Order, to which, it may be said, His Majesty already belongs. This knightly fraternity, which was originally instituted by the Emperor Constantine, in commemoration of the signal success of his arms, foretold by the appearance of the cross in the heavens, has long flourished in England; but the Order was only established in Scotland as an independent body in 1874. Colonel Sir Francis Burdett was the first Sovereign of the Order in Scotland, with the late Major Hamilton Ramsay, of Garion, as his Viceroy. The second and present Grand Sovereign is the Earl of Kintore, and his Viceroy Captain Charles Hunter. In the unavoidable absence of the Earl of Kintore, the Grand Conclave on Saturday was opened in due form by V. Ill. Sir Knight Captain

their power to bestow. They have desired me to
Majesty their grateful sense of your courtesy in all
to be added to the roll of Knights Grand Cross of So
exceedingly that the Grand Sovereign of the Order—
the Earl of Kintore—has been prevented from at
sonally conferring this distinction upon you. As
time is very limited, and as we heartily concur in ev
the Lord Provost of Edinburgh at the meeting yeste
detain you to say that we all join, and every Freem
when he reads of the event of to-day, will join in ea
felt prayer to our Omnipotent Ruler the
of the Universe, that every blessing and
attend your Majesty through life, that
a safe and pleasant return to your own
your reign there may be long and prosperous, and t
tinue to take a warm interest in, and manifest a z
credit and an ornament to the Craft we all love
King was then presented with a copy of Statutes
which he pledged himself to obey, and the Acting
vesting him with the Star of the Grand Cross,
name and by special authority of the Grand Sovere
I now invest you with the jewel of a Knight Grand
perial Council of Scotland, and may I venture to ex
the jewel and the patent which our Grand Reco
Brown, will forward in a few days, may sometime
mind your visit to Scotland, where thousands of
have never seen your Majesty's face, but knowing
as a Mason, and the high position you have attair
extend to your Majesty their fraternal feelings of
and will be highly gratified to find that these feelin
by your Majesty.

The Star of Knight Grand Cross of the Order, with
Sovereign invested the King, is one of eight points,
enamel, the centre being charged with a red cross
eagle in gold. The Acting Viceroy V.Ill. Sir Kn
P. Sov. No. 1, took occasion also to endorse the rem
Sovereign, and offered his Majesty honorary me
Edinburgh Conclave, No. 1. This his Majesty acc
the roll of membership. King Kalakaua, in reply, s
reception he had met with in this country, and
appreciated no honour that had been conferred on
one he had just received. He should ever retain a
tion of his visit to the Freemasons' Hall, and it wo
pleasure to convey to the brethren in Honolulu—o
a large number—an account of the hearty re
received from the Grand Imperial Counc
After the ceremony was concluded, a s
and wine was partaken of, and the
Majesty proposed from the Throne and cordiall
Kalakaua shortly replied, thanking the Conclave ap
ness. Thereafter the Knights lined the passage f
outer doorway, and his Majesty passed out under
to his carriage. The Knights returned to the ha
clave was closed with the usual ceremonies. The
lasted about fifteen minutes.

Among those who had the honour of being
Majesty were—Sir Knights William Mann S
Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Scotla
Nepean Bart., Councillor Henry, and Dr. Lotb, wh
of his work on the Ancient and Accepted Scottish
departure his Majesty graciously accepted the
Michael Shaw Stewart Grand Master Mason of Sc
Earl of Kintore Grand Sovereign of the Red
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—Metropolitan The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7 30 (Inst.)
—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8 30 (Instruction)
M. (T.I.)—Old Kent, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.

—Freedom, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend
—York, Masonic Hall, York
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—Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron, Northampton
—St. Cuthbergs, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
—Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth
—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
—Bedford Masonic Hall, New street, Birmingham
—Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield.
—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Holbeach.
—Egerton, George Hotel, Wellington Road, Heaton Norris, near Stockport
—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland.
—Mid Sussex, Assembly Rooms, Horsham.
—St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
—Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury.
—Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover.
—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Inst.)
—Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
A. 139—Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
A. 345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn
A. 482—St. James, New Inn, Handsworth
A. 779—St. Augustine, Town Hall, Ashby-de-la-Zouch
M. 141—Skelmersdale, Pitt and Nelson Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne

TUESDAY, 20th SEPTEMBER.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
55—Constitutional Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
857—St. Mark, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
890—Dalhousie Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1361—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7 30 Instruction)
1420—Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge, S.W.
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1692—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
R.A. 933—Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
213—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich.
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
384—St. David, Masonic Rooms, Bangor.
418—Menturia, Mechanics' Institute, Hanley.
452—Frederick of Unity, Freemason's Hall, 105 High Street, Croydon
651—Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon.
667—Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
900—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
1008—Tregullow, Masonic Rooms, St. Day, Scorrier, Cornwall.
1032—Callender, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
1089—De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness.
1325—Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1427—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle.
1470—Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable.
1473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6 (Instruction)
1534—Concord, George Hotel, Prestwich.
1551—Charity, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
1570—Prince Arthur, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool
1764—Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton.
R.A. 419—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.

WEDNESDAY, 21st SEPTEMBER.

Lodge of Benevolence, Freemasons' Hall, W.C., at 6.
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
224—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, D an Street, Oxford St. at 8 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 7 30 (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
861—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
1274—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
1283—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
1691—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1693—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1729—St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
1161—De Grey and Ripon, Brunswick Hotel, Piccadilly, Manches
1246—Holte, Holte Hotel, Aston
1301—Brighouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-road, Brighouse
1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Durham House, Northallerton
1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenæum, Lancaster
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill Street, Toxteth Park, Li
1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
1501—Wycombe, Town Hall, High Wycombe
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull
1634—Starkie, Railway Hotel, Ramsbottom
R.A. 220—Harmony, Wellington Hotel, Garston, Lancashire
R.A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
R.A. 580—Unity, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
R.A. 591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
R.A. 1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Tamworth

THURSDAY, 22nd SEPTEMBER.

House Committee, Girls' School, Battersea Rise, at 4
3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30
65—Prosperity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., at 8 (I
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (In
766—William Preston, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street, E.C
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Leicester-hill, at
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instru
1426—The Great City, Masons Hall, Masons Avenue, E.C. at 6.30
1563—The City of Westminster, Regent Masonic Hall, Aire Street
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden,
1658—Skelmersdale, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (I
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Woo
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at

78—Imperial George, Assheton Arms Hotel, Middleton, Lancas
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instructi
348—St. John, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshawgate, Bolton
584—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
935—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
1325—Stanley, 214 Gt. Homer-street, Liverpool, at 8 (Instructio
1459—Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, Hyde-road, West Gorton, nea
1505—Emulation, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instru
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instructi
1626—Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Maple street, Newcastle
R.A. 275—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfie
R.A. 292—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 1086—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liver
R.A. 1214—Scarborough Hall, Scarborough, Caledonian-road, Bat
K.T.—Plains of Mamre, Bull Hotel, Burnley

FRIDAY, 23rd SEPTEMBER.

House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green, at 4.
Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruc
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgwar
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instructio
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (I
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbur
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich
R.A. 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensingto

453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instructio
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
1712—St. John, Freemasons Hall, Grainger Street, Newcastle
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birming
R.A. 152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
K.T. 20—Royal Kent, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle

SATURDAY, 24th SEPTEMBER.

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (I
1541—Alexandra Palace, Alexandra Palace, Muswell Hill
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (
1679—Henry Muggeridge, Prince George, Parkholme Road, Dalst
R.A. 30—Affability, Station House Hotel, Bottoms, Stansfield
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W.
1462—Wharncliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone
1631—Chiselhurst, Bull's Head Hotel, Chiselhurst

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

ROYAL ARCH LODGE, NO. 122.

ON Monday, the 5th inst., a Deputation waited Earl of Breadalbane at Taymouth Castle, and i of the office-bearers and brethren, presented his Lo an illuminated certificate of his affiliation with t The members of the Deputation were—Bros. Ex- Gregie R.W.M., Robert Sansen S.M., ex-Provost

your admission with Lodge 122. In doing so I have simply to say that we consider it a very high honour to have your name enrolled among the long list of honoured names in connection with our Lodge. It would be entirely out of place on my part to do more than read you the address, which I now do:

"The Right Worshipful Master and Office-bearers of the Lodge Royal Arch, Perth (122), holding of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, hereby certify that Brother the Right Hon. the Earl of Breadalbane was duly affiliated a member of this Lodge on the 29th day of October 1880.

F. P. Carnegie R.W.M.
John Robertson Secretary."

Perth, 15th August 1881.

"In asking your acceptance of it we hope to have your presence amongst us as often as your valuable time will allow. Not only do we as a Lodge consider it a high honour, but I may speak for the other Lodges within your Province, that they likewise consider it a high honour to have you as their Right Worshipful Grand Master. Before handing you over the certificate I observe on it your crest and well known motto, "Follow me." I am sure of this, that were all Masons copying your example since you joined the Brotherhood, and especially since you have presided over us as Provincial Grand Master, not only would the membership of Freemasons increase, but the obligations inculcated would be better known and shown more clearly. Personally I have to thank you for your kindness and attention in receiving us this day." When the Right Worshipful Master had handed him the certificate, his Lordship thanked the Deputation for their kindness in waiting upon him, and hoped they would convey his thanks to the brethren of the Royal Arch Lodge for their very handsome present, which he would esteem very highly, and find a place for in his own room. He feared that he did not deserve all the complimentary things said of him by Brother Carnegie, but he could assure them that he had a warm interest in the prosperity of Freemasonry. The prolonged session of Parliament, and his duties in connection therewith, had taken up very much of his time during the summer, and had interfered somewhat with the duties he perhaps owed to the Craft; but he hoped to make up for any apparent neglect in this respect during the winter. At present it was his intention to spend the winter in Scotland, and he would thus be able to visit all the Lodges in the Province, in the particular welfare of which, and in Freemasonry in general, he felt much interest. As already said, he should highly esteem the present of Lodge No. 122, and he accepted it as a token that the little he had been permitted to do for the Craft was appreciated in that brotherly spirit which it was the duty of Masons to cherish and diffuse. Bro. Richardson then addressed his Lordship, remarking on the kindly feeling that had always subsisted between the House of Breadalbane and the City of Perth. He could assure his Lordship that the citizens of Perth were deeply grateful for the interest that his Lordship took in all that pertained to the city, and he hoped that his Lordship would be long spared to show the noble example of how town and county should conduct themselves to each other. Bro. Rev. Mr. Brunton also addressed his Lordship, remarking on the principles of Freemasonry. The Deputation were afterwards entertained to lunch by his Lordship, after which they were shown by his Lordship over the castle. The address, which was artistically executed and beautifully illuminated—the border displaying the crest and motto of the Breadalbane family—was the work of Messrs Hay, George Street, Perth.

Royal Brunswick Lodge, No. 732, Brighton.—The regular meeting of this excellent working Lodge was held on the 8th instant, at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton. Bro. Dr. Hanxwell W.M., F. Daniels S.W., H. S. Soper J.W., H. Histed Secretary, Billing as S.D., S. R. Legg P.M. as J.D., Nell jun. I.G.; Past Masters G. Smith, V. P. Freeman P.G. Secretary Sussex, J. Read, Capon I.P.M., Dixon, W. Smith, J. M. Reed; Bros. Hughes, Dixon, Titcombe, &c. Visitors—Bros. Briggs, Hastings, J. B. Hannay 1821, F. Marks 1636. The Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. Bro. Titcombe answered the usual questions satisfactorily, and was passed to the second degree by the Worshipful Master, in an able and impressive manner. Hearty good wishes were given by the brethren and visitors, who then sat down to a sumptuous an *récherché* banquet, provided by Bros. Sayers and Marks (the well-known caterers of the Western-road), that gave every satisfaction. The Worshipful Master presided with great ability, and eloquently proposed the Loyal and Masonic toasts, including the health of the efficiency of any or all of its office bearers. This inasmuch as good results follow, and emulation is what has got out of order is carefully noticed, re We are pleased to know that great care manife at our installation meetings, and that those younger and more inexperienced brethren to gle cannot be obtained but on such occasions. It is, t that our installations are, and indeed should a peculiar spirit of interest. On Saturday after meeting of the above excellent Lodge was held Palace, Muswell-hill, and prompt to the time for had been convened was each Officer in attenda commendation—we may add, emphatically, spe We have been present when time has been f nothing could be done because some brother moreover, could have been prompt, had he We heartily congratulate Bro. Beedell on having who are not only conversant with their duties bu their places when called on. We noticed among G. H. Stephens West Smithfield 1623, John Th J. Mason P.M. Harmony 309, W. J. Beedell P.M Ball Strong Man 45. W. H. Wallington P.M. D Prinock P.M. Unity 183, C. Stevens Sir C. Brich Hengist 195. G. J. Glover Marquess Ripon 1489 I.G. Sphinx 1329. Bro. J. Newton P.M. kindly of Installing Master. The Lodge having bee the minutes read, and the report of the auditors firmed, the impressive ceremony of installation lovally and heartily. After the usual adjournmer the Brethren to the Lodge, the popular W.M. Br sainted in the three degrees. He then proce Officers, namely, Bro. T. Jones Senior Warden Brown P.M. Treasurer, J. Newton P.M. Secretary, W. Giller J.D., J. Garden I.G., C. A. Morgan D C., Steward. We need hardly remark that the se delivered most eloquently by Bro. Newton. The other business had been transacted, alluded in the illness of Bro. E. G. Legge P.M., his predece have had to invest with a P.M.'s jewel had he absence of their esteemed Brother was deepl and it was the cause of much sorrow to that their Immediate Past Master was no midst corporeally, though doubtless in mind as he was absorbed in the welfare and interest the subject would be referred to at a more the evening, he would forbear for the pre words. Bro. P.M. Newton remarked that Master took a lively interest in the Institution, as indeed he did in all other good w pleased to receive subscriptions or donations Lodge from any brother, and it was hoped tha liberal sum would be placed to the credit of the Lodge, through the medium of their newly-electe move that a sum of ten guineas be voted from the support of the Masonic Charitable Institu seconded the motion, which was carried unanim observed that the W.M. had alluded to the in I.P.M. Bro. Legge; it would be unnecessary on thing to what had already been expressed i esteemed brother's illness. He felt assured th had been expressed by the W.M., but he felt so be done by them as a Lodge, in order to testify in reference to the illness through which thei moment passing. No doubt there would be fu subject during the afternoon. He would move, of condolence be sent to Bro. Legge, assuring hi and sorrow felt by the brethren for him in hi he might speedily be restored to them. Not sympathise with him, but likewise with the m Bro. Perceval seconded the motion, which was The W.M. then received the hearty good wishes Lodge was closed in due form. An adjournme spacious dining saloon, in which a goodly repast whose labours of the afternoon had added zest removal of the cloth, the W.M. in well chosen gave the Queen and the Craft, which was pledg Dutton, A. Thompson, C. Stevens, and C. National Anthem, under the direction of Bro. C. Lodge 1793. We may here mention that to th

adopted son, at least in Freemasonry; he therefore took a deep rest in all that appertained to their Masonic duties and obliga-ns. The Lodge was now commencing a new era. It had been in fferent condition compared with what it was now, and, to use a aphor, after having stood still for a season it was now enabled to by itself. If at any time his advice should be required and ght for, he would tender it with much pleasure, and co-operate h them in every possible manner, in order to advance the prosperity the Lodge in which he felt so much interest. After having raceful terms, make some further remarks in reference to the lge, he proposed the W.M.'s health. The W.M. in acknow-ging the compliment observed that he was much indebted to I. Newton, who had so kindly proposed his health. He felt he not deserve the encomiums which had been passed upon him. He ild not however conceal the fact that from the hour of his initia-n he had felt an interest in the welfare of the Lodge, and would all in his power to maintain its *prestige*. He was alive to the fact it deep responsibilities rested on him, and that in a measure much uld depend upon him. He rejoiced, however, to know that he had ellent Officers, who would support him in any difficulties that ght arise. Moreover, if counsel were needed, he knew from whom ould be obtained. He had received that afternoon many pledges kindness, therefore he anticipated a prosperous year of office and accession of members. The W.M. next proposed the Visitors, om he was pleased to see; on the part of the Lodge he ve them a hearty welcome. At all times he should be glad to see em in the Lodge, and hoped that those then present would come ong them again and again. Bro. P.M. Wallington acknowledged e compliment, remarking that as Preceptor of the Dalhousie Lodge Instruction, held at the Seven Sisters' Tavern, Pownall Road, alston, he was gratified to see so many around the festive table who d been under his instruction. He had been instrumental in ucating brethren for the chair, Bro. Webb being an instance ereof. He had a knowledge of Freemasonry extending over half a ntury, and if the younger brethren would educate themselves by tending regularly, under proper instructors, he had no fear that all them would pass the chair with credit to themselves and honour their respective Lodges. He hoped to live to see them all installed. ro. J. J. Brinton, having also been called on to respond complied, and ubsequently, as the representative of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE, cknowledged the compliment paid the Press. The Worshipful laster remarked that they must not forget absent brethren, he roposed the health of those far away. Bro. Perceval had two ons at the Cape of Good Hope, he would therefore associate this ame with the toast. Bro. Perceval replied; he would communicate o his sons the fact that they were remembered, although far, far way. As a father he felt gratified thus to be called upon to respond. The W.M. said the toast next in the usual order he should have to propose would have been the Immediate Past Master; under the untoward circumstances, however, which had overtaken Bro. P.M. Legge, that toast would be passed over. He the (W.M.) held in his and the jewel which, had his predecessor in office been present, it would have been his pleasure to place on his breast. That, however, could not be accomplished, to the infinite regret of all within call. They all respected Bro. Legge, who had never made an enemy, but many sincere friends. He was ill, and therefore could not be among them; this was the cause of unfeigned sorrow to one and all. He (the W.M.) would therefore entrust the jewel to Bro. Newton, who would, no doubt, invest their sick brother therewith, and convey to him the expressions of sympathy which had been spontaneously evoked that afternoon. The anxious desire of them all was, that their brother might speedily be restored to health, and take his place among them when next they assembled. Bro. P.M. Newton, to whom the jewel had been handed, said he would at the earliest moment invest P.M. Legge therewith, according to the wishes of the W.M. and the Lodge generally. The W.M. then proposed the health of the Instal-ling Officer Bro. P.M. Newton, who in his genial manner acknow-ledged the compliment. Then the P.M.'s were honoured, to which com-pliment Bro. Webb replied. The toast of the Treasurer and Secretary was also given from the chair, and Bros. Brown and Newton responded. In speaking of the Masonic Institutions, the W.M., in a clever and forcible speech, expatiated on the incalculable good these Institutions were daily effecting. He called on the brethren to contribute in a liberal spirit towards them. In February next, as Steward, he would have to hand to the Treasurer their contributions, and he expressed a hope that their Lodge would be foremost in liberality. It would be quite unnecessary for him to state that their money would be well expended;—that they all knew. But they did not know who here-after among them might have of necessity to be the recipients of such bounty. We do not know what shall be on the morrow, what changes may occur, or adverse circumstances arise. P.M. Mason responded; in an eloquent speech he gave a sketch of the several

Freemasons, and that without parade of any kind. asked the Treasurer to take round a subscription list, whi was complied with, and notwithstanding several brethren at remote distances had been compelled to retire, the su was collected. In addition several sums were promised, s Loyalty Lodge, it is anticipated, will not be behind many their bounty in February next. The health of the Offic Lodge was a toast much appreciated. The manner in W.M. extolled his Officers could not fail to convince them regarded as being efficient to discharge the duties upon w had entered. Bro. B. Jones S.W. responded, and then t toast concluded these interesting proceedings.

Crusaders Lodge of Instruction, No. 1677.—

of this Lodge was held at St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, on 8th instant, at 8.30 p.m. There were present Bros. W Kidder W.M., Samuel Goode S.W., T. W. Tillett J.W., A J.D., J. Carnaby I.G, Robert D. Cummings Preceptor, H lidav Secretary, and a good muster of other brethren. having been opened in due form, the minutes of the la were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation wa sively rehearsed by the W.M., Bro. Lawrence acting as The Lodge was then called off and on, and opened and clo second and third degrees. It having been proposed an that Bro. S. Good be W.M. for ensuing week, and carr monsly, the W.M. elect appointed Officers in rotation. Hunter proposed, and Bro. Hurford seconde l, that a com seven—three to form a quorum—be appointed to revise and submit such revision to the annual general meeting in Bros. Millward, Tillett, Hurford, Hunter, the Treasurer, and Secretary being proposed as such committee, it w monsly carried. Nothing further being offered for th Freemasonry, the Lodge was closed in perfect harmony journed.

Kingsland Lodge of Instruction, No. 1693

the Canonbury Tavern, Islington. This is about the most Lodge of Instruction in the North of London. It has b about fifteen months, and since then has subscribed £5 Asylum for Aged Freemasons, repaid the preliminary expe founders, and at the present time has a good balance in h meetings are held each Monday, all through the year, and ances are very good. Last Monday Bro. P.M. Gillham, of Lodge, very ably rehearsed the third ceremony, Bro. Ro the candidate. The Preceptor, Bro. P.M. Trewinnard of t land and United Strength Lodges, is all that a Mason shou the manner in which the proceedings are carried out is the Craft. We advise brethren who have not yet visited land Lodge of Instruction to do so. On Monday next B has kindly consented to read a paper on a subject of Mason

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The *Times*, August 13th, 1877. From our own Correspondent with army. Okoum, July 25th, 1877. The want of sanitary arrange Russian Camp was dreadful, and had we remained there a few w dysentery and typhoid fever would have played more havoc in on the bombs of the Turks. I myself acquired an unenviable rep

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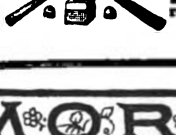
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THE LATE PUPILS' ASSISTANCE FUND.

OUR readers will, no doubt, have seen in our last week's issue the letter from our Rev. Brother C. J. Martyn, Honorary Treasurer, and Bro. Dick Radclyffe, Honorary Secretary, of the late Pupils' Assistance Fund, in which those brethren announce the distribution of the moneys contributed to that Fund, and the final disposition of the balance remaining unclaimed in the hands of the former. The announcement, in itself very simple, was merely to the effect that the said balance, amounting to £143 5s 1d, had been paid to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys. The moneys which had been previously paid over to one or other of our Charities, in accordance with the expressed wishes of the donors, amounted to some—in round figures—£35, so that it takes a very little arithmetic to show that the late Pupils' Assistance Fund has been the means of placing in the coffers of our Institutions moneys which amount in the aggregate to close on £180.

It will be remembered that a few months ago it became our duty to announce that this Assistance Fund, which had been ushered into the world under such brilliant auspices, was closed, and that the Executive, viz., the Hon Treasurer and Secretary, would only wait the pleasure of the subscribers in order to return, or appropriate as they might desire, the amounts of their several subscriptions. This has now been done, and the fund, therefore, is at length defunct, after benefiting our Institutions, as we have said, to the extent of about £180. Thus an opportunity presents itself for offering a few remarks on what was admitted by very many brethren to be a "good plan, a very good plan," and has certainly been the means of doing some amount of good for our Charities, as well as of extending the benefits conferred by our Schools on meritorious pupils who are leaving. We need not trouble ourselves to repeat the history of the project, how it, or rather the idea, was originated by the Earl of Rosslyn, a Past Grand Master Mason of Scotland; how from being only an idea, it speedily assumed a tangible form and substance, in the shape of an honorary committee and executive, with a strong body of distinguished brethren as patrons, and a large amount of support promised; and how at length, owing to the strength of the opposition it encountered, or it may be its own inherent weakness, it was finally abandoned. These are matters of history with which our readers are, or should be, acquainted. Nor need we dwell long on the fact that from the very beginning the fund had our support, and that its collapse—into the causes of which we do not desire or pretend to enter—was to us, of course, a disappointment. What we do wish to draw attention to is, the undoubted fact that the scheme for the establishment of a Pupil's Assistance Fund has been after all the means of rendering very important assistance to our retiring pupils—assistance, which—at least to the extent now authorised—it is likely might not for some considerable time to come, perhaps, have been rendered them. In fact, to a certain extent, the wind was taken out of the sails of the promoters of the Fund by the Committees of the two Schools when the latter authorised the award, in the case of unusually deserving pu sistance to the amount of £40, instead of, as to that of £20. When it became generally kno Committees of the Schools had themselves d maximum of the grant that was authorised to b deserving pupils on leaving, the Masonic public ally felt that the object for which the Fund was be established had been achieved to a certain ext principal objection which had been raised to havi Charity was commensurately strengthened. At the good it was able indirectly, instead of directl for the pupils of our Schools weakened, if did r remove, its claims to the support of the Cra during the remainder of its existence, the Assis gave few, if any, signs of life, and it is now after having, however, at the very last momen final proof of its usefulness by placing £180 i suries of our three Institutions. Thus a fund, w had an organization beyond what was hone which, in a certain sense, may be said to ha being whatever, has done good work notwithst the very people it was designed to serve. Unde cumstances we must not let this last flicker of li on the part of the Pupils' Assistance Fund wi gratulating those who took the leading part in its promotion on the indirect success of their eff it not been for them, it is very doubtful if, a suggested already, this alteration in the grant t from £20 to £40 would have been made, and it that our Institutions would never have received the balance of which has just been paid to the Bo For this we must thank the Earl of Rosslyn in stance, for having suggested the idea, and Bro. th Martyn for having, in his capacity of Honorary done so much to promote it. Lastly, Bro. Dic deserves his due measure of praise for the servi dered as Hon. Secretary. It cannot be gains worked hard to secure success. He canvassed Craftsmen, and consumed no end of midnig endeavouring to set the Fund on its legs. reward in the knowledge of what has been d Schools towards the object for which he has zealously, but not on that account must we w praise he is so fairly entitled to for his zeal and help the orphan boys and girls of those who his fellow Craftsmen.

THE SCHOOL ELECTIONS

THE half yearly election days of the tw Schools are fast approaching, and it beho are interested in one or other of the candidate every nerve during the next few days on beha respective cases if they desire success to attend t The Girls' School election takes place on Saturd prox. The ballot paper for that contest bears th twenty-four candidates, of whom, however, but f to be elected. It will thus be seen that a small only of the candidates will have to be turne

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Louise Walters 316 and Alice Gertrude Cleaver 173. It is unnecessary for us to give details of the fourteen first application cases, beyond mentioning that No. 22, Jane Mildred Taylor, has but this one chance of securing a place in the School, by reason of the age limit.

The Boys' list unfortunately does not hold out so much hope to the friends of the several candidates as does that of the sister Institution, for here there are no less than sixty five applicants to compete for but twelve vacancies. The election takes place on Monday, the 10th October. Of the sixty-five candidates, seventeen appear now for the first time, seventeen others have made one previous attempt, ten have competed twice, twelve three times, five four times, and four five times; while of the sixty-five, ten have but this chance of securing a place. The number of votes brought forward by the several candidates who have already taken part in previous elections is as usual very varied, ranging from 1311 in the case of Arthur Fellows, No. 1 on the list, to one in the case of both Nos. 17 and 47, while No. 48, who took part in the election of April last, has none yet polled to his credit. As we have pointed out on many previous occasions, these figures are in themselves but a very poor guide as to the amount of support a candidate may rely on, and this becomes every day more noticeable as the Associations for the concentration of voting power extend their operations. A case may be allowed to appear time after time on the ballot paper without any apparent effort being made to assist the friends in the attainment of their desire, and yet all the time the Province or party to which the case is attached may have been working hard, and, at the opportune moment may be able to poll sufficient votes to secure for the child the benefits of the School. In conclusion, we can but express the hope that the most deserving cases will receive the support of the subscribers; but in this, as in many other instances, we think personal influence alone is but of little service; indeed, to such an extent is this now the case, that candidates stand but a very poor chance of securing a place without they have many influential friends to work for them. This state of affairs is doubtless greatly to be regretted, but so long as we are unable to satisfy all the calls made on our Benevolence it will of necessity exist. It has been pointed out on previous occasions, and we think might again be taken into consideration, whether it is not advisable for a time to enforce some more stringent regulations in order to lessen the number of candidates who are passed, and thereby rendered eligible for a place on the ballot papers; and yet this course would but be an evasive way of lessening the roll of distress. If Masons are ashamed of the way the Schools are now obliged to treat a large majority of the candidates, there is fine field open to them to remove the evil by making further efforts to raise the necessary funds. We are aware the requirements of the Institutions are already heavy, but think there are a few fields from which fresh or increased crops might be realised by kindly and energetic working.

"DALCHO'S ORATIONS."

By Bro. Jacob Norton.

SINCE I wrote on "McCosh's Documents," I obtained two kindred works, viz: Mackey's history of Masonry in South Carolina, and *Dalcho's Orations*. From the former I learned that

signed another paper expressing satisfaction
When the Grand Lodge met, the Grand Master ma
praising the influence of Masonry to the skies, a
reading an epistle of St. Peter, with a fervent pray
thing seemed satisfactorily settled, but, alas! the
in all those professions, for soon after the Grand
Dalcho (who was Grand Chaplain) declined re-
then ceased to have further connection with any ki

Bro. Dalcho is said by Mackey to have been b
1769. His uncle at Baltimore sent for him when
he studied for the medical profession. Afterward
surgeon, attached to a regiment stationed at Cha
ment was disbanded in 1790. Dalcho afterwards m
as ship's surgeon, to Africa. In 1800 he went i
Charleston with Dr. Auld (who was a high gra
probably an *Ancient Yorker*; he certainly was a
the *Ancient* Grand Lodge in Charleston, but where
initiated is unknown. In 1801 he was a 33°, an
53rd. In 1802 he wrote the Report published by
In 1807 he edited an edition of "Ahiman Rezon."
orders in the Episcopal Church, and also becam
Grand Lodge.* As such, he *sermonized* on the St.
larly, but his Masonic Sermons were probably
1823 he severed himself from Masonry, and he di

The book before me contains two Orations; the
23rd September 1801, and the second on the
The Irish High Graders were pleased with Bro.
they asked his permission to reprint them in Dub
tained the permission, they accordingly issued
which edition is now before me. In the work its
C, and D are referred to. Appendix A is merely
Report of 1802 (see my article on McCosh's Docu
additional notes. Appendix D is omitted in the
I notice some mutilation in another Appendix.

The subjects treated in these Orations may be d
and historical. The former is *excellent*, and with
his harping about the Bible being the great Ma
are no sectarian tendencies in these Orations; bu
he tried to impress his audience with the Masonic
ing national and religious prejudices, &c. But
with the exception of being well posted about
Ancients and *Moderns*, the remainder is a tissue o
a specimen of it, taken from the second Oration:-

"When the sun enters the sign of Aries and l
nights are equally divided throughout the two h
this circumstance is founded the immemorial cus
Grand Lodge of delivering orations on the princ
union on the days of equinoxes. This system is e
equality which should reign among Masons, wi
country or nation; without prejudice to religion
gard to riches or poverty; a Mason should vie
family as united to him by the bonds of affection,"

The above paragraph would have been faultles
troduced a reference to an *immemorial custom of Lodge*, when his Sublime Grand Lodge was not
Dalcho was not a foolish Masonic dreamer may
following. He says—

"That our adorable Creator was the Grand
and earth, none but madmen can doubt; but
parent was a Freemason, because he sewed two
together, is too insignificant a proposition to requ
tion. No, my respectable brethren, we degrade
illustrious Society by advocating such untenab
those voluminous plodders of Masonic history, w
every man of note, from Adam to Nimrod, a
Solomon, down to the present day, certainly des
their industry, but none for their talents. Inde
testable proofs that many of the number whom th
perfectly ignorant of the mystic institution. . .
has been related in one way for an hundred yea
sufficient to stamp it with truth. It must car
the appearance of probability, and if it is not a s
tried by evidence and authentic history, and b
established *data*, it will never be received by an
the *ipse dixit* of any one."

The above shows that Bro. Dalcho possessed th
correctly, but here follows some of his absurditie
opinion that the ancient society of *Free* and

l understood by those brethren who have received the 20th ree."

have in a former paper quoted from Dr. Folger's history of the h degrees, a pretension set up by the Charlestonian high degrees, ut their rights of granting charters for Blue Lodges, which right y are pleased to *waive* for the present. In a note to appendix A, . Dalcho says:

' Although the Sublime Masons in this country have not initiated ' into the Blue degrees, yet their councils possess the indefeasible ht of granting Warrants for that purpose. It is common on the itinent of Europe, and may be the case here should circumstances der the exercise of this power necessary. The legality of this ht is derived from the highest Masonic authority in the world, and be demonstrated to the perfect satisfaction of every Masonic icial or legislative body. Throughout the Continent of Europe, gland, Ireland, and the West Indies, every Sublime Mason is cognised as a lawful Past Master. In England, and in many States America, the Grand Officers must be Royal Arch Masons. The pectors (of the high grades) have not as yet, insisted on it in this ate, merely because they wished to have no interference with the mbolic degrees; but they are at the same time fully convinced, at the Sublime Masons are as lawfully made Past Masters, under regular and authentic warrant and Constitution as his Royal High- ss the Prince of Wales, who is Grand Master of England."—" F.D." The moral teachings in Bro. Dalcho's orations, made a very favour- le impression on my mind regarding his high moral character; but reading the above note, I came to the conclusion that Dalcho was ter all a *downright hypocrite*. Dalcho was initiated under the risdiction of either the Ancients or Moderns in South Carolina. At s initiation he took an oath to obey the laws and Constitutions of s Grand Lodge, those laws gave no power to a Sovereign Grand ommander to charter Blue Lodges. Dalcho was Master of a Lodge hen he delivered the second oration; at his installation to that fice he took another oath to obey the Constitutions of his Grand odge. The question naturally suggests itself, how, and by what wer did Bro. Dalcho deem himself absolved from obeying those peated oaths of fealty to the Grand Lodge?

He says, that the legality of his right to grant charters for Craft odges "was derived from the highest Masonic authority in the orld." Now, in the first place, where? when? and by whom, was rederick the Great invested with the highest Masonic powers in the orld? Second, did Bro. Dalcho really believe, or could he believe, hat the Almighty conferred upon Frederick the Great the power of bsolving him from his Masonic oaths? And third, Frederick the reat was not a *high degreer*, he never sent Constitutions for the high egrees to South Carolina. This pretended Frederick the Great Con- titution was a Charlestonian high grader's *fraud*; and if Dalcho imself was not a party to that fraud, he was too shrewd a man to ave been ignorant of the fact.

Dalcho says, "that in England and in many American States, Grand Officers must be Royal Arch Masons." Now, I never heard f an American Masonic Constitution having such a law, I am ertain the English Constitution did not have that law, and I doubt, whether even the Ahiman Rezon of the Ancients had that law. But suppose it was so, what has that to do with Dalcho's claimed right to violate his oaths of fealty to his Grand Lodge? Well, the only way I can account for the introduction of the subject of Grand Officers being Royal Arch Masons, is this: The Past Master's degree (since Thomas Smith Webb remodelled the American rituals of various degrees) was conferred upon every aspirant for the Royal Arch degree. This Past Master's degree (like the Royal Arch) was an invention of the Ancients, the Grand Lodge of England did not incorporate that degree into the ceremony of installation of Lodge Masters before 1813. This Past Master's degree was designed to be confined to those only who are installed as Masters of regular Lodges, and those who receive the said degree are bound as much by an OB to keep it secret from all but Masters and Past Masters, as they are bound to keep the secrets of a Master Mason from an Entered Apprentice. There is no doubt in my mind, therefore, that Masters or Past Masters who participate in conferring the Past Master's degree in a Royal Arch Chapter, or who are present when that degree is conferred there, are as guilty of perjury as they would have been had they been present at an initiation of a Mason in an un- authorised Lodge. Now, instead of Bro. Dalcho rebuking the *Royal Archers* for their perjury, he took advantage of their offence to excuse his own. First he went to work and conferred the Past Master's degree upon his *Sublime* Masons, and if this violation could be done upon the alleged authority of Frederick the Great, why not grant charters for Blue Lodges also upon the alleged authority of Frederick the

could have done. And it is my opinion that the best servi ever rendered to Masonry was *by his final secession from th Fraternity*.

Boston, U.S., 9th September 1881.

MEETING OF THE LODGE OF BENEVOL

THE monthly meeting of the Lodge of Benevolence w Wednesday evening, at Freemasons' Hall. The th were occupied by Bros. Joshua Nunn Senior Vice-Presid Brett Junior Vice-President, and Samuel Rawson Past Dist Master of China. Owing to the holiday season there wer members present, but among those who attended were t Secretary Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, A. A. Pendlebury, W. I Britten, C. F. Hogard, Arthur E. Gladwell, J. H. Matth Constable, James Terry Secretary Royal Masonic Benevole tion, George Lambert G.S.B., Edgar Bowyer, W. Mann P.G.D., Charles Dairy, C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P., John Stephens, H. Garrod, and H. Massey. The brethren first the recommendations of last Lodge to the amount of £1 were twenty-one fresh cases on the list. Four of these poned, and one was dismissed. The remainder were relieved sum of £365, in sums of £40, £30, £25, £20, £10, and £5.

We understand that the Right Hon. the Lord Te K.C.B., Provincial Grand Master for Essex, has a his intention of holding his Grand Lodge for Chingford, under the banner of the Chigwell Lo 453. The last time this Lodge received P.G.L. 1869, when its headquarters were at Woodford now located at the Forest Hotel, Chingford, on th of Epping Forest, one of the prettiest spots in Es

Last week, the Eastnor Lodge, No. 751, Ledb secrated their now Lodge Room, situated in th street. There was a strong attendance of the and the ceremony was very ably performed. Am present were R.W. Bro. Sir J. Russell Bailey Ba Provincial Grand Master Herefordshire, and Bro. Jowitt Deputy Provincial Grand Master. The c banquet followed.

At a meeting, on Wednesday last, of the P Grand Lodge of Worcestershire, there was a larg of the brethren, who assembled at the Talbot Hot bridge, under the presidency of Right Worshi Sir E. A. H. Lechmere, Bart., M.P., Provinci Master, among the visitors being Bro. Æn. M Grand Registrar. The Provincial G. Master a that, owing to advanced age, Bro. Masefield Dep G.M. had expressed a wish to resign his office, an a meeting to be held in the course of a few month posed to appoint in his stead Bro. A. F. Godda Prov. G. Master also announced, amid expressio versal regret, the death of Bro. Bristow, Prov. G. S who had held the office for some twenty years whose family and friends, on the loss they had su vote of condolence was unanimously passed. Br Taylor, of Kidderminster, will be his success brethren attended divine service at St. Thomas's where a sermon was preached by Rev. Bro. J. B Prov G. Chaplain. In the evening a banquet w at the Talbot. The next meeting will be hel Talbot.

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virtues, and what is known as Speculative Masonry.

Now, inasmuch as the old theory of Operative Masonry, as the foundation or illustration of Speculative, has passed away or remains in abeyance, might it not be advisable to re-construct the language used, and permit the dead theory to slumber amid the crumbling structures of the dead past? What have we to do with Operative Masonry in 1881, except occasionally to go through the ceremony of placing and adjusting a corner or foundation stone of some public building or structure? The mere ceremony is remembered, the procession, the music, and the oration, the placing of the corner-stone in its proper position, the three mystic blows, of which not one out of a thousand knows the meaning, the spreading of a little cement and—all is ended! I shall not say that I am in favour of the entire abolition of these ceremonies, for they keep fresh in memory the assumed practices of the ancients—show our rich and beautiful costumes—our feathers and fancy work, regalias befitting a prince, and costumes rich and resplendent in golden embroideries! Are there no other works by which ancient Operative Masonry may be kept in the memory? Are the labours in the forest and in the quarries, the preparation of the stones and their conveyance to the seat of the great Temple to adorn the summit of Moriah and become the centre of that mystical worship vouchsafed to the Jewish people to be continually conned over, because there is no other way of keeping in memory the achievements of the ancient builders? Where is the Temple of Solomon, with all its glory and magnificence? Its walls are thrown down by barbaric forces, but its foundations are still there, and blocks prepared by the skill of those ancient workmen have been transported to Europe, and even to our own country of the starry flag. What other mementoes do we need? There are the stones of the original walls cropping out from the mountain's brow, with their peculiar level of two thousand years ago. Are they not sufficient? If the object be merely to keep in memory the character and calling of "our ancient brethren," we can linger about the crumbling ruins of the great Temple which once adorned the summit of Moriah; or we can go to Baal-beck and gaze in wonder at its unequalled ruins; or we may travel to the Nile and stand with astonishment before its still grander wonders, and lament in tears the march of the Destroyer.

Operative Masonry, however, has passed away, so far as modern Freemasonry is concerned or connected with it. Its dilapidated walls, its legendary glories, its accumulated centuries, its weird stories of old wonders—are now but myths. The venerable ruins, the buried workmen, temple and tower covered by the debris of forgotten ages, all remind us of what was, but is not; it is all a dream which dissolves at the approach of day, and is gone and forgotten like the centuries through which it has passed. But as we may not ignore all allusions to ancient Operative Masonry, and make it secondary in our symbolic system of Instruction, why may we not give it a less prominent position? We regard the erection of public buildings as Operative Masonry, but we have no use, as Freemasons, for the culture of that art now, and never dream of engaging in it. We may, to a certain extent, let the dead past bury its dead, while we build a cenotaph to memory, and wait and watch for better days and more consistent labours.

Now let us turn a leaf and ascertain the meaning of Speculative Masonry: What does the expression mean, and how does it differ from Operative Masonry?

Speculative Masonry relates to moral duties,—a firm and consistent belief in the Deity and His divine attributes; the obligation of His divine law, our conformity to that law and obedience to all He may require of us. "By Speculative Masonry we learn to subdue the passions, act upon the square, keep a tongue of good report, maintain secrecy and practise charity. It is so far interwoven with religion as to lay us under obligations to pay that rational homage to the Deity which at once constitutes our duty and our happiness."

This is speculative Masonry, which proclaims what should be our duty, and the basis on which that duty is founded,—our firm belief in the existence and attributes of the Deity, a recognition of His Divine law, and our obligations to obey that law in all its entirety. Such is Speculative Masonry, as distinguished from Operative. But, in the recognition of Operative Masonry, may we not have gone *too* far, and, forgetting both the Operative and Speculative, have merged all in the ideal of old building associations, forgetful of the obligations we owe to the purely Speculative? The memories of the past are one thing; the duties of to-day are quite another. To square an ashlar and prepare it for the builder's use in the construction of an edifice is one duty and one achievement; to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, comfort the sorrowing and distressed, is another and quite a different work. If Masonry was, in the olden times, an association of builders or artificers exclusively, may it not be equally so in modern man. Thompson, lacking energy of character pride, declined a subordinate station in a cour habits became so bad that he was deemed unfit and he sunk to utter destitution with a rapidity nor since, equalled in any man to whom crime w

"He became bratified; whole days would wharves, drunken with the liquor extracted fro landed at the time, and his rags hung upon hi decency stood aghast at his appearance. drunkard—soberness to him was a rarity. standing, all claim to decency; while self-resp was the nearest approach in habits and appear I ever saw in man."

The reader is ready to say, Well, this man i he has sunk so low that it were loss of time to him up to even the ordinary standard of huma man can do will accomplish the work. And soul, and an immortal destiny, and to lift him for a noble work and a glorious hereafter, ment than were the rearing of the Pyramids, o that should be the wonder of succeeding ages Masonry was able to accomplish so great a w Grand Master conclude his description :—

"One day, it was a clear sunshine in Ja thrown himself against the southern angle of about noon, as the members of the ——— ca looked for a little eleemosynary aid that would loaf of bread to his more easily acquired liquor member passed on—the case was too sympathy. One member only was left; he ca the building towards the place of egress fro attracted by the appearance of the object befo offer alms when, looking closer, he exclaimed— son?' 'Yes.' 'Well, here is something—but evening.'

"Thompson kept the promise and presented He was not seen again for several weeks, and, it was to congratulate themselves that they w presence of so squalid an object.

"About two months afterwards, as the troop marched through the city on their way to the Thompson was seen in the manly uniform of a He acquitted himself like a man, and died h in the service. The world recollected that member of an association of which his patron principal; and they imputed the kindness his degradation, to a social feeling on the part there were others who knew that the benef Lodge when Thompson was once an active and that had appeals to the Master's good feeli much suffering and disgrace might have been relieved died a captain in the service, and th Grand Master of a Grand Lodge."

What a beautiful illustration of the power of greater good than the erection of Temples co mortar, or even of granite. "How instructiv just what passed in that evening's intervie Masons,—the appeals and persuasions on the the yieldings of the erring Junior; to have v of self-respect when it was proposed he shou and that there was *one* who not only could h government to procure the appointment; but confidence in *him* to be responsible for his fut not lift the veil to look in upon the scene; Ma such good, tiles the door, and lets others judg beauty and excellence of the ends." That eminent for every social quality and moral represented our Government at a foreign Cou sleep of the just.

The following describes another temple Masonry.

Some forty years ago, in the market at Ci morning, there was a lady a little past the mer weeds, and with a heart apparently swolle bones with which to make soap. After obtai them in her basket with the butcher, and step a drug store. As she entered the door she w physician of the city, who knew her, and who her husband's lifetime, met in Lodge with

tish Ri e, and I made a note of it at the time. He was, though izen of one of the Northern States, an actor in the scenes he ribed. Years ago he passed his rest, and

"No sound can awake him to glory again"

bout the year 1823 a furious war was raging in Columbia, South rica, between the Royalist forces under Morilla, and the iot army, in command of General Bolivar. Morilla was a villain ignored all the claims of humanity and the usages of civilised fare by murdering in cold blood the prisoners he captured, thout regard to age, sex, or condition." Bolivar had tried every ns in his power to terminate this mode of warfare, but without l. At length the City of Cucuta was captured by a night attack he Royalists, the inhabitants put to the sword, while Bolivar's missioners were captured and murdered. Bolivar was naturally iane, but this last atrocity rendered him furious, and he declared blood-stained Royalists should be paid in their own coin—blood blood!

on after this a Royalist battalion of Spanish Lancers, under the mand of Colonel La Harza, was captured by the Patriot forces, sent to Puerto Cabello, at which place our informant was then ioned. The fate of these prisoners depended on the result of the vention at Cucuta, but their future was now sealed—they must

But now Masonry comes to the rescue. Bolivar was a Mason, had been knighted in France in 1807. Colonel La Harza was itted to the same Order in the *sama Asylum* in 1819, while at- ied to the Spanish Embassy. The discovery of a common vow, at particular juncture, had an unexpected effect, at a most critical ient.

olivar had finally determined upon a system of retaliation—life life. Accordingly the prisoners were ordered out into a public are for execution. The last moment had arrived, and every one ted for the order to proceed. Just then Colonel Rosas came rring through the ranks, and requested a private audience with ivar. The request was courteously granted, though the chief was in the humour to grant favours. Fifteen anxious minutes passed; onel Rosas returned, the prisoners were remanded to the castle, the next morning embarked for the Island of Margaritta, where y were discharged from captivity, while their officer, Colonel La rza, remained a voluntary inmate of Bolivar's family.

he surprise of the officers and troops at the turn things had taken s great, but they did not know by what mystery the consumma- n had been reached. Our informant, however, comprehended the son; the unsullied honour of a Templar was pledged "this com- nd should not again, during the war, carry arms against the triot forces," and this had saved eight hundred men from ughter! So much for Speculative Masonry, even in the darkest irs of human history, when freedom and life are both at stake.

And now, suppose we summarise the question, and present a brief w of it in its entirety. Operative Masonry was simply the work erecting large buildings for public uses. The builders were a arate and distinct association of men, for a given purpose, and verned by special rules. Some of those rules have sent their ices down through the ages until they have reached our own times. is true they come with lessons of high import, but we have now se lessons from still clearer and higher authority. No need now echoes from the dim and distant past, for the light streams from altars of to-day, and the great truths are written in characters distinct that all may read and understand them. There is no ger use for mythical instruction; piles of old ruins and crumbling lls may be interesting to look at, but their language and their sons are but mystical, while we now have the clear unclouded on-day sun to point the path of duty and cheer us in the discharge our obligations to God and to man.

But while I would not forget the benefits Masonry derives from its ioned connection with ancient building associations, yet the more ictical and valuable of Masonry belongs to the present, while eculative Masonry is of infinitely greater importance to itself, and world as well. The real, genuine, old-fashioned Speculative sonry, I fear, is almost forgotten amid the pressure of new inven- ns and constant changes. The "learned works" written in late ars are full of descriptions of old Operative Masonry, while the eculative is almost forgotten, or passed over with few words and ver deeds. Is there no way to recover our lost ground? Can we t lay aside, at least in a measure, the practice of delving ong old ruins and building up theories which are only useful ien made incentives to feeding the hungry and clothing the ked?

There are other causes which tend to shadow Speculative Masonry, d compel the real to give place to the ideal. We almost fear to

In noticing a reference to the celebration of St. John's cently, it is said that —— Commandery made a trip to, an guests of —— Commandery; and that —— Commandery v Commandery for a picnic and social reunion, which was p in by the families of the Knights. Not one word, howe Masons or Masonry. One would think there was no Maso day. It is all absorbed in a form of modern knighthood; ge fashioned Masonry is almost forgotten. Oh for the goo practical Freemasonry again, with its reverence for the the Order, its lambskin aprons, its large-hearted benev "friendship, morality, and brotherly love!" The moder are all right, the exhibition is beautiful, the contest for pr in drill and discipline may be indulged in; but while attended to, the first and most important of all should no lected. Speculative Masonry with its simple forms, charities, and its social unions should not be forgotten or

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The brethren of the Frederick Lodge of Unity, had a very agreeable meeting on Tuesday last. Th now holds its assemblies in a private building, w been named the Croydon Freemasons' Hall, and i No. 105 High Street. Here we may anticipate t hers of this and the other Lodges which purpos meetings here will have many sociable gathering place is admirably adapted for Masonic purpos W.M., Bro. Frederick Manning, opened his Lodge when he was supported by Past Masters Jame (Treasurer), Magnus Ohren P.G.A.D.C. (Secretar Pawley, Rhodes, and the Officers and Member Lodge. The feature of the evening's proceedings presentation to the W. Bro. Magnus Ohren, in ac with the recommendation of the Standing Com 8th June, unanimously approved by the Lodge 2 and confirmed on the 19th July, of a very ar painted portrait. Bro. Manning spoke in eloque of praise of the zeal displayed by Bro. Ohren in t ment of his duties, and expressed the exceeding tion it afforded him to be the medium through w Lodge desired to do honour to the many sterling displayed by Bro. Magnus Ohren in the fulfilmer Masonic duties he was so deeply engaged in. Bro. qualities were not only recognised and appreciate members of this Lodge, but by Masons throug length and breadth of the land. After the gift suitably acknowledged by Bro. Ohren, who briefly the history of the Lodge since he had been associa it, Lodge was closed and the brethren partook of a which was excellently served by the proprieto Masonic Hall. The after proceedings were pleas versified with toasts, music and songs, and the passed with every satisfaction. The portrait, wh speaking likeness of our esteemed Bro. Ohren, is of Bro. James Ricks, S.W. of the Britannic Lodge of 120 Adelaide Road, N.W., and is a most credit duction of that artist's pencil.

The Earl of Bective, Provincial Grand Master berland and Westmoreland, has arranged that th meeting of his Provincial Grand Lodge shall ta on the 8th October, at Workington, under the au the Sun and Sector Lodge, No. 962, of that town.

A complimentary dinner will shortly be given D. Sherwill, the new caterer of the Royal Aquarium, by his numerous friends in London.

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We understand the Earl of Breadalbane has sp

been got up by a joint committee of the two York Lodges, it was decided to ask the brethren to sign two books. There were upwards of forty brethren who signed only one book. The list in the newspapers was made out from one book only, hence the omission. Bro. T. B. Whytehead is, however, preparing a little pamphlet, which will contain a complete list of the articles exhibited on the occasion, and of the 198 brethren who honoured us with their presence.

Yours faithfully,

A. BUCKLE,

J. S. CUMBERLAND,

Secretaries of the Joint Committee.

Manor House, York, 21st Sept. 1881.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I can but repeat that it is probably my own fault that my meaning has not been as clearly understood as I could have wished in respect of the work done in our Lodges of Instruction. I *know* there must be repetition, or our younger brethren would never be able to master the ritual, &c., but I do not look upon this as being a reason why there should never be anything in the way of variety. Again, our Preceptors are always willing enough to teach, but in far too many instances they lack the requisite ability. If, then, there were occasional departures from the strict routine of work, and the Preceptors all round were as competent as they are willing, then I think our Lodges of Instruction would prove more attractive and, as the inevitable consequence, would effect a greater amount of good. But, at the risk of being thought presumptuous, I say there is little likelihood of any improvement taking place (1) so long as the work is so monotonous, (2) while there are so many incompetent teachers.

I have already thrown it out as a suggestion, that as there are so many Lodges of Instruction in the London district, and as several of them meet either in the same house or the same neighbourhood, it would be a good plan if some of these were set apart for more advanced students, while the majority continued working on the same plan as now. As there are so many who seem to think they would like to possess more knowledge than is to be had under the present system, there ought to be no difficulty in making some such arrangement, subject, of course, to the sanction of the proper authorities. But if no one will take this initiative, all this correspondence will end in smoke. I take a great interest in the question, but I have little influence and less time, so that any help I might be able to render would be on a very moderate scale. Still I will undertake to find a brother who shall read a paper, if somebody else will find an audience, and once the tie has been broken, it ought not to be so very difficult to carry the proposal through.

I am, fraternally yours,

MARS.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I am very glad to see that the correspondence which has been going on in your columns has borne fruit, and that at the Kingsland Lodge of Instruction a paper on some Masonic subject has been read—no doubt to the edification of all present on the occasion. I trust other Lodges will follow in its wake, and that occasionally those who wish to know something more than the ritual, &c., will have the opportunity of so doing. I agree with "MARS," that there is no reason why there should not be now and again some slight departure from the routine of ordinary work. These departures would trench but slightly on the time at the disposal of a Lodge for the practical duties for which they are established. At the outset, at all events, a paper, to be appreciated, should be simple in its character and modest as to its length. I once heard a clergyman of the Church of England say that, in his opinion, no sermon should be of longer character than twenty minutes, and I certainly hold that, except in dealing with subjects of importance, a Masonic lecture or paper should not occupy a longer time. Thus, the occasional departure would, as I have suggested, but very slightly cur-

resulted in favour of Bro. W. F. Sm
sum of £10 was voted to a late membe
circumstances, and other items of busi
full report will appear in our next issue

According to the *Keystone*, when ou
of the Hawaiian Islands, was recently i
the Grand Lodge of Egypt, and deliver
ren an able address. The Grand Lodge
as follows: "Whereas, Brother Kalak
and a Mason, has rendered many and i
the cause of civilisation and to humanity
That Brother D. Kalakaua, King of th
be and is hereby proclaimed Honorary
National Grand Lodge of Egypt." T
nowledged by the royal visitor in grace

The Quarterly Communication of t
Pennsylvania was held at the Mason
phia, on the 7th inst, under the presi
Dick, M.W.G.M. The business was of
A vote of sympathy with Mrs. Garfie
passed and minuted, and ordered to b
lady who, unfortunately, has since b
President Garfield.

Bro. A. M. Lloyd D.D.G.M., as
Samuel B. Dick M.W.G.M. Pennsylva
stone of St. Luke's Protestant
Adtoona, Pa, on Saturday the 3rd inst
H. Platt acted as Grand Chaplain on
Bro. Captain Turner delivered the orat
the new Church when completed will
in the city.

NEVER COOLER.—*The Keystone* thinks the
it said, "Now, Bro. *Keystone*, be consistent,
sense about public installations, or cease pu
altogether." The fact is, the *Voice* was neve
when it thus spoke, unless laughing all-over
The *Voice* has been very much amused at t
Keystone anent the subject, and its am
either. Now, *The Keystone* says:—"W
for Masons, and only Masons care to
but a *public* installation is professedly fo
for the sake of the argument. Is not a nev
even though it be patronized solely by Mas
through the mails, and is it not liable to be r
many non-Masons? Indeed, is anything in
And, if performing a monitorial service
is not publishing who is Master, or Grand M
or Grand Lodge did, equally wrong, and, o
public displays of Masonry improper, and,
then have to "shut up shop?" The fact
Masonry is *esoteric*, and all talk about not
veriest nonsense, and hence *The Keystone*
either stop its silliness about public installat
Masonic doings.—*Voice of Masonry.*

"GOING, GOING, GONE!"—Lately, as
eer, Mr. Fellows, was conducting a sale at
ham, and was saying, "Going, going, gone
down some article, the floor gave way, and
persons, including several brokers and wom
their arms, into the cellar beneath. Sev
hurt.—*Scotsman.*

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Outward
covery of these remedies, many cases of sores, ulc
be hopelessly incurable, because the treatment p
strength it was incompetent to preserve, and to ex
inadequate to remove. Holloway's Pills exert
over the unhealthy flesh or skin, without deburrin
and exercise, and thus the constitutional vigour i

fay be read with advantage by the whole Craft."—*Sunday Times.*
Grand Lodge should at once set to work to secure the desired uniformity."
effield Post.
The subject is ably argued by the author."—*Western Daily Mercury.*
Useful and valuable in the highest degree."—*Exeter Gazette.*
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The author adduces many variations in the language used by different Pre- ers "—*Cox's Monthly Legal Circular.*
ought to be in the hands of every Mason."—*Northampton Guardian.*
To Freemasons gen rally it will be found useful and valuable, and we com- d it to their notice accor ingly."—*Surrey County Observer.*
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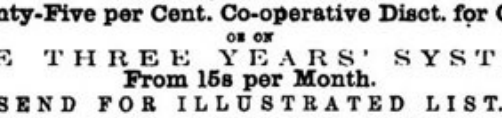
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MOVEABLE GRAND MARK

THE Freemasons of the Mark Degree the neighbourhood held a meeting on Masonic Hall, Surrey-street, at the E No. 35, of which Brother J. E. Reaney is Master. At the last Half-yearly Comm Grand Lodge of the Degree, held at the Cr on the 31st of May, Brother Reaney, in t Sheffield brethren, invited the Grand Ma niker, who was then installed, to hold the Mark Lodge, which has for some years the autumn, and honour the Sheffield breth this year. His Lordship promised that tion should be given to the invitation, since been done, the invitation was acc Moveable Grand Lodge was accordingly he after the ordinary meeting of the Britann the ceremony of advancement to this Degre on Brother W. G. Roper, a duly qualified

Amongst the brethren present were Sir Grand Master of Sussex, Lord Arthur Ha

homas B. Whytehead, John S. Cumberland, Thomas . Wigg 182, R. Heber Radford Wor. Master Ivanhoe Craft) Lodge, John Shaw W.M. Britannia (Craft) odge, and four members of the Grand Lodge of umberland—Bros. Major Sewell Deputy Provincial rand Master Designate, Joseph Nicholson Prov. enior Warden, G. J. McKay Provincial Grand enior Warden, J. H. Banks Past Provincial Grand enior Overseer. The Officers of the Lodge present and taking a part in the ceremony were Bros. J. E eaney W.M., S. H. Gatty S.W., John Unwin jun J.W., homas Blair M.O., J. E. Darling S.O., Thomas Clarke .O., J. Garnett P.M. Treasurer (acting as Immediate Past laster), H. A. Styring Secretary, John Shaw Registrar of larks, Frederick Barber S.D., J. P. Hewitt J.D., and saac Eyre I.G. The ceremony was very imposing, there eing no less than 200 Mark Master Masons present, and his number being still further swelled before the work vas concluded by the arrival of a large number of Pro- incial Grand Officers. Lord Henniker, the Grand Master, vas not present, his health lately having been indifferent, nd his medical adviser having urged him not to attend. Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., one of the Past Grand lasters, acted for Lord Henniker, and together with many Grand Officers from Grand Lodge sat on the dais with Bro. Reaney. The ceremony of advancement was fully horal, which gave the brethren an opportunity of hearing he notes of an excellent little organ, and an admirable erformance by Bro. S. Suckley Past Provincial Grand Organist. All the Officers, from the Worshipful Master to he Inner Guard, were perfect in their work. Bro Garnet Past Master gave "The Working Tools," and Bro. Bromley Past Master the "Congratulation." The Historical Lecture and the Lecture on the Tracing- board were given, the former by Brother Gatty Senior Warden, and the latter by the Worshipful Master. At the conclusion of the work the Lodge was "called off," and subsequently, on resumption, the Moveable Grand Lodge was received by the Britannia Lodge, and Bro. Reaney resigned the Master's chair to Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Past Grand Master. After the Grand Lodge had been formally opened, the usual ceremonies were observed, Bro. Berridge acting as Director of Ceremonies. Bro. Binckes Grand Secretary, read a letter from Lord Henniker, apologising for his absence, and stating the reasons, and that his medical adviser assured him that he could only attend at the risk of permanent ill-health. The letter went on further to express Lord Henniker's great sorrow at his enforced absence, and thanked Bro. Reaney, Bro. Woodall, and other brethren for what they had done on behalf of Mark Masonry in Yorkshire. He hoped also that he would at a future time be favoured with an invitation to Sheffield, that he might show the sincerity of his present expressions by accepting it.

Bro. Beach said he was sure the brethren had all heard with extreme regret the letter which had just been read. They would all sympathise with the Grand Master in the cause of his absence, and would wish him a speedy return to health. Nothing but the gravest causes would have prevented his being present that day, as he had long wished and hoped to be. In his absence he (Bro. Beach) would perform the Grand Master's duties.

Bro. Reaney, on behalf of the brethren of the Britannia Lodge, expressed their deep and very sincere regret at the Grand Master's illness.

The patent of appointment of Brother John Woodall

guage the capacity of the various brethren serving offices. He would be enabled to jud results of their endeavours how far their exert be successful, and he need scarcely exhort Gatty) that to be perfectly impartial in the of his duties was intrinsically essential. He courteous in his demeanour to all, should list complaint brought before him. Should any disagreement unhappily arise, he would t the benefit of advice of others, and using judgment to the best of his ability, be able t any such disagreement. It might be that no di would ever take place in Bro. Gatty's Province, any occasion a disagreement did occur, it w duty to exert himself to the utmost to put a and restore the harmony of all the members of From the zeal he had already shown, and th had evinced to forward the interests of the doubt he would fully justify the confidence Master had reposed in him, and answer the expectations of the brethren of the Lodges unde For his own part he (Bro. Beach) could only and he wished it in the name of the G. Lodge c a happy rule, and that his governance of hi might be fraught with the most happy results to the benefit of the Mark Master Mason's degre

Bro. Beach then installed Bro. J. Woodall-W Scarborough, as Provincial Grand Master of East Yorkshire.

Dr. Trollope, Provincial Grand Master of Sus wards, in the presence of a Board of Installe numbering over 80, installed Bro. S. H. Gatt the Britannia Lodge, and Provincial Grand In of West Yorkshire, as Master of the Britannia the ensuing twelve months. Bro Reaney was i Immediate Past Master. Bros. Frederick Un Player J.W, Darling M.O., Clarke S.O., S Garnett P.M. Treasurer, H. A. Styring Registra Barber Secretary, Hewitt S.D., Eyere J.D., F Flecther I.G., Middleton and Cleeves Stewa ham Organist, and Leighton Tyler.

The Grand Secretary, Bro. F. Binckes, read regret for inability to attend from the Earl of the Earl of Lathom, the Rev. G. R. Portal, M Leigh, and other Past Grand Masters and Office Grand Lodge was then closed. At a latter pe afternoon the Britannia Lodge was closed, afte good wishes" had been given from the brethr representing numerous Lodges. A grand banque at which Bro. W. W. Beach, M.P., presided. banquet the customary loyal toasts were given.

Lord Arthur Hill, M.P., Senior Grand Wa posed "the health of the Grand Master," couplin the name of the Acting Grand Master, Bro. W. W P.G.M. In giving the toast his Lordship said th who had had the advantage of attending Gra would be only too glad to have this opportunity their testimony to the admirable manner in Grand Officers of England always had carried duties. With the toast were included the names Leopold Duke of Albany, Lord Leigh, Lord H Bro. Beach, the Rev. G. R. Portal, Earl Percy, t Limerick, and the Earl of Lathom.

Bro. Beach, in responding, said he was extrem that he was the only representative of the brethr in the toast, but he was very glad that in the un absence of the Grand Master there was one who c

forming themselves into a Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge of England was caused by similar circumstances. Mark Masons had, therefore, an equal right to form themselves into a Grand Lodge. Allusion had been made to the labours of the Past Grand Masters, but there was one brother to whom justice ought to be done. That brother, the Rev. George Raymond Portal, was unavoidably absent, but it was due to his energy that the great difficulties and discouragements had been overcome, and the Grand Ladge of Mark Masons established on a firm basis. The other Past Masters would disclaim any wish to compete with him for the honours which were due to his position. They were all greatly indebted to him, and they might fairly congratulate themselves on the position which Mark Masonry had taken. He was exceedingly glad to have been present that day, and he thanked all the Mark brethren of West Yorkshire for their splendid hospitality and for the grand attendance there had been. When he was Grand Master the Moveable Grand Lodge was held at Hull, and there was a magnificent reception. He was very glad that the institution of a Moveable Grand Mark Lodge had been kept up. Ever since it was started it had succeeded, and by that means the working of Mark Masonry in different parts of England had, he thought, improved. He again thanked the brethren for their magnificent reception of the Grand Lodge, and he hoped it would be productive of benefit and prosperity to the Order.

Bro. Beach next proposed "The Earl of Kintore, Deputy Grand Master, and the rest of the Grand Officers."

"The health of the Provincial Grand Master of North and East Yorkshire, Bro. J. W. Woodall," was proposed by Bro. Matier.

Bro. J. W. Woodall responded. It was a pleasure, he said, to find himself among his brethren of West Yorkshire. He had been advanced to the degree in a Lodge at Bradford, where he also was admitted a member of the Ancient and Accepted Rite. In Scarborough particularly they seemed to be an annexe of the West Riding, dependent on an influx of visitors from that part of the county so much that he almost thought they were not quite so much an agriculturist's district as an offshoot of a great industrial centre of the county. He was exceedingly pleased to be present and receive at the hands of the Worshipful Master the distinction that had been conferred on him. He trusted he should be able to discharge his duties with satisfaction to the whole of the brethren over whom he had been called to rule. If the brethren of Yorkshire worked shoulder to shoulder it mattered not whether they came from the east or the west. They had done it before, and they would do it again.

Bro. Beach proposed "The W.M. of the Britannia Lodge," and expressed the great pleasure he had experienced in seeing the ceremonies so ably carried out as they had been that day. The work had been done perfectly, and that work testified to the great interest the brethren had taken in the Order. The W.M. and the brethren who supported him were all perfect in their work, and it was but just to them that their ability should be recognised. He was glad that the W.M. entered on his year of office with such promise, if what they seen that day was an omen of success in the future. The Grand Lodge owed the brethren a great debt of gratitude for the way in which they had consulted their convenience, and endeavoured to make the visit to Sheffield pleasant and agreeable.

Bro. Gatty W.M. Britannia Lodge responded, and was pleased on behalf of the Sheffield brethren that the reception had met with the approbation of the Grand Lodge

INSTALLATION MEETIN(

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ST. ANDREW'S LODGE, No.

ON Friday, the 16th instant, the Annual Inst this Lodge took place at the Cambridge Ho having been postponed from last month on account Provincial Grand Lodge. The brethren assembled at three o'clock p.m., and after all business had Lodge was closed. At five o'clock the members down to an excellent banquet, provided by the ho under the genial presidency of Bro. J. M. Far Master. The following Officers of the Lodge Worshipful Bro. J. G. Glasscock Prov. Grand Past Master; Bros. C. Floyd Sen. Warden, H. Chu W. C. Eltham P.M. P.P.G.P. Treasurer, J. W. P.P.A.G.D.C. Secretary, S. Turner S.D., J. J. A. Wardell P.M. 160 and 1000 P.Z. 1000 P. Bacon Organist, J. Avling I.G., H. Gunnell St members of the Lodge who attended being:— Lucking P.M. 166 and 1000 P.Z 1000 P.G.D.C Smith Cox P.M. 1000 P.P.G.S.B, W. Rev. H. J. Ha 1000 P.P.G. Chaplain, W. G. Berry W.M. 10 A. W. Petty, W. Y. Ogden, and W. Kirkwood. included—W. Bros. Captain Weston P.M. 1356 M.I William Pissey P.M. 160 and 1734 P.P.J.G.W. I Green P.M. 276 and 1024 P.P S.G.W., D. J. Wrigh Harrington I.P.M. 160 P.G.P., H. Harper W.M Kilpin S.D. 160, J. F. Barrett S.W. 1000, Sidney S Warren jun. 1000, &c. The usual Loyal and M duly honoured; these were interspersed with musi a very enjoyable evening was spent. During the Past Master's jewel was presented to the I.P.M. o

The Emblematic Lodge of Instructi

For Master Masons (recently formed) has remov Swallow's, the "Goat and Star," Swallow Street, I At the first meeting in this house on Wednesday following members were present, viz: Bro. C. A P.G.P. presiding as W.M., Forrest S.W. 1321 as J.W., G. F. Swan P.M. 1321 Hon. Sec., F. T. Edgin Willson J.W. 1321, Fendick S D. 1321, H. Reed P.I B. H. Swallow P.M. 1563. It was proposed and s future meetings of the Emblematic Lodge of Instr held at the above house every Wednesday eveni meeting held in the same house on Wednesday t the above resolution was confirmed, on this occas sent Bros. G. Willson W.M., Kirkaldy S.W., I Cottebrune P.G.P. as Preceptor, G. F. Swan Ho J. Scott, and the following brethren, who were elec J. Docker W.M. 1687, Dean W.M. 1900, Shand 1853, Boyell 1321, Richmond 975, B. H. Swal Jones 27, F. Green 1687. The ceremony of passi and some of the sections in the first and second de The ceremony of installation will be rehearsed by last Wednesday in this month. Brethren being invited to join. Customary Lodge of Instruction f

Friars Lodge of Instruction, No. 1:

Pavitt's, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, on Bros. Pavitt W.M., Johnson S.W., Power J.W., J.D., Roddam I.G, Smith Acting Preceptor, also Bourne, Willoughby, &c. Lodge being regular Cope answered the necessary questions, and beir was opened in the third degree, and the cere rehearsed by the W.M. Lodge was closed to the fi Johnson was elected W.M. for the ensuing week will be worked. The Lodge was regularly clos Tuesday, 27th inst.

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unanimously elected Treasurer, upon the resignation of Bro. Swallow. The Bye-Laws were read; Auditors appointed, and Trustees elected to the Benevolent Fund. A Past Master's jewel and collar was voted to the W.M. for his services in the chair. The brethren afterwards dined at the Café Royal, when the usual toasts were honoured.

Lodge of Israel, No. 1502.—The first meeting of this Lodge after the summer vacation took place on Monday, at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, where there was a large gathering of brethren. Bro. S. J Henochsberg W.M. presided, and he was supported by a full complement of P.M.'s and Officers, there being also present numerous visitors from other Lodges. The business of the evening embraced the second degree, which was most admirably given by the W.M., assisted by his efficient staff of Officers. On the motion of Bro. H. A. Tobias I.P.M., seconded by Bro. R. Robinson P.M. P.P.G.R., and supported by Bro. M. Aronsberg S.W., a substantial sum was voted from the funds of the Lodge in aid of the widow of a deceased brother of the Alliance Lodge, No. 667, Bro. Bucknall J.W., stating that the sum of £110 had already been raised for the relief of the widow whose case had been brought forward. A note was read from Bro. B. Levy D.C., acknowledging receipt of a letter of sympathy from the members of the Lodge in connection with a recent family bereavement. The S.W. (Bro. Aronsberg) reported that the sum of £30 had lately been voted from the Fund of Benevolence attached to the Lodge in aid of a distressed brother. During the after-banquet proceedings a very valuable gilt drawing-room clock and vases, accompanied by an illuminated address embodying sentiments of a truly fraternal nature, were presented, to Bro. S. J. Henochsberg W.M. as a marriage gift, subscribed for by brethren of the Lodge of Israel. The presentation was made in excellent terms by Bro. H. A. Tobias I.P.M., and most suitably acknowledged by the Worshipful Master. It may be stated that Bro. Henochsberg was also presented on the occasion of his marriage with a handsome dining-room marble clock and emblazoned address by the employés of the firm with which he is connected (Messrs. Henochsberg and Ellis).

West Middlesex Lodge of Instruction, No. 1612—A meeting was held on Thursday, 15th inst., at the Feathers Hotel, Ealing. Present—Bros. J. Green W.M., W. Seward S.W., C. Bellerby J.W., H. E. Tucker Treasurer, J. Wells Secretary, C. O. Walter J.D., C. Andrews P.M. I.G., H. Kasner P.M., Bros. J. W. Woolmer, Gasson, E. C. Porter, E. T. Brown, J. J Clarke, Cunningham. Business:—The Lodge was opened in due form and the minutes of previous meeting were read, confirmed, and signed. Bro. J. W. Woolmer answered the questions leading to second degree. Lodge was opened in second degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of passing, Bro. J. W. Woolmer candidate. The Lodge was closed in the second degree. On an intimation made by Bro. Preceptor Tucker, it was agreed to invite Bro. Morgan to read one of his papers on Freemasonry, at this Lodge of Instruction. Bro. W. Seward was elected W.M. for the next meeting. Lodge was closed and the meeting adjourned.

Tredegar Lodge of Instruction, No. 1625—A meeting was held on Monday, the 12th instant, at the Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, E. Present:—Bros. Wooding W.M., Loane S.W., Hubbert J.W., Barnes Treasurer, Stewart Honorary Secretary Clements S.D., Cook J.D., Hammond I.G.; also Bros. Johnson, Wheatly, Austen, Scheerboom, Sturtevant, Brittain. Visitor—Bro Moore P.M. 20. Lodge opened in due form. Bro. Brittain, as candidate for the second degree, answered the usual questions, and was entrusted. Lodge opened in the second, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. It was proposed by Bro. Barnes, and seconded by Bro. Stewart, that Bro. T. Wooding act as Preceptor pro tem. This was carried unanimously, and then Lodge was closed in due form.

On Monday, 19th instant, Bros. Cundick W.M., Clements S.W., C. Kendall J.W., Barnes I.G., T. Wooding Preceptor, Steward Honorary Secretary; also Bros. Andrews and Johnson. After preliminaries, the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of the third degree, Bro. Johnson acting as candidate. The W.M. worked the first, second, and third sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Clements was elected W.M. for the next meeting. Bro. T. Wooding having been now installed Preceptor of the Lodge, let us hope the brethren at the East of London will give him their warm support.

Crusaders Lodge of Instruction, No. 1677—At the

Kingsland Lodge of Instruction, No. day, at the Canonbury Tavern, Islington, N. Bros. Westfield S.W., Defriez J.W., Jordan S D., Snook P.M Trewinnard Preceptor, R. P. Forge Secreta Killick sen., Killick jun., Fenner, Gilham, Osborn W W.M. 1310; Bros. Hall, Thompson, Woodman, Lynn, Speedy, Bird, Rowley, Powell, Jones, Aynu The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minut meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Powell of candidate to be raised to the third degree; he answ questions, and was entrusted. Lodge was then op and the ceremony of raising was rehearsed. The L to the second degree, when Bro. Morgan read a pap in English Masonry." Bro. Westfield was appoint ensuing week. A vote of thanks was unanimousl Morgan for his interesting paper, and the furth honorary membership was conferred on him. Aft suitably acknowledged, Lodge was closed.

A YORKSHIRE MUSICAL RELIC.—Mr. Willcocks, o Finsbury Park, London, has acquired a very val chord, manufactured by Messrs. Longman and Bro cessors in the last century of Messrs. Collard ar instrument, which is on private view at Neumeyer l London, is in highest state of preservation, and it s the best specimens of harpsichord we have inspecte known, and it can be traced back through the Yo whose possession it has been for nearly a century. that it originally cost £300. The harpsichord ha actions, and four expressive stops, "lute," "harp "forte," and it is of five octaves. It is also provi tian swell. The inscription on the name-plate is Broderip, musical instrument makers, No. 20 Cheap market, London." Under the keys is stamped the r Fountain Court, London, and the date 1785. The full working order, and for pianoforte show rooms, suitable places few finer specimens could be obtain the harpsichord was fast being supplanted by t "forte piano".—*Musical Trades' Review.*

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Richmond, Is

Most Worshipful and Dear Sir,—The Centennia the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown has occasion for the erection of a monument by the Unit ment to commemorate that event. The Grand Lodg been invited to perform the ceremony of laying That duty will be discharged on the 18th day of Oct is the earnest wish of all the brethren in Virginia Grand Lodges should participate, through their Masters, in the honour and the privilege.

You are, therefore, most respectfully and cordia present on the occasion, and to assist us in the gratef upon us.

We will be much gratified to hear of your acc earliest convenience.

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180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In.
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)

48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead
62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
148—Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
999—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1177—Tenby, Royal Assembly Rooms, Tenby, Pembroke
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8 (Instruction)
M.M. 146—Moore, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

TUESDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER.

55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
763—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
890—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1441—Ivy, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle, 7.30 (In.)
117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
253—Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
299—Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
310—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle
573—Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen
1016—Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
1368—Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton
1566—Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead
1609—Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1675—Antient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 721—Grosvenor, Masonic-chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester

WEDNESDAY, 28th SEPTEMBER.

193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-st. eet, at 7.30 (Instruction)
228—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, D an Street, Oxford St. at 8 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 7.30 (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
1288—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

32—St. George, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
117—Salopian of Charity, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury
183—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
220—Harmony, Garston Hotel, Garston, Lancashire
304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
539—Scientific, Masonic Room, Bingley
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury (Instruction)
996—Sondes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk
1039—St John, George Hotel, Lichfield
1083—Townley Parker, Mosley Hotel, Beswick, near Manchester
1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby (Instruction)
1119—St. Bede, Mechanics' Institute, Jarrow
1219—Strangeways, Empire Hotel, Strangeways, Manchester
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruction)
1283—Ryburn, Central-buildings, Town Hall-street, Sowerby Bridge
1392—Egerton, Stanley Arms Hotel, Stanley-street, Bury, Lancashire
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)
1633—Avon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1723—St. George, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall-square, Bolton

THURSDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER.

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., at 8 (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road,
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (In
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kens
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street,

453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30
810—Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street
R.A. 242—Magdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster

SATURDAY, 1st OCTOE

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at
198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., at 8.
1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Mare-street, Hac
1572—Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.
1622—Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlic
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regen

12'3—Amherst, King's Arms Hotel, Westerham, Kent
1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newt
1567—Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham

NOTICES OF MEETI

STAR IN THE EAST, No

THE annual festival of this Lodge was hel Harwich, on the 13th inst., and passed off v popular W.M. Bro. T. H. Jennings P.G.J.D. ha to preside over the Lodge, and the ceremony c was impressively performed by W. Bro. Alf P.P.J.G W. The Officers for the year were th vested as follows:—Bros. W. Basham P.P.G.S. Clowes S.W., H. Everard J.W., Rev. E. Sullivan Treasurer, L. M. Saunders Secretary, S. J. New son J.D., T. Dunn I.G., B. Hutchinson D.C., C A. D'Wil Steward, R. Barlow Tyler. About f wards sat down to a sumptuous banquet, exce *Russe* by Bro. Rule, the host, the following being

YE WHETE.

Lyttel Anchovie Fishes with ye Olives of Spai

YE SOUPE.

Soupe made with ye Oystere
And alsoe soupe made with ye Taile

YE FISHE.

Ye Turbotte of ye Sea boyled and Sauce of
Ye lyttel Soles fylleted, served with ye

YE FLESHE AND FOWL.

Ducks curyously cooked after ye Frenc
Ye Kydneys of ye Sheepe stewed in ri
Chickens boyled and servyd with the Tong
Ye English Beefe and light Pudy
Then will be served on this occasione
Ye Haunche of ye Deere, alsc
Ye Partrydges and ye lyttel Ha

YE SWEETES, ETC.

Ye Pudynge known as ye Cabin
Varyons Fruytes stewed with Su
Pudynges Iced after ye Nessolrode u
Divers Fruytes which are your Dessertes, a
Champayne and manie outlandish co
Ye Banquette is served after ye manner of th
Ye Brethrenne are bydden to eat after ye Hu

During the evening the usual Loyal and Mason honoured, and a first-class musical programme Bros. Turle Lee, R. E. Gaye, R. Clowes, and J. J the visitors present were W. Bros. W. Richey Turner I.P.M. 51, A. Welch P.M. 51, J. P. Lew Richey P.M. 1780, John Dean W.M. 433, J. E. Secretary 433, W. S. Ling P.M. 433, James Nicl 276, A. Gosling W.M. 697, T. Eustace P.M. 697, E. H. Crate P.M. 697, Thos. Rix P.M. 697, T. G.

Burdett Lodge of Instruction, No. 1

Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal Green Junctio Bros. Stantevant W.M., Chitson S.W., Clement Brittain J.D., Musto P.M. Preceptor pro tem., Ha Bros. Anderson, Stewart, Wooding, &c. Lodg read and confirmed. Lodge opened in second d Anderson answered the questions leading to the course was raised to the sublime degree of Ma closed the Lodge in the third and second degree

therefore the I G. would not be required to do so. Bros. Chabot, Anstey and Brooks were then raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, the ceremony being impressively performed, the W.M. being assisted by P.M. Nairne. Afterwards Bros. Noble and G. Nettleship (of the Crichton Lodge) were passed, Bro. Voisey W.M. thereof being in the chair. Mr. Walter John Brooks was then initiated by the W.M. of the Lodge. P.M. Bickerton proposed that the following brethren should be the Audit Committe for the ensuing year, namely, W. Andrews, Dr. Gross, and J. C. Bradley, which was carried unanimously. At this moment Bro. Richards S.W. assumed the duties of his office, and stated that a severe accident to a member of his family had been the cause of his absence. The brethren sympathised with him, inasmuch as several untoward circumstances have occurred to him recently, notably some bereavements in his family. The election of W.M. for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. Bro. Richards S.W. was unanimously chosen. Bro. Nairne proposed a resolution, of which he had given notice, "That a Past Master's jewel and collar be presented to Bro. B. R. Bryant W.M., in recognition of able services to the Lodge during his year of office." This was carried unanimously. Bro. G. Harrison was, for the tenth year, chosen Tyler. The labours of the afternoon having been completed, an adjournment was made to an adjoining room, in which Bro. Slawson, of 736 Old Kent-road, had prepared a *récherché* repast, which was much appreciated and commended. On the removal of the cloth, the usual loyal and patriotic toast was given. Then followed the health of the Most Worshipful Grand Master the Prince of Wales, the Provincial Grand Master the Earl of Carnarvon, the Deputy Grand Master the Earl of Lathom, and the Grand Officers past and present. The names being introduced in eloquent terms by the W.M., and the toasts heartily pledged. Bro. B. Lyon I.P.M. proposed the health of the W.M.; he remarked that the past year had been a prosperous one to the Lodge. The W.M. had been present whenever the Lodge had met; in addition, he had discharged the important duties associated with his office in a manner that had redounded to the credit of the Lodge, and to the honour of himself. As they were all aware he could not be seen among them after his term of office expired, for the reason that he would reside north of the Tweed, where duty called him, and whenever and wherever duty called, obedience should be the result. It would be idle for him (the speaker) to add that the hearty good wishes of all the brethren would accompany him to his new home, and not only those of this Lodge, but those of all who had had the pleasure of being acquainted with him. Their W.M. had filled every office in the Lodge with consummate ability and dignity, and the sweet remembrance of the past would no doubt cheer his heart, when among the heather, the blocks, and the Highlands. May a long and happy life be in store for him, and amid new scenes and faces may the Great Architect direct him in all his undertakings! The toast having been pledged in a bumper, the W.M. responded. He would not admit that he deserved the encomiums passed upon him by P.M. Lyon. What could he have done without the co-operation of his Officers? than whom their betters could not be found. It was true that he had attended the Lodge on every occasion during his year of office. He had that day come from Dublin to be present, as he had on several previous occasions, and indeed a greater distance than that. But duty called him, and that was enough for him. Without fear of contradiction he could assert that with the ready and able aid of his Officers, his year of office had been an unclouded one. He would assume no credit of his own, but he would avail himself of that opportunity to thank one and all for their courtesy to him on every occasion, and for the kind and acceptable counsels given to him from time to time. His predecessors had been indeed "wise Master Masons," and as regards ability he could only follow them at a distance. He regretted that the affairs of life, over which he had no control, had destined him for another sphere of labour and residence, but the memories associated with the Sphinx Lodge would be cherished in his heart for ever. He anticipated the pleasure of being present on many future occasions; distance would not be a hindrance. If time permitted, he would often be among them, and he hoped that a continual accession of members would place the Lodge on a more solid foundation than even it stood at that moment, although now nominally and financially it was beyond all their expectations compared with what it had been in times past. To one and all he bade a hearty farewell. The Worshipful Master next proposed the health of the initiate, Mr. W. J. Brooks, who responded in a well-considered speech. The Worshipful Master, in proposing the next toast—The Visitors—remarked it afforded him great pleasure to be surrounded by brethren from other Lodges. At that moment there were several visitors in their midst, who had been "men of mark" in their respective Lodges, and who had studied Freemasonry with edification

side their own from a different standpoint to that
members thereof, but he could assert that it would
pleasure to know that every Lodge was in all resp
Sphinx. The health of the Worshipful Master
Masters, and Officers followed, and each was cordial
Stewards were applauded for the zeal they displaye
toast concluded the labours and refreshment of an
will be long remembered by those present.

Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198.

Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, on Saturday last,
Bros. J. A. Powell W.M., Gillham S.W., E. Woodm
Preceptor, A. W. Fenner Secretary, Spencer S.D., Ke
I.G.; also Bros. Brasted, I. P. Cohen, C. Lorkin,
R. Defriez, Fysh, Bird, Gibbs, Weeden, Wolf, D. M
G. A. Davis, Parkes, Perl, F. W. Jones, Stroud, Ro
J. Everett. The usual preliminaries were duly obse
read and confirmed. Lodge was advanced a degr
gave evidence of his proficiency as a F.C. and wa
Lodge was opened in the third degree and the cere
was rehearsed in a most excellent manner by the
the traditional history, Bro. Perl acting as cand
section of the lecture was worked by the W.M.,
brethren. Lodge was closed to the first degree.
Joppa Lodge 188, E. Payne Sir Hugh Myddelton
John Everett Henry Muggeridge Lodge 1697 were
Bro Gillham was duly elected to preside at the next
was then closed, and adjourned.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No.

Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall Road, Dalston,
Bro. Wallington W.M., A. Clark S.W., T. Clark J.
Boyce J.D., Christian I.G., Lorkin Secretary, Bra
ceptor, Smyth Treasurer, also Bros. Wardell, Al
Olley, Dignam, Gosling, Bunker, Greenwood, Jones,
others. After preliminaries Bro. Wardell, as a
third degree, was entrusted; the Lodge was opened in
when Bro. Wardell was raised to the sublime degree
the W.M. giving the traditional history. Bro. F
third section of the third lecture, assisted by th
Lodge was called from labour to refreshment, and
Masonic duties, the W.M. worked the ceremony
installing Bro. E. Dignam into the chair of K.S.
resumed to the first degree, the W.M. invested h
Wallington, the Worthy Preceptor, then gave the addr
able manner. Bro. Bunker, of Lodge 1158, was elec
this Lodge of Instruction. Bro. A. Clark was elec
ensuing week, Officers in rotation. Nothing further
good of Freemasonry, Lodge was closed in due form

King Harold Lodge, No. 1327.

—A meet
Thursday, 15th inst., at the Britannia Hotel, Walt
Present—Bros. John Fisher W.M., John Noyes S.
son J.W., Thomas Reilly Secretary, William Le
Sprost J.D., Joseph Gaskell D.C., S. J. Woolley
Holdsworth I.G., Page Tyler Past Masters Bros.
W. Gilbert, T. Reilly, J. Knight, J. Gaskell, S. Ja
Bro. F. Drummond P.M. Lodge was opened in d
minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed
ensued on various Lodge matters.

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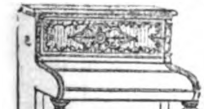
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A FEW weeks since we drew attention to the distribution of English Masonry, not only in the Colonies and Dependencies of the British Crown, but likewise in countries with which our gracious Sovereign is on terms of amity, and in which her lieges take the deepest interest. It is our present purpose to note as circumstantially as possible the increase which our Freemasonry has made in these Colonies and foreign parts during the last seven years—that being the limit of the period over which the greater part, if not the whole, of our researches have extended. It is true that for our present purpose this septennial period is incomplete actually, but it is virtually complete The results which in due time we shall arrive at will not be appreciably affected by the number of new Lodges that may be consecrated between now and the end of the current year.

In our former article, already referred to, we noted that there were close on five hundred Lodges under the jurisdiction of our Grand Lodge located in our Colonies or certain foreign countries. The exact number—for it is as well to be precise in these matters—is 495. Let us see how many of these have been constituted within the septennial period under consideration.

Our Colonial and Foreign Lodges seem naturally to divide themselves into several groups as it were. Thus there are what may be called the Mediterranean Lodges, with those meeting in the Turkish Empire. These are thirty-one in number. Then there are the Lodges in India, to the tune of 102 Lodges, and those in other countries in Asia, amounting to twenty-two. The West Indies and Central America can boast of thirty Lodges, while as regards North and South America, in the former we have thirteen, and in the latter eleven Lodges. The Australian Colonies muster altogether 166 Lodges, of which forty-two belong to New South Wales, twenty to Queensland, eighteen to Australia, seventy-two to Victoria, five to Western Australia, and seven to Tasmania. New Zealand has exactly sixty-nine Lodges, forty-one of which are located in South Island, namely in the Canterbury District twenty-one, in Otago eleven, in Westland six, and elsewhere three. The remaining twenty-eight constitute together the Districts of Auckland and Wellington, the former having thirteen and the latter fifteen Lodges. There is also one Lodge in Fiji, making the grand total, as aforesaid, of 495. Now of these different groups of Lodges it will be seen that in some of them the spread of Freemasonry has been very great during these seven years, while in others there has been little, if any, advance made. For instance in what we have described as the Mediterranean group. Turkey included, with the exception of Malta, which now embraces Tunis in North Africa, there has not been a single new Lodge constituted in the year 1872. It is very natural that Gibraltar should remain content with its three Lodges. A rock is not capable of expansion; moreover, it is better policy to strengthen the three well-known Lodges of which the District Grand Lodge is composed, than to add to their number. Malta, which, as we have said, now includes the Regency of Tunis, has seven Lodges, of which four have been warranted during the seven years in 1877, one in 1879, two in 1881. Turkey, w Lodges, remains as it was in the year 1870, th stitution of the youngest of its Lodges. As Grand Lodge of its own, we may not look for there. In fact, the two Lodges are in the Ic which were under our protection, but now for Kingdom of Greece. Any change here, ther in the direction of decrease rather than inc Egypt, it has eight Lodges as it had in 1872.

Turning next to the East Indies we find the trict Grand Lodge of Bengal, with its thirty there have been constituted only seven Lodges years, namely, one in 1877, one in 1878, one in 1880, and two in 1881. Of the nineteen Bor four are of recent creation, and of these four three are located in the City of Bombay itself. was warranted in 1876, the next in seniority third and fourth in 1878 British Burmah one additional Lodge consecrated during the pe tion, and that is the Palm Lodge, No. 1761 which belongs to the year 1878. The Di Lodge of Madras, with its nineteen Lodges, during these seven years by five Lodges, creation, two of 1879, one of 1880, and one of year. Of the nineteen Punjab Lodges, the two of late creation, namely, one made in the and one last year. Thus of the 102 Lodges l various Districts in India, there are only nin have been warranted since 1875, seven in Be Bombay, one in British Burmah, five in Mad in the Punjab. As to the other group of A Lodges, one has been added to the roll of Grand Lodge of the Eastern Archipelago, and been two additional Lodges in the Island of M founded in 1875, and one in 1877. There ha ther three new Lodges in China, one constitu in 1878, a second at Amoy in 1879, and one during the current year. Thus, as regards t twenty-two Lodges, six have been consecrate beginning of 1875.

South Africa, as we have said, has altogether though a few of these should more properly as West African Lodges. However, South Afr Division, has six Lodges, four of them belon period 1875-81, namely, one constituted at W 1875, one at Worcester in 1875, one in Ca 1878, and one in Simon's Town in 1880. Of one Lodges in the Eastern Division, six have tuted under the present régime, namely, two in 1876, one in 1879, one in 1880, and one present year. Of the five Lodges in Griqualar three additional since 1875, namely, one in the c year, one in 1880, and one in 1881; while of t scattered Lodges, eight come within the septe three having been warranted in 1877, two in 1879, one in 1880, and one this year. Thus South African Lodges, as many as twenty-on warranted in 1875-81.

In the group comprising the West Indies America, there are thirty Lodges, of which si

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Warrants during 1875-81, namely, one in 1875, and the other in 1878. Thus, of these twenty-four Lodges, three come within the period over which our inquiry extends.

So far the increases we have noted, have not, with the exception of South Africa, been very considerable, or indeed more than could have been looked for, having regard to the great popularity which has attended the Craft since the resignation of the Marquis of Ripon, and the accession to the Grand Mastership of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. At the Antipodes, however, the picture is somewhat different. Thus, taking the first in order, namely, the District Grand Lodge of New South Wales, it comprises in all forty-four Lodges, of which as many as twenty have been constituted within the last seven years. Of these Nos. 1552, Sydney, 1568, Liverpool, N.S.W., 1569, Glen Innes, N.S.W., were warranted in 1875; Nos. 1652, 1653, 1654 in 1876; Nos. 1682, 1727 in 1877; Nos. 1761, 1762, 1795, and 1796 in 1878; Nos. 1830, 1831, 1844, 1845, and 1846 in 1879; 1864 in 1880, and two others in the course of the present year. Of the twenty Lodges in Queensland nine are of recent origin:—Nos. 1546 and 1554 belonging to the year 1875; Nos. 1595, 1596 and 1628 to 1876; No. 1680 to 1877; and Nos. 1819, 1825, and 1850 to 1879. In South Australia, which has only eighteen Lodges, there are only four of recent creation, namely, one of 1878, one of last year, and two of the year 1881. Victoria, with its seventy-two Lodges, is even more fortunately circumstanced, as there are but eight out of the whole number which have been warranted since 1875, namely, Nos. 1699, 1700, and 1701 belonging to the year 1877; No. 1786 of 1878; Nos. 1880 and 1881 of last year, and two of the current year's creation. Western Australia, which has no District Grand Lodge has had two new Lodges warranted in the stated time, namely, No. 1683 in 1877, and No. 1840 in 1879. Tasmania has no new Lodges.

Of the twenty-one Lodges in Canterbury, New Zealand, there are fourteen new Lodges, No. 1651 of 1876, No. 1666 of 1877, No. 1737 of 1878, No. 1811 of 1879, Nos. 1856, 1857, 1858, and 1877 of 1880, and six during the current year; no less than five of these belonging to the last quarter. Of the eleven Otago Lodges two are new, one being of the year 1876, and the others of last year. Nos. 1689 and 1690, consecrated in 1877, are the newly warranted Lodges, in Westland. Nine of the thirteen in Auckland, North Island, come within the period stated, namely, No. 1530 warranted in 1875, Nos. 1647 and 1655 1876; Nos. 1710 and 1711 in 1877; No. 1801 in 1879; No. 1878 last year; and two this year. Nine of the fifteen Lodges belong to the period 1875-81; No. 1577, of 1875; No. 1646, of 1876; Nos. 1677, 1720, and 1721, of 1876; Nos. 1812, 1813, of 1879, and two of the present year. The Fiji Islands Lodge belongs to the current year.

We have now gone through the whole of the Colonial Lodges, and it will be found, on closer examination of our articles, that as regards numbers, there has been an amazing addition during the past seven years. Whether such addition is wise or not is a question to be argued.

ADELAIDE EXHIBITION.—The Gold Medal has just been awarded to the Montserrat Lime Juice and Cordials. The sole consignees, Messrs. Evans, Sons and Co., of Liverpool, are to be congratulated upon this result, whose enterprise in placing this before the public has met with such success, as is witnessed by the fact that in the course of a few days 60,000 gallons of Lime Juice were imported into Liverpool alone.—*Liverpool Journal of Commerce.*

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* This Paper was read at the Kingsland

known also as the Athol Grand Lodge. However, as I have said already, the first of these Grand Lodges, had nothing to do with the event to which I am drawing attention, though, I think, you will find it stated in Preston's *Illustrations of Masonry* that about the time when the discontent of some brethren began to make itself appreciably felt, the Grand Lodge of England gave umbrage to that of all England meeting in York by creating Lodges in what was supposed to be the territory over which the latter exercised sway. I do not myself see what this slight, real or imaginary as the case may have been, can possibly have had to do with the Schism in the ranks of the Grand Lodge in London, except it may be so far as it contributed to intensify the feeling of discontent already prevailing among them. The point, however, is of no material importance.

Thus far I have given in outline, the circumstances which led to the establishment of a second Grand Lodge in London, so far, at all events, as it is possible or desirable. The new body was established in 1753, with Bro. Robert Turner as Grand Master, a Grand Committee having till then regulated the affairs of the seceding Craftsmen. By degrees, and as its Grand Masters were men of rank, it assumed a more imposing appearance. Its influence increased, and Lodges sprang up in different parts of the country as well as in the metropolis, while others were created in our Colonial possessions and various countries abroad. In several instances, notably in the States of New York and Pennsylvania, it became powerful enough to supplant its older rival. Although it is to the elder Grand Lodge that the introduction of Freemasonry into those States is undoubtedly due, yet the Lodges which had sprung up under its auspices became apathetic or ceased working for a time or altogether, and the present Grand Lodges of New York and Pennsylvania are traceable more immediately to English Provincial Grand Lodges of the "Ancient" rather than of the "Modern" school. The younger body had the further good fortune of establishing friendly relations with the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland, which, without troubling themselves to inquire seriously into the matter, would seem to have extended their sympathies towards the "Ancients." The greater part of the success achieved is undoubtedly due to Laurence Dermott, who was in the first instance Grand Secretary, and subsequently Deputy Grand Master of the seceding Grand Lodge. He, indeed, was the moving spirit, the genius of the "Ancients,"—a man of influence and activity, as well as possessing abilities of no ordinary character, as is shown by the "Ahiman Rezon," or Book of Constitutions, which he compiled for the government of his Grand Lodge.

As a matter of course, the increasing prosperity of the younger Grand Lodge did not tend to improve the feeling which had brought about the great secession. On the contrary, it intensified it, and the rival bodies set to work anathematising each other with an energy and zeal which were worthy of the best of causes. At length, however, a desire for the union of the two sections of the Craft began to make itself somewhat conspicuously felt, and when the present century was not yet in its "teens" several of the more prominent Craftsmen, and notably the Earl of Moira, Acting Grand Master of the "Moderns," actively bestirred themselves in the good cause. The earlier efforts, however, were received somewhat coldly, but perseverance was the order of the day, and at length, under the joint auspices of the Duke of Sussex, who in 1813 had succeeded George Prince of Wales on his becoming Regent, as Grand Master

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To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CH

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Will you allow me information of brethren interested in our Library," that the following numbers of the " zine " are missing from the collection in the Lodge:—1865, *all*; 1866, 340, 342; 1870, 568, 1871, 601, *and all after* 644.

Yours fraterna

MASONIC IMPOSTORS—A W.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHR

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Kindly give me spac Craftsmen against the fraudulent representation one of our Order, whose present practices are su flow of benevolence which is enjoined on us at observed towards those "who claim our assistanc

About a fortnight since I "listened with att plaint" of an applicant who introduced himself *Couch*, of Lodge "St. Aubyn," 954, Morice To locality with which I am closely identified, and friends of mine still reside. Several of these he terms of close connection with them that I coul entertain a doubt of the particulars he gave of his sities." His story was, that being provided, thro of Bro. Metham the D.P.G.M. of the Province of sonally know, with a free passage to his native tow means of subsistence during his voyage, and to b tions which might interfere with his departure ability to repay any advance as soon as he was He obtained what he sought for.

Not having heard from him as promised, I wrote t the Treasurer of the Devon Masonic Educational tion, and this is part of the reply I have receiv say Charles Couch was initiated in 954, many ye not contributed to any Lodge for some time, and mitigated scoundrel and a disgraceful Masonic tr lesson to the crowd on the road, and a relief to th be taken up and punished for obtaining mone tences," &c.

I agree with Bro. Bird, and if I get half a c charge him with that offence, if only to make him who by their specious lies bias the minds of the us against those who really require and are de ance. Should this man present himself to any o shall esteem it a favour if he will let we know of

Yours fraternall

Clapham, S.W.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTI

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHR

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I am glad to see M. so earnest in his suggestions for a little change f work of our Lodges of Instruction. It is not so v do, beyond promising to form one of the audience a friend or two with me, when the necessary been made, so that MARS's unknown may deliver score others will do the same, and each bring a fr

accordingly did in May 1881, on their first application, and without a printed circular being issued for either. It was the first time in the history of the Province that such a result had been achieved, and it afforded an apt illustration of the value of the system commenced in 1868 of uniting the votes for the general good of the Province. There were now four annuitants of £40 per annum, and two widows of £32 per annum, on the funds of this Institution in Cornwall. He left the management without owing a single vote on behalf of the Province, though to secure the election of those two brothers he polled a total of 2,141 votes, and yet only received 150 votes from Cornwall for the Institution. The balance was made up of loans repaid and exchanges. Bro. Controller Bake acted as Steward for the Boys and Benevolent Institution this year, and was ready to do so again. Bro. J. Coombe P.M. Hayle 450 had engaged to represent the Province and Lodges in Cornwall as Steward for the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Masons in February 1882, and he hoped the P.G. Lodge would vote the sum of fifty guineas to be placed on his list so as to set a good example to the Lodges generally. He much wished that the funds would allow twice as much. He begged most positively to decline re-election as manager, but promised his successor all the aid in his power.

Brother E. T. Carlyon P.G. Secretary read his report. There were now twenty-eight Lodges in the Province. During the year there had been an increase of eight in the number of initiations as compared with 1879; there had been a decrease of five in joining members, a decrease of eighteen members, the present total being 1463. There was consequently no great change in their numbers, but he had received a petition for the consecration of a new Lodge at Wadebridge. Of this the Provincial Grand Master had approved, but the warrant as yet had not arrived. In presenting this, his last, report to the Province, he took that opportunity of thanking his Lordship and the brethren generally for their great kindness and courtesy towards him.

Bro. Crewes presented the report of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund. The receipts had amounted to £460, and there was a balance of £125 in favour of the year's account. The capital invested amounts to £3,287. By the recent death of a brother, the number of annuitants was reduced to three. The vacancy could not be filled until next year. There were at present four educational grants of £15 a year each. No petitions for relief or other grants had been received. Since the last meeting the capital account had increased £148, and there was an increase of £2 19s in the annual subscriptions as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Brother E. T. Carlyon submitted the report of the Committee of Relief. They had granted during the year several sums to deserving cases, and recommended further grants to new applicants.

Bro. W. Tweedy read the report of the Truro Cathedral Fund Committee. £241 has been received, and of that sum £219 has been invested by the purchase of £220 Consols. The P.G.M. thought it a matter of much gratification that the Fund was steadily growing. As Cornishmen, they would be glad to learn that the stone to be employed in the erection of the Cathedral would consist very largely of Cornish granite, and not, as was originally supposed, of stone procured outside the county.

At this point the brethren adjourned to attend church. A procession was formed, headed by the Liskeard and Moorswater bands, and organised by Bros. R. A. Courtenay and R. Rowe P.P.G.D.'s. The sermon was preached by Bro. the Rev. P. H. Newnham, M.A., P.M. 195, Vicar of Maker. The Rev. gentleman took the text from Ephesians ii, part of the 10th verse, and asked, What is the real use of Masonry? To be really of use, an Institution must supply some want or do some work which no other Institution was capable of doing equally well. If it did this, it might be accepted as really useful to the world. He claimed that Freemasonry did fill this purpose in two different ways. God had laid a plan of the ages running throughout all ages, and that was gradually to educate the mind of men up to a clearer, deeper, sterner knowledge of Himself. Thousands of ages before Abraham and Solomon the minds of the heathen world were feeling after God, and the best of the heathens always believed in one sole God, and in the immortality of the soul; but the advanced thinkers who worked on these models could not tell them to everybody, therefore they founded private societies among them, and expressed their highest hope and belief by symbols and old ceremonies full of meaning to them. These old symbols and ceremonies were handed down to them, and were embodied in the lecture and ritual of their various degrees. However modern the arrangement of those degrees might be, the symbols and ceremonies themselves were world-wide and world-old. Masonry marked the progress of the belief in God and a religious faith. As Masons compare

Masonry might thus be God's chisel shaping o
ages. Every Mason thus might, if he so w
worker with God. And no other Institution i
sent state of society offered similar or equa
work in this way. Might God bless one and
with Him.

On resuming business in the Lodge, the Ch
appointed as follows:—Bros. C. Truscott (to s
Charities), G. Pearse 1450, J. Penrose 589.
Truscott's election, Bro. Sir C. Sawle spoke hi
the St. Austell Lodge. The Provincial Grand
gratification at the choice made, and Bro. Trus
the compliment, remarked that, although he
bility with some diffidence, and felt much dif
distinguished a brother as Bro. Hughan, he
ceed in devoting his best efforts to properly
the Province.

The Provincial Grand Master remarked the
the Province in regard to the Masonic Cha
straitened. One brother, who had desired his
tioned, had given ten guineas to the Boys' In
give the Province a perpetual vote.

A communication was read in reference to
to Bro. Hervey, until recently Grand Secret
Provincial Grand Master thought that som
might gracefully be devoted to this object,
form or other partake of the charitable. The

The P.G.M. then drew the attention of the
that the brethren in Devonshire were at preser
fund to establish a memorial to the memory
John Hayshe P.G.M. of that county. Durin
there were one or two occasions on which Dev
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receive the Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince
sion of his visit to Plymouth, to open the
Hayshe installed him, and there had always
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required, but it seemed to him that it would
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two counties, and a small contribution would
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ask the W.M.'s of the different Lodges to appe
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tion should also be made from the Prov. Grand
moved that the sum of five guineas should be
pose. The suggestion was adopted by acclama

It was then proposed by Bro. Andrew th
guineas should be contributed to the funds
Benevolent Institution. In supporting the res
said he should be glad if some means could be
gift with the name of Bro. Hughan, to whom
greatest obligation for the services he had
It was decided that the amount proposed sho
it should be left to the Provincial Officers to a
desires of the Provincial Grand Lodge could be

Bros. Tweedy, Chirgwin, Crewes, were re-ele
Management of the Charities, and Bro. Sn
Auditors.

The Provincial Grand Master then proceeded
with their collars. The duty, be mentioned, wa
for whilst the number of Lodges and Masons
of Officers increased also. He particularly ha
that Brother Carlyon, who had for so lon
mitigated assistance as Provincial Grand Sec
asked to be relieved of those duties. He had
to be relieved of those duties, and he had alwa
resignation did take place, he would be depr
assistance. He fully believed, however, tha
had arrived for this collar to be transferred
Brother Carlyon would be delighted to ren
might be necessary to the perfect discharge
he was resigning. He felt that they were
to be parted as brother officials, and their
continue as before on all matters having rel
had to thank Bro. Carlyon most cordially for a
rendered him.

Bro. Carlyon said he should content hims
words in acknowledgment, inasmuch as the
P.G.M. had referred to his services had touche

T. H. Lukes A.D.C., Captain W. F. Sharp G.S.B., White Organist, J. F. Williams Grand Purs., Rooks A.G.P., J. Harris, J. W. Collins, T. Heath, J. H. Sampson, Beaglehole, and Clevis Stewards; Lewis and Bro. Guy Auditors.

The annual banquet was held at the Town Hall, under the presidency of the P.G.M., the Right Honourable the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe.

The P.G.M., in giving the toast of "The Queen and the Craft," remarked that although her Majesty had many qualities which had made her during a long reign a pattern of what a constitutional sovereign should be, there was especially one characteristic which had endeared her to the hearts of all her subjects, which they, as Masons, were bound to admire and copy. He referred to her earnest sympathy with the joys and sympathies of others, and to the promptitude with which she expressed them. They had seen many examples of it whenever a gallant act had been performed or a painful accident had taken place. And when the chosen ruler of a kindred people, after a struggle that had been watched by the world, and especially by this country, with the deepest interest, at last succumbed, she was the first to express in words, which found an echo throughout the country over which she ruled, the sympathy of herself, her people, and her children. He believed that the longer they lived the longer they felt that no amount of liberality or material benefit one man could confer on another could compensate for the want of that sense of sympathy, and of the consideration for the feelings of others. We were accustomed to look at sympathy as something not to be regarded as merely a matter of sentiment. But as long as human nature remained, sympathy would continue to exert its influence. England had several times before been afforded opportunities of rendering material sympathy to America in her calamitous visitations. Her liberality had been appreciated on those occasions. But he felt that no amount of contributions, no amount of expressions, no number of documents so fully expressed the true feeling of this country, or did so much to kindle the feeling of brotherhood between two people, as the simple message which was flashed accross the ocean on the day the struggle ended, and that wreath which lay upon the coffin at the command of the Queen.

The P.G.M. then gave the health of the Prince of Wales, the G.M. of England, the centre of the system to which they belonged. They were not members only of the P.G. Lodge, but of the Grand Lodge of England. They should be careful not to introduce into the working of their Lodges any new-fangled ideas of their own; and whenever any difficulty arose, he begged them to have recourse to the central authority, and from them endeavour to learn what was right, and not to depart from the lines of the Craft.

The health of the P.G. Master was cordially drunk, and in reply his Lordship observed that nothing could give him more encouragement than to know that he possessed the confidence of those with whom he was working, to know that they were actuated by the same object.

The other Provincial Officers having been toasted, the proceedings terminated with a cordial recognition of the efforts that had been made by Bro. Coleman W.M., and the other members of the Liskeard Lodge, to promote the harmony of the occasion. The P.G.M. took the opportunity of explaining that in selecting a place of meeting he had been guided chiefly by the consideration of what town would best suit the convenience of the brethren generally.—*Western Daily Mercury.*

ANCIENT EBOR PRECEPTORY.

ON Tuesday, the 13th September, this Preceptory of Knights Templars held its Quarterly Convocation at York. In the absence, at Buxton, of the E.P. Fra. G. Simpson, through ill-health, E. Fra. J. S. Cumberland took the chair, and was aided in the ceremonies by Fratres Rev. J. E. M. Young Constable, M. Millington Marshal, T. B. Whytehead Registrar, A. T. B. Turner as Captain of Guard, and other Fratres. The ceremony of installation of a candidate was duly performed upon an accepted Companion, E. Fra. T. B. Whytehead acting as Sub-Marshal, and after the close of the meeting a pleasant evening was spent in social and Masonic intercourse. A general wish was expressed that a meeting of Provincial Priory should be held as soon as possible, for the installation of Fra. Woodall as Sub-Prior, and Fra. S. Middleton (Geoffry de Bonillon) of Scarborough, who was present, informed the fratres that he was in communication with the Provincial Prior Lord Londesbro, and hoped that a meeting would shortly be arranged.

expressing sympathy with the Freemasons of t
the loss sustained by the lamented death of th
President Garfield. Accordingly, on Saturday
to this effect was forwarded by Bro. Whytehead
Philadelphia, with a request that it should be
Committee separated with many expressions of
cordial co-operation which had characterised the
two York Lodges, and the success which had atte
the occasion of the Jubilee of the British Associa

NORTH AND EAST YORK

THE annual Communication of the Lodges of
take place on Wednesday next, at Hull, un
the Kingston Lodge. The proceedings will incl
Holy Trinity Church, with a sermon by the Dea
subsequent banquet. We observe from the agend
are notices of important resolutions by Bros. R
Cumberland, J. W. Woodall, and T. B. Whyt
imagine the proceedings of the Provincial Grand
what lengthy. The number of notices of motion
healthy sign, and shows that Masonry in its And
place is still full of vitality.

York Mark Lodge (T.I.)—This strong an
on the 20th September, at York, under the pre
Master the Rev. W. C. Lukis, at Wath. The
was the advancement of two candidates, Bros. H.
Greenside, of the Falcon Lodge, No. 1416, Thirsk,
performed by the W.M., assisted by the followi
J. S. Cumberland S.W., Rev. W. Valentine P.M. as
head P.M. as M.O., M. Millington S.O., A. T.
Redfare as Reg. of Marks, T. G. Hodgson S.D.,
S. Pearson Tyler. The W.M. announced his int
the Grand Lodge at Sheffield on the 22nd Septe
be accompanied by as many of his Officers and b
Subsequently the brethren met at supper, and d
the speeches, reference was made to the formation
Mark Lodge of North and East Yorkshire, whi
every prospect of success, and a general opinion
Mark Masonry had before it a prosperous future i

SINGAPORE.

Zetland in the East Lodge, No. 508.—
was held on the 12th August. Present—Wor
W.M., Bros. Joaquim S.W., Harrington J.W., P
Joaquim S.D., Gray J.D., Thompson I.G., and
ten members and eleven visitors. Messrs. He
Rajah Brooke; Albert Blomberg, S.V. General P
S.V. Agnes; and Arthur H. Tilley, pilot, we
candidates for initiation, and accepted. Bro. T
M.M. of Peace and Harmony, No. 359, was also bal
member, and accepted. Messrs. Fontaine, Gann
Tilley, being in attendance, were initiated, and B
Ferutowa, was raised to the sublime degree. An
tiation from a resident was read. The D.G.M. of
pelago, R.W. Bro. W. H. Read, is shortly expect
brethren intend to give him a hearty welcome.

St. George's Lodge, No. 1152.—A re
held on 24th August. Present—Wor. Bros. Denny
S.W., Joaquim J.W., Vaughan P.M. Treas., Cous
S.D., Loveridge J.D., Emmerson I.G., Norris Ty
and one visitor. Bros. J. F. Vincent, M.M. of Brit
and J. P. Beal, M.M. of Loyalty Lodge, No. 243, we
accepted. Applications from two residents for ini

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and other causes are constantly throwing the liver into d

of Freemasonry, and he did so with all the greater pleasure because he believed the work had been carried out in a way that would at once commend itself to his lordship, who had always expressed a strong opinion that it was undesirable for any Masonic Lodge to be in immediate connection with a public house. This was a feeling which the brethren of Boscawen Lodge fully shared, and he had now to ask his lordship to dedicate the Lodge which the brethren, in recognition of this feeling, had provided for themselves.

The Provincial Grand Master said it gave him great pleasure to be present on an occasion of so much interest, and the Wor. Master had rightly expressed his feelings in saying that he rejoiced whenever he found a Lodge had a room of its own, and was not compelled to hold its meetings in a public-house. He was glad to see that they had so excellent a room at Chacewater, and to be present to take part in the ceremony of dedication. It was usual, he believed, on such an occasion for the Provincial Grand Master to address a few words to the brethren, but it had never been his custom to make what was called a Masonic oration or address of any kind. From their initiation and in the various degrees through which they had all passed, as well as through seeing the rites performed in the case of others, they had heard the precepts of the Order repeated to them in solemn terms over and over again, and he hoped they had always regarded them as a reality, and not merely as a form of words or as a matter of ancient custom. It was not necessary, therefore, that he should repeat to them on the present occasion what those broad principles and precepts were, and if he said anything at all as to the principles of Freemasonry his object was to point out to the brethren how necessary it was that those principles should have a practical bearing on their own actions in the present day, as members of the fraternity. Especially was it necessary that those principles should be carried out in the working of the Lodge itself. Masonry was but a human system, and human frailty often came in and created difficulties amongst its members. And one of the greatest difficulties, one of the greatest snares, perhaps, to which Masonry was exposed was the very natural feeling of ambition on the part of the brethren to hold office in the Craft. It was a difficulty which he trusted was merely temporary in Lodges, and he hoped it might never occur amongst the brethren of Boscawen. As he had just said, it was a feeling of very natural ambition to hold office in a Masonic Lodge, but, at the same time he could not refrain from saying that the white badge of an "entered apprentice" was, in itself, a more honourable badge to wear than the apron of the master of a Lodge, if it was obtained by any other means than the unsought-for votes of the brethren. Any canvassing or undue influence of any kind that was brought to bear took away, in a great measure, from the honour attaching to that high office. It was usual—and a very natural thing it was—that Officers who held subordinate positions should expect in turn to fill the Master's chair. But there were certainly some occasions on which that rule could not always be followed. He did not withdraw from what he had said before, and in which he believed they would all agree with him, that they ought not to admit into Masonry any brother whom they would not be disposed to see Master of their Lodge. At the same time circumstances might occur which would render it sometimes necessary, in the interests of the Lodge, to interrupt the ordinary course of promotion; and the brother who was thus passed over and his promotion interfered with might be inclined to feelings of irritation in consequence. But he was quite sure the respect felt for that brother by the members generally would be increased when they saw that he accepted what had been done in a loyal and fraternal spirit, and in recognition of the object in view. In conclusion, he trusted that Boscowan Lodge would be a credit to the Craft in the Province of Cornwall, and that all the ordinances of the Craft would be duly and prominently observed. Masonry ought to be a real thing and not a mere matter of form, and if it did not cement real brotherhood, if it did not smooth over political antagonisms among the brethren, sectarian difficulties, personal rivalries, and everything to create discord between man and man, then he thought it would be better not to be a Mason at all.

The interesting and impressive ceremony of dedication was then performed by the Prov. G.M., corn, wine, and oil being used according to ancient custom. The musical portion of the ceremony, under Bro. Niness's direction, was well carried out, and the prayers were read by Bro. the Rev. G. L. Church.

After the Lodge was closed, the brethren dined in another part of the building, Bro. the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe presiding. The usual Masonic toasts were proposed.—*Western Morning News.*

We regret to have to record the decease of Bro. Past

less than one hundred guineas, shall upon proc
the honorary rank of a Life Governor, and al
same; and further, that the Secretary of an
paid to the Institution during his Secretary
than two hundred guineas shall upon proof
from such office, or on the Association ceasing
all the privileges of a Life Governor in his own
ings closed with a vote of thanks to the gallan

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Marl
Cumberland, will be held on Friday ne
under the Banner of the Derwent Lodge,
P.M. 229 P.G.M.O. will be formally
stalled as Deputy Prov. G.M.M.M.

We beg to remind our readers that
of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Cum
moreland will be held on Friday ne
under the auspices of the Sun and Sect
On this occasion Bro. Jonas Lindow I
1267, P.P.G.S.W., will be appointed an
G. Master in succession to the late Col.

On Tuesday evening, R.W. Bro. the
bane, Prov. Grand Master of Perthshir
his Officers of the Prov. Grand Lodg
crated the new Lodge quarters in Soutl
which have been recently acquired by
Lodge, No. 74, of that city. Some time
proceedings of the day had been brought
grand ball was given for the purpose
event.

The Metropolitan Chapter of Improv
its meetings for the season on Tuesday, 4
Jamaica, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill.
Comps Taylor Z., A. Payne H., Chicker
Goodchild P.S., F. Brown S.E. and Prec

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Suss
the Royal Pavilion, on the 7th inst. R.W
Burrell, Bart., M.P., P.G.M., will op
2.30 p.m.

The *Ottawa Free Press* makes mention o
belonging to a brother in Canada who,
since, emigrated thither from Ireland.
John Kyle, was initiated in 1838, in Lod
Lodge Ireland, and resigned three year
for North America. The apron in ques
Bro. Kyle's grandfather, who handed it
whom the present owner received it.
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His Royal Highness the Prince of Wal
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Bros. W. Holloway J.W., T. H. Palsford Secretary, R. Harris, R. E. Clarke, H. R. Towers, G. Macdonald, R. Smith, and H. Potter P.M.'s, C. H. Wilkes S.D., J. Block J.D., J. L. W. Bertolle D.C., R. S. Millard Organist, J. Austin I.G., E. Edis Stewart, several members of the Lodge, and the following Visitors, Louis Beck P.M. 1687, T. Underwood J.D. 1366, D. Hunt 975, T. Scowcroft 467, A. Green 40, G. Moseley 1744, J. Little 1607. W. W. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, W. Wood S.D. 193, C. H. Freyer 829, J. W. King 186, &c. The business before the Lodge consisted of the passing of Bro. Robinson, and the initiation of Messrs. Comber and Jewel. Bro. Charles Glenister was balloted for and duly elected as a joining member. After the transaction of some other business the Lodge was closed. During the evening a vote of condolence with the family of the late Senior Warden was passed, and ordered to be communicated by the Secretary. The company afterwards dined together under the presidency of the W.M., when the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. The W.M. naturally felt very proud in proposing the health of the initiates, they being the first gentlemen he had the honour of introducing into Freemasonry. He hoped they would prosper, and that he might live to see them each occupy the chair in this Lodge in due course. Each of the new members having replied, the Master gave the health of the Visitors, which was acknowledged by Bro. Beck. Bro. Harris proposed the health of the W.M., who replied, and then proposed the P.M.'s and the Officers, each of which toasts met a hearty reception.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instruction, No. 1278—Held at the Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal Green Junction, on Wednesday, 28th ult. Bros. Chitson W.M., Clements S.W., Clark J.W., Brittain S.D., Bonner J.D., Ward I.G., Musto P.M. as Preceptor, Hand Hon. Secretary; Bros. Sturtevant Anderson, Stewart, Jones. Lodge opened, and after the minutes had been read and confirmed, the W.M. opened Lodge in the second, and Brother Sturtevant answered the questions leading to the third. The W.M. advanced the Lodge, and raised Bro. Sturtevant to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. Bro. Stewart worked the first section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Lodge was closed in the third and second degrees. Bro. Clements was appointed W.M. for next week. Lodge closed in harmony. It is hoped that the brethren will rally round our excellent friend Brother Musto, who assumes the Preceptorship at the next meeting of this Lodge.

Sir Hugh Myddelton Lodge, No. 1602.—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held on Friday, 23rd ult., at the Agricultural Hall, Islington, under the presidency of Brother John Osborn the W.M. There was a good attendance of brethren, and a very pleasant evening was spent. Three gentlemen, viz., Messrs. Reuben Alexander Hornan, J. Muir Smith, and Chas. Dearing were initiated. The brethren afterwards dined together under the presidency of the W.M., the usual toasts being given and acknowledged.

West Middlesex Lodge of Instruction, No. 1612.—On Thursday last, at the Feathers Hotel, Ealing, W. Bros. W. Seward jun. W.M., C. Andrews P.M. S.W., E. C. Porter J.W., H. E. Tucker Treas., J. Wells Sec., G. Coop S.D., A. Jones J.D., J. Woolmer I.G., P.M.'s H. Kasmer and J. C. Roe; Bros. C. O. Walter, J. Clarke, J. Green, H. Owen. After preliminaries, the Lodge was opened up to the third degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of raising, Bro. C. O. Walter candidate. Bro. C. Andrews was elected W.M. for the meeting on 11th October. The meeting of the 6th instant will b devoted to the Officers of the mother Lodge.

St. Cecilia Lodge, No. 1636.—The members assembled at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on the 27th ult. Present—Bros. A. J. Hawkes W.M., W. H. Gibson S.W., E. Broadbridge J.W., W. R. Wood jun. Secretary, Payne Treasurer, J. Wood S.D., S. Gates J.D., W. Smithers Dir. of Cer., F. Marks I.G., W. Roe Org.; Visitors—Bros. J. M. Kidd P.M. 732, G. S. Godfree W.M. 1821, J. B. Hannay 1821, S. Barrows 811, G. L. Fenner 1636, A. Crook 315, J. J. Hanley 181, A. Sherwill 873. The Lodge was duly opened, and minutes were read and adopted. Bros. McKerzon and Heald were examined preparatory to being passed to the second degree. After these brethren had retired, Lodge was opened in the second degree, and Bro. Halford was examined preparatory to being raised; he retired, and Lodge was opened in third degree, when Bro. Halford was raised. On Lodge being resumed to second degree, Bro. McKerzon was passed. After routine work, hearty good wishes from the Visitors were tendered, and Lodge was closed. The brethren afterwards sat down to a cold supper, supplied by the well-known caterers Bros. Sayers and Marks. The usual toasts were given, and songs sung by Bros. E.

and that the same be recorded upon the minutes of the proposition was most enthusiastically carried. A vot Bro. Osborn was also recorded upon the minutes, fo manner he had rehearsed the ceremony, it being the fi Lodge.

Kings Cross Lodge of Instruction, No. regular meeting of this excellent working Lodge of I held on the 25th ult., at the Adams Arms, Har Fitzroy-square, at which hostelry the brethren assem rebuilding of Bro. De Vine's premises in Charlotte-st Harvey W.M., B. Kauffmann S.W., J. Edwards J.W., surer, L. Solomons Sec., J. A. Harvey S.D., Bathard J tine I.G., J. Hemmings Preceptor. After preliminarie fourth sections of the first lecture were worked by the by the brethren. The W.M. then ably and impress the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Burgess acting as can request of the W.M., a paper on the Schism in Fr read, and some of the brethren intimated their willing in the course thus inaugurated here. A hearty vote proposed by Bro. Vallentine to Bro. W. W. Morgan this paper, which was carried unanimously. A vote also accorded to the W.M. for the ability he displayed After Lodge business, a ballot was taken for a Subscr Girls' School, by members of the Charity Associatio with this Lodge of Instruction. During the evening it that on the 9th October the ceremony of installatio hearsed by Bro. H. Stiles, W.M. of the parent Lodge Sections will be worked on the 30th October.

THE THEATRES, &c.

DRURY LANE.—At 7.30, YOUTH.

COVENT GARDEN.—At 8, PROMENADE CONCERTS

HER MAJESTY'S.—At 8, HAVERLY'S MONSTER TR NIGGERS. Wednesday and Saturday, at 2 also.

ADELPHI.—At 7.15, A LAD FROM THE COUNTRY. A TOO LATE TO MEND.

LYCEUM.—This evening, DINORAH. On Monday, RI Tuesday, DON PASQUALE.

PRINCESS'S.—At 7, A PHOTOGRAPHIC FRIGHT. At 7. OF LONDON.

GLOBE.—At 7.30, MY WIFE'S OUT. At 8, LES CLOCH VILLE.

GAIETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At 7.30, FAST COACH, THIEVES.

OLYMPIC.—At 7.45, QUITE AN ADVENTURE. At DUVAL.

CRITERION.—At 8, WITHERED LEAVES. At 8.45, FL

OPERA COMIQUE.—At 8, UNCLE SAMUEL. At 8.30,

PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 8.30, THE COLONEL.

STRAND.—At 7.30, UP THE RIVER. At 8, OLIVETTE.

VAUDEVILLE.—At 7.30, THE HEN-WITCHERS. At WAY HOUSE, &c.

ROYALTY.—At 8, THE MASCOTTE.

FOLLY.—At 7.15, HIS LAST LEGS. At 8.30, IMPRUDE

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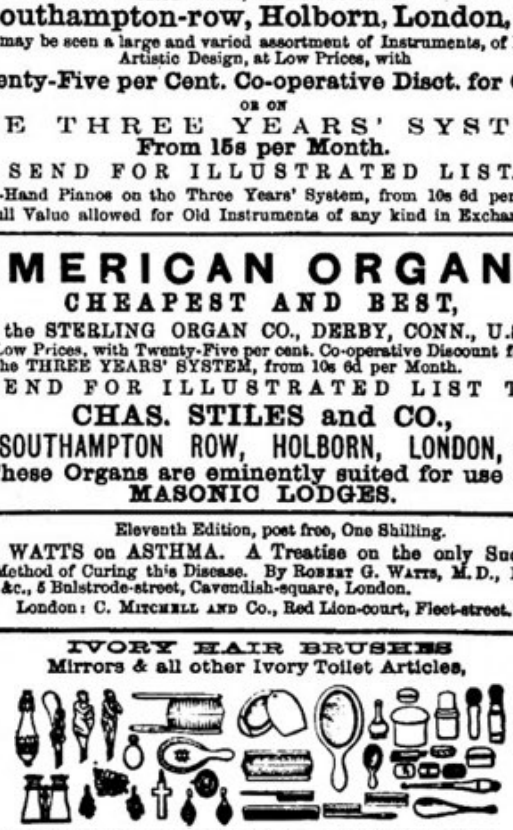
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previous Provincial meeting. Every one of the 38 Lodges in the province was represented, and the assembly of Provincial Grand Officers was a very influential and imposing one. The brethren of the two Macclesfield Lodges (295 and 267) had made very complete arrangements for the reception of the P.G. Lodge, and their efforts were very generously seconded by the inhabitants generally. His Worship the Mayor kindly granted the use of the Town Hall for the banquet, and for the accommodation of the Right Hon. Lord de Tabley and the Prov. Grand Officers in the earlier part of the day, and the spacious Drill Hall was secured for the purposes of Prov. Grand Lodge, being very effectively and tastefully arranged under the supervision of the painstaking stewards and their zealous assistants among the junior brethren. The route of the procession—from the Drill Hall to the Old Church—was very beautifully decorated with garlands of evergreens, flags, banners, &c. A most effective design bearing the word "Welcome," contributed by Bro. Williams P.M. 267, surmounted the portico of the Town Hall; poles, wreathed with evergreens, supported a pendant wreath at the entrance to Chestergate; handsome flags fluttered gaily from nearly every window and point of vantage, and the suspended wreaths at several stages in Chestergate, marked the steps in the emblematical ladder of Freemasonry, signalizing Faith, Hope, and Charity. The Assembly-room was beautifully decorated for the banquet, the Park Committee kindly lending plants and flowers for the decoration of the staircase and vestibule, and many kind friends lending flags and designs suitable for the occasion. Universal testimony was borne by the Brethren to the cordiality and generosity of their reception by the inhabitants.

At the hour fixed for the opening of the P.G. Lodge—one o'clock—there were some four hundred brethren assembled in the Drill Hall under their respective banners. Soon after the time named a flourish of trumpets signalised the arrival of the P.G. Master, who shortly afterwards entered the P.G. Lodge, being preceded by the Heralds and a most imposing and brilliant array of P.G. Officers, numbering upwards of sixty. On taking his seat upon the Throne the P.G. Master was saluted in ancient form. Amongst the P.G. Officers present were Bros. the Hon. Wilbraham Egerton, M.P., D.P.G.M., G. W. Latham, S. W. Wilkinson, H. Hall, Rev. C. E. Graham-Jones, F. S. Gosling, G. Barlow, S. Bull, T. M. Lockwood, H. Holbrook (British Columbia), W. I. Bates, H. Finch, J. Beach, J. K. Digges, R. Sykes, H. Collier, W. Matthews, T. Smith, F. A. Dickson, A. E. Cokayne, P. Wadsworth, T. H. Kirk, J. Chadwick, J. Hibbert, G. Mellor P.G. Deacon of England and D.P.G.M. (East Lancashire), E. Friend, J. A. Birch, J. Beresford, W. Greatorex, T. Morwood, J. Salmon, W. Mellor, T. Clesworth, W. Lyon, Rev. J. Cumming Macdona, R. Rigby, T. D. Simcock, T. Moore, T. Brookes, F. Jackson jun., E H. Griffiths, C. Dutton, H. Bulley, Rev. J. W. Tanner, W. Fair, R. Beales, G. A. Fernley, C. J. Howard, H. Jackson, &c.

The Grand Lodge having been opened by the Provincial Grand Master, the P.G. Secretary (Bro. E. H. Griffiths) called the roll and read the minutes of the last Provincial meeting, held at Runcorn, which were confirmed, as were also the minutes of a meeting held at Frodsham last month, when the Cholmondeley Lodge was consecrated.

Bro. Lord De Tabley R.W.P.G.M., who was received with loud applause, said that it was only three short months ago since he thought that he should not be present in Grand Lodge again; and he now desired to express his gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe for his restoration to comparative health, and for having permitted him once more to meet so many of his brethren—not for the last time, he hoped. He was happy to inform the brethren that during the past year there had been nothing of a startling nature to disturb the tranquillity of their several Lodges, and not a single complaint had been made to the Provincial Grand Lodge—a fact which could only be accounted for by the increased goodwill and brotherly feeling which prevailed amongst the brethren as the distinguishing characteristic of their Order. After referring to the improved manner in which the minute books of the Lodges were kept, and to one or two points upon which greater care ought to be exercised, his lordship said that with regard to the general aspects of Freemasonry, it was refreshing and consoling to them as Masons to turn from the tormenting events which were taking place in the outside world, and to find themselves within the calm atmosphere of an Order whose peculiar object was charity. While they had nothing to mar their quietitude there were many things disturbing the outside world most grievously. He need only to allude to that most terrible event across the Atlantic, which had sent a thrill of horror through the civilised world, and which he knew would be shared in by every loyal Freemason. They sympathised with their brethren in the United States in having lost a most distinguished and most honest man; and they most sincerely sympathised with his widow and family in

Rev. R. Rodgson 1048	-	P.G. Chas
Rev. J. F. Rounthwaite 428	-	P.G. Cha
J. Hibbert 1166	-	P.G. Regi
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T. Lockitt 295	-	P.G.S.D.
R. Wood 267	-	P.G.J.D.
J. J. Cunnah 721	-	P.G. Supt
H. Finch 104	-	P.G. Dir.c
J. Riddelay 1945	-	P.G. Asst
J. Dutton 477	-	P.G. Swo
H. Collier 104	-	P.G. Orgr
J. H. Hartley 1126	-	P.G. Pure
J. H. Holtaway 1289	-	P.G. Tyle
Bros. J. H. Brookes 295, S. Orme 295, R. Brown 295, W. Harrison 267, G. H. J. Gundry 267, and C. A. Hordern 267.	-	P.G. St

Under the direction of Bro. H. Finch P.G.D.C. flourishes by the Heralds, the Deputy P G. M. Wardens and other Officers were proclaimed and to their rank.

Bro. J. P. Platt P.P.G.J.W. was re-appointed C of Benevolence, the P.G.M. referring to the valu he (Bro. Platt) had rendered during the tim office.

Bro. Lord De Tabley then invested Bros. J. B. and Captain Gilbody with Charity Jewels in recog vices as Stewards at the Masonic Charity Festiva Bros. T. Marwood, T. Chesworth, and H. Bully, v add to the Charity Jewels which they had alr recognition of further services in the same directi

Bro. G. W. Latham P.G.S.W., in pursuance of then moved that the sum of 100 guineas be voted the Provincial Grand Lodge in aid of the Royal for Girls, London, and that the money should be i of the P.G. Lodge. He pointed out that the educ ance of the candidates elected from that Province sum of £120 annually, and he accordingly though would show their appreciation of this fact by una sum he had named. An annual outlay of about £600 to support the candidates from that Province in th stitutions in London—those for old men and wome and girls—and, therefore, he asked for confirmatic not merely as an act of charity, but also as an ac motion was carried by acclamation. The P.G.M endorsed all that had been said on the subject, an brethren generally on the proud position which Cheshire now held with regard to the Masonic Cha

On the motion of Bro. H. Bulley, seconded by Grand Lodge Officer, it was unanimously resolv salary of Bro. H. Griffiths P.G. Secretary, from annum, the increase to date from last September. pressed great satisfaction with the motion which and spoke of the value and increased importan which Bro. Griffiths had now to perform. P.G. Lodge was acknowledged with much fe Secretary.

On the motion of Bro. Lord De Tabley, a cordi was passed to the Rev. E. C. Turner, Vicar of St. Macclesfield, for kindly granting the use of the Ch vice which followed during the afternoon. The announced that he would hold his next annual me and the P.G. Lodge was then closed.

The brethren then formed in procession, and, he Band (under the able leadership of Bro. Dru proceeded through Chestergate to the Old Churc densely thronged in every part, every window hei tators, the ladies evidently being greatly interested The brethren were attired in full Masonic clothiu interesting feature to the spectators was the be Bible on a handsome cushion, supported by Master Gaskell, and Goodwin, sons of members of the Mac

Arrived at the church, the brethren opened out allowed the Prov. G.M. and the P.G. Officers to P.G.M. being preceded by his standard and swo thren following in succession from the rear, thus i of procession. Notwithstanding the unpromisi early morning, it was fortunately fine during the was thus of a very effective character.

The body of the church was reserved for the Ma galleries being filled with general worshippers.

the goodness which the Lord of all had shown to them all their lives. They could not but confess that they had received much from God, and therefore it was their duty to make a sacrifice corresponding to the benefits which they had received. In appealing for help to the institutions (named above) he trusted that they would receive substantial benefit. Of their value they all knew, and much more than he could tell them. The common brotherhood commended the Provincial Fund of Benevolence, and common humanity commended the Infirmary. Both institutions deserved to be placed in a much better position than that they occupied now, for their object was to do the greatest good to the greatest number.

The collection amounted to about £25.

The musical portion of the Church service was under the direction of Bro. Henry Collier P.G.O., assisted by Mrs. Knowles and Bros. Stafford, Pearson, Wilkinson, Booth, and Balfe. Hymn 397 was sung as a processional, and hymn 234 during the collection; the special Psalms were 91 and 92, to the music of Bro. Colonel Wilkinson; and the anthem "Hear my prayer" (Yates).

The brethren proceeded direct from the Church to the Banqueting Hall, which was quite filled, the full accommodation of the large Assembly-room being taxed. There was a special elevated table running the length of the room for the Grand Officers, the brethren being seated at eight tables at right angles to the principal table. Bro. Roberts, of the Angel Hotel was the caterer; and there were upon the tables beautiful flowers contributed by gentlemen of the neighbourhood, and elegant silver ornaments lent by Bro. Harscher, of Mill-street.

In consequence of infirm health, Lord De Tabley had to deny himself the pleasure of remaining to the banquet, and his lordship's place in the chair was occupied by the Hon. Wilbraham Egerton, M.P., the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, who was supported right and left by the Provincial Officers, numbering about 40. Most of the Lodges in the Province were represented at the banquet, though of course it was impossible to provide for the 400 or 500 who attended the Grand Lodge, and many of whom dined at the principal hotels.

The first toast was "Her most Gracious Majesty the Queen," the next "The M.W.G.M. His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and Earl of Chester, Her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, and the rest of the Royal Family," and the third "The Earl of Carnarvon M.W. Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Lathom R.W. Deputy Grand Master, and the Officers of the Grand Lodge, past and present," which were given from the chair, and received and honoured with that thorough enthusiasm and loyalty which has ever been one of the distinguishing features of the Craft. "The Officers of the Grand Lodge" was responded to by Bro. Mellor P.G.D. of England and D.P.G.M. of East Lancashire, and Bro. H. Bulley P.G.S.B. of England and P.P.G.J.W. of Cheshire.

In proposing "The Provincial Grand Master," the Hon. W. Egerton said he wished it had fallen to his lot to propose the toast in his lordship's presence. He was sure they all regretted the absence of his lordship, and heartily sympathised with him in the cause of his absence. He did not know any one among them that would be more heartily pleased to be present than his lordship would, had the state of his health permitted it. They were all pleased to have seen him at the Grand Lodge, and to find that his health was so far recovered, at the same time they could see the exertion it caused him to conduct the business, and he felt sure no one present would wish that his lordship should run any risk by doing more than his energy was equal to. He might, perhaps, say more in his lordship's absence than he could have done had he been present; this he would say, that no one occupying the distinguished position of his lordship, as the head and leader of the Masons of this Province, could be more faithful and considerate in the discharge of a public duty, and better adorn the position, than the Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire. His lordship was much touched by the very warm reception he had met with from the brethren that day, and he wished him especially to mention how much gratified he was at the great interest and kindly spirit shown by the town of Macclesfield in the day's proceedings, and the completeness of the reception accorded to the Grand Lodge. His lordship felt how very warm and cordial was the welcome the people of Macclesfield had given him, and wished him to express his thanks to them publicly for the tasteful decorations of the streets and heartiness of the welcome. The brethren had seen exhibited in the Lodge-room, at the Drill Hall, the likeness of his lordship, which he would just say was a most admirable picture, to be handed down to future generations, of a good Mason and a fine English gentleman. The portrait would be presented to his lordship, at Knutsford, on the 10th November, of which every brother would have due notice.

The toast was drunk with great enthusiasm.

Bro. Dutton next proposed the health of the Hon. W. Egerton, M.P

pianoforte. The Heralds were Bro. T. Batley, Lancashire Hussars, and Bro. G. A. Batley, 18 the Queen's Theatre, Manchester, whose perfo Lodge and at the banquet were very effective.

We may state that the proceedings throu enthusiastic and successful character.

It is intended, we understand, to engrave th trait of Lord de Tabley, which has been subscr ren in the Province, and has been painted by M It was exhibited in the Lodge room, and wa both as a likeness and a picture.

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We shall be obliged if the Secretaries of throughout the Kingdom will favour us Days of Meeting, &c., as we have decided that are verified by the Officers of the sever

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SATURDAY, 1st OCTO

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, a
198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., at 8.
1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall Mare-street, Ha
1572—Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.
1622—Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlic
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regen
206—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwoo
1283—Amherst, King's Arms Hotel, Westerham, Kent
1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newt
1567—Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham

MONDAY, 3rd OCTOB

25—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, B
69—Unity, Inns of Court Hotel, Lincolns Inn Fields
73—Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
144—St. Luke, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
176—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C.,
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W.,
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, a
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruct
1475—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddin
1489—Marquis of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement,
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W
1621—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of
1669—Royal Leopold, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., a
M.M.—Old Kent, Trocadero, Broad Street Buildings, E.

37—Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Church Inst
53—Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street,
61—Probity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halif
119—Sun, Square, and Compasses, Freemasons' Hall, C
133—Harmony, Shin Hotel, Faversham
154—Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefiel
156—Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
236—York, Masonic Hall, York
264—Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
338—Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire
381—Harmony and Industry, Smalley's Hotel, Market s
395—Guy, Crown Hotel, Leamington Priors
404—Three Graces, Private Rooms, Haworth
431—St. George, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street, N. Shield
441—Three Grand Principles, Red Lion Hotel, Petty Cur
467—Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
482—St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Wretham Road, Hanc
597—St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead
613—Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport
622—St. Cuthbergs, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
644—Oakley, Masonic Hall, Church Street, Basingstoke
720—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7 30
923—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruc
950—St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire
1009—Shakspeare, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manc
1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire
1050—Grindulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester
1051—Rowley, Athenæum, Lancaster
1077—Wilton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire
1109—Royal Wharfedale, Private Room, Boroughgate, Ot
1124—St. Oswald, Wynnstay Arms Hotel, Oswestry
1180—Forward, Masonic Rooms, New Hall-street, Birming
1211—Goderich, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street, Leeds
1239—Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1302—De Warren, Masonic Hall, White Swan Hotel, Hali
1307—Skelmersdale, Queen's Hotel, Waterloo, Liverpool
1440—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8 (In
1519—Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, Clayton-le-Moors, nea
1548—Lecglinm, Masonic Hall, Carlton-street, Castleford

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1257—Grosvenor, Freemasons' Hall, Gt. Queen-street, W.C.
1259—Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern, Commercial Road
1298—Royal Standard, Club, Upper-street, Islington
1340—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Surrey Tavern, Kennington Oval
1397—Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate. 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1473—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1663—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow
1686—Samson, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1693—Kingsland, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, Islington
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

70—St. John, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.
117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
120—Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford.
124—Marquis of Granby, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham
126—Silent Temple, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
158—Adams, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness
209—Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor
236—Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough.
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
265—Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
364—Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath.
373—Socrates, George Hotel, High-street, Huntingdon
393—St. David, Masons' Hall, The Parade, Berwick
403—Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester
558—Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone.
634—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Burton-on-Trent
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
685—Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Westgate-road, Newcastle
702—Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, Stroud, Gloucestershire
734—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay.
779—Ferrers and Ivanhoe, Town Hall, Ashby-de-la-Zouch
794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
804—Carnarvon, Mason'c Hall, Havant.
847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon.
897—Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
948—St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard
980—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
986—Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
995—Furness, Masonic Hall, Ulverston.
1002—Skiddaw, Lodge Room, Market-place, Cockermouth.
1134—Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford.
1214—Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Caledonia-road, Batley
1244—Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar.
1310—Harrow, King's Head, Harrow.
1312—Waverley, Caledonia Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne.
1336—Square and Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham.
1473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6. (Instruction.)
1488—St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amlwch, Anglesea
1567—St. Giles, Royal Oak Hotel, Cheadle
1750—Coleridge, Sandringham House, Clevedon.
R.A. 203—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
R.A. 296—Loyalty, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
R.A. 600—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
M.M. 11—Joppa, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead.
M.M. 69—United Service, Assembly Rooms, Brompton, Chatham.
M.M. 115—Bedford, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
M.M. 161—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool

WEDNESDAY, 5th OCTOBER.

193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
228—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
511—Zetland, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
539—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, D an Street, Oxford St. at 8 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E., at 7.30 (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
861—Whittington, Red Lion Passin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7, (Instruction)
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
1288—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1491—Athenæum, Athenæum, Camden Road, N.
1534—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
1585—Royal Commemoration, Fox and Hounds Hotel, Upp. Richmond-rd., S.W.
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, March Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1687—The Rothesay, Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's Inn Fields
1766—St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoreditch
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st. at 8 (Instruction)
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham.
86—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Preseot, Lancashire
125—Prince Edwin, White Hart Hotel, Hythe, Kent
128—Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bolton-street, Bury, Lancashire
258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall Hockmondwike
277—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
298—Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street, Rochdale
326—Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol
337—Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton

1354—Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh, Lancashire
1366—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at
1363—Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Gloucester
1431—St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
1479—Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)
1549—Abercorn, Abercorn Hotel, Great Stanmore.
1620—Marlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Brook, Liverpool
1645—Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Slaithwaite
1797—Southdown, Hurstpierpoint, Sussex
R.A. 300—Perseverance, Pitt and Nelson Hotel, Ashton-under-
R.A. 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, St George-street, L
R.A. 477—Fidelity, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead
M.M. 36—Furness, Hartington Hotel, Duke-street, Barrow-in

THURSDAY, 6th OCTOBER

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq.,
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30
27—Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E C.,
45—Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons'-avenue,
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8
192—Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
211—St Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., at
227—Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W.
538—La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney
743—Crystal Palace, Crystal Palace, Sydenham
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Leicester-
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1178—Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (I
1351—St. Clement Danes, Fleet Street
1426—The Great City, Masons Hall, Masons Avenue E.C., at
1539—Surrey Masonic Hall, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwe
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Gar
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6
1681—Londesborough, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
1765—Trinity College, 61 Weymouth Street
1772—Pimlico, Morpeth Arms Tavern, Millbank
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N
M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Bell Hotel, Shoreditch. (Ins

34—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., N
31—United Industrious, Masonic Room, Canterbury
38—Union, Council Chamber, Chichester
41—Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street,
50—Knights of Malta, George Hotel, Hinckley, Leicestersh
116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne
123—Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorkshire
208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Dewsbury
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
254—Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry
266—Napthali, Masonic Hall, Market-place, Heywood
269—Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
283—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place, Haslingden
289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
294—Constitutional, Assembly Rooms, Beverley, Yorks
295—Combermere Union, Macclesfield Arms, Macclesfield
300—Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne
309—Harmony, Red Lion, Fareham
317—Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchest
337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddlewor
344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
346—United Brethren, Royal Oak Inn, Clayton-le-Dale, nea
360—Pomert, Abington Street, Northampton.
389—Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Clither
419—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel Wolverhampton.
425—Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester.
446—Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire.
456—Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
462—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
509—Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham.
636—D'Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
637—Portland, Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Tr
659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blyth
792—Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Bullring-lane, Great Gri
816—Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Wardle, near Rochdale
974—Pentalpha, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradfor
1012—Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire.
1074—Underley, Masonic Room, Market-place, Kirkby Lons
1125—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Tiverton, Devon
1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall.
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool,
1231—Savile, Royal Hotel, Elland
1282—Ancholme, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire, at 7.
1284—Brent, Globe Hotel, Topsham, Devonshire
1304—Olive Union, Masonic Hall, Hor castle, Lincolnshire
1367—Beaminster Manor, White Hart Hotel, Beaminster
1384—Equity, Alforde Chambers, Widnes
1473—Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lancashire
1500—Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
1514—Red Rose of Lancaster, Starkie's Arms Hotel, Padiha
1513—Friendly, King's Head Hotel, Barnsley
1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
1590—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8.
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Ins
1639—Watling-street, Cock Hotel, Stoney Stratford, Bucks
1807—Loyal Wye, Builth, Breconshire
R.A. 429—Thanet, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
R.A. 541—Rectitude, Corporation Hotel, Tipping-st., Ardwick

306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
375—Lambton, Lambton Arms, Chester-le-street, Durham
401—Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn
404—Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford
442—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Peterborough
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
460—Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.
539—St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall.
574—Loyal Berkshire of Hope, White Hart Hotel, Newbury
601—St. John, Wrekin Hotel, Wellington, Salop
652—Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth
680—Sefton, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
706—Florence Nightingale, Masonic Hall, William Street, Woolwich
709—Invicta, Bank-street Hall, Ashford
837—De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
839—Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester
998—Welchpool, Railway Station, Welchpool
1034—Ecclesbill, Freemasons' Hall, Ecclesbill
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1143—Royal Denbigh, Council Room, Denbigh
1328—Athelstan, Town Hall Atherstone, Warwick.
1387—Chorlton, Masonic Room, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1528—Fort Masonic Hall, Newquay, Cornwall.
1557—Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham.
1561—Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Edward-street, Morecambe, Lancashire.
1648—Prince of Wales, Free masons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1664—Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, High street, Gosforth.
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5

SATURDAY, 8th OCTOBER.

Quarterly General Court, Girls' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 12
176—Caveac, Albion, Aldersgate Street
198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
1426—The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel
1612—West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing
1624—Pocklington, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
1671—Mizpah, Albion Hotel, Aldersgate-street
1685—Guelph, Red Lion, Leytonstone
1743—Perseverance, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct.
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.

149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham.
1361—United Service, Greyhound, Richmond
1391—Commercial, Freemasons Hall, Leicester
1415—Campbell, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court

INSTALLATION MEETINGS, &c.

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WILLIAM PRESTON LODGE, No. 766.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge was held on Thursday, 22nd ult., at the Cannon-street Hotel, under the presidency of Bro. Ebenezer Kidman Worshipful Master. There were also present during the meeting Bros. W. Drake S.W., W. F. Smart J.W., W. Jerrett Miller P.M. Treasurer, W. Worrell P.M. Secretary, W. J. Collins S.D., J. K. Williams I.G., C. R. Cutmore, G. Newman, J. Pringle, and other P.M.'s. The Visitors were Bros.- J. W. Baldwin P.M., G. Lambert S W. 720, S. Hollidge Treasurer 1602 E. Johns 1287, G C. Jenkin 72, R. J. Leaman 1707, W. W. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, T. Hewit 150 (S.C.), H. Cooper 172, J. Pickett 526, Seymour Smith 742, &c. The Lodge having been opened and the minutes confirmed, it was advanced, and Bros. G. F. Edwards and T. C. Yates were raised. Bros. R. Clay, W. Shoobert and E. Brooks next received the second degree; and then Mr. John Ward was balloted for and initiated. Bro. W. J. Marshall of 1044 was also accepted as a member of the Lodge. The election of W.M., Treasurer, Tyler, and Audit Committee was the next business before the Lodge. Bro. Smart J.W. being chosen for the office of W.M. The S.W. of this Lodge is at the present time in the chair of another Lodge, and therefore being unable to fulfil the office it became necessary to depart from the usual course adopted by the William Preston Lodge of electing the S.W. to the chair; but it is anticipated he will be chosen at the next election. Bro. Miller was unanimously re-elected as Treasurer, and a similar result followed with regard to the Tyler Five brethren were elected to assist the Officers of the Lodge in the Audit. The case of a late brother of the Lodge, who is now in very distressed circumstances, was next brought before the members, and a sum of £10 was unanimously voted from the Benevolent Fund of the Lodge on his behalf. It was proposed by Bro. Worrell, and ultimately carried, that a P.M.'s jewel should be provided from the Lodge Funds for Bro. Kidman, on his retirement from the chair. Nothing further offering, the W.M. closed the Lodge, and the brethren proceeded to banquet, at which ladies also were present. I

the proposal of Bro. Worrell had been glad it had been decided to invite th occasion, as he felt their presence was lik opinion of Freemasonry, and whenever th good to the Order must follow. He then Initiate, who in a few well chosen words ment. To the toast of the Visitors Bro Smith replied. Both of them congratulate generally on the success which had attend the usual run of Masonic gatherings. E replied to the toast with which their names the Treasurer, Secretary, and W.M. elect Miller proposed the health of the Ladies, Williams acknowledged the toast. The Of been given from the chair, and acknowle concluding toast. During the evening a ch was gone through, under the direction of and Secretary, the programme being as fol

		National Anthem.	Solo—M
Song	-	-	"Kathleen Mavourneen
Sketch	-	"A quiet night in the Count	
Song	-	-	"The Wicket Gate"
Duet	-	"Oh, wert thou in the cauld	Madam
Piano Solo	-	-	- "Sylphide"
Trio	-	-	"The Troubadour" Madame Worrell, Mi
Song	-	-	- "Some Day"
Sketch	-	-	- "Home, Sweet Home
Song	-	-	- "The road to the Fa
Glee	-	-	- "Sleep, Gentle Lady

One of the guests also favoured the com was deservedly encored.

ROYAL ALFRED LODGE

THE Installation Meeting of this prospe place on Friday, 23rd ult., was one o have ever attended. The hospitality dispen all occasions that the Lodge meets has a tend ings numerically strong; moreover, the L roll, and very rarely do those Craftsmen w their special home miss an opportunity of a its W.M. The brethren, as usual, assemble on the summons, at which hour Bro. B. E the Lodge. He was assisted by the followi Beasley, Littlewood, W. Goss (Treasurer), W. Gomm, W. Gardiner, C. May. Among J. Tickle P.P.G.R. Middlesex, C. Andrews P 1612, W. Fisher P.M 834, W. Gayton 174, E Tucker Treas. 1612, Phillips 1612, H. Dobby The first business of the day was the reading meeting, which were unanimously confir being duly observed, Bros. John P. Flew ar raised to the sublime degree, Brother ceremony in a very creditable manner. Th passing, but he was unavoidably absent. T S. Costelow) was then introduced, and he too In regular course a Board of Installed Mast brethren who had withdrawn temporarily W.M. was saluted in the three degrees, and h as his Officers for the ensuing year:—L. Fra J.W., Wm. Gomm P M. Treas., W. Hilton P. S.D., J. G. Le Grys J.D., R. Gifford I.G., Tarli C. Maton A.D.C., A. Kent Org., Gilbert P.G. Bro. Blasby then delivered the customary Wardens and Brethren, and took his seat as vratulations on his thus having successfull duties. Earlier in the day the ballot had be tion for Mr. John Fewkes, who had been Gardiner, and seconded by Bro. Atlee. Th and the gentleman now being in attendance, initiated into the mysteries of Freemasonry lowed, several matters of interest were con solved that a testimonial should be present Hilton, who now for over ten years has most c

effectively, "The Bellringer;" he was accompanied by Brother E. H. Sugg, who throughout the evening rendered goodly assistance by his brilliant accompaniments. In replying, the Worshipful Master thanked the I.P.M. for the way the toast had been proposed, and the brethren for the way they had received it. He should strive manfully to carry out the duties, but he felt somewhat inadequate to their proper fulfilment. However, he knew he could count on the support of the Past Masters, whom he assured he should at all times rely upon for their assistance. The next toast was the health of the I.P.M., who was congratulated by the W.M. in having served a very prosperous year. He (Bro. Costelow) had pleasure in presenting the P.M.'s jewel of the Lodge, which had been voted unanimously to Bro. Blasby, who he trusted would live many years to wear it. Bro. Lucas here gave, in splendid style, the "Death of Nelson." Bro. Blasby thanked all most sincerely for the way they had received the toast. It had afforded him great pleasure to fill the chair of the Lodge. Five years ago he never anticipated he should arrive at so exalted a position in the Craft. He sincerely thanked the members for the P.M.'s jewel they had so unanimously voted him. The Past Masters of the Lodge were complimented by the W.M., who spoke in terms of praise of the way each had fulfilled his duties. Suitable replies were made by Bros. Littlewood, Beasley, Gardiner, Goss, and May. The toast of the Initiate was next given, and after the E.A. song, which was given by Bro. Gilbert, Bro. Fewkes acknowledged the honour done him. In proposing the health of the Visitors the W.M., in the name of the Lodge, gave each and all a hearty welcome. Most of those enumerated above addressed a few words in reply, congratulating the Lodge on the success of the meeting, and heartily thanking the W.M. for his kindness. The health of Bro. Gomm P.M. (Treasurer) and Bro. Hilton (Secretary) was then proposed; and a warm eulogium was passed upon the late Treasurer, Bro. P.M. Goss, for the way he had transacted the business of his office during the last three years. This toast brought suitable responses, and then the Officers were complimented. This latter toast was fully acknowledged, and next the Tyler was summoned. The evening's programme was agreeably diversified by the efforts of the musical brethren, who were well to the fore, Bros. Lucas and F. Botley especially distinguishing themselves. The latter, in addition to what we have already noticed, gave a capital rendering of the "Toréador" from "Carmen;" while the ever popular "Maid of Athens," by Bro. Lucas, was much applauded. Before concluding our report we must say a word of praise for Bro. Stockwell, who ably carried out the duties devolving upon him.

ATLINGWORTH LODGE, No. 1821.

THE annual installation meeting of this Lodge took place at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on Friday, 23rd ult., under the presidency of Bro. W. G. Martin W.M. of the Lodge. There was a very large attendence, including the R.W. Brother Sir W. W. Burrell, Bart, M.P., Provincial Grand Master of Sussex, the Worshipful Bro. J. H. Scott Jun. Grand Deacon of England and Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Sussex, Brothers W. R. Wood G.A.P., V. P. Freeman P.G.S., W. Roe P.G. Organist, J. Eborall P.P.G.P. 315, C. J. Smith P.J.G.W. W.M. Burrell Lodge, B. Bennett P.M. 732, J. F. Capon P.M. 732, Davey P.M. 732, J. M. Kidd P.M. 732, Martin P.M. 732, W. Smith P.M. 732, R. Legg P.M. 732, C. Sandeman P.M. 315, J. Curtis P.M. 315 and 1798 P.G. Steward Sussex, T. Packham P.M. 315, C. Wren P.M. 315, W. T. Neil P.M. 315, George Nash W.M. 315, Dr. Hauxwell W.M. 732, Dowell W.M. 1797, Hawkes W.M. 1636, Rev. J. H. Cross, F. Daniels 732, T. Billing 732, W. H. Gibson 1636, H. Evans 1636, G. Cole 1636, J. Large, E. Broadbridge 1636, G. R. Godfree 315, A. Crook 315, S. Burrows 811, J. H. Ross 811, W. H. Cockburn, W. Hodson, L. Jefferis 720, E. H. Bramley 957, G. Pike P.M. 245 Dublin, E. Burfield 567, W. Holland 315, Fenner 1636, C. J. Hampden P.M. 120, W. Skindle W.M. 851, J. Norman 1797, W. Smithers 1636, F. Fatcher P.M. 586 1112 Hants and Isle of Wight, Thomas S. Byass Worshipful Master 1461, Fitch Worshipful Master 1797, Holman, J. Large, T. A. Goodman, J. H. Stephens 1636. The ordinary Lodge business having been transacted, the W. Master requested Bro. J. H. Scott to perform the ceremony of installation, which he did in a very effective manner towards Bro. G. S. Godfree, who had been chosen by the brethren at the previous Lodge meeting as the new Master. The ceremony ended, the newly-installed Master invested his Officers for the year as follows:—Bros. W. Newsome S.W., S. Peters J.W., Rev. W. A. Tooth Chaplain. Geo. Smith Treasurer, B. Burfield Secretary, J. B. Hannay S.D., R. Allison J.D., T. Berry Dir. of Cer., W. A. Woodhead Org., R. being able to attend the Installation ceremony. The W.M. was proposed by Bro. H. G. Martin I.P.M. The W ing, dwelt upon the position he had so quickly risen partly through the loss the Lodge had sustained of t —the first Master in four months, and the first in five months from the opening of the Lodge he might be able to do the duties to the all; and that he might be able to hand over the Wa cessor unsullied. To the toast of the P.M.'s, Bro briefly replied; he was sorry he had been compelled some of the meetings through his health, which wa winter months. In speaking to the Visitors, the W see such a large number, and hoped he might have seeing many of them again. Bro. F. Fatcher, in repl the brethren on the working of the Lodge. Bro T. Packham replied. The remaining toasts compri of the Lodge. The Senior and Junior Wardens, an and Secretary respectively replied. The whole con Tyler's toast. Bro. Roe Prov. Grand Organist kindl pianoforte, and very excellent songs were given by Broadbridge, Large, Harry Evans, and others. B newly-elected W.M. conducted the proceedings of manner which gives every confidence that the wo under his direction will be most efficiently carried ou

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Eboracum Lodge, No. 1611.—The regular Lodge, was held on Monday, the 12th September, Seller the W.M. presided, supported by Bros. J. S. C G. Balmford P.M., and most of the Officers, wi brethren. The appointment of Lodge Auditors w business, after which Bro. T. Humphries, Assistant sented to the Lodge a very curious brown-ware bo the shape of a heavy setting maul, and covered with in high relief. Bro. Humphries gave an account c this curiosity, which had been in the hands of its three generations. A cordial vote of thanks w Humphries for his valuable gift, as also to Bro. P.M., for a gift of several Masonic books to the Lod is now assuming large dimensions. Subsequently, ing for refreshments, Bros. Whytehead and C reference to the late Masonic gathering in York, a Masons of York had every reason to congratulate t success which had attended the British Assoc Already the effect had been made manifest by the n odds and ends which had been brought to light by them, and who had previously regarded them as c although the proposal for the establishment of a Ma York did not seem to be at all practicable or fea quite possible that on some future occasion an oppo offered for another exhibition of loan objects, and carried out there could be no doubt that the beautif display of the 5th September might be easily quad toasts were honoured during the evening, and th I.P.M. Bro. C. G. Padel, through illness, was th regret. A happy and social evening closed at 11 p

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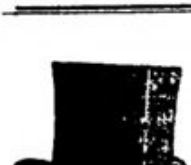
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HONORARY LIFE GOVERNORS OF THE CHARITIES.

THE desirability of more liberally offering the rank of Honorary Life Governor of the Masonic Institutions to brethren and others who may exert themselves in securing subscriptions and donations for their benefit is a subject which has received a great amount of attention from time to time, and, judging from the notices of motion given in connection with the Quarterly General Courts of the two Schools, which take place to-day and Monday respectively, some further discussion, and, we anticipate, extension of privilege, is likely to take place. During the past few years a great number of Associations have been formed, principally in connection with London Lodges of Instruction, whose members each subscribe small weekly amounts, with the object of eventually becoming Life Governors of one or all of the Institutions, and so numerous and successful have these Associations become, that it must be admitted they now play no inconsiderable part towards providing the amounts annually subscribed by London brethren at the three Festivals. It is of course necessary that each of these Associations should have governing bodies—Secretary, Treasurer, and so forth—and when we bear in mind that it takes upwards of four years to bring one of the terminable Associations (which is the more general form) to a close, that meetings have to be held each month, and that it not unfrequently happens there are upwards of a hundred accounts to keep, it will be seen there is a large amount of work attached to their management, and it is but natural that brethren who devote their time and services are worthy of some recognition. It is now proposed by Bro. Arthur E. Gladwell, both in the case of the Girls' and the Boys' Institutions, that the Secretary for the time being of those Associations which have paid to the Institution a sum of not less than one hundred guineas shall, upon proof, be entitled to the honorary rank of a Life Governor and to all the privileges of the same, and it is this proposition which will require attention at the Quarterly General Courts.

One of the first objections which strike us in connection with this proposal of Bro. Gladwell is, the narrow limit within which he proposes to confine his recognition. So far as we know, there is very little choice between the work of a Secretary and that of a Treasurer to one of these Associations. It may really be said that between them these two Officers conduct the Association each, in our opinion having an equal share of the work. Therefore it is invidious to confer an honour on the one and not on the other It may be argued that were the proposal extended so as to remove this distinction, that the number of honorary Life Governors would soon become inconveniently large; but there is a way of obviating that, if it were decided it was not good policy to encourage it. We will assume it is admitted that the rank and privileges of Life Governor are a suitable recognition to confer on the Officers of those Associations whose donations reach £100, then we would propose that the honour be divided between the Treasurer and the Secretary, and that instead of one becoming entitled to the rank of Life Governor each should be made Honorary Life Subscribers for the first £100, and o second £100, then their qualification sh Life Governors. In considering this m borne in mind that the titles of Life Su Governor would be in most instances re it would be very seldom that brethren wh to them had not already qualified themse to be expected that those who are contin the Institutions will themselves remain c of subscribers; it therefore follows that the rank that is conferred, as it is the privileges attached to it, and therefore w in dividing the honours as proposed.

So far the proposal deals only with the the honour conferred attaching to a mem as he remains in the office of Secretary, a likely any brother would care to bind hi office for the whole of his lifetime, it beco offer some reward of a personal character well proposes to effect by conferring on any Association which has paid to the his Secretaryship a sum of not less tha Guineas, upon his retiring from such offic ciation ceasing to exist, the rank and pr Governor in his own right. The same ob this case, as regards the Treasurer, as one, and we think the brethren will do this part of the subject before deciding other.

It becomes necessary to consider w alterations, if adopted, will have on posal of the funds of these Associatio the proposition is before the subscrib Schools only, and should they decide on will become necessary for the Benevole its own protection, to follow a similar co the case, we might have preferred th have been discussed by a committee co sentatives of the three Institutions, or, some united action should have been t that the issue should be made special in not very likely that one of the Institu end stand out in opposition to the other possibility of differences arising, and thes not be possible if some understandin beforehand. Then, again, the Secretary which has contributed largely to, let School, might use his endeavours to majority of the future monies should also he might be entitled to the honorary vote only be done to the detriment of the ot tions. We therefore think that some un part of the three Institutions would ha all, although it might be that what is lo may be gained in another.

It will, doubtless, be urged by many adoption of these proposals will materiall ber of votes issued, and thereby render ing the election of a candidate even mo is at the present time. In answer to t would say that it is not at all likely t

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after the first £100 has been recognised; surely if it is worth while to give two votes for the first £100, it is also good policy to give two for the next £100, or one for each £50. But these are matters which we believe will be discussed at the meetings. We can only now hastily refer to them, the time during which the subject has been officially notified to the Craft being so short. We have on previous occasions pointed out the inconvenience of the rules in this respect, and think the discussion of such subjects as the present clearly show that some further notice might advantageously be arranged.

SCOTCH AND IRISH MASONRY IN THE COLONIES.

IN the course of certain articles on the subject of Freemasonry in the British Colonies and Dependencies, we have more than once referred to the existence in them of many Scotch and Irish Lodges, and it must be obvious to our readers that the picture of British Freemasonry abroad must be incomplete without some sort of numerical sketch of the Lodges holding under the sister jurisdictions of Scotland and Ireland.

As far as we can make out from the scanty materials at our command there are some 171 Lodges in Colonial and foreign parts which have been warranted by the Grand Lodge of Scotland. These, like our own, will be found scattered everywhere over the face of the globe, a large proportion being at the Antipodes, where English, Irish, and Scotch Freemasonry would seem to flourish amazingly, even like the green bay tree of the Psalmist. These 171 Lodges are distributed among fifteen Provinces, of which we find from Bro. Kenning's Cosmo that Hindustan heads the list. The number of Lodges in this Province is seemingly twenty-five, of which eight have been consituted since 1872. Bombay and Calcutta are favourite abodes of the Scottish Craft. There are four Lodges constituting the Prov. Grand Lodge of Trinidad, and some nine Lodges—those in Jamaica being excepted—in the West Indies, in which there would appear to be three Provincial Grand Lodges, namely, those of Bahamas, Bermudas, and West Indies. Jamaica musters as many as nine Lodges. South America seems to be highly favoured by Scotch Masons, at all events, we can make out a round dozen Lodges in the Republic of Peru, most of which are located at Lima and Callao, and there are also Lodges in Chili and Columbia. China has four Lodges, and Japan two, while Aden, Beyrout in Syria, Greytown, Central America, Newfoundland, and other parts have one or more Lodges which acknowledge the supremacy of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

We have already said that one of the great strongholds of Scottish Freemasonry is the Antipodes, in proof of which we may mention that the Australian Colony of Victoria has some half score of Lodges on the roll of its Provincial Grand Lodge, New South Wales some twenty-five, and Queensland and South Australia four each. In New Zealand, the Craft is even more strongly represented, as there are over thirty Lodges constituting two Provincial Grand Lodges. There are some four Lodges at the Cape of Good Hope, but without any Provincial organisation, and till lately there were a few Lodges in Montreal, but

Colonial Lodges to the 495 on the roll of England, we have a grand total round figures say 750 Lodges, which three Grand Lodges of the United Kin remarked that the increase in the num during the last ten years has been, in p than in English Masonry, while the ac Colonial Lodges have been but few in

OUR BROTHER IS

FROM THE "KEYSTON

OUR Country and our Craft are together—our Brother—the Pre States, is dead. The habiliments of where, betokening unfamiliar grief. greatest man who has occupied the Pr Jefferson—one who was at once a state a man of letters—is now no more. mourn a Brother, a Companion, and cerely loved our Fraternity, and illust sublime principles which it inculcates. last—we write on Tuesday. Everyw pended, and the rulers of the civilized dole with the American nation.

President Garfield was both a gre man, and no less good than great. lover and humble worshipper of the the Universe. He acted nobly here, to live hereafter. Life was his sch graduation to the higher life. Now Grand Overseer's examination, his wo he has received the white stone. Bro. the sagest philosopher America has p "I look upon death to be as necessary as sleep. We shall rise refreshed in th refreshed must Brother Garfield b days of continuous, poignant, and suffering! Now there is for him no m or mind, no more death. He enjoys sphere,

> "The rest from all fever, the peace
> The one antidote certain for life's

He is happy; but the American natic account of his loss. Had he died an grief would be less poignant; but he v man who was without a personal enem much to say, the best man in the natio nation's head, was stricken down by Expecting his death on the first day buried in his body, on the eightieth hoped for his continued life. Hence, a prisoners of hope, his death was most almost dumb with grief. Sévigné sai great minister of State: "I am so cast of the sudden death of M. de Louvo where to begin to speak of it. Behold minister, this mighty man, who occupi who was the central point of so m affairs, what plans, what projects he ha God, allow me a little time! No, was not have one single moment!" And field.

to his memory that it will not gladly pay. While he was living his last days, and journeying through the valley of the shadow of death, it testified again and again, by resolutions of sincere sympathy for himself and his noble wife, the feeling that everywhere permeates the Brotherhood, and now that he is dead, it will pay the last sad tribute of fraternal respect to his memory. The bereaved widow and children of our late Brother have no sincerer friends than Freemasons in this country. The American nation mourns the loss of its most conspicuous and powerful citizen and ruler; but MASONRY AROUND THE GLOBE MOURNS THE DEATH OF BROTHER JAMES A. GARFIELD. His pure life availed not to save him; a people's prayers are answered not as they wished—nevertheless we bow in humble submission to the Divine decree, convinced that the Grand Master of the Universe hath done, and will do, all things well. The nation has been unified, and realizes, as it never did before, the brotherhood of man. The Masonic Brotherhood, and the nation's brotherhood have mingled their prayers, and now mingle their tears. May it be ours to receive "the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness."

THE LATE BRO. HUGH SAUNDERS.

THE funeral of the late Bro. Hugh Saunders, P.M. and many years Treasurer of the Royal York Lodge, No. 315, Brighton—of Eastfield Lodge, Keymer, and North Street, Brighton—took place on Tuesday, at the Parish Church, Keymer. It is seldom as spontaneous a demonstration of esteem is shown as was the case on this occasion. The attendance at the grave side was one of the largest ever known in the district, it being estimated that upwards of 500 persons were assembled to pay the last sad tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased. Of this number a large part were members of the Masonic Brotherhood, the Royal York Lodge being very largely represented, as also were most of the other Lodges of the district. After the body had been lowered to its last resting place, the Freemasons present threw into the vault sprigs of acacia, while Bro. George Nash (W.M. of No. 315) placed a beautiful wreath upon the coffin, in the name of the Lodge.

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts met in Quarterly Communication on 14th September, and transacted quite an amount of business. A complaint was made by the W.M. of Grecian Lodge, Lawrence, against a resident of that city, for being made clandestinely; referred to a committee. A charter was granted to forty-one petitioners for Granite Lodge, heretofore U.D. in Northbridge. The time for commutation of the capitation tax, by the payment of nine dollars for each member, was extended to 25th November 1881. Further time was given in the case of Plymouth Lodge against Corner-Stone Lodge. In the case of Brother George T. Weyer, against Adamus Lodge, of Wellfleet, it was found that the Lodge had discharged the complainant irregularly, and the complaint was sustained. The death of Bro. Daniel Reynolds, Junior Grand Warden in 1862, was announced, and a committee was appointed to present resolutions. Voted, to present a copy of "Digest of Masonic Law" to each Lodge in the Jurisdiction, inscribed "Presented by the Grand Lodge," to be present at all meetings of the Lodge. The Grand Master of the District of Columbia, N. D. Lawrence, was received with the usual honours.

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The minutes of the Provincial Grand Chapter, he the 11th April 1878, were read and confirmed, a Grand Treasurer's report, showing a balance of £ ceived. The Grand Superintendent then elected ensuing year, as follows:—

Comp.	E. T. Carlyon	Second Princi
	C. Truscott	Third
	E. D. Anderton	Scribe E.
	R. John	Scribe N.
	Emra Holmes	Principal Sojo
	W. Guy	First Assistan
	J. H. Levin	Second Assist
	Rev. F. B. Paul	Chaplain
	J. F. Childs	Registrar
	W. Rowe	Sword Bearer
	S. Mitchell	Director of Ce
	W. P. Smith	Organist
	T. J. Smith	Steward
	H. Pole	"
	W. Nettle	"
	N. Mason	"
	W. Rooks	Janitor

The Committee, consisting of Companions E. Stephens, and W. Tweedy, were reappointed for p sary jewels and clothing for the Prov. Grand Cha gested that the Prov. Grand Chapter in future s eastern division of the county when the Prov. G the western division, and *vice versa*, and that t Chapter should be held in the spring of the year— Whitsuntide—and the Prov. Grand Lodge in the a Grand Superintendent accepted these suggesti should have great pleasure in considering them. were afterwards entertained at a banquet.—*Weste*

ST. MARTIN LE GRAND CHAPTE

A MEETING of this Chapter was held at the Gresham-street, on Tuesday, 4th October, bei meeting. The following members of the Chapt Comps. Dr. Ralph Goodinge M.E.Z., Pritchard Gregory J., Past Principal Major Williams Treasu F. B. Williams Scribe E., Moffatt N., Parkes P.S. 1st and 2nd Assistants, Hatch and Garland Stews General Roddey, and other Companions. The Ch with the presence of Comp. Gould Past Grand distinguished Visitors, and Comps. Rawson P.C Kipps, Honorary Members of the Chapter, were Mumford, of the St. Martin Le Grand Lodge 153 ance, was duly exalted into Royal Arch Masonry whom, as well as by the Officers of the Chapter, very perfectly performed, after which Comp Gregory, and Moffatt were installed into th by the Immediate Past First Principal, Dr. The M.E.Z. then invested his several Officers no further business, the Chapter was duly clos panions adjourned to a very complete banquet, sidency of the M.E.Z. Companion A. J. Pritcha toasts were proposed, and duly honoured, by the response to the toast of the Grand Officers, Comp Gould responded, and in the course of their obse mony to the able way in which the work of the conducted, and referred to the ceremony of installa of a character rarely equalled in all their experie mainder of the toasts usual on such occasions posed, the Companions separated. It was announ that a Bro. and P.M. of one of the oldest Lodges exaltation at the next Chapter, when the Compa pleasure of hearing and appreciating the working

The ceremony of Installation will be Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, No. next, 10th October, at the Moorgate, 15

ROTHESAY LODGE, No. 1687.

THE annual installation meeting of this Lodge was held on Wednesday, at the Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's-inn-fields, on which occasion Bro. James Crossland was installed as W.M. The meeting was well attended, both by members of the Lodge and Visitors. Among the latter being Bros C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P., G. P. Festa S.W. 1900, E. Farwig P.M. 180, J. E. Shand W.M. 1563, W. Marsted 180, C. R. Ellis S.W. 809, F. Foss 26, W. W. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, E. J. Scott P.M. 749, F. Hill 1563, De Leliva 1426, &c. The business before the Lodge consisted of the election of Bro. Austin, who offered himself as a candidate for joining, and the installation of W.M. A Lodge of emergency had been held the previous week, for the purpose of initiating and advancing the several candidates eligible. The Lodge was formally opened with the regular formalities by Bro. J. B. Docker W.M., who was supported by Bro. James Crossland S.W., E. Duret J.W., Louis Beck P.M. Treasurer, W. C. Parsons P.M. Secretary, E. W. Livermore S.D., F. Green J.D., E. Valeriani I.G., J. Berrow Organist, B. Swallow P.M. Steward. Lodge having been advanced, Bro. Crossland was presented, obligated and duly installed into the chair by Bro. Docker, who performed the ceremony in a manner reflecting the greatest credit on his ability, for, notwithstanding the fact of his being a foreigner, he went through the ritual far better than do the majority of English-born Masters. The newly-installed Master having been saluted, invested the following as the Officers of the year :—Bros. Duret S.W., Livermore J.W., Beck Treasurer, Parsons Secretary, Green S.D., Valeriani J.D., Green jun. I.G., Swallow Steward. Lodge was then closed, and the brethren proceeded to banquet where, under the presidency of the W.M., a very enjoyable evening was spent. At the conclusion of the banquet grace was said, and then the Worshipful Master proposed the toast of the Queen, referring to the kindly sympathy displayed by Her Majesty towards the widow of the late Brother President Garfield, which had created a most favourable impression in the minds of the American people, and which would, he thought, tend to materially increase the good feeling between the two countries. The toast of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master His Royal Highness the Duke of Rothesay was, the W.M. said, one intimately associated with their Lodge, as the members of it were greatly indebted to His Royal Highness for having sanctioned the use of his title and arms in connection with it. The next toast was that of the Grand Officers, to whom the W.M. considered English Freemasonry owed much of its success; he looked upon it that the prosperity of any institution materially depended on the skill and ability of those placed at the head of affairs, and such being the case, it was only necessary to look at the present condition of Masonry to form a good opinion of the Grand Officers. He referred with pleasure to the presence of one distinguished member of Grand Lodge among them—Bro. Cottebrune had many years since won for himself the position of G. Pursuivant, and ever since that time had acted in the Craft in a manner which clearly showed his was not an undeserved compliment. Brother Cottebrune replied, thanking the Master and brethren for the reception accorded him. He was pleased to have seen the W.M. placed in the chair of the Lodge, for as he had, many years since, initiated him into Freemasonry, he considered he had that night witnessed the completion of the work he had so long ago commenced. He felt that no Past Master could witness the installation of one of his own initiates without feeling some amount of pride and satisfaction. Bro. Docker now assumed the gavel. He had great pleasure in proposing the health of the Master. He felt there was no need to remind the members of the Lodge that Bro. Crossland, as one of the founders of the Lodge, had contributed greatly to its present successful condition. He had entered as J.D., and had filled the several offices upwards, until he had now attained the summit of a Mason's ambition. He was satisfied, from past experience of what Bro. Crossland had done, that he would be an efficient ruler of the Lodge, and concluded by expressing the pleasure he felt in having that night installed him. The W.M. tendered his hearty thanks for the way in which the toast had been offered and received. He was gratified to hear that his efforts in the minor offices which he had filled had met with approval, and trusted that the brethren would never regret the further confidence reposed in him. He then proposed thehealth of the I.P.M., J. B Docker, paying that brother a well deserved compliment regarding his working during the past year. He had also the pleasure of presenting, for his acceptance, a Past Master's jewel, as some small recognition by the brethren of the way in which the duties of the chair had been carried out, and in placing it on the breast of Bro. Docker he might say he felt there were few men in this world who deserved

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KINGSLAND LODGE,

THE members of this Lodge held their
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Thompson I.G., W. Gurson Steward, J.
Herts, and E. Bowyer P.P.G.S.W. Herts, H
also a large attendance of lay members,
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is due to the W.M. for the ability he displa
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Master Mason. Bro. C. J. Brampton wa
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ated. Bro. A. W. Fenner the W.M. elec
ligated, and a Board of Installed Masters h
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the pleasure he felt in proposing it. It was one that only occurred once a year, being that of the Installing Master. Bro. Hawkins had not only fulfilled his duties in the Lodge during the past year most satisfactorily, but had concluded his Mastership in a blaze of triumph by working each of the three degrees on the night of his retirement, and then finishing up by installing his successor, and he had done all this in really splendid manner. The W.M. felt that Bro. Hawkins had well earned the P.M.'s jewel, which the brethren had decided on presenting to him, and he had great pleasure in placing it on his breast. In doing so, he felt he was but expressing the wish of every brother present when he said he hoped Bro. Hawkins might have health to wear it for many years to come as a memento of that evening, and of the year he had spent as W.M. of the Kingsland Lodge. Bro. Hawkins felt it was a matter of impossibility for him adequately to thank the members for the way in which they had received the toast just given them by the W.M., as well as for the great kindness they had shown to him during the past year, more particularly that evening, when he had received at the hands of the W.M. the jewel he now wore. He should at all times look upon it as the most gratifying decoration he could aspire to in Freemasonry. He assured the brethren one and all he felt very highly their kindness, and he trusted he might long remain a member of the Lodge, for which he should at all times do everything that lay in his power. The W.M. next gave the health of the initiate. The toast, he said, was one always received with a great amount of enthusiasm in Masonic Lodges, but in none more so than in the Kingsland. They had that evening admitted a gentleman to their Lodge who had been well recommended, and who from the interest he had evinced in the proceedings would doubtless do credit to the brethren who had introduced him. He hoped he might in time become one of the shining lights of the Craft. Bro. Meyer, in reply, tendered his best thanks for all that the brethren had done for him He should endeavour to become as the Worshipful Master had said—one of the brightest members of the Lodge. He hoped the brethren of it might never have occasion to regret having admitted him as a member. The toast of the Visitors having been honoured, Bros. Mullord, Clark and Bernhard replied. Bro. Mullord felt greatly honoured in being selected to respond. He looked upon visiting as one of the principal features of Freemasonry, as it was necessary, in order that brethren might display the brotherly love that was one of the grand principles of the Order, that they should know each other, and that could only be done by visiting one another's Lodges. He was very gratified to see the ability displayed by the I.P.M. and the W.M. then in the chair, and he felt that if future Masters desired to keep up to the standard of excellence they had attained, it would be necessary they should devote themselves thoroughly to their work. even then they would find they had no very light task. Bro. Clark followed. It afforded him great pleasure being present that night to witness the success which attended the installation of Bro. Fenner, who, as might be known to many of those present, was his immediate predecessor in the chair of the Upton Lodge. The W.M. had especial pleasure in giving the next toast. It was one which had been regularly proposed in the Lodge ever since the second Master had been installed in it, being that of the Past Masters of the Lodge. They of course had had no P.M. during the first year of the Lodge's existence, but the four they could now muster made ample amends for the omission of the past. Bro. Killick jun. having thanked the brethren for their reception of the toast, said he looked round with a great amount of pleasure on the prospects of the Lodge as evidenced by the successful meeting that day, The Past Masters of course took great interest in the Lodge, as its success or otherwise might be taken as an indication of the way in which they had carried out the duties of the chair in the past. He was very proud to see so many of the brethren he had had the honour of initiating occupying prominent positions in the Lodge, indeed every Officer up to, and including the two Deacons, had been initiated by him. The Past Masters had but one desire—to see the Lodge prosper. It was their hope that its members would always work harmoniously and for the benefit of each other. In proposing the toast of the Treasurer and Secretary, Bro. Fenner remarked on the great amount of Masonic knowledge possessed by Bro. Isaac. They ought to be very proud to number him among the Officers of the Lodge. Besides his ability to perform the ceremonies of the Order, he was well fitted for the office of Treasurer. He could be relied on for taking care of the funds of the Lodge, and the brethren might rest content that no part thereof would ever be expended in waste, or contrary to their wishes. Of the Secretary, he said, Bro. Killick sen. was really the hinge on which the Lodge worked. He felt it was mainly due to his [illegible] endeavours that the Lodge had come to its pre-

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the Installing Master, Bro. McEwen, and Bros.
Past Masters of the Lodge. Lodge having bee
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forth J.W., Rev. Ll. Nicholas Chaplain, T. G
H. J. B. Lawrence Secretary, H. A. Steer S.D.
F. C. Watkins Organist, Robert Hughes Steward
Bayliss Tyler. Hearty good wishes having bee
business finished, the W.M., on behalf of the m
(all of whom subscribed to a private fund for
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West Middlesex Lodge of Instruct
meeting was held on Thursday last, at the Feath
Present:—Bros. A. J. Burr W.M., J. Green S.W
J. Wells Secretary, W. Seward S.D., J. W. F
I.G., Andrews P.M.; Bros. A. Jones, Gasson, C.
S. Smout jun., G. S. Wright. The Lodge was
and the minutes were read, confirmed, and sign
opened in the second degree, and the W.M. reh
of initiation, Bro. C. Andrews P.M. candidate. T
and adjourned till the 13th instant.

St. Leonard Lodge, No. 1766.—The
the vacation of this Lodge was held at the Shor
Wednesday last, under the presidency of Bro.
assisted by Bros. L. Stean P.M., G. T. Barr I.P.
J. A. Jones J.W., Rev. H. G. Henderson Chapla
A. A. Clement S.D., J. Funston J.D., E. Walk
D.C., R. Drysdale and H. Thrower Stewards, G
C. T. Speight Tyler. There was a good atte
Several visiting brethren were present, including
Bridges 591, H. B. Taylor 1531, C. Steel 1365,
Smither 193, J. Roberts 1816, A. J. Bradgate 5
White 1708, R. Conder 715. Amongst the bus
the passing of Bro. S. Fennell, and the initiatio
the mysteries and privileges of the Craft. The
partial Masonic mourning, "in sympathy with o
for the loss of our Brother, the late President
unanimously resolved to forward an address of
brethren of the St. Leonard to the Grand Lodge
The Lodge having been closed, the brethren ad
ment, and the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts
The services of the Worshipful Master and his
acknowledged, and the visitors spoke highly
Lodge.

The New Concord Lodge of Instructio
the Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, wil
after the summer recess, on Wednesday
eight o'clock. Bro. Thomas Cusworth P
tor, and Bro. R. P. Forge the Secretary.

The Speaker of the Canadian Senate,
pherson, has arrived in London, and
Mr. Charles Mercier with sittings for

Raynham W. Stewart also gave notice of motion for next Monday—That a special account, in the names of the Trustees of the General Fund, be opened with the London and Westminster Bank Limited, Holborn Branch, to be called the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys' Preparatory School Building Fund; that such Fund shall be left to accumulate by donations and interest thereon as may accrue from time to time until it shall amount to the sum of £8000, when the House Building Committee shall be authorised to commence the erection of the building, on plans approved and adopted after due consideration. That any donor, on completion of his or her qualification as a Life-Governor of the Institution, shall receive two votes instead of one vote for every five guineas contributed (Ladies and Lewises receiving four votes) to the Special Building Fund. That in the event of the Building Fund not reaching the required sum, the amount contributed, with the accumulated interest thereon, may be transferred to the General Fund of the Institution, in accordance with resolution of a General Court, on notice of motion duly given.

MASONIC PHUNNYGRAPHS.

THE other night a strange brother came to the Lodge some time before the hour of meeting, and made frequent inquiries for a certain well-known and active member, who, he informed us, could save us the labour of an examination on an intensely hot night. Upon the arrival of the member the visitor's qualifications for admission were fully established, and some of the brethren began a conversation with him on Masonic subjects. He appeared to be a regular attendant at his Lodge, and an active worker, and one of our members informed him of a called meeting for work that had been named for a night in the following week, and invited him to be present. He expressed his inability to do so, as his own Lodge met that night, and he thought he would run home on that occasion and return to our place, and complete his business. Besides, he said, they would have work in the third degree, and he wished to be present to participate. Inquiry elicited the fact that he was a worker, and upon pressing the question as to what particular place he usually filled, he said, "Oh, I hold the c—." The oh-h-ho that involuntarily and simultaneously arose from his auditors betokened "how great a fall was there, my countrymen."

Some years ago two Masons from a neighbouring town came to our city, engaged in business, and were quite regular in their attendance at the Lodge. Their names were Hoopes and Wood, and the firm usually closed store early, so that their evenings were at their disposal. I was Senior Deacon at the time, and the Junior Deacon announced that Brothers Wood and Hoopes wished to enter. The Master hesitated a moment and asked "Who?" Brother Junior Deacon replied as before, "Brothers Wood'n Hoopes." The Master was not yet yet satisfied, and the members nearest the door saw the cause of the Master's confusion and began to smile. At last he said, "Brother Junior Deacon, I do not catch the name, please repeat it." The Junior Deacon, with great deliberation and emphasis said, "Brothers Wood 'n Hoopes." At this the Master turned to me and said, "Brother Senior Deacon, please see who it is that wishes to enter." I made examination and informed him that "Brother Wood and Brother Hoopes, grocers, No. — —— street, at B——, were the Wood'n Hoopes that wished to enter." The light dawned upon the East, and with a broad smile he said, "Let them enter," at which the members gave way to a burst of merriment seldom heard in a Masonic Lodge.

Quite an amusing circumstance occurred recently in a Lodge that had cleaned house in the spring and laid its carpet upon a thick coating of straw. A strip of stair carpet, to make out the circumambulation, had been tacked over the floor carpet, and some stray tacks had hid themselves in the softness of the straw. The candidate was a young man, full of fun and void of fear. He stepped off briskly and, after a few steps, trod on a tack; with a bound, he hopped on one foot and gave expression to an "ouch" that seemed to indicate that it might indeed be good and pleasant for brethren to dwell together in unity, but that it was hard on the candidate. Having extracted the tack, he had not passed more than half the distance around before he found another in the same manner, accompanied by another "ouch" and an audible smile on the candidate's face. The Lodge was about to explode, when down came the gavel with emphasis, and the Master addressed the candidate, assuring him that his experience was not such as all who had gone that way before had undergone, but was due entirely to the neglect of the tackers in removing their instruments of torture. After Lodge the laugh was had, and seemed to be enjoyed by the Master as much as the candidate.

Brethren who have visited Ohio Lodges will remember [illegible]

ought to be that no misunderstanding exists.
named Oliver Wright, whom I knew to be a M
city and had told me he was a Royal Arch Ma
to hold a meeting during his sojourn, and I
which he said he would do. The Guard was
filled the place for many years and was never
discharge of his official duty. When the chapt
Companion Wright had not appeared, and I we
the request that when he arrived I should be n
to the Guard and said, "Its Ol. Wright, so wh
you will know he is my man." I became i
inside, and forgot about my friend until the
who that Companion was—pointing to a stran
I recognised my friend, and was surprised that
no opportunity to speak to him until we had c
asked him how he had gained admission. He
passed him in, without alarm, while the worl
sought out the Guard and asked him if he coul
Wright. He said, "No, you said he was all ri
he repeated to me my exact language. I the
misunderstood me. The name Ol. Wright ha
as all right, and equivalent to an avouchal. I
and explained to the High Priest that a strang
among the workmen, and that no one had vouc
was at once had, and we provided to test the
visit. The Companion was well informed, and
mind of any of his entire worthiness, but it
afforded splendid opportunities for inculcating
several present recommended in short address

Last winter we installed the Master elect
Oriental chair, and the novelty of the position
to the brother. He held the gavel in his hands
employment attempted to twist the handle f
gavel; he succeeded so far as to make a gratin
turned in the eye—a sound somewhat similar
turning the stem of a stem-winding watch. T
several turns, when one of the Lodge, a jewelle
and requested permission to ask the chair a qu
and the inquiry was, "Worshipful, I merely de
stem-winding gavel?"

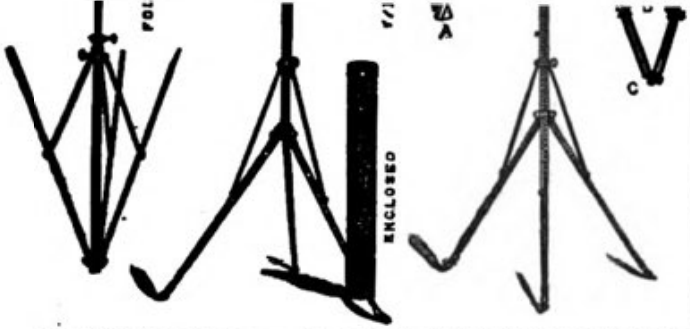
With which anecdote I will wind up my c
Masonry.

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difficult one to discharge, the time not admittin
being performed. Messrs. W. J. Derby and Da
the Presidents, and were well supported by Br
Treasurer of the Club. The bill of fare include
ventriloquial sketch by Mr. E. Smith; some fav
which may be named Blumenthal's "Message,
Mr. W. J. Derby; "Will o' the Wisp" and "Fr
declaimed by Mr. Marriner; Balfe's celebrate
rendered by the two already mentioned voca
encored; selections from Zampa, "Lucretia B
troducing a Flute Solo by Bro. T. Walter, playe
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To consider the following Notices of Motion:—

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That a special account, in the names of the Trustees be opened with the London and Westminster bury Branch, to be called "The Royal Mas Preparatory School Building Fund."
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2. By Bro. ARTHUR E. GLADWELL:—
Additional paragraph to Law XVI.
"The Secretary for the time being of a Masoni (such as those usually associated with Lodg has paid to the Institution a sum of not Guineas, shall, upon proof thereof, be entitle a Life Governor, and to all the privileges of the Secretary of an Association which has during his Secretaryship a sum of not less tha shall, upon proof thereof, on his retiring fro Association ceasing to exist, be entitled to all Governor in his own right."

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No. 7. Laing, Herbert Lawson.
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tiously doing good work in breaking down the barriers of caste. "This union of union," as a German writer says, "which joins all good men into one family, in which the principle of equality, together with that of brotherly love, that is, love of the human race, is the predominant one, and the end and aim of all its moral influence upon others—*this is Freemasonry.*" Under the influence of this Freemasonry it has for the first time in India been possible to abolish the distinctions of castes and creed in social intercourse, and the Freemason, like the Jesuit missionary, is doing something towards progress. The very name "Freemason" comes from the time when the companies or guilds of Steinmetzen threw off the yoke of the clergy under whose control they had formerly acted, and began to lend their own services on their own terms to their clerical employers. From Germany the Steinmetzen carried their organisation to England, and the religious fervour which followed the welcome discovery that the year 1000 was not to be ushered in by the Day of Judgment gave a singular impetus to the erection of churches in Western Europe. These Masonic guilds, which gradually spread throughout Central and Western Europe, had their wooden Lodges outside the churches they were building. They had apprentices, fellow Craftsmen, and Masters. They had a secret sign and a password, and were all vowed to secrecy. They had a set of questions and answers precisely like the lectures of the three degrees of modern Freemasonry. But here all resemblance ceased. The building of churches declined, however, with the Reformation; and just to keep the associations going, noble and wealthy men were sometimes admitted, as honorary members, or "Accepted Masons." In this way, Sir Inigo Jones and Sir Christopher Wren patronised the Lodges, and in the reign of Queen Anne it was resolved "that the privileges of Masonry should no longer be restricted to operative masons, but extended to men of every profession, provided they were regularly approved and initiated into the Order." This was the end of ancient and the beginning of modern Freemasonry, and we have no need to go back to the days of King Solomon and Hiram Abiff, to the "Collegia Fabrorum" and the mysteries of the Eleusinians and Essenes, for a connected history of this interesting organisation. The new movement, at all events, dates only from St. John's Day 1717, when the new leaders constituted themselves a Grand Lodge *pro tem*, and elected Anthony Sayer their first Grand Master. From this time Freemasonry has continued to flourish in England, from whence it has spread not only to Germany, from whence it came, but to every civilised country on the globe. Scotch Freemasonry, though it dates back only to 1736, had to a certain extent an independent history. Ireland received its Masonry from England in 1730, in which year it was also transplanted into France. But there the sale of degrees, the impositions of Cagliostro, who induced the brethren to believe in the philosopher's stone and the elixir of life, and the singular experiment of admitting women to take part with men in the mysteries, prevented it attaining any high dignity or usefulness. The Germans received back Freemasonry from England in 1737, and it must be confessed, says Willoughby, "that Freemasonry is now more select, has greater inherent strength, and is more of a reality in Germany than in any other country." In America there are more Lodges and more degrees than in the whole of the world combined. In Russia alone is Freemasonry prescribed by law, though it is everywhere denounced by the Romish hierarchy as an impious association, the members

with some trouble, will be read with inte
in all 110 Craft Lodges in India, 88 of w
and 22 Scotch. The English Craft Lodg
District Grand Lodges of Bengal, M
British Burmah, and Punjab; the Scotch
under the Grand Lodge of all Scottish
India. The District Grand Lodges are ur
Grand Lodges of England and Wales; t
of all Scottish Freemasonry in India is
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be seen from what follows that
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the Craft Lodges under the United
England and Wales there are in Bengal—
two at Allahabad, and one at each of the f
—Dum Dum, Meerut, Cawnpore, Luck
Fyzabad, Morar, Dinapore, Roorkee, Ass
ing, Jamalpore, Benares, Bareilly, Saidpor
Saharunpore—total 28. Coming to M
three in the Presidency town; and one at
lowing towns:—Trichinopoly, Secunde
Kamptee, St. Thomas Mount, Bangalore,
lington, Ootacomund, Trimulgherry, Chu
corin, Cocoñada, Mysore, and Negapatam
In Bombay there are eight in Bombay
each of the following:—Poona, Kurrac
(Sind), Jubbulpore, Nagpore, Egutpoora,
naira, and Bhosawul—total seventeen. In
there are three in Rangoon, and one at ea
ing:—Moulmein, Akyab, Tounghoo, and
total seven. In the Punjaub three at La
each of the following:—Simla, Umballa,
kote, Dera Ismail, Khan, Mooltan, Dalhous
Pindee, Palunpore (Kangra Valley), Mur
Meean Meer, Nowlucka (Lahore), and
eighteen. The Grand Lodge of all Scotti
in India is, for some reason or other, s
western side. There are four Lodge
three in Calcutta, and one at each of
—Poona, Kurrachee, Aden, Belgaum,
Lanowlee, Neemuch, Allahabad, Calicut
Kurseong, Ajmere, Julpigoli, Lucknow—t
There are many other private Masonic
which are not here named, as their mem
to the Lodges above-mentioned. As the
come before the public in the guise of a pb
ciation, we may here add the list of Mas
India. In Bengal there are the "Bengal
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of those near akin to them; and the "Ben
sociation," for educating children of indig
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Benevolence," for the relief of distressed
those near akin to them; and the "Madra
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and the "Bombay Masonic Association,"
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and the "Greenlaw Masonic Orphan Fund
children of indigent Freemasons. In the Pu
"Punjab Masonic Fund of Benevolence," a

cnarge of disloyalty or irreligion has ever been brought against this small but influential body of men, it is difficult to see why they were signalled out for attack by Bishop Meurin in his now famous pastoral.—*Times of India.*

On Wednesday was dedicated, at Weston Super Mare, the new building erected by the St. Kew Lodge, No. 1222. It has been built from the designs of Messrs. Hans Price and Wooler, architects of Weston, and is in the late Tudor style. It is built entirely of Bath stone, and will prove not only useful as a Masonic Hall, but an additional ornament to the town. Over the main entrance is a recessed and canopied niche, wherein stands a sculptured figure in Ketton stone, of the patron Saint of the Lodge, St Kew, the work of Bro. Harry Hems, of Exeter. The internal arrangements, planned by Bro. Wooler, are most complete, and reflect the greatest credit on his skill and taste. There was a very strong and influential gathering of the brethren from all parts of Somersetshire, no doubt owing to the fact that the Earl of Carnarvon, Pro Grand Master, was to have performed the ceremony of Dedication. However, his Lordship was unable to be present, and his place was taken by Bro. Else, Deputy P.G.M.

Sir Harcourt V. Bempde-Johnstone, Bart, P.G. Warden of England, has been raised to the peerage by the title of Baron Derwent of Hackness, County of Yorkshire.

Emblematic Lodge of Instruction, No. 1321. — This Lodge of Instruction met at its new quarters, Bro. Swallow's, the Goat and Star, Swallow-street, Regent-street, W., on Wednesday, the 28th ult., when the ceremony of Installation was very ably rehearsed by Bro. Docker, for the first time, and to whom a vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes. At the meeting last Wednesday evening, the ceremony of the first degree was rehearsed by Bro. Kirkaldy, and some of the sections worked by Bro. W. C. Smith. It was announced that an inaugural supper would take place on the last Wednesday in this month, presided over by Bro. Cottebrune P.G.P., supported by Bros. Shand W.M. and Docker P.M.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instruction, No. 1278.— Held at the Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal Green Junction, on Wednesday, 5th inst. Bros. Clements W.M., Clark S.W., Brittain J.W., Bonner S.D., Chitson J.D., Anderson I.G., W. Musto P.M. Preceptor, Hand Hon. Secretary; Bros. Stewart, Christian, Ford, Hammond, Sturtevant. Lodge was opened by the W.M., and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Hammond candidate. Bro. Christian worked the first, second, and third sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Clark was elected W.M. for next week. Lodge was closed in due form, and adjourned.

Friars Lodge of Instruction, No. 1349.—Held at Bro. Pavitt's, Liverpool Arms, Barking-road, E, on Tuesday, 27th ultimo. Bro. Myers W.M., Smith S.W., Cope J.W., Ives I.G. and acting Sec.; also Bros. Johnson, Day, Willoughby, Watkins, McGeorge, Pavitt, &c. Lodge was opened, and the minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. It being the fourth Tuesday in the month, in accordance with the Bye-Laws, sections only were worked, as follows:— First Lecture:—First section, Bro. Ives; second, Watkins; third, Pavitt; fourth, Johnson; fifth, Smith, sixth Pavitt. Bro. Smith was elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and all Masonic business being over, Lodge was regularly closed, and adjourned till Tuesday, the 4th inst.

On Tuesday, the 4th inst., Bro. Smith W.M., Johnson S.W., Myers J.W., Pavitt J.D., McGeorge I.G., Musto P.M. Preceptor; also Bros Bailey, Cope, Watkins, Prosser, &c. After preliminaries the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Bailey candidate. Bro. Myers assisted by the brethren, worked the first and second sections of the lecture. Bro. Johnson was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. It was announced that, according to the Bye-Laws, the Fifteen Sections

Grand Treasurer.

Bro. Dr. Ivor Murray P.G.W. occupied Warden, and Bro. J. S. Cumberland P.G.J.W. chair. Bro. R. Huntley performed the duties Director of Ceremonies, and Bro. James Pybu acted as Organist. There were several noti paper, which were disposed of.

The Provincial Grand Lodge then formed Trinity Church. The Lodges were marshalled front of which and along the line of route a lar The Provincial Grand Lodge was preceded b poration, in their robes, and was attended by t Force and the second East York Artillery Vo was preached by the Very Rev. Dr. Arthu Chaplain of England. The lessons were read b M.A., Provincial Grand Chaplain, Vicar of W H. W. Kemp, B.A., Past Provincial Grand Cl Hull Charter House.

A collection was then made, amounting to £ be divided between the Holy Trinity Church the Masonic Charities.

On leaving the church the procession reforme Town Hall, when the Prov. Grand Master recei lence of the various Lodges in the Province, aft appointed and installed the following brethren for the ensuing year, viz:

Bro. W. B. Richardson 200 - -	Prov. Gra
Captain Jackson 643 - -	"
Rev. W. Booth 630 - -	"
Rev. W. Chilman 1040 - -	"
W. H. Cowper 1848 - -	"
M. C. Peck 250 - - -	"
R. W. Hollon 236 - -	"
F. W. Thorp 1010 - -	"
G. Wilson 57 - - -	"
A. Dyson 1618 - - -	"
W. H. Gainforth 236 - -	"
W. Peacock 200 - - -	"
W. Staniland 566 - -	"
R. Davison 602 - - -	"
W. Fraser 1760 - - -	"
W. T. Harrison 561 - -	"
F. J. Lambert 1010 - -	"
J. Lowe 57 - - - -	"

The Dean of York was thanked for his able s to permit its publication.

The Dean replied that he had delivered the Grand Lodge, and it was quite at their service.

A banquet was afterwards held at the Public where the Right Hon. Earl of Zetland presided the D.P.G.M., Bro. Dr. Bell, the Very Rev. t Charles Legard, Colonel Prickett, the Worshipfu Lodges, and many Present and Past Provincial The usual Masonic toasts were duly given.

New Sadlers Wells Theatre opens th day), under the management of Bro. F a new drama from the pen of Mr. Leopo "The Bells," &c. &c., entitled "The are under the impression that Bro. C nected with the Wells in the palmy days Phelps and Greenwood, but, be this this opportunity of expressing our hea for the success of Bro. Chatterton's adm

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Bro. C. Smith, P.M. Ivy Lodge, No. of the Caxton Lodge, No. 1853, infor longer has the control of the Masonic co *day Times*. We regret the services of thus be lost to the Masonic world, as he has given from time to time have bee

trict Infirmary, and had returned to transact the usual business of the Province, under the banners of the two inviting Lodges, Nos. 208 and 827, I was much struck with the fact that no proposal was made as to our next place of meeting. We separated without this Provincial Grand Lodge knowing where next to meet. This absence of a locality has only occurred once before since I became your Provincial Grand Master; but during the period intervening between separating at one meeting and assembling at another, a voluntary invitation has always been forthcoming. This Provincial Grand Lodge, since I have had the honour to occupy its chair, has never at the end of a quarter been required to solicit an invitation for a locality; but on previous, so also on this occasion, an invitation of the most obliging and kindest manner came, to the satisfaction of myself and Deputy, to meet at Sheffield, and so relieved my Officers of anxiety as to the habitation of the Grand Lodge of West Yorkshire for the autumn of 1881. We have assembled together since the 7th April 1825, twelve times at Sheffield; first under the banner of one Lodge and then of another. Twice since 1876 under that of Wentworth Lodge, No. 1239, and once at least under that of Britannia. But this is the first time we meet at Sheffield by the invitation of the four Lodges here, and under their united banners during a period of fifty-seven years. In October 1875, when I first addressed the Grand Lodge in Sheffield, I made some remarks on your efforts to greatly improve and enlarge the present Masonic Hall. In July 1877, I congratulated the Craft on the accomplishment of this work; and on their co-operation in the restoration of the ancient parish church of Saint Peter in this town, and on the 24th July 1878, I commended to the Craft the scheme for the "Bentley-Shaw Presentation Fund." On the 20th October 1878, my Deputy consecrated the Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 1779, and to-day, therefore, it is a matter of the liveliest pleasure to me to receive the salutations of the Craft, under the united banners of all the four Lodges of Sheffield. This union of the Lodges in their united invitation, is again presumptive evidence that perfect harmony prevails between the four Lodges and the brethren here. May they maintain in perpetuity this old and beautiful spirit of our Order—this identical concord which is "the very bond of peace and brotherly love." Amongst the sixty-six Lodges of this Province, I have often had to refer to their liberality in support of our Charities, and I cannot allow this occasion to pass without thanking Britannia, Royal Brunswick, Wentworth, and Ivanhoe, for their support to the Annuitants' and Girls' and Boys' Festivals this year by eighteen Stewards, and £309 15s. Our united efforts for the three Charities are £4,203—for which I thank again all the Lodges of this Province—will enable our Charity Committee, reinforced by this augmented voting power, to enter Freemasons' Hall this month with more certainty and confidence for the success of the candidates for whom your efforts were solicited at Huddersfield on the 9th September, our two girls and one boy who seek admission. But every vote must be forthcoming, and none must be given away to outside applicants; union is strength. I am glad that our amended Provincial Grand Lodge Bye-Law, No. LV., has added eighteen permanent members to the Charity Committee, all of whom have done good service to the Craft, and whose experience and advice will be given to the Committee, otherwise than as elected Charity Stewards of their Lodges. The strength of this Committee may now be eighty-six members. Bro. Smith has again, after much labour, brought out a new edition of the Red Book of Subscriptions and Donations of all the Lodges and members in West Yorkshire to the London Masonic Charities. It is about double the thickness of the one he brought out in 1875. This compilation has been with him a labour of love, and is invaluable. The Provincial Grand Secretary merits our warmest acknowledgments and thanks. It has been remarked by some envious provinces that West Yorkshire donors never die. I wish this were so. But in order that their names should not pass away as contributors, Bro. Smith, at the end of the book, has added a list of all those contributors who have died since 1870. Alas! it is a heavy list. But their generosity when alive is now perpetuated in this catalogue of their gifts. The book tells us one thing—namely, that our voting power has steadily increased, and, notwithstanding hard times, your liberality also. I am reminded the Charity Committee, in March last, attained its majority. It is now in its 22nd year. During this period fifty candidates, save one, have been duly sent up from West Yorkshire, and received the benefits of our London Charities, and your Committee has, I believe, never yet lost a selected candidate If we have given freely, we have also received freely. Bros. Thomas Hill, Henry Smith, and John Booth, among the founders of this Committee, are present with us to-day; may they with us long be spared by the mercy of the Great Architect of the Universe, to witness still further benefits from the Institutions for our annuitants and orphans

our Bye-Laws, and to consider the report of our
My Deputy informs me that the Masonic rece
York Lodges to their brethren attending the I
meeting in September was a brilliant success. I
on the Continent prevented my being present.
congratulate the West Yorkshire Craft, and
especially, on the active part they took i
most scientific gathering at York. Brethren,
tain you longer, but thank you again for
here to day, and to the interests of Freemasonr
many of you again in Provincial Grand Chapter,
2nd November, and to announce the success
at the forthcoming elections in Freemasons'
my Deputy intends to be present, and wi
all lagging votes, as well as proposals from
vinces for votes in exchange. The Free
shire hold in chivalrous regard the Amer
every member of this Provincial Grand
thises with them on the death of the
that great Republic. We desire to add
tions of regret at the loss our American brethren
our unaffected sentiments of sorrow towards Mrs
family. "If his tragic end has found a place in h
man he has found a grander place in human hea
winter season, a busy one for the Lodges, I wish
prosperity. My two new Deacons will be T. D. E
(289), Leeds, W. Master in 1863, Dr. W. H. Evans
(974), Bradford, W. Master in 1871. My new I
Ceremonies John Ramsden Riley, W.M. Lodge Air
387), initiated 28th March 1866, W.M. 1871.

During the course of the afternoon brethren a
votes for the Boys' and Girls' Schools were urged
with all despatch to the Provincial Grand Secretar
the votes possible should be polled to the advantag

After the proceedings of the Provincial Lodge
the brethren repaired to the Cutlers' Hall, where a
was served, after which the customary Loyal and
duly honoured.

The Doric Chapter of Improvement, No
its future meetings in the Masonic Room
Head, 79 Whitechapel Road. The Compan
Monday Evening, at Seven o'clock, com
10th instant, on which occasion the ceremon
will be rehearsed, and a Treasurer and Scri

LODGE LIBRARY.—A Lodge library may
but one volume, but that one is worth
largest library on earth without it, for it
books—the holy Bible. This is the first
Masonic Lodge. It is the first object upon
of the initiate rests, and during all his p
all the degrees it is never out of his sigh
readily conceive of daylight without a su
Lodge, Chapter or Commandery without a
Burroughs.

THE THEATRES, &c

DRURY LANE.—At 7.30, YOUTH.

COVENT GARDEN.—At 8, PROMENADE CONCE

HER MAJESTY'S.—At 8, HAVERLY'S MONSTER
NIGGERS. Wednesday and Saturday, at 2 also.

ADELPHI.—At 7.15, A LAD FROM THE COUNTRY.
TOO LATE TO MEND.

PRINCESS'S.—At 7, A PHOTOGRAPHIC FRIGHT. A
OF LONDON.

GLOBE.—At 7.30, MY WIFE'S OUT. At 8, LES CLO
VILLE.

GAIETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At 7.20, FAST COACH
THIEVES.

OLYMPIC.—At 7.45, QUITE AN ADVENTURE.
DUVAL.

STRAND.—At 7.30, UP THE RIVER. At 8, OLIVETT

VAUDEVILLE.—At 7.30, THE HEN-WITCHERS. A
WAY HOUSE, &c.

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1361—United Service, Greyhound, Richmond
1391—Commercial, Freemasons Hall, Leicester
1415—Campbell, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court

MONDAY, 10th OCTOBER.

Quarterly General Court, Boys School, Freemasons Hall, at 12.
45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
176—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
957—Leigh, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1475—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7 30 (In.
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7 30 (Inst.)
1606—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1621—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)

40—Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
75—Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
104—St. John, Ashton House, Greek-street, Stockport
151—Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields
263—Salopian, the Lion Hotel, Shrewsbury
292—Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
296—Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
297—Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
302—Hope, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
307—Prince Frederick, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
411—Commercial, Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham
481—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
502—Rectitude, Town Hall, Rugby
587—Howe, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
589—Druids of Love and Liberality, Masonic Hall, Redruth
665—Montagne, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
721—Independence, Masonic Chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
797—Hanley, Hanley Hall, Dartmouth
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7 30 (Instruction)
827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
893—Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook, Cornwall
949—Williamson, St Stephen School, Monkwearmouth, Durham
1021—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Custom House Buildings, Barrow-in-Furness
1069—United Brothers, Castle Hotel, Southsea
1174—Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
1221—Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
1237—Enfield, Market-place, Enfield
1253—Travellers, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
1350—Fermor Hesketh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1436—Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1474—Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
1477—Sir Watkin, Masonic Hall, Mold
1592—Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
1611—Eboracum, Queen's Hotel, Micklegate, York
1618—Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea
1790—Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
R.A. 154—Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
R.A. 495—Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
R.C. 12—Red Cross, Athenæum, Lancaster

TUESDAY, 11th OCTOBER.

55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
167—St. John, Holly Bush, Hampstead.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
198—Percy, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
211—St. Michael, Albion, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
228—United Strength, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, City
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
763—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
890—Dalhousie Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
933—Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Surrey Tavern, Kennington Oval
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1604—Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1614—Covent Garden, Ashley's Hotel, Covent Garden
1668—Samson, Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.
R.C.—Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square

93—Social, 23 St. Giles Street, Norwich
117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
131—Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Truro
184—United Chatham of Benevolence, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Kent
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6 30. (Instruction)
272—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Bridge, Boston.
284—Shakespeare, Masonic Rooms, High-street, Warwick
408—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne (Instr.)
448—St. James, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
473—Faithful, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
495—Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield

87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, L
147—Justice, White Swan, High-street, Deptfo
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-stree
224—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crownd
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dean Stre
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (I
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-r
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-r
881—Whittington, Red Lion, Pennin's-court, F
1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate,
1260—John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1274—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite B
1284—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury,
1305—St. Marylebone, Eyre Arms, St. John's W
1321—Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swallow Stre
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorg
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old
1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Ro
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Wal
1677—Crusaders, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viadu
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, R
R.A. 857—St. Mark, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camb
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen

54—Hope, Spread Eagle Inn, Cheetham-street,
146—Antiquity, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshawgate
191—St. John, Knowsley Hotel, Haymarket-str
204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
210—Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Dep
225—St. Luke's, Coach and Horses Hotel, Ipsw
274—Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, Newchurch
281—Fortitude, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, L
288—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
290—Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, South Parade
363—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
483—Symmathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
567—Unity, Globe Hotel, Warwick
625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
666—Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince Town
750—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Railway-st
754—Kilesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn, at 7.30
795—St. John, Ray Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
851—Worthing of Friendship, Steyne Hotel, W
852—Zetland, Albert Hotel, New Bailey-street,
854—Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, near Oldh
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1018—Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-str
1031—Fletcher, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmi
1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Church-street,
1064—Borough, Bull Hotel, Burnley.
1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1101—Grey Friars, Masonic Hall, Reading
1209—Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
1249—Denison, Grand Hotel, Scarborough.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (I
1343—Walker, Hope and Anchor Inn, Byker, New
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill Street,
1398—Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Furness
1403—West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Orms
1424—Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompt
1434—Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Nottingh
1503—Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twick-nh
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)
1520—Earl Shrewsbury, Public, Rooms, Cannock
1547—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1643—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebburn-on-
R.A. 86—Lebanon, Masonic Hall, Prescot
R.A. 462—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hote
R.A. 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
M.M. 145—Constantine, Three Cups Hotel, Colch
M.M. 192—St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, The Pars

THURSDAY, 13th O

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, F
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamst
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-st
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lam
206—Friendship, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Str
263—Bank of England, Albion Tavern, Aldersg
415—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Rege
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tot
860—Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street,
872—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court
1076—Capper Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street,
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8
1239—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Roa
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-road,
1426—The Great City, Masons Hall, Masons Ave
1523—St. Mary Magdalene, Ship Hotel, Greenwi
1558—Duke of Connaught, Surrey Masonic Hall,
1599—Skelmersdale, Masons' Hall Tavern, Basin
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street,
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaura
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel
R.A. 813—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gresh
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southg

35—Medina, 85 High-street, Cowes.
97—Palatine, Masonic Hall, Toward-road, Sand

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1457—Bagshaw, Princes Hall, Princes-road, Buckhurst Hill
1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room, Deeds House, Lindley
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1583—Corbet, Corbet Arms, Towyn.
1613—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1697—Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot, near Manchester.
1782—Machen, Swan Hotel, Coleshill.
R.A. 163—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
R.A. 307—Good Intent, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
R.A. 337—Confidence, Commercial Inn, Uppermill
R.A. 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
K.T.—Fearnley, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury

FRIDAY, 14th OCTOBER.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
765—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 (Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 7.30. (Instruction)
834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction.)
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1066—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instruction)
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8 (In.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington, at 8. (In.)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
36—Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's-street, Cardiff.
64—Fortitude, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
155—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
458—Airo and Calder, Private Rooms, Ouse-steet, Goole.
536—Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.
672—Dartmouth, Dartmouth Hotel, West Bromwich.
697—United, George Hotel, Colchester.
815—Blair, Town Hall, Stratford-road, Hulme.
1001—Harrogate and Claro, Masonic Rooms, Parliament-street,
1097—Beaudesert, Assembly Rooms, Corn Exchange, Leighton Buzzard
1102—Mirfield, Assembly Rooms, Eastthorpe, Mirfield
1290—Rock, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry.
1536—United Military, Masonic Hall, Plumstead
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A. 406—De Sussex, Masonic Hall, Maple Street, Newcastle

SATURDAY, 15th OCTOBER.

196—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., at 8. (Instruction)
1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Mare-street, Hackney
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
1641—Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1732—King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
M.M. 104—Macdonald, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

Albion Lodge, No. 9.—This Lodge held its meeting on Tuesday, the 4th instant. There were present—Bros. Frederick Chiffereil W.M., E. D. Willey S.W., A. Endean J.W., T. Moring P.M. Treasurer, J. A. Abbott P.M. Sec., Thompson S.D., Russell Elliott J.D., W. Willey P.M. D.C., Robert Watson I.G., E. Coste P.M. Steward; P.M.'s S. Coste, W. R. Marsh, W. T. Scott, L. W. Harvey and S. Vallentine; Bros. Beckingsale, Gregory, Bantock, Cordery, Wallace, Lee, Price, and Plaister. Visitor—Bro. Hildere Cowell, Creaton, No. 1749. There was little business to carry out. The sum of £10 10s was voted from the Lodge Funds to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. The Lodge having closed, the brethren adjourned to the Freemasons' Tavern, where Bro. Best had provided a banquet in his usual profuse style, to which the brethren did ample justice.

Royal Jubilee Lodge, No. 72.—A cosy meeting of the members of this old Lodge was held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on Monday evening, 3rd instant. Brother Augustus Darch W.M. presided, in his accustomed able and genial manner, and conducted the duties, both in the Lodge-room and banqueting-hall, to the entire satisfaction of the brethren. Bro. Clemow, notwithstanding many "counter-attractions" in other parts of the hotel, catered for the party to their entire and hearty satisfaction.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No. 780.—A meeting was held on Friday, 30th September, at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge. Bros. C. Maton W.M., E. H. Sugg P.M. S.W., F. Botley J.W., C. E. Botley Secretary, Gunner S.D., E. Monson J.D., Andrews P.M. Preceptor, Geo. Thomas I.G.; P.M.'s Goss, Gomm, and Blasby. After preliminaries, the initiation ceremony was rehearsed, Bro. Goss candidate. Bro. Andrews then gave the lecture on the first tracing board in a most able and impressive manner.

minaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed candidate. Bro. Fenner worked the first, and Bro section of the lecture. Lodge was called off to to labour, and opened in the second degree. answered the questions leading to the third d closed in the second, when Bro. Pearcy worked t the first lecture. Bro. G. H Clark, of the Upto was elected a member. Bro. F. W. Jones was a at the next meeting. The sum of £2 2s was vote funds to the Boys' School, after which Lodge journed.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, N
Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, instant. Bros. F. Carr W.M., Edward S.W., Bra S.D., Boyce J.D., Baker I.G., J. Lorkin P.M. Se P.M. Preceptor, C. Smyth Treasurer; also Bros. F Gosling, Robinson, Bunker, Young, and others. Th in due form, and minutes of last meeting read a ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Goslin date. Bro. Fores worked the first, Bro. Carr the fourth sections of the lecture, assisted by the bret son, of Lodge 1524, was elected a member. Bro. W.M. for the ensuing week. Nothing further offe Freemasonry, Lodge was closed in due form, and

Finsbury Park Lodge of Instructio
Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, on We sent:—Bros. A. P. Forge W.M., Gillham S.W., Pearcy Preceptor; also Bros. T. Goode, J. Roths child, H. J. Osborn, A. Mullord, H. Mullord, H. W man, Woodman, Burr, Morgan, &c. The ceremon the rehearsal of the ceremony of initiation. The suing twelve months were elected:—Bros. Pear Rothschild Treasurer, T. Goode P.M. Secretary. preside at next meeting. It is in contemplation to of Instruction, and the question will be brought at the next meeting, when doubtless full reasons as to the proposed change.

MARK MASONRY.

METHAM LODGE.

THE annual meeting of this Mark Lodge was h 27th ultimo, at the Huyshe Masonic Hall, S were advanced. Bro. S. Panter was installed W being performed by V.W. Bro. J. Baxter. The colle as follows:—Bros. W. J. Stanbury S.W., A. Con M.O., H. Roger S.O., T. Cole J.O., T. S. May Sec man P.M. P.P. Grand Treasurer, J. Cox S.D., Privett I.G., J. Welshford D.C., W. Staton O., W. gelly Stewards. Subsequently the brethren took the health of the Worshipful Master and Officer response, Bro. Panter expressed his satisfaction annual meeting of the Prov. Grand Lodge of Mark conferred honours on Bros. Walters and May, bot Metham Lodge.

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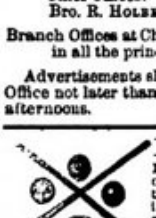
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AS will be seen from our report, in another part of this issue, of the Committee Meeting of the Benevolent Institution, held last Wednesday, the services of Colonel John Allen Lloyd-Philipps have been secured as Chairman for the Festival of next year in connection with that Institution, and we take this early opportunity of wishing him and his Province of South Wales (Western Division) every success. We must also offer our congratulations to Bro. Terry and the Committee on the Brother they have secured to advocate the claims of the Institution. Looking to the past seven years, we find that the Province over which Colonel Lloyd-Philipps presides has not been niggardly in its support of the three Charities. At the last twenty-one Festivals held in connection with the three, we find them figuring at nine, their contributions totalling up to £608 14s for the Boys, £536 5s for the Girls, besides contributing in 1875 towards a total of £464 10s raised by the two divisions of South Wales and Monmouthshire conjointly; and £235 10s to the Benevolent, or a total of £1,380 9s, beyond the unknown contribution of 1875 already referred to. These figures show that South Wales (West) is not unmindful of the wants of the less fortunate members of the Craft, and leads us to hope for a successful gathering next year. We may add that, according to Grand Lodge Calendar of the current year, there are nine Lodges in the District presided over by Colonel Lloyd-Philipps.

QUARTERLY COURT OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

THE October Quarterly Court of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls was held at Freemasons' Tavern on Saturday last. Col. Creaton, Grand Treasurer, presided. Bro. H. A. Dubois, in the unavoidable absence of Bro. Joshua Nunn, Vice-President, moved—

"That in the opinion of the House Committee it is desirable to erect a swimming bath for the use of the girls, and that application be made to the Quarterly Court to sanction the expenditure of a sum not exceeding £2000 for the above purpose."

There was room, he said, in the grounds near the laundry for such a bath, and it would be desirable that the girls should be taught swimming. Bro. Thomas Ruddock (Huddersfield) seconded the motion, which was also supported by Bro. E. F. Stor, P.M. No. 22. Bro. Chadwick Prov. Grand Secretary East Lancashire read the following letter he had received on the subject:—

10 Birchin-lane, Manchester,
6th Oct. 1881.

To the Prov. Grand Secretary East Lancashire.

Dear Bro. Chadwick,—I see that on the 8th the subscribers to the Girls' School are to be asked to sanction an expenditure of £2000 for a swimming bath for the girls. Now this, I presume will, if allowed, be taken from the funds of the Institution, and if so, I, as the duly appointed Charity Representative of Integrity Lodge, 163, most respectfully enter my protest. Swimming is not a necessary, although a desirable, part of a girl's education. The word charity may be applied in a very many ways, but I have yet to learn that swimming is one. When we send our donations and annual subscriptions to the Secretary we do so with the firm belief that it will be applied towards the clothing, feeding, and educating the g majority attending the Court think differently, I opinion, but it certainly will influence my futu brethren thought fit to subscribe a sum of £2000 dition that it should be devoted to the pur swimming bath for the girls, then I should find; but to take it out of the money never subscribed for such a purpose is wrong. to London to-morrow, I trust I may not be troul by asking you to kindly convey my idea to t thereby obliging, yours fraternally,

(Signed), JOHN SALMON P.Z. 16

P.P.G.D.C

The motion was carried by twenty-seven vote Brother E. Letchworth, for Brother Frank Patron, moved "that the rank of Honorary Vice upon Bro. Charles Hammerton, in recognition of h to the Institution." Bro. Letchworth said tha who was an eminent brewer in the south of L contract for supplying the Institution with bee cheque was handed to him for the amount, which £150, he always handed it back. When he becar House Committee, of course he had to give up contractor for the supply of articles to the Inst the Committee. Nevertheless, he had most gene Institution with beer during the year. The seconded by Bro. S. Rawson, was carried unanin E. Gladwell moved, and Bro. Edmonston secon additional paragraph to Law XVI.:—"The Se being of a Masonic Charitable Association (suc associated with Lodges of Instruction) which ha tution a sum not less than one hundred guinea thereof, be entitled to the honorary rank of a L all the privileges of the same; and further, the S ciation which has paid to the Institution during sum of not less than two hundred guineas, shall, on his retiring from such office, or on the As exist, be entitled to all the privileges of a Life right." Bro. John G. Stevens, P.M. 554, &c., opp was quite sure the brethren acted as Secretaria thing, and did not require any recognition of their President of one, and Secretary of another such should be very sorry to have it imagined he loc Bro. Wyllie, Manchester, thought the Associatic matter among themselves, and if a brother had as Secretary, they could say he should have son thought the Institution already gave sufficient paid into its coffers. The motion was rejected b Bro. Edmonston gave notice of a renewal of the quent occasion. The brethren then proceeded t and at the declaration of the poll, the following result:—

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No. on List	Name	Forward
18	Hare Gertrude May	—
9	Walters Nellie Louise	316
13	Byers Ruth	—
7	Wyman Constance Faith	1025
10	Orridge Edith Mary (last)	1125
19	Ainsworth Dorothy Annie	—
6	Cleaver Alice Gertrude	173
22	Taylor Jane Mildred (last)	—
23	Wooton Millicent Flora	—
1	Brown Edith (last)	110
20	Inglis Hannah Margaret	—
17	Mallet Eliza Jane	—
11	Haigh Louisa Amelia	—
16	Newman Florence Parsons	—
5	Turner Annie Elizabeth	45

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tution for Boys was held on Monday, at Freemasons' Tavern, Bro. Lieut.-Col. Creaton, Grand Treasurer, in the chair. After the reading and confirmation of the minutes, Bro. Raynham W. Stewart P.G.D., V P., moved, on behalf of the House Committee—"That a special account in the names of the Trustees of the 'General Fund' be opened with the London and Westminster Bank, Limited, Bloomsbury Branch, to be called 'The Royal Masonic Institution for Boys Preparatory School Building Fund;' That such Fund shall be left to accumulate by donations and interest thereon, as may accrue from time to time, until it shall amount to the sum of £8000, when the 'House and Building Committee' shall be authorised to commence the erection of the Building on plans approved and adopted after due consideration; That any donor, on completion of his or her qualification as a Life Governor of the Institution, shall receive two votes instead of one vote, for every Five Guineas contributed (Ladies and Lewises receiving four votes) to the 'Special Building Fund;' That in the event of the Building Fund not reaching the required sum, the amount contributed, with the accumulated interest thereon, may be transferred to the General Fund of the Institution, in accordance with Resolution of a General Court on notice of motion duly given. He said the subject had been fully considered by the committee, and it was felt that the time had come when a Preparatory School should be established. It had been referred to the Committee to make a selection of a site for a new building, or of premises which would be suitable for the purpose of such an Institution, and they had come to the conclusion that the most eligible would be their own ground opposite the School-house at Wood Green. It was the intention to put in the building the junior boys on the list, as they were elected, as it frequently happened that though the greatest precautions were taken the candidates could read before they were placed on the list, when they were elected they little more than knew their A B C. Some £7,000, or £8,000, was not laid out on their Institution for children like these. It was thought they might have a building capable of accommodating 150 such boys, though at first they would only make it for 50. If they could not get as much as £8000, he proposed that at the end of two years, on notice duly given, the sum collected should be transferred to the General Fund. He thought one good way of subscribing the money would be for Lodges and Chapters to cut off one banquet a-year, and send the amount such banquet, if had, would cost to the Preparatory School Building Fund. But he felt sure he should not appeal in vain to the Craft for the necessary funds. The motion was seconded by Bro. J. Constable. Bro. J. S. Cumberland, while agreeing with the mover of the resolution, thought that £8,000 was a large amount to require for a Preparatory School. Such a School was necessary, as although precautions were taken against placing children on the list who were unable to read, children of that class did get elected. There were great difficulties in the way of guarding against this, because people who gave certificates that a child could read tolerably well, fairly well, or well for his age, were afraid of injuring the child's interest. While advocating a Preparatory School, he would have it done at the least possible expense, while done well. Bro. A. J. Duff-Filer, P.G.S.B., would recommend that there should be a banquet in aid of the Fund. Bro. E. F. Storr, P.M. No. 22, did not see why outsiders should be privileged to two votes for the same money as the contributors to the General Fund paid. He himself paid eleven guineas the other day, and got only the usual votes, but if he had given it to the Building Fund, he would receive double the number of votes. He thought the funds of the Institution would suffer by the additional privileges being given for subscriptions to the Building Fund. Bro. Henry Smith, Provincial Grand Secretary West Yorkshire, was in favour of a Preparatory School, but Bro. Stewart's motion proposed to increase the number of boys in the Institution from 230 to 380. They had no funds to fall back upon to support such an increase in their numbers. The least sum they ought to have funded before they did such a thing was £50,000; indeed they should have £100,000. Although Bro. Binckes had been very successful in former years, they might have a bad year, and having no permanent income they might have to reduce their numbers. He must point out also that the sums of money paid by different Provinces for Perpetual Presentations could not be touched, and whatever happened, the boys in the School under those Presentations must be kept. He was afraid that the privilege of extra votes would, while bringing the necessary funds for the new building, deprive the Festival of next June of subscriptions. Bro. Binckes (Secretary) in reply to Bro. Storr, said before the extra votes could be given for a fire guinea subscription to the Building Fund the donor must be a Life Governor of the General Fund. The motion would be altered to render that clear by inserting after the words, "That any donor, on completion of his or her qualification as a Life Governor," the words "of the General Fund." The motion, as altered,

ships he (Bro. Godtschalk) had served had he did not want any bonus vote. It was to; Stewards did what they did for the ca The motion was lost by a large majority. that when there were important notices of the paper, which required careful consider to Life Governors, and not merely advertis boys was then taken, the list consisting of ing is the result :—

SUCCESSFU

No. on List	Names	Fo
48	Bottomley Albert Wm.	
8	Watson William Renwick	
40	Mott Pierce Henry	1
53	Motion William Gideon	
27	Thompson Clement Wm.	
59	Levick Christopher	
25	Booth Frederic	
37	Kirkby Alfred	
15	Langdon James	
22	Wortley George	1
1	Fellows Arthur.	1
51	Wilson George	

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5	Lee Sidney Edward	1
23	Jordison Hugh Lloyd	
18	Burgess Harold Thomas	
14	Gurney Charles Aubrey	1
41	Ashdown Arthur Durham	
10	Clark Frederick Arthur	
62	Roe Frederick Swyer	
12	Ecclestone Henry A	1
26	Stanford William Bryant	
32	Fowke Alexander W	
21	Jones Cleophas C B	
63	Truman Hugh Beckit	
19	Hill George Wm King	
44	Crow Charlie John	
38	Taylor George William	
3	Neville Fredk. John	
36	Stewart Charles Edward	
11	Jones Wm. Vincent B	
43	Willett George Cross	
24	Liversidge Charles Percy	
42	Skelton Fred. Francis	
60	Botting Alfred Henry	
2	Goldsbrough Jno. Tom	
34	Sanderson Charles Jesse	
46	Jones Geoffrey Stuart	
65	O'Doherty Chas. Patrick	
28	Crabb Tom Walcot	
6	*Ball Edward Thomas	
29	Long Joseph William	
49	Hewett John Herbert	
61	Tettenborn Arthur J	
17	Farrar Ethelbert	
54	Simpson Edward Henry	
13	Escott Charles Leopold	
45	Cummings Charles Brown	
33	Pudney Frederick	
16	Collinson James	
31	Humphrey John	
47	Cook Frederick John	
39	Windross John Benjamin	
35	Sowdon Sidney	
52	Potter George	
56	Templeman James P G	
58	Harden John Henry	
55	Wyatt Augustine Wm.	
50	Nicholson Thomas M	
57	Pringle William James	
4	Pratt Robert Williamson	
30	Hill Reginald Aug. L	
7	Laing Herber L (withdrawn)	
9	Gunnell Wm. P (withdrawn)	3
20	Sisley Walter J (withdrawn)	1
64	Jackson Charles Ernest	

* Will be removed from List, being El

was adopted, and ordered to be entered on the minutes. Two candidates were placed on the list for election in May. Bros. R. W. Stewart, Rev. A. F. A. Woodford, W. Hilton, W. Stephens, C. J. Perceval, Charles Lacey, and George Bolton were appointed a Committee to revise the Bye-Laws, and a special general meeting to consider any alterations was appointed for 9th November, at a quarter to four p.m. The Committee then adjourned.

RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE.

Eboracum Conclave, No. 137.—The regular meeting of this body was held at York, on Wednesday, 5th October, when Bro. C. G Padel the M.P.S. presided. There were also present Bros. T. B. Whytehead I.G. unattached, G. Simpson V.E., M. Millington S.G., A. T. B. Turner J.G., W. B. Dyson Rec., T. Humphries S.B., &c. Bro. J. C. Thompson was duly received and installed as a member of the Order by the M.P.S., Bro. Whytehead acting as Prefect. The St. Peter Sanctuary and Commandery of St. John were subsequently opened, and these degrees were conferred upon Bro. Thompson, Bro. Whytehead acting as Commander, and Bro. Millington as Conductor.

SACRED HARMONIC SOCIETY.—This great Musical Institution commences its Fiftieth Season on Friday, 11th November, at. James's Hall, with a performance of Handel's "Judas Maccabeus," Sir Michael Costa still fulfilling the position of Conductor, which he has, with so much honour to himself and the Society, held for thirty-four years. As the Society is now entering upon its Jubilee Year, it may perhaps be not inappropriate to refer to the object for which the Society was established, viz., to give the best performances of the best Sacred works of the greatest Composers, and to recall to memory the manner in which that object has been carried out. The Society restored and fully established the practice of giving complete Oratorios, instead of selections made up of fragments detached from the several works to which they belonged; and in so doing revived Handel's "Judas Maccabeus," "Israel in Egypt," "Samson," "Solomon," "Joshua," "Saul," "Jephthah," "Deborah," "Athaliah," and "Belshazzar." It gave the first performance in London of Mendelssohn's "St. Paul," "Elijah," and "Christus;" Costa's "Eli" and "Naaman;" Benedict's "Legend of St. Cecilia;" Neukomm's "David;" Macfarren's "St. John the Baptist;" Sullivan's "Martyr of Antioch;" Elvey's "Resurrection and Ascension;" Griesbach's "Daniel," and Psalms by Spohr and Dr. Crotch; and the only performance in London of Bach's "St. Matthew Passion" in its entirety. It has exhibited the wealth of our English Cathedral music, as well as the finest Latin Church music, and has brought forward Rossini's "Moses in Egypt" in an English form, and restored it to its original position as an oratorio. It has, by its numerous performances, familiarised the public with the great works of Handel, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Spohr, Rossini, Cherubini, Dr. Crotch, and many others; and has also had the sole direction of the musical arrangements of the nine Handel Festivals given at the Crystal Palace, besides being entrusted with the control of the musical ceremonies in connection with all our great International Exhibitions. The following works are to be produced during the season.—Handel's "Solomon" and "Messiah;" Macfarren's "St. John the Baptist," Gnonod's "Messe Solennelle," Beethoven's "Mount of Olives," Sullivan's "Martyr of Antioch," Haydn's "Creation," Mendelssohn's "Elijah" and "42nd Psalm," Costa's "Eli," and a new Te Deum by W. G. Cusins. The vocalists engaged are Mesdames Marie Roze, Anna Williams, Robertson, Annie Marriot, Mary Davies, Avigliana, and Jessie Jones (soprano); Mesdames Patey, Enriquez, and M. Hancock (contraltos). Messrs. Vernon Rigby, Edward Lloyd, Joseph Maas, Henry Guy, and G. T. Carter (tenors); Messrs. Santley, Lewis Thomas, Bridson, F. King, Burgon, Chaplin Henry (basses). It is intended by the Committee to use every exertion to make the approaching fiftieth season among the most memorable ever given by the Society. The band, as heretofore, will comprise the most eminent members of the musical profession, and Mr. Willing continues his post as Organist.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Good Spirits.—Every one has frequently experienced sudden personal changes from gaiety to gloom. The wind and weather oftentime receive the blame when a faulty digestion is alone the cause of the depression. Holloway's Pills can be honestly recommended for harmoniously attuning circulation and respiration; disturbance of the balance of which produces a sense of fulness and oppression after eating. They clear the furred tongue, and wholesomely stimulate the liver, and act as a gentle aperient to the bowels. They healthfully rouse both body and mind. Holloway's Pills are the

Phillips, of the West Smithfield Chapter, 1623, w
and the Chapter was adjourned. Another mee
was held at the Jamaica Tavern, on Tuesday
October, when Comp. Brown was again placed
Payne H., Rowe J., Webb N., Gillard P.S. The ce
was gone through, Comp. Nottley being the cand
Companions were present:—Lardner, Maidwell,
Thompson (M.E.Z. 1619), Pocock, Greenwood, L
Visitors: W. Palmer Thones 429, Storr, J. S. I
and H. T. Thompson. Comp. W. Land, No.
member of this Chapter. The following were el
ensuing fortnight:—Lardner Z., Edmonds H., R
Nottley P.S. The Chapter was then closed in due
until Tuesday, 18th Oct., at seven o'clock.

North Metropolitan Chapter of In
1471.—The Companions held their weekly m
Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, on Thursday
sent—Comps. W. J. Crutch M.E.Z., J. Osborn
Sheffield Acting S.E., J. P. Parkes S.N., R.
Hunter Acting Preceptor; also Comps. G. H. C
H. P. Isaac, S. E. Moss, J. Gibbs, T. Hylan
others. The Chapter having been declared oper
previous Convocation were read and confirmed
exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Gregory a
Votes of thanks were recorded on the minutes t
Cull, for the very able, efficient, and impressi
they had discharged the duties of Z. and J. resp
time in this Chapter. Comps. W. J. Crutch, Gl
Gregory, St. Martin's-le-Grand 1538, J. Lawren
Cull, Clapton, 1365 were unanimously elected me
no other business, the Chapter was closed and a
lowing Thursday evening.

The Fitzroy Chapter, No. 569, will be c
Armoury, Honourable Artillery Company,
day, 21st inst., at 4 p.m. The ceremony of
Installation of Principals will be perform
Scribe E. of England, the Most Excellent
Shadwell H. Clerke P.Z. P.P.G.S., assi
Companions Sir John Monckton P.G.D.
Simpson P.G.C. as J., P. de Lande Lon
panions H. J. Adams P.M. 569, P.Z.
M.E.Z. designate, A. Durrant P.M. and
signate, F. J. Stohwasser W.M. 569 J
William H. Bateman W.M. 171, P.M. 1
musical arrangements will be under the d
Fountain Meen.

The party to accompany the Prince
Wales on the occasion of their visit
Monday next, will consist of the Duke
Earl and Countess Spencer, Earl North
Emma Baring, Lord Kensington, M.
Dighton Probyn, and Colonel Clarke,
Prince of Wales. Their Royal Highness
a desire that their arrival on Monday e
give rise to any demonstration. They
that they will not be able to attend the
that evening. The arrival in Swansea w
as possible. The batteries of the Royal
Volunteers, which have been raised in the
last few weeks, will precede the other V
march past before the Prince.

The ceremony of laying the fonndat
new buildings of the Princess Helena C
by his Royal Highness the Duke of
panied by their Royal Highnesses

following as his Officers:—Bowing S.W., Hampton J.W., P.M. Treasurer (in his absence Bro. Eldridge was invested with the collar on his behalf), Thompson Secretary, Wilkinson S.D., Storr J.D., J. Potter I.G., Hollis D.C., Walsall Steward. Three brethren were elected to act as Trustees of the Benevolent Fund, and Lodge was closed. Bro. P.M. Adlard desired to express on this, his first visit to the Lodge since the members had so kindly elected him as an honorary member, his sense of the compliment conferred on him. He was gratified to say, that during the fifty years he had been a Mason he had had several honours conferred on him, but he felt that the action of the members of the St. John's Lodge, in which he had spent so many happy hours, was the one he should most prize for the remainder of his lifetime. The brethren, at the conclusion of the business, sat down to banquet, under the presidency of Bro. Dutton, and the usual toasts followed. Bro. Davis I.P.M. gave that of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge. The brethren would require to look back many years to find so young a Worshipful Master as the one who now presided over them; still he felt and hoped that he would prove himself as efficient as most of those who had preceded him. Bro. Davis hoped he might, during his year of office, have plenty of work, in order that he could show his ability, and that at the termination of his Mastership the brethren would be able to say he had performed all the work required of him creditably. The W.M. thanked the brethren. If there was anything distasteful to him on such occasions it was to reply when his health was propo ed; he could only say he thanked them all from the bottom of his heart, and although he felt Bro. Davis had said more than he really deserved, he should endeavour to show that such was not the case. He hoped he should have the assistance of the Past Masters, as he considered the Lodge was greatly indebted to them for what they had done in the past. He could but feel that he laboured under one very great disadvantage, following as he did so able a worker as Brother Davis; and while he (Bro. Dutton) felt it would be useless trying to eclipse that brother, he should still try his best, though he was aware it would prove to be far short of what Bro. Davis had accomplished. He next proposed the health of the I.P.M. He was sure all who had heard the ceremony of installation could but feel gratified at the way in which it had been worked. Bro. Davis was well known as a Masonic Preceptor, and naturally they expected something good from him; but he thought he had that evening really excelled himself. As regarded his working during the past year, it could be said that he had carried out the duties of the chair most satisfactorily. At the last meeting it had been decided to present him with a jewel, and that jewel he had now the pleasure of placing on the breast of Bro. Davis, and in the name of the St. John's Lodge to wish him long life and health to wear it. The jewel bore the following inscription:—

"Presented by the St. John's Lodge, No. 167,
to Bro. Geo. Davis,
in acknowledgment of his services as W.M. during the year 1881."

Bro. Davis tendered his thanks. He little thought a few years since when, at the time of his initiation, Bro. Adlard had said that he then knew but little of what Freemasonry really was, that he should so soon be called upon to reply as a Past Master of the Lodge. He could look back upon the past few years with great pleasure. He hoped his labours in Freemasonry had not been entirely in vain; they had certainly been labours of love. He trusted he might be spared for many years to be present in the St. John's Lodge, and hoped he might always be looked upon with the same amount of consideration as had been the case that night. He could but refer with pride to the handsome present the members had thought fit to make him, and he trusted they would never have cause to regret the action they had taken as regarded him. The W.M. then proposed the health of the Visitors, to whom he tendered a most fraternal greeting. He hoped the work they had witnessed that night had not seemed detrimental to them; on the contrary, that they had been interested in it. Bro. Osborn replied, specially referring to the ability shown by the I.P.M. in the ceremony he had performed. The Master, in giving the toast of the P.M.'s, Treasurer, and Secretary, again hoped he might have their co-operation during his term of office. He felt the members one and all wished them long life, and looked forward to seeing them on many future occasions. Each of the P.M.'s having replied, the Master gave the toast of the Officers, which also was acknowledged by each of those present. The Tyler then gave the concluding toast, and the brethren separated.

THE GREAT CITY LODGE, No. 1426.

THE members of this Lodge held their annual meeting on Saturday,

position for an initiate was handed in. Let
family of a late member, and also with th
ordered to be sent, the latter to cont
approval of the brethren of the way in wh
performed his duties during the time h
Lodge. After the transaction of some ot
Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjo
where banquet was served. At its conclu
W.M. gave the usual toasts—those of the
Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and
in turn receiving attention. Bro. Rev. R
the latter, thanked the brethren for their
times of the toast. He trusted one of t
Lodge would be called upon to perform w
condolence with the family of the late B
As far as he was personally concerned, he
much he appreciated the honours of Gran
ciated the compliments paid him in The G
he might say, without fear of contradict
most prominent position among the Lodge
Hamer proposed the next toast; it was on
The Great City Lodge, but more particular
tion, being that of the Worshipful Master
chair a very worthy brother, one who was i
who had worked up from the lowest office
now filled, which was the highest honour th
power to bestow on any member. Bro.
enjoy health to carry out the duties of his
wishing Bro. Taylor, in the name of the
health, happiness, prosperity, and success
The W.M. said he scarcely knew how to than
for the way in which the toast just drank h
ceived, and for the new office they had so
It had always been his endeavour to fulfil
he might find himself called upon to take
concerned, and as he felt, from the promo'i
he had satisfied them in the past, he could
continue on the same lines in the future; h
ing a result. A very important toast now
pose; still he felt the brethren would recei
which should always be manifested in com
They had but one of the two brethren who
night among them, one (Bro. Benn) havin
early; he hoped this would make no dif
accorded to the toast, but that the member
would welcome the one remaining in th
The toast was well received, and was f
Apprentice Song, given by Bro. James St
having replied, the Master gave the toast o
City Lodge was always pleased to see Visit
were always glad to see members of the G
the reception given to him that The Great C
favourably by other Lodges. Bros. Paddle
responded. Bro. Cumberland considered th
of the Visitors there were two things to be
and thereby weary the brethren; or too lit
most of those good sentiments which should
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pleased to visit a Lodge in the Metropolis,
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was possible in their own Lodges. The mo
with the other, the better fitted they becam
knobs or excrescences which might obtrude
referred to the recent Masonic reception of
York, and urged on the brethren to dev
acquiring of Masonic mementoes; he though
masonry would some day be visibly based
gathered in this way, as it was continual
minute books and other relics were in exist
able to the Masonic historian. The W.M.
I.P.M., whom he characteristised as a thorou
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credit not only to him, but also to the Lo
initiated, and with which he had since been as
he might live, and be able to perform
and merit as much applause from the bret
deserved and received. With regard to th
might truly say, they had done good and fai
and he hoped the day was far distant whe
either of them. He trusted each succeedin

E. Blake 507, W. E. Joyce 1691, F. Page 1411, J. J. Davison P.M. 299, W. J. Upton J.W. 276, G. W. Saul P.M. 1201, W. Paddle W.M. 1851, T. Poore P.M. 720, Thomas Perrin J.W. 1297, G. Barsdorf W.M. elect 1329, G. W. Downie J.D. 1815, J. Laurence 1326, J. B. Cramp 1297, J. Russell 173, N. Tenet P.M. 179, W. Medwin J.W. 1613, C. J. Fox 1713, C. Fountain P.M. 1216, A. S. Harris 1728, A. S. Harrison S.W. 1289, J. S. Cumberland P.M. 1611 P.P.J.G.W. N. and E. Yorks, C. Seawill 219, F. T. Ridpath 1790, W. W. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, W. Mole 1687, F. Le Rosignol 1216, W. East 1695, J. Duchet 1867, W. Deveaux 1216, J. Huckvale 1635, C. Lanrance 1804, &c.

ST. MARTIN'S-LE-GRAND LODGE, No. 1538.

THE annual installation meeting of this young but increasingly popular Lodge, which is largely composed of gentlemen engaged in the General Post Office and the Civil Service, was held on Wednesday evening last, at the Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, under the most satisfactory auspices. There was a goodly attendance at the opening of the Lodge, which took place shortly before five o'clock, the chair being occupied by the retiring W.M., Bro. Alexander C. Moffatt, who was supported by Bros. William Gibbs S.W. and W.M. elect, William Smith, Ph.D., F.S.Sc., J.W., Major W. E. Williams P.M. Treas., J. Hookey Sec., T. J. Robertson S.D., J. P. Parkes J.D., H. F. Dickson I.G., R. J. Liversedge Steward, G. Gregory P.M., A. C. Woodward P.M., F. B. Williams P.M., Thomas T. Powell, M. J. Mumford, James M. West, Alfred Gribbell, Thomas Bates, W. Lyttel, H. Cooper, John Mutter, W. H. Archer, W. Tyrrell, Philip J. Le Gros, George Hatch, W. H. Johnson, John Garland, C. W. Brooks, Arthur Dennis, F. J. Larking, Dr. G. R. Parefoy Collis (hon. member), A. G. Fluck, W. F. Knight Tyler, and others. Amongst the Visitors were Bros. E. P. Albert P.G.P., P.M.'s C. Woolmer Williams 1275, Alfred Williams 14, T. Musgrave 1509, G. Corble 453 P.P.J.G.W. Essex, R. Robins 25, H. Faben, George Thurgood 1539; Bros. J. T. Custance 975, Thomas Horace Wilson (Calcutta), T. Snowden 90, James G. Piton 32, T. Evans 1257, and C. Warwick Jordan 1314. Lodge having been opened in accordance with ancient rites, the report of the Audit Committee, which showed the Lodge to be in a very satisfactory financial position, was submitted and approved. The W.M. elect was then presented by Bro. Major Williams, and having answered satisfactorily the interrogatories, signified his readiness to accept the responsible position which the brethren sought to confer upon him. A Board of Installed Masters was thereupon constituted, and Bro. Gibbs was duly installed into the chair of K.S. with the customary solemnities. On the readmission of the brethren the newly-installed Worshipful Master was proclaimed, and greeted with the usual salutations. We may add the ceremony throughout was most admirably performed by the Immediate Past Master, Brother A. C. Moffatt, who delivered the charges with great elocutionary effect. At the close of the ceremony, the W.M. invested his Officers for the year, as follows:—Bros. Alexander C. Moffatt I.P.M., Dr. Wm. Smith S.W., T. J. Robertson J.W., Major W. E. Williams P.M. Treasurer, J. Hookey P.M. Secretary, J. P. Parkes S.D., H. F. Dixon J.D., T. Bates D.C., G. Hatch Steward, R. C. Liversedge I.G., W. F. Knight Tyler. A handsome gold Past Master's jewel was then presented to Bro. A. C. Moffatt, in token of the esteem in which he is held by the brethren, and in recognition of the admirable manner in which he had discharged the duties of his office during the preceding year. The presentation was accompanied by a congratulatory speech by the Worshipful Master, who alluded, in felicitous terms, to the substantial services which had been rendered to the Lodge by Bro. Moffatt during the past year. The gift was suitably acknowledged by the Immediate Past Master, who promised to continue whatever aid he could towards advancing the prosperity and upholding the prestige of the Lodge. Some formal business was then transacted, after which the brethren adjourned to the Throne Room of the Hotel, where a *récherché* banquet had been prepared by Messrs. Ritter and Clifford, whose arrangements, under the personal superintendence of Bro. Henry Mills, elicited expressions of unqualified satisfaction. At the conclusion of the well-served repast, the Worshipful Master gave the customary Loyal toasts, in doing which he alluded, in felicitous terms, to the rapid increase of Freemasonry, under the rule of the Most Worshipful Grand Master the Prince of Wales. The toast was received with due honours. Then came the Grand Officers, present and past, on whose behalf Bro. E. P. Albert responded, concluding by expressing the gratification it afforded him to see the excellent manner in which the Immediate Past Master had installed his successor into the chair that day. This proved to him that the St Martin's-le-Grand Lodge was following an excellent example, and

means equal to the task, but he hoped soon to ge
ing of nervousness, and would endeavour to em
those who had preceded him, and to cast no disc
which, by their kindness, he had been elevated.
Immediate Past Master, who all must admit ha
most meritoriously during his year of office, a
satisfaction to the brethren generally. The w
performed the installation ceremony to-day had
able amount of pleasure and edification to all p
diate Past Master felt proud that the toast of
received so cordially, although he did not know
deserve that compliment than his predecessors ha
when he attempted the installation ceremony
givings, and he had hoped to acquit himself bett
He had now attained that position which it had
reach ever since he had been a Mason. When
this Lodge, five years ago, he little expected t
position, and it was entirely due to the assista
those who had gone before him, and to the
had received from his Officers. It must
both members and visitors, to see how the St
Lodge was expanding. He did not say this out
cause he was only a unit in the Lodge; still it w
as a Past Master to feel that the Lodge had not
year of office. He could assure their W. Master
year he would assist him in every way in his
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cause, as the Worshipful Master had said, this h
bought with money. A man must have gone thro
of Masonic work, and therefore it was most pleas
to feel that the honour would not have been
except he had to a certain extent done his duty
which he had been elected by the brethren. I
he could to discharge those functions which th
pect from him. He hoped his shortcomings wo
before he sat down he begged to thank the O
dered him such valuable assistance during
and who, by his retirement, had now taken
The Worshipful Master then gave the health of
had been admitted at a Lodge of emergency,
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responded, expressing the pleasure it afforded t
into so distingnished and popular a Lodge. Nex
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He assured them the Past Masters were only to
to render all the assistance in their power to t
they looked with confidence to those Officers wh
ward to fill posts of honour in the future and
study to uphold the prestige which the Lodge h
lating the example which the Past Masters had
them. The toast of the Visitors was received
in responding, Bro. Alfred Williams expressed
afforded him to witness such working in so you
was as satisfactory as any one could wish it to
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The Worshipful Master then proposed the hea
and Secretary, in doing which he said he c
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of their respective offices was deserving of all
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the pleasure of responding to this toast six or s

his duties had been comparatively light, and he could assure them they had been most agreeable. He hoped so long as the G.A.O.T.U. spared him, which he trusted might be for many years, he should continue to hold the office of Treasurer of the St. Martin's-le Grand Lodge, and that he might continue to enjoy, as he believed he did at present, the confidence of the brethren. Bro. J. Hookey, as Secretary, thanked the brethren for the great kindness he had at all times received at their hands. It was a great pleasure and honour to occupy the post he now filled, and to find the Lodge in such a prosperous condition as his worthy friend and coadjutor, Bro. Major Williams, had stated. They could not expect to make such progress next year as they had done in the past, and he did not think they wished to do so, as the Lodge now numbered fifty members, which was a good working number. He could only repeat his thanks for the kindness he had invariably received at their hands. The W.M. proposed the health of the Officers of the Lodge, for whom, in the absence of Dr. Smith, the Junior Warden, suitably responded, and the official list was closed with the Tyler's toast. The proceedings were diversified with some capital songs and recitations. Bro. C. Warwick Jordan (Organist of St. Stephen's, Lewisham) lending most valuable and efficient assistance as accompanyist on the pianoforte. A noticeable feature of the entertainment was a humorous recitation by Bro. Hatch, entitled "Melancholy Mad," which provoked roars of laughter. Altogether a most harmonious and agreeable evening was spent.

WEST MIDDLESEX LODGE, No. 1612.

AMONGST the Lodges that have been consecrated since the doings of the Craft have been recorded in the pages of this journal, few have been more successful than the one now under notice. The West Middlesex Lodge was inaugurated on the 15th July 1876, the late Bro. John Hervey officiating as consecrating officer; he had the assistance of Bro. Fenn P.G.D., and Bro. Weaver, who respectively filled the Senior and Junior Wardens' chairs, while for the nonce Bro. H. G. Buss, Assistant Grand Secretary, with wonted ability, acted as Director of Ceremonies. The day was in all respects an auspicious one; Bro. Hervey most enthusiastically directed attention to the brilliant future it was his opinion was before the Lodge. W. Bro. A. Beasley, P.M. of the Royal Alfred Lodge, No. 780, was installed the first W.M., and so ably did he conduct the business of the Lodge, that, at the conclusion of his year of office, he was unanimously re-appointed Master. In due course he was succeeded by Bro. Thomas Kingston, who filled the chair in 1878, this brother made way for Bro. H. L. Kasner; while Bro. A. J. Burr, who has ruled during the past year gave place on Saturday to Bro. J. Green. Throughout its career the Lodge has been recognised as a pattern one; every regard has been paid to the ceremonies being conducted with dignity, and strict attention has been given by its Officers to make themselves proficient for their duties. As a consequence, the Lodge is popular, and its roll of members long. Lodge was opened on the 8th instant at 3.30, by Bro. Burr, who was supported by the Officers and members of his Lodge, with the following Visitors:—Bros. G. Lambert Grand Sword Bearer, J. Owson 671, Walter Goss P.M. 780, H. C. Lambert P.M. 198, W. W. Morgan Sec. 211, S. Smout jun. J.W. 1642, W. Gardiner W.M. 780, C. Andrews P.M. 77, Robinson 1589, Leper 376, &c. After the minutes had been read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for Mr. Joseph William Guy, who was proposed by Bro. Beasley P.M., seconded by Bro. A. J. Burr W.M.; and for Mr. John Fryers, proposed by Bro. J. Green W.M. elect, seconded by Bro. H. Kasner P.M. The result in each case was unanimous, and Mr. Guy was introduced, and Bro. Burr performed the ceremony of initiation. It is the rule in this Lodge never to take more than one candidate; therefore, as the ceremony of initiation had to be gone through for the second candidate, the chair was taken by Bro. Past Master Beasley, the Father of the Lodge, and he performed the ceremony for Mr. Fryers, much to the edification of those present. The Lodge, which previously had been opened to the third, was resumed to the second degree, and Bro. Burr introduced the Worshipful Master elect, Bro. Joseph Green. Bro. Beasley then proceeded with the ceremony of installation; a Board of Past Masters was opened, in due course the lay members saluted their new Master, and he appointed his Officers:—Bros. H. E. Tucker S.W., S. Dyer J.W., H. Kasner P.M. Treasurer, J. Chambers Roe P.M. Secretary, W. Seward S.D., Fisher J.D., Nye I.G., Delevante Organist, Meadows Assist. Organist, Wright D.C., Foster A.D.C., Hamilton W.S., Jones A.W.S., Harrison Tyler. The addresses were given by the worthy Secretary Bro. J. Chambers Roe. Bro. Roe deservedly holds a position in the Craft as a Master of Ritual; he will, however, excuse us saying that

SELWYN LODGE,

THE Lodge of Instruction in connection inaugurated on Thursday, 6th Oct East Dulwich Hotel. Present—Bros. Br Grabham P.P.G.S Wks. S.W., Capt. J. Bal Hook W.M. 1901 P.M. 189, Forge, Bella, C. Acock, G. T. Acock, Sweeting, Br Barnett, Bullimore, Guerney, Powell, H Bridgland, Cheese, Robinson, Davies, brethren. The Lodge was opened in th with solemn prayer. The Lodge was op Bro. Hook the W.M. of the Mother Lod chair, was duly obligated. The Lodge degree, and the W.M. was duly installe P.M. Brooke being the installing mast duly saluted in the degrees, invested his Linscot S.W., Nicoll J.W., R. P. Forge S.D., Bullimore I.G. The addresses wer by Bro. P.M. Brooke. The W.M. rose votes of the Lodge was taken for Br Walters 901, J. Hicks 1297, also for Bro. P.M. No 19, all of whom were unanir members. The S.W. Bro. Linscot having the chair of the ensuing week, also tha Installing Master be recorded on the min had rehearsed the ceremony, the Lo harmony, and the meeting adjourned u 7.30.

St. James's Union Lodge, No. of this old and influential Lodge was held Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, u the W.M. Bro. C. Wade, this being the fi tion. Bros. G. B. Fletcher S.W., E. Farw P.M. Sec, Miles Treasurer, W. H. Bake Chester I.G., Denne W.S.; P.M.'s A Robinson. Visitors — Bros. Moore 12 Burgess 1319, Hammond 569, G. Pare J. I. Cantle P.M. 1257, W. Treacher 96, H. M. Levy P.M. 188, T. Ball P.M. 145, were read and confirmed. The name of a agenda paper, but he was not present. brethren, forty-three in number, sat down banquet, in the Crown Room, provided by tended by Bro. E. Dawkins. Grace havin posed the usual Loyal and Masonic toas National Anthem were sung by Miss G Bless the Prince of Wales," by Bro. J. I Master proposed the health of the Earl of Carnarvon, the Earl of L the Grand Officers of the Grand Stonor P.M. then rose; he had grea gavel for the purpose of proposing the brethren had witnessed his working, and W.M. in reply wished to say that he present. He was proud to say he hoped the old members, and that in future the already done, and thus render this Lodge The toast of the Visitors was next given. were pleased to see them. He would c 188, Pare 185, and H. M. Levy P.M. 188 brethren had expressed their appreciatio Lodge, the toast of the P.M.'s and Secret on their faces, was as an index to their m W.M. could be perfect; he would couple of Bro. Robinson the senior P.M., who compliment. The W.M. then proposed the Lodge. Bros. Fletcher S.W., Baker, the others had made themselves capable satisfaction of all. Bro. Fletcher S.W., in as the other Officers, endorsed every Maxstead followed, and then the Tyler's brethren separated. The W.M. provided Miss Grace Godolphin sang charmingly, Kift, and Arthur Thomas gave some exce

Urban Lodge, No. 1196.—The r Freemasons' Hall, on the 11th instant,

DRURY LANE.—At 7.30, YOUTH.

COVENT GARDEN.—At 8, PROMENADE CONCERTS.

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PRINCESS'S.—At 7, A PHOTOGRAPHIC FRIGHT. At 7.45, THE LIGHTS OF LONDON.

GLOBE.—At 7.30, MY WIFE'S OUT. At 8, LES CLOCHES DE CORNEVILLE.

GAIETY.—At 7.0, OPERETTA. At 7.20, BUBBLES. At 8.30, WHITTINGTON AND HIS CAT.

OLYMPIC.—At 7.45, QUITE AN ADVENTURE. At 8.15, CLAUDE DUVAL.

STRAND.—At 7.30, UP THE RIVER. At 8, OLIVETTE.

VAUDEVILLE.—At 7.30, THE HEN-WITCHERS. At 8.15, THE HALFWAY HOUSE, &c.

LYCEUM.—This evening, LA TRAVIATA. On Monday, I PURITANI. On Tuesday, DINORAH. On Wednesday, FAUST. On Thursday, LA FIGLIA DEL REGGIMENTO. On Friday, RIGOLETTO.

OPERA COMIQUE.—PRINCESS TOTO, &c.

CRITERION.—At 8, WITHERED LEAVES. At 8.45, BRIGHTON.

ALHAMBRA.—At 8.15, BRONZE HORSE. At 10, IN A STAR.

COURT.—At 8, TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS. At 8.45, HONOUR.

STANDARD.—IMPRUDENCE. On Monday, CARMEN.

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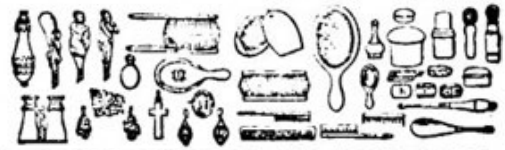
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WHEN the novitiate first realizes the fact that he is a Mason, at least that he has taken one degree, there is always one thought more permanent upon his mind than any other, viz., those wonderful words as to the honours of the lambskin, and many of us do not know their meaning until we are called to look into the pages of history. We are aware that it is said to be more honourable to have the badge of innocence than certain marks of royal honour; but what are those royal marks? It is well known that whenever Kings or Emperors conferred any of the orders of Knighthood, they bestowed upon the honoured one a beautiful cross, sash, or some significant emblem of the order. He who wore such a mark was of necessity received with marks of honour wherever he went.

Prominent among these royal honours was the order of the Golden Fleece, said to have been founded by Philip, Duke of Burgundy and Earl of Holland, who was also called "The Good," 10th January A.D. 1429.

The name given to the order has a two-fold meaning. First: It typified the spirit of chivalrous adventure which animates the hearts of the legendary Argonauts. Second: CHRIST having been represented in the form of a lamb, it signified winning His redemption by performing Knightly deeds.

The Argonauts.—There is too much of this to give here, but any one desiring can refer to American Cyclopædia, on Ino, Helle, and Argonauts, for the whole legend. This ancient legend says that Athamas, King of Thebes, was married to the goddess Nephele, by whom he had two children, a son and daughter, Phrixus and Helle. Athamas was also secretly joined in marriage to Ino, who was in trouble on account of her own children's jealousy of those of Nephele, and persuaded her husband to sacrifice them to appease the anger of the gods against him. Nephele, hearing of the impending danger, took the ram with the golden fleece which she had received from Mercury, and placing her children upon his back fled with them to Asia, but Helle fell into the sea at that part now called the Hellespontus, the sea of Helle; but Phrixus seems to have been carried to safety. After his death the fleece of the ram was by Phrixus nailed to an oak in the grove of Mars in Colchis. Pelias, the King of Iolus, desired to possess this fleece, he therefore commissioned Jason, his nephew, to obtain it. Jason joined to himself a band of heroes and in the ship Argo, which gave them the name Argonauts, sailed in quest of the golden fleece. They passed through many dangers, once narrowly escaping being crushed between two floating islands. Arriving at Colchis Aeas, the King, promised the fleece to Jason, "on condition that he should yoke to the plow two fire-breathing bulls, and sow the dragon's teeth left by Cadmus in Thebes." Aided by the King's daughter, a powerful enchantress, it was accomplished; but finding that the King designed treachery, he seized the fleece and carried it on board his ship, and, accompanied by the son and daughter of the King, set sail for his own land. Being pursued by the King, Medea, the daughter, having fallen in love with Jason, killed her brother, and threw his body, by piece, into the sea. The King, by picking up the fragments of the body, was so delayed as not to overtake the fugitives. This crime brought many dangers and difficulties to the fugitives, but finally they reached Iolus, where the Argo was consecrated to Neptune.

CHRIST, as a *Redeemer*, was always represented as in the form of a lamb. The ancient Jews, in their sacrifices, so regarded this coming Redeemer, and CHRIST is always so considered in the light of modern Christianity.

In the formation of this order of the Golden Fleece we have then the commemoration of the very highest spirit of chivalry, although

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The Roman Eagle.—But the Golden Fl
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the King of Babylon. It was always used as o
figures of Babylon. Under this standard Rome
become the conqueror of many nations; but it i
time in her history she first used it, for no men
standard being used at all in her armies during
years of her existence. The eagle was the mili
in the days of her glory. Assyrian sculpture
such in enduring marble. As a standard the na
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England; some, however, think it was by Richard
twenty-six of his Knights wear thongs of leathe
time of battle. These and other statements ar
in regard to its origin, but the majority seem
that its institution dates from a tournament he
1311, to which the most illustrious Knights
invited. The order is said to have been institu
Virgin Mary, the Trinity, Saint George, the tu
land, and to Saint Edward the Confessor. I
that the time and object of its origin is veile
The insignia was of blue velvet and gold, the g
of gold; a star was worn upon the left breas
velvet, a hat of black velvet, having white os
to it with a band of dimonds. This was, doubtl
the origin of the present costume of the Mas
ages when the these orders were in the prime
very high honour, and even rank high in honour
any man who becomes the recipient of any o

man should indicate the purity of his inner life. But are we all pure who were it? Does not the honorable emblem of innocence sometimes cover the bodies of men who have dishonoured the highest precepts of virtue. When such men wear it, does it not become less honourable than the, Golden Fleece, Roman Eagle, Star, or Garter?

THE ROYAL VISIT TO SWANSEA.—At the monthly meeting of the Swansea Town Council, on Wednesday, it was stated that the estimated cost of the visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales, to open the new Dock on the 18th, would not exceed a rate of threepence in the pound.

Bro. Seymour Smith's Annual Benefit Concert will take place at the City of London College, 52 Leadenhall-street, on Saturday next, the 22nd inst., commencing at 7.30. Our well-known brother will be supported on this occasion by Madame Worrell, Miss Matilda Roby, Miss Meta Russell, Miss Helen Heath, Miss Kate Earle, Messrs. A. Lester, Walter Pritchett, G. T. Carter, Arthur Thompson, C. A. White, F. H. Cozens, George Hunt, Chaplin Henry, &c. We see the names of several brethren on the Stewards' list, and hope they and Bro. Smith's many other friends will give him as good a reception as has been accorded him on previous occasions. The tickets are 4s and 2s each.

His Royal Highness Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, Prov. Grand Master Oxfordshire, is expected to visit Manchester early in December, in company with the Duke of Edinburgh, who will preside at a meeting at the Manchester Athenæum. Special prominence is to be given at the gathering to the subject of musical culture, upon which, it is hoped, Prince Leopold will deliver an address.

The installation meeting of the Eleanor Cross Lodge, No. 1764, Northampton, takes place on Tuesday next, Brother Henry Brown being the W.M. elect. That of the Metropolitan, No. 1507 (Bro. W. M. Stiles W.M. elect), at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on Wednesday, and that of the Eccleston, No. 1624 (Bro. John Galt Fisher W.M. elect), at the Criterion, on Wednesday also. We hope to give reports of each in our next issue.

There was much rejoicing at Hythe and Folkestone on Wednesday, on the occasion of the visit of the Prince of Wales, to open the new Parade at the former place, and to lay the first concrete block of the deep sea harbour at the latter. Both works are of considerable local importance, and the inhabitants turned out in large numbers to welcome His Royal Highness. The proceedings were, on the whole, very successful, though the weather turned out somewhat rough.

Viscount Powerscourt, P.G.M. Wicklow and Wexford, on Saturday last, in his concluding address as President of the Social Science Congress, made a powerful appeal for the opening of art Galleries on Sundays, and quoted in support of his view the social and educational influence which such a practice exercised on the Continent.

The first meeting of the Montague Guest Lodge, No. 1900, since its consecration, was held on Wednesday, at the Inns of Court Hotel. A report of the proceedings is in type, but pressure on our space, precludes its insertion until

those present upon the progress Masonry h
province, and coupled with it some excell
management of the various Lodges. A sum
from the funds of the Prov. G. Lodge to the
The following were elected as Officers for
were duly installed into their respective posts

Bro. John Henderson Scott	-	Dep. Pr
Lord Arthur Hill P.M. 1899	-	Prov. G
F. Noakes P.M. 311 and 1303		"
R. V. F. Davis J.W. 916	-	"
R. Crosskey P.M. 1303	-	"
Gerard Ford P.M. 271	-	"
V. P. Freeman P.M. 315, 732		"
S. W. D. Williams 1465	-	"
S. Solomon P.M. 732	-	"
A. Smith P.M 38. W.M. 1726		"
J. M. Kidd P.M. 832	-	"
T. R. White P.M. 311	-	"
C. M. Norris P.M. 40	-	"
W. Roe 1636	-	"
C. R. Chandler P.M. 1184	-	"
C. W. Hudson P.M. 315	-	"
E. Freeman W.M. 341	-	"
C. C. Cook P.M. 851	-	"
A. Taylor P.M. 1110	-	"
E Taylor P.M. 1141	-	"
E. A. Ford W.M. 1619	-	"
T. Hughes	-	"
H. H. Hughes	-	"

At the termination of the proceedings, the br
banqnetting-room, where they sat down to a
banquet, Sir W. W. Burrell, M.P., preside
occupied by Bros. G. Smith and A. Smith.
the usual Loyal toasts, which were well rece
then proposed the R.W. the Pro Grand
Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon, and then
the R.W. the Deputy Grand Master the
Officers of Grand Lodge Past and Present.
Grand Secretary of England responded in
of the work done by the Officers of Grand
M.P., proposed what he termed the toast of
Prov. Grand Master of Sussex, Sir W. W. B
held that loyalty was the soul of Masonry,
Province was more devoted to its Prov. Grand
Masons were to Sir Walter. As a Prov. Offi
shown great hospitality, and possessed the
conscience, a good heart, and a good diges
ceived most enthusiastically. Sir W. W.
response. He felt that the kind words spoke
he deserved. Feeling fatigued, he refrained
would have liked upon the toast. Bro. Holla
shipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master J. H
of the Prov. Grand Lodge Present and Pas
Province he held was largely due to the
he trusted Bro. Scott would be long spared
Bro. Scott, in responding, remarked that as l
was the Prov. G M. of Sussex he should feel i
could to carry out the duties of his office. B
the Visitors, which was acknowledged by
Bro. D. Smith (Mayor of Brighton) gave "Th
He was glad to learn that the Sussex contri
Charities were second to none, and that th
head throughout the Province. Bro. Free
£700 recently to the Boys' Institution. Bro
He alluded to the visit last June to Brighto
Institution, and its successful gathering unde
Marquess of Waterford. The Mayor of Bright
in its success, but the Provincial Grand Secre
man) deserved great praise for the valuable
to the undertaking. Many had criticised th
would have been the first to condemn had t
had generously applauded their efforts on seei
been made. The gathering in Brighton had b
he was grateful to all who assisted him.
"The Worshipful Masters of the Lodges in t
Bros. Skindle (Worthing) and G. S. Goufree (
The latter felt honoured in replying to so

the first section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. C. Lorkin gave the lecture on the second tracing board. The Lodge was opened and closed in the third degree. Bro. Brasted assisted Bro. C. Lorkin to work the third section of the second lecture. Lodge was closed in the second degree, and Bro. Forss worked the first and fourth sections of the first lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. F. Brasted was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. The Fifteen Sections will be worked at this Lodge of Instruction on Tuesday evening, the 25th, at seven o'clock, on which occasion our esteemed Bro. P.M. Barnes will preside. Craftsmen are invited to attend. Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, Lodge was closed in due form and adjourned.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instruction, No. 1278.—Held at the Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal-green Junction, on 12th instant. Present:—Bros. Hand W.M., Chitson S.W., Bonner J.W., Ward S.D., Stewart I.G., Christian, &c. After preliminaries, Bro. Christian answered the questions leading to the second degree, and was duly entrusted. Lodge opened in the second, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of passing. Lodge resumed in the first degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Christian acting as candidate. Bro. Stewart worked the first and second sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Chitson was elected W.M. for next week. Lodge was then closed, and adjourned.

St. Peter's Lodge, No. 1330, Market Harborough.—The installation meeting of this Lodge was held at the Swans Hotel, on Friday, when Bro. W. W. Wartnaby was installed as Worshipful Master, Bro. Dr. Grant conducting the ceremony. The Officers for the year were then appointed. After business an excellent banquet was put upon the tables by the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Bowles. The W.M. did not preside, owing to a family bereavement, but Bro. Grant presided in his place. A very enjoyable evening was spent.

Prince Leopold Lodge of Instruction, 1445.—Held at the Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, on Wednesday, 28th ult. This Lodge of Instruction resumed it duties after the recess, when Bro. Partridge presided as W.M., supported by Bros. W. H. Myers P.M. 820 and 1445 Preceptor, Kimble S.W.; also Bros. McDonald, J. Robson, C. Robson, C. Smith, R. W. Galer 1366, Seymour-Clarke Secretary, and others. The ceremony of initiation was ably rehearsed by the W.M., and Bro. McDonald worked the first, second, and third sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. R. W. Galer, 1366, Highgate Lodge, was elected a member, and Bro. Kimbell S.W. was elected W.M. for Wednesday, 5th October. On Wednesday, 5th October, Bro. W. Kimbell occupied the chair as W.M., supported by Bros. Seymour-Clarke S.W., J. Robson J.W., Myers P.M. Preceptor, C. Robson, Chamberlain, McDonald, Galer, C. Smith, Partridge, Groom, and others. This being the first Wednesday in the month, the first ceremony was rehearsed, and Bro. McDonald again worked the sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. The Bye-laws were also read, and an Audit Committee appointed. Bro. Seymour-Clarke was elected W.M. for Wednesday, 12th October, to work the second degree. Lodge was closed in due form, with prayer. It was announced that Bro. Barnes, P.M. 554, had consented to preside at the working of the Fifteen Sections in this Lodge on the first Wednesday in November, Bro. Cundick P.M. 1421 to be S.W., and Bro. Musto P.M. 1349 J.W. After giving the names, it is unnecessary to add that a Masonic treat is in store for that evening, and we hope very many will participate. The ballot for a Life Subscribership will doubtless be taken in November, amongst those who have attended at least six times in the previous six months.

King's Cross Lodge of Instruction, No. 1732.—The regular meeting was held at the Adam's Arms, Hampstead-street, Fitzroy-square, on the 9th inst. Among the numerous brethren present were Bros. J. J. Michael W.M. 1107, W. M. Stiles P.M. 1732 and W.M. elect 1507, and many distinguished W.M.'s and P.M.'s. The chair was occupied by Bro. H. Stiles W.M. of the parent Lodge, Bros. H. Silvester (Bro. Sidney Franks) S.W., whom all were pleased to see after his recent severe accident, L. Solomon J.W., W. M. Stiles S.D., N. Vallentine J.D., B. Kauffman I.G., L. Jacobs as Secretary, Devine Treasurer, J. Hemming Preceptor. The ceremony of installation was ably rehearsed by the W.M. to the satisfaction of all present

which among other things recomm
granite should be used for the plain
outer walling of the crypt and qu
being used for most of the dressed wo
tect being at liberty to use "Doulting
wish. The bulk of the interior plain
of walls is recommended to be of St
interior dressings to be of Bath, or
architect's discretion.

On Thursday last Lady Roberts, wif
Sir F. Roberts, Bart., V.C., G.C.B., v
bust of her husband. The interesting
at the studio of the sculptor, Mr. H
where also were assembled several la
many of whom are members of t
Society. The presentation was entr
President of the Society, who, in a fev
requested Lady Robert's acceptance
Frederick briefly but appropriately
acceptance of the gift. The bust, whi
represents the gallant soldier in un
wearing only the decoration of the Vi
said to be an excellent likeness.

The Marquis of Hartington, Provi
Derbyshire, has been staying at Balm
attendance on the Queen.

Yesterday (Friday) was fixed for
mony to take place in connection with
the Priory Gateway at Dover, the pr
occasion being assigned to Earl Granvi
of the Cinque Ports.

On Friday last H.R.H. the Prince
Colonel Farquharson, of Invercauld, w
afternoon the gallant host, with his roy
had a very successful deer hunt, five
antlered stags forming the quarry. T
drove over later, and joined the party a

The Fifteen Sections will be worked in t
of Instruction, No. 538, at Morland's Hotel,
October, Bro. H. Richardson S.W. 1348 i
Farwig P.M. 180 S.W., J. Hemming 1287
1348 Preceptor.

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180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
185—Tranquillity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel Balham.
862—Whittington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
901—City of London, Gresham-street, E.C.
907—Royal Albert, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1455—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1537—St. Peter, Westminster, Criterion, W.
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1627—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
R.A.1319—Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
M.M.—Old Kent, Trocadero, Broad Street Buildings, E.C. at 6.30 (Instruction)

77—Freedom, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend
236—York, Masonic Hall, York
331—Phœnix Public Room Truro
359—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton
424—Borough, Half Moon Hotel, Gateshead
466—Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron, Northampton
622—St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
725—Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
925—Bedford Masonic Hall, New street, Birmingham
934—Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield.
985—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Holbeach.
1030—Egerton, George Hotel, Wellington Road, Heaton Norris, near Stockport
1057—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland.
1111—Mid Sussex, Assembly Rooms, Horsham.
1170—St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
1198—Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury.
1208—Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover.
1238—Gooch, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
1419—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Inst.)
1502—Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 32—Jerusalem, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
R.A. 139—Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
R.A. 210—Faith, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton.
K.T.—Edmund Plantagenet, Knowsley Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury.
K.T.—Prince of Peace, Bull Hotel, Preston

TUESDAY, 18th OCTOBER.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
30—United Mariners, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
73—Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.
95—Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
435—Salisbury, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
733—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
830—Dalhousie Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1339—Stockwell, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1347—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, Duke of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Surrey Tavern, Kennington Oval
1420—Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge, S.W.
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1558—D Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1607—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woodsack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hounsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.
R.A. 1305—Clarion, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
M.M.—Prince Leopold, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.

117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
213—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich.
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
384—St. David, Masonic Rooms, Bangor.
462—Royal Sussex, George the Fourth, Nottingham
484—Union, Masonic Hall, Reading
488—Montacute, Mechanics' Institute, Hanley.
498—Light, Great Western Hotel, Birmingham
651—Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon.
667—Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
669—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
1096—Tregullow, Masonic Rooms, St. Day, Scorrier, Cornwall.
1052—Callender, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
1059—De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness.
1113—Anglesea, Bull Hotel, Llangefni
1125—Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1127—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle.
1170—Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable.
1171—Beadle, 146 Bury-street, Bodle, at 6 (Instruction)
1314—Concord, George Hotel, Prestwich.
1351—Charity, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
1370—Prince Arthur, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool
1764—Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton
R.A. 208—Union, Ouse [illegible]

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1082—Beaconsfield, Checquers, Marsh Street, Wal
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello
R.A. 177—Domatic Union Tavern, Air-street, R
20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatl
121—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzance
140—St. George, Trafalgar Tavern, Greenwich
175—East Medina, Masonic Hall, John-street, F
178—Antiquity Royal Hotel, Wigan.
200—Old Globe, Private Rooms, Globe-street, S
221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall S
246—Royal Union, Freemasons Hall, Cheltenha
325—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-sq
342—Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, 79 Comm
424—Sincerity, Angel Inn, Northwich, Cheshire
451—Sutherland, Town Hall, Barsley
537—Zetland 9 Hamilton-street, Birkenhead.
581—Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
592—Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirencester
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool at 7.
666—Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (
683—Iscа, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newp
795—St. John, Rav Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
874—Holmesdale, Royal Sussex Hotel, Tunbridg
889—Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames
909—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birm
969—Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Working
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1019—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Zetland-stree
1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield, Yorks
1046—Watson, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkd
1129—St. Chad, Rochdale Hotel, Rochdale
1161—De Grey and Ripon, Brunswick Hotel, Picc
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
1246—Holte, Holte Hotel, Aston
1321—Brighouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-road,
1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Durham House, S
1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenæum, Lancaster
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Li
1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull
1674—Starkie, Railway Hotel, Ramsbottom
R.A. 240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-st
R.A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Hecke
M.M. 135—Hotspur, Freemasons' Hall, Clayport-s

THURSDAY, 20th OC

House Committee, Girls' School, Battersea Rise, a
3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fu
15—Kent, Checquers, Marsh-street Walthamstow
97—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-stre
49—Gibon, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
55—Constitutional, Inns of Court Hotel, Fleet-str
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lamb
169—Temperance, White Swan, High street, Dept
179—Manchester, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
181—Universal, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Stree
225—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-
233—Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St Johns Wood
251—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Totte
813—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-st
902—Panmure no Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, L
1139—South Norwood, Public Hall, South Norwoo
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at 8 (In
1287—Great Northern, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, a
1428—The Great City, Masons Hall, Masons Avenu
1475—Peckham, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1613—Cripplegate, Albion, Aldersgate-street
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Co
1673—Lanston, Mansion House Station Restaurant,
1728—Temple Bar, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, S
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgat
M.M.—Duke of Connaught, Hayelock, Albion-rd., I
42—Relief, Albion Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury
48—Industry, 31 Denmark-street, Gateshead, (In
56—Howard, High-street, Arundel
98—St. Martin, Town Hall, Barsley
100—Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Great Yarmo
208—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at
268—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street, Ash
313—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Stark
315—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street,
367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn, Smallh
523—John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halfordstr
609—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, I
695—Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
693—Wiltshire of Fidelity, Town Hall, Devizes,
1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street,
1012—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street,
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool,
1209—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, n
1327—King Harold, Britannia Hotel, Waltham New
1339—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
1432—Fitzalan, Wynnstay Arms, Oswestry
1512—Hemming, Red Lion Hotel, Hampton
1550—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts,
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.
R.A. 63—St. Mary, Star and [illegible]

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541—De Lorraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
993—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George street, Leeds
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1644—Alma Mater, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingha
1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield
R.A. 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5.30
R.C.—White Rose of York, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

SATURDAY, 22nd OCTOBER.

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
1297—West Kent, Crystal Palace, Sydenham
1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
1541—Alexandra Palace, Alexandra Palace, Muswell Hill
1624—Pembroke, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.
R.A. 1044—Mid-Surrey, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
R.A. 1329—Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.

1293—Burdett, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court
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NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198.—Held at Brother Fysh's, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, on Saturday last, the 8th inst. Bros. G. Ferrar W.M., C. Weeden S.W., Tuck J.W., Pearcy Preceptor, A. W. Fenner Secretary, Gillham S.D., Woodman J.D., Birch I.G.; also Bros. Cusworth, A. Mullord, Snare, C. Lorkin, J. Lorkin, Marks, D. Moss, Dignam, Forge, Fysh. After preliminaries, Bro. Snare answered the questions leading to the second degree in a satisfactory manner and was duly passed. The second section of the lecture was worked by Bro. Preceptor, assisted by the brethren. Bro. A. Mullord gave proof of his proficiency as F.C. Lodge being advanced, that brother was raised to the degree of M.M., both ceremonies being ably rendered. Lodge was resumed to the first, and Brother C. Weeden was elected to preside at the next meeting. The votes of the Lodge for the Boys' Institution were presented to Bro. Pearcy, after which Lodge was closed.

St. Michael's Lodge, No. 211.—The meetings of this Lodge were resumed on Tuesday, at the Albion, Aldersgate-street. In the absence of the W.M., Bro. John Waters, the chair was taken by the I.P.M., Bro. W. Radcliffe, who was supported by Bros. Usher Back S.W., W. E. Young J.W., C. Greenwood P.M. P.G.S.B. Treasurer, W. W. Morgan Secretary, F. J. Hentsch S.D., T. H. Peirce J.D., A. Withers P.M., A. Green P.M., D Drysdale P.M., H. Martin Organist, &c., &c. After the minutes of last meeting had been read and confirmed, the ceremonies of the first and second degrees were rehearsed. Later on Bro. Secretary announced that at the next Anniversary Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution in February next Col. J. A. Lloyd-Philipps Prov. Grand Master of the Western Division of South Wales would preside. Bro. Morgan stated that he was aware the Lodge had but recently gallantly supported this Charity, through one of its Stewards; at the same time, as he was present when Colonel Lloyd-Philipps was asked to act as President for the Festival, and as he was desirous the Metropolitan brethren should support their neighbours of the Principality on this occasion, he had brought the question under consideration at this early date. It was decided the matter should be considered at the November meeting of the Lodge. The brethren afterwards spent a pleasent hour in social converse.

United Strength Lodge, No. 228.—The first meeting of the members of this old and popular Lodge, after the summer recess, was held on Tuesday evening, the 11th inst., at the Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, under the presidency of the Worshipful Master Bro. G. Allen Patmore. There was a large attendance of the brethren, but, being what may be considered an "off night," and with almost a blank agenda, the number of invited guests was somewhat limited. After the formal business, the brethren partook of an excellent banquet provided in Messrs. Ritter and Clifford's usual style, and the

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nings W.M. 650, R. Clowes S.W. 650, H. Eve
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and the following members of 433, in addition
tioned:—Bros. W. Clarey P.M. and Treasurer, R
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P.M., G. Richardson P.M., C. Bleth P.M., Wm. I
P.M., J. Richardson P.M., H. York P.M., W. Ho
Wheeler, William Wheeler, &c.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instructio
usual weekly meeting was held at the Star
Kew Bridge, on Friday evening, 7th inst, at ei
—Bros. Gunner W.M., E. Monson S.W., Sperrin
S.D., Goss P.M. J.D., Gomm P.M. I.G., And
Costelow W.M. 780, Maton, &c. After prelimi
of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Costelow kind
candidate. Lodge was then regularly closed
Monson was unanimously elected W.M. for the
question of the annual banquet was refered to,
deferred, owing to the absence of the Hon. S
closed. The Fifteen Sections will be worked in
tion at an early date; due notice will be given.

Eboracum Lodge, No. 1611.—The reg
Lodge was held at York, on Monday last, whe
attendance of brethren to take part in the elec
J. T. Seller the W.M. presided, and there were
B. Whytehead P.M., C. G. Padel P.M., G. Balmf
S.W., M. Millington J.W., and a number of othe
the closing year having been satisfactorily pass
head moved that ten guineas from the Lodge C
to Bro. C. G. Padel P.M. who purposed acting
at the next Benevolent Festival, which was car
ness was the ballot for W.M., and the unanimou
fell to Bro. G. Simpson S.W., who thanked the
confidence. Bro. G. Balmford, who has acted
Lodge since its foundation, was re-elected T
Pearson Tyler. The W.M. elect then proposed
man as a candidate for Freemasonry, and the
Subsequently at refreshment Bro. Whytehead p
the W. Master Bro. J. T. Seller, and in the cour
that a more generous and cordial brother ha
chair. He had spared nothing in forwarding
Lodge, and in all respects he had earned the g
of its brethren. Bro. Seller in replying assure
past so in the future he should ever regard
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WE see from the full report of the customary address delivered by Bro. J. H. Graham, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, that the question which most exercised his attention was that of the relations existing—or, from his point of view, which should exist—between the Grand Lodges of England and Quebec. In England the question of jurisdiction, which so seriously disturbs the minds of our North American brethren, is hardly ever vouchsafed even a passing thought. Its general principles are, of course, understood and valued, but the nicer distinctions of the law are, we fear, but indifferently appreciated. We know, for instance, speaking broadly and generally, that the United Grand Lodge of England, for example, would never dream of granting a warrant to brethren for the purpose of constituting a Lodge in Ireland, Scotland, Germany, the United States, or, indeed, in any country which can boast of having a Sovereign and independent Grand Lodge of its own to protect and promote the interests of its Craftsmen. Neither would the Grand Lodge of Ireland or Scotland venture to arrogate to itself the title to grant any such warrant. This policy they would pursue on the clear and intelligible principle that one Masonic jurisdiction has no right to trench on the territory of another Masonic jurisdiction, any more than one political State has the right to trench upon the territory of another political State. And, further, as they respect in every possible way the integrity and independence of other Grand Lodges, so naturally do they look for the same respect being paid to their integrity and independence. All this is plain sailing, but they become lost in amazement when they read the correspondence or addresses respecting jurisdiction which are laid before some of the North American Lodges. No one here, for instance, seems to know how the late difference between the Grand Lodges of Scotland and Quebec arose, or wherein lay the vital point at issue between them. There was, however, a difference, and it was connected with the Lodges in Montreal, lately holding warrants from the Grand Lodge of Scotland; but why it should be deemed a blot on the fair escutcheon of the Grand Lodge of Quebec because certain Lodges had and still preferred to remain attached to their mother Grand Lodge seems to us inexplicable. The Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, and Ireland exercise co-ordinate jurisdiction in, with a few exceptions, the colonies and dependencies of the British Crown. The exceptions are to be found in British North America, where there have been at different times established certain Grand Lodges, which claim to be and are recognised as independent Bodies, in whose several jurisdictions it would be contrary to both law and equity to even entertain the idea of erecting new English, Scotch or Irish Lodges. But it has not always happened that the establishment of a new Grand Lodge in British territory has been the result of complete unanimity on the part of all the Lodges belonging to the three concurrent jurisdictions, some of them having manifested a decided preference for continuing in the circumstances in which they had always been placed. This was the case w
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We now turn to the case as between England and Quebec, which is in all respects save one identical with the one we have just considered. England had stipulated for the freedom of its Lodges to remain in their allegiance so long as they were desirous of remaining, and, in our opinion, and for the reason we have already indicated, this freedom should have been religiously respected by Quebec. Doubtless the dignity of the latter was somewhat shorn of its fullest proportions by certain English Lodges proposing to remain in their old allegiance; but in Freemasonry, of all institutions in the world, there should be freedom within the just limits of the interests of the Craft for existing Lodges to join a new confederation or remain as they were. This view, however, does not seem to have commended itself to Quebec, which evidently considers this question of jurisdiction of greater importance than the freedom, within the limits we have prescribed, of individual Lodges. Accordingly, in a letter dated 21st March 1880, Grand Master Graham addresses, in courteous language, to the Prince of Wales, as Grand Master of England, a statement in which is contained the following passage :—

Your Royal Highness is doubtless aware that there still exist in the city of Montreal, within our Grand Lodge jurisdiction, *three* Lodges of the English constitution, and over them a Brother seemingly performing the duties of Provincial Grand Master. I therefore respectfully submit to Your Royal Highness, as Grand Master, and to the Grand Lodge of England, that the Grand Lodge of Quebec, considers the continued existence of these Lodges within her territorial jurisdiction as a violation of her rights as a duly constituted Grand Body, contrary to the long-established practice prevailing among most of the regular Grand Lodges of the world, and subversive of the harmony, unity and prosperity of the Craft. And while we are aware that it is held by some in England that daughter Lodges situated in distant parts of the Empire, even wherein Grand Lodges have been of right formed, should be upheld in their continuance under the Mother Grand Lodge as long as they may desire, instead of being fraternally given to understand that they should loyally give their adhesion to the Sovereign Grand Lodge of their own Province or Colony, or return their warrants to the Grand Lodge from whence derived; it appears to us, M.W. Sir, that if brethren entertaining such opinions could fully appreciate the painful experience of the Grand Lodges of Canada and Quebec, during the past quarter of a century, resulting from the existence of these *imperia in imperiis*, they would either be induced to accept and act upon the doctrine of exclusive Grand Lodge Sovereignty,—prevailing throughout North America and elsewhere,—or they would favour the speedy adoption of a wiser course to be pursued toward such Lodges which are ever endangering and so often disturbing the peace and harmony of the Craft, both at home and abroad, and thus causing International Masonic discord and alienation; and I need not assure Your Royal Highness that it gives me much pain to be compelled to communicate to you, as Grand Master, and to the Grand Lodge of England, that of in the recent unwarrantable invasion of the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, in establishing in addition to its *one* Lodge heretofore existing, *two* new private Lodges, and organizing a Provincial Grand Lodge within this Province, acts justly receiving world-wide condemnation, and which, in civil affairs, would be deemed to be acts of treason and rebellion against the lawfully constituted sovereignty; that in these most unfraternal and unconstitutional events, the chief representative officer of the Grand Lodge of England, and the principal officers of these English Lodges here, have actively participated, and with seeming pleasure, continue to aid and abet these attempts to resist and subvert the lawfully constituted sovereign Masonic authority within this Province.

To this, under date of 10th August following, our Grand Secretary replied, in phraseology which is somewhat loose, but accurate as to the main facts, as follows :—

I have duly laid before the Grand Master, your letter of the 31st March, in which you request that the

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MR. GLADSTONE and the WINE DUT
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bourhood and its vicinity. The streets, which were elaborately decorated, presented a very animated appearance, but what will most interest our readers is to know that, as usual, the Freemasons of the district played a very important part in the proceedings of the day. They assembled in considerable strength, and the greeting they gave to their Grand Master and his Consort was of the heartiest. The following, as specially describing the Masonic events of the gathering, will no doubt prove attractive reading :—

On arriving at the stand, the procession stopped, and Sir George Elliot, M.P., and Bro. M. Tennant presented the following address to the Prince of Wales :—

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Antient, Free, and Accepted Masons of England, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

We, the members of the Provincial Grand Lodge of South Wales (Eastern Divison), on behalf of ourselves and of the members of the fifteen Lodges of the Province, beg to offer you a fraternal welcome on the auspicious occasion of your Royal Highness's first visit to South Wales.

We submit that the welcome we accord is conspicuously different from any which has been, or which at any future time may be tendered from any part or division of the United Kingdom, inasmuch as we emphatically welcome your Royal Highness to your own distinctive home. This proud distinction Wales may justly claim ; and through the long centuries from Edward of Carnarvon's time to our own, not only has Wales been so regarded, but it has been pre-eminently distinguished by the fidelity and loyalty of its people, the unchanging peacefulness of its annals, and its unalterable attachment to the Crown. Time has only tended to consummate and strengthen the link which binds the Welsh as a nation to the Throne of Britain.

Yet, in our own case we have another tie uniting us still more closely. Commerce may join, motives of policy may attach, love of Queen and country may indissolubly weld together the dissevered sections of our land ; but in the person of your Royal Highness, son of the noblest and purest ruler who ever swayed the destinies of England, we have the privilege of recognising and identifying a brother.

For this we are fraternally grateful. Freemasonry—in the abstract a code of the loftiest morals and of the truest philosophy, and in practice the exponent of the broadest charity, regardless of clime or creed—not only hails your Royal Highness, but also claims our gracious Queen and a long line of Sovereigns of England, together with your two Royal brothers, as the most beneficent of its patrons.

The interest taken in Freemasonry by your Royal Highness has shed fresh lustre upon this ancient and honourable institution, and we are happy and thankful to add that it has given an impetus to those charitable institutions which are so thoroughly the objects of our Order. We earnestly trust that every son of your Royal line will emulate the devotion to Masonry so signally displayed by their worthy father.

Long may that interest in Freemasonry be felt ; unwavering may it be shown, so that in the annals of our Order no prouder boast can be associated with its successes than that in your Royal Highness, as our Grand Master, it had its most genial, zealous, and illustrious patron.

We are fully mindful of the honour conferred upon the Principality by the presence on this occasion of her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, and we should not do justice to those earnest feelings of respect and admiration which are implanted in our hearts for the Princess if we neglect this opportunity for giving the heartiest and most loyal expression of attachment and devotion to her, and prayers for her welfare and happiness.

Regarding your Royal Highness as the Grand Master of the Craft, we would desire most earnestly to express our hope that this, the first visit to South Wales, may inaugurate a series of other visits, and that this fleeting occasion upon which we are permitted to present this our hearty, loyal, and fraternal address, may be not only the forerunner of many others, but of a long-anticipated time, when in our own Lodges, and in a manner more befitting, we may express our loyalty and unbending attachment, and offer as brethren the fraternal indication of our common brotherhood.

Until such time we remain unswerving in our loyalty and devotion

to an Order with which I am so intimate
prosperity I take so deep an interest. I
sensible of the distinction I enjoy of
name of a country which, like your Prin
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its inhabitants. I will not fail to give to
kind words in which you have alluded t
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to us of becoming acquainted with the
Wales, and we trust that further opportu
renew our visit.

The Masonic pavilion presented a sple
ladies and gentlemen the following Free
of office :—Bros. Sir. G. Elliot, M.P., P.G
W. Whitington, Morgan, J. Jones, W. T. C
J. E. Price, D. M. Watson, T. D. Dan
Thomas, Whittle, E. Davis, Whittle, H.
Captain Homfray, W. Watkins, John Tho
Owen, Rev. E. Jones, Major Pearson, An
M.P., Sir Pryse Pryse (Goerddeu), Re
Marsden, J. B. Phillips, R. Margrave, J.

The October meeting of the Lod
held on Wednesday evening, at F
James Brett P.G.P., Junior Vice-
chair of President; General Brow
Master for Surrey, occupied the
President; and Bro. Samuel Raws
Master of China, took the chair of
There was not a large attendance
Lodge first confirmed recommenda
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comprised thirty-four new cases.
sitting four hours, relieved twent
total of £810. Four of the remain
and six were dismissed.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of
has sustained a great loss through
E. T. Carlyon from the office of
many years he has held that offi
which he has performed the various
it has been specially recognised in
of opinion that Bro. Carlyon's lon
should be recognised by the pre
testimonial, several of the leading
of Cornwall have issued a circular
the province, soliciting their co-ope
for this purpose. It is desire
should be subscribed for by the Cra
the province, and, as soon as suff
received, a meeting will be held to
the testimonial shall take. Bro
P.G.Reg., has consented to act as
Bro. Carlyon is so well known thro
his genial manner, kindness of hea
sonry that a hearty response
made to the appeal.—*Western Dail*

The Earl of St. Germans and
chere, daughter of the late Lord T
the Royal Savoy Chapel on Tuesda

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Autum
sickness; then the blood requires purification,
and attentive regulation, and all the secretion
remedies supply all the necessaries for securi
cutaneous diseases, sores, ulcerations, absce
imperfections; the other acts most potently
strengthening the stomach, governing the l

451. The Installing Masters were Bros. W. T. Beetenson W.M. assisted by Ed. Roberts I.P.M., H. C. Faram, S. Smith and J. W. Thomas. The ceremony was gone through in a most impressive manner. The newly installed Master proceeded with the appointment of his Officers, the several collars were distributed as follows, viz.—Brothers John Perkins S.W., D. H. Dunning J.W., Thos. Bakewell Sec., Rev. J. Westbury Chaplain, Ed. Roberts P.M. Treasurer, S. Smith P.M. D.C., Thos. Stubbs S.D., Jos. Baker J.D., J. W. Gimson I.G., Geo. Fleet Steward, Eardley Steward, Theo. Hemmings Organist, Alfred Kingston Tyler; after which the D.P.G.M., in an eloquent address to the Lodge, complimented the Installing Master on the creditable manner he had performed the ceremony, and also the Officers for their system and ability in conducting the formalities. The Brethren then adjourned to the North Staffordshire Hotel, where an excellent banquet was prepared in Bro. Patzer's usual style. The Worshipful Master (Bro. David Smith) occupied the chair. After the Loyal toasts had been given, that of the Right Hon. and Right Worshipful the Earl of Carnarvon Pro G.M. of England was received with acclamation. Bro. Copeland P.M., in proposing the health of W. Bro. Foster Gough D.P.G.M. of North Staffordshire, expressed the sentiments of the brethren when he referred to the satisfaction which the Lodge had felt at the visit made that day, and hoped it would be an omen of good fortune generally to the Lodge. The toast was enthusiastically received, and, in the absence of Bro. Gough, who was obliged to leave to attend another Masonic meeting in another part of the province, was responded to by Bros. Tooth P.M. P.P.G.R. Thos. Taylor P.P.G J.W., J. W. Thomas P.P.G. Standard Bearer. Bro. Samuel Smith P.M. then proposed the health of the W.M., and in doing so dwelt upon the pleasure it had afforded him to take part in the ceremony of installing a Brother initiated by himself, and augured a successful and happy year. The toast was responded to in very appropriate terms by the W.M. Bro. D. H. Dunning J.W. gave the Masonic Charities, and observed how prominent a part the Portland Lodge had taken for some years in aiding the Provincial Charities, while he hoped that future aid would be still further increased. The toast was ably responded to by Bro. R. Tooth. The health of the I.P.M. was given in eulogistic terms by Bro. Ed. Roberts P.M. In replying, Bro. Beetenson said that, as the son of a Mason who had years before occupied a prominent position in the Portland Lodge, it had been his ardent wish not merely to retain his own reputation as W.M., but to do honour to his father's memory, and to those worthy Masons who had preceded him in the chair. The Lodge had, during his year, prospered in a marked manner, and had shown the harmonious character of its proceedings by the resolution it had that day unanimously passed authorising application for a new Lodge in a suburb of the town, to be named the Minerva, a Lodge which would mainly be composed of active brethren belonging to 637. He felt no fear of opposition from the new Lodge, nor did he believe that the parent Lodge would decrease in its prosperity through the new comer. He trusted the W.M. would have as pleasant a Lodge to rule over as he had experienced, and it would be still one of his first principles to promote in every way the comfort, progress and success of his mother Lodge. The remaining toasts were, the Past Masters, proposed by Bro. Perkins S.W., and responded to by Bro. J. W. Thomas. The Visiting Brethren, by Bro. Ashwell, and responded to by Bros. Greatbatch, Gee, and Tonkinson. The Officers, by Bro. J. Shenton, and responded to by Bro. Bakewell Sec. The Tyler's toast brought one of the most successful meetings to a happy termination.

THE CRUSADERS LODGE, No. 1677.

THE annual meeting took place on Wednesday, 19th instant, at the Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct. The Lodge was opened by Bro. J. W. Simmonds, who was well supported by the members. All the Officers were present, and the attendance was further strengthened by the following, among other, Visitors:—Bros. H. Hollis P.M. 167, Mulford W.M. 1288, T. Press P.M. 1695, W. Iron J.W. 1679, H. Tinney 1319, J. F. Rothschild 1288, J. J. Goode 1580, E. Bowyer P.M. 1580 P.P.G.S.W. Herts, J. Quitman P.M. 528, W. Best S.D. 1288, H. T. Wolters P.M. 538, W. S. Cooke 25, G. W. Taylor P.M. 917, Charles Hammond W.S. 820, A. Bonner 1444, John Walker P.M. 27, D. Clarke P.M. 21, W. W. Burrows 1364, R. J. Taylor P.M. 144, H. C. Thompson 4, W. Bristo P.M. 1364, H. J. T. Gale 1107, R. Baker W.M. 188, E. Woodman I.C. 1897, H. J. Moxon P.M. 1154, B. J. Davis 1278, S. Balls P.M. 12, W. W. Morgan Secretary 211, J. W. Chapman J.W. 1922, Samuel Goode 1288, G. W. Evans 1632, R. V. Davies 1695, G. A. Potter 1580. Lodge was formally opened at four o'clock, when the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The Auditors' report was next presented, this proved the Lodge was in a sound condition; it was

and a candidate was proposed for initi
Hearty good wishes were tendered, an
banquet was served under the superin
whose efforts were thoroughly apprecia
vious to the removal of the cloth grace
rose to give the first toast, The Que
Rothschild alluded to Her Majesty as the
spoke in felicitous terms of the interest
of the Craft and of her subjects genera
was sung, and then the Wor. Master offe
health of the Most Worshipful the Grand
This was enthusiastically received, an
gave the health of the Pro Grand Maste
Dunck"—was now sung by the musical
toast of the Deputy Grand Master and th
With it was associated the name of B
After a song by Bro. J. W. Chapman, Bro
of the zeal displayed by the Grand Off
deep interest in the present assembly, as
of the Lodge. The ballad, "Thou art s
here sung by Bro. Arthur Millward, w
The health of the Initiate was given by
had just now remarked, the Crusaders wa
(the W.M.) flattered himself it had receiv
had displayed great energy to promote
Bro. Shroeder, from the recommendations
would be heartily well received in th
shipful Master) had great pleasure in p
a pianoforte solo by Bro. Henry Tinney,
regretted—through not being master
—his inability to make himself
as he could desire. However, of
them one and all, he would strive to carr
had been innoculated with that evening,
be carried out to the satisfaction of all.
propose the health of the W.M. Bro. R
tinguished himself as W.M. of the Fins
were assured he would faithfully carry on
Crusaders. After a part song—which w
again—the W.M. replied. He thanked all
ceived the toast. The Finsbury Park w
was a Founder of the Crusaders, and he w
its interests. After a song by Bro. Mall
health of Bro. Simmonds, the I.P.M. and
day. As an old friend of Bro. Simmonds
in too loudly singing his praises; but the
the members, who were quite capable of e
the services he had rendered to the Lodge
Bro. Simmonds with the Past Master's je
mously voted to him. Bro. Simmonds
done him. His business avocations pr
regularly as he could have desired,
to know that his efforts had bee
done all he could, and if he had given
gratifying to him. The jewel he should
mind him of a very happy time spent in t
next toast was that of the Visitors. Th
welcome; he assured them the Lodge was
the madrigal, "Come let us join the rounde
replied. Bro. Finney, who had previou
ability to the gratification of the breth
audience by a masterly performance on th
Charities were next commended to the co
The W.M. directed attention to the prov
whereby a portion of its receipts was se
the Institutions in their present state of effi
Potter, Bro. Terry, Sec. of the Royal Maso
replied: As the Consecrating Officer, and
of the Lodge, he naturally felt a deep in
congratulated the members on the consiste
hitherto supported the Charities Bro. T
being done by the Scholastic Institut
attended the Institution for the educatio
With pride he referred to the success achie
Boys' School, who had so ably distinguish
versity Examinations. Bro. Terry then m
cations necessary to be brought forward by
of the Benevolent Asylum. He then state
maintain the several Institutions in their p
He outlined his present position, and com
stood a few years since. He then made an

Stabbing and T. Emery Stewards, Butler-Wilkins Deputy Prov. G.M., several members of this Lodge, and the following Visitors:—W. W. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, F. J. Sheppard W.M. 445, J. C. Jones P.M. 445, W. M. Crowley P.M. 445, T. W. Tustin 445, W. Simmonds Past Master 445, C. T. Atkins 417, H. Myers 1180, J. J. Hart Senior Deacon 360, J. H. Hale Worshipful Master 455, H. Denham 105, &c. Lodge having been opened and the customary formalities observed, Bro. Brown was presented for installation, and, in due course, was placed in the chair of the Lodge by his predecessor, who fulfilled the office of Installing Master in a most perfect manner, giving the ritual and several addresses without a hitch. The following brethren were appointed to the several offices, viz.:—Bros. Hill S.W., Frank J.W., Cole-Hamilton Chaplain, Parker Treasurer, Spoor, Secretary, E. Morris S.D., Beasley J.D., Croft I.G., Ellard D.C., Butcher A.D.C., Manning Assistant Secretary, Emery and Franklin Stewards. The Auditors' report was then submitted to the Lodge, and, on motion, was adopted. Previous to closing the Lodge the W.M. presented to Bro. Atkins a Past Master's jewel. Whatever duties he might be called upon to perform during his term of office, he felt that none would be more gratifying to him than that of presenting to the I.P.M. the small token of regard and esteem which the several members of the Lodge had deputed him to present. He could only say that with it the brethren of the Lodge tendered their thanks and heartiest good wishes for Bro. Atkins' future good health. They felt they were under great obligation to him for his conduct of the Lodge in the past, and trusted they might long have the benefit of his guidance and co-operation. Bro. Atkins having suitably replied, and the name of a candidate having been submitted, Lodge was closed, and the brethren proceeded to the Peacock Hotel, where a first-rate banquet was provided. Bro. Brown presided at the festive board, and at the conclusion of the banquet, gave the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts. Those of the Queen and the Craft, the M.W. the Grand Master, the Pro Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the rest of the Grand Officers Present and Past, each in turn being honoured by the brethren. The W.M. then proposed that of the Prov. Grand Master, the Duke of Manchester; the Deputy Grand Master and Officers of Prov. Grand Lodge Present and Past. Having referred in a few words to the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Brown turned his attention to the Deputy, Bro. Butler Wilkins, who, he said, had fulfilled the office of ruler of the district on many occasions in the absence of the Duke of Manchester, and generally had carried out the work of his office with the greatest ability. The Eleanor Cross Lodge was greatly indebted to him for what he had done towards its establishment, and for the assistance he had rendered since. When the founders were looking round for stones with which to build the foundation, Bro. Wilkins had helped them in securing good ones, and had himself taken an active part in placing those stones in position. Bro. Brown also referred with pleasure to the presence of the many other Provincial Grand Officers he saw around him. Bro. Butler Wilkins replied. He would at once express his thanks for the way in which his name had been mentioned, without, as he was in the habit of doing, first apologising for the absence of the head of the Province. The brethren of Northamptonshire and Huntingdonshire one and all regretted the long absence from their midst of the Duke of Manchester, but it seemed they were still doomed to disappointment. He was pleased to be able to congratulate the Eleanor Cross Lodge on having now reached its third year of existence, and particularly Bro. Brown on his having attained the office of Master, which was the highest any Lodge had in its power to bestow. The work of Freemasonry was certainly carried out thoroughly in the Eleanor Cross Lodge; the members of it need not be ashamed of any one visiting them, either to criticise their Officers or the general conduct of their Lodge. He hoped the same good feeling and harmony that existed would continue during the coming year, and for many years to come. Bro. Sanders then assumed the gavel. He was extremely pleased to have been called upon to propose the toast with which he was entrusted. They had met there that night specially to do honour to the newly-installed Master, Bro. Brown. There had been a great deal of talk in the past as to who was really the originator of the Eleanor Cross Lodge. Some had said that he (Bro. Sanders) was entitled to that distinction, but he might say in answer thereto, that Bro. Brown had been the one to induce him to interest himself in it. Further back than that he could not go, as he was not aware who had enlisted the services of Bro. Brown; indeed, he was strongly of opinion that it was to Bro. Brown belonged the honour of having started the Lodge. From the very first he had striven hard to make it a success; he had stood aside that younger Masons might fill the higher offices before him, and had materially assisted the brethren by the way in which he had

and took a great interest in all connected might be able to conduct the Eleanor Cro of all connected with it. Bro. Hill S.W. I.P.M. The brethren all knew how we duties during the term he had presided c hardly want any long speech to honour behalf. He had specially to congratulate which he had performed the ceremony of it was really the crowning point of a m Bro. Atkins had considered it a labour fortunes of the Eleanor Cross Lodge had been a source of great gratificat the Lodge had gone on prosperously, in a better position than at the year. He had especially to thank th handsome jewel they had been kind en and trusted the Lodge would continu eventually becoming one of the most s They prided themselves somewhat on t gratified to hear that the Deputy Prov. G and considered they need not be ashamed Prov. Grand Chaplain proposed the Cha speech. He thought that the Masonic Cl the outer world in the position of showin and although they were but a very imp Masons need not be ashamed so long as th good they accomplished at present. He might fairly be gauged by the Charities Parker replied. He regretted very much was not called upon at times to speak t much in the position of an old fiddler days. This fiddler was a good musi lodge went, but unfortunately that onl and he (Bro. Parker) felt that the brethre he could but speak on the one subject of was one worthy of all consideration, and tinue to do the same amount of good th for many years to come. Bro. Atkins a box of the Lodge contained £6 16s, th made to it during the past year. Of t found in the division set apart for the Old the Boys' School, and 15s 11d in that fo resume his seat without referring to the mittee of the latter institution, who had of £2,000 for a swimming bath. This he sary outlay, and he desired to formally pr the Eleanor Cross subscribers. Bro. Spoor Visitors, to which Bros. Sheppard and gave the Sister Lodges. Bro. Ellard repl Bro. Sanders for the De La Pré. The toa Ladies having also been honoured, the Tyl distressed brethren, and the proceedings t

METROPOLITAN LODG

THE annual meeting of this Lodge wa Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street. At Brother W. Side the W.M. presided, being Stiles S.W., H. Stiles J.W., J. Willing jun. P.M. Secretary, G. Clark jun. S.D., H. Lo Director of Ceremonies, T. J. Raney Ste diate Past Master, W. Kingham Past Mas present as Visitors the following brethren Hyland P.M. 201, T. Walton P.M. 157, J. T. Briggs P.M. 157, C. E. Walter P.M. 1017, T. Buckle Langthorne, T. Carter P. Lewis P.M. 1261, J. Osborn W.M. 1602, S E. J. Gibson 3, E. E. Barratt Kidder S.W 1732, W. Hollingsworth P.M. 1185, J. B. 1101, F. A. Kelley 1524, P. G. Timbs, W. W. G. Atkins P.M. 857, T. Nelson 1328, Clifford 1345, A. J. Thomas P.M. 1803, F. phreys J.W. 167, W. J. Ferguson P.M. P.P.S.G.D. Middlesex, J. M. Levy 185, P.P.G.S. of W. Jersey, J. Worth 703, C. Purdey P.M. 861, W. Cleghorn S.W. 1287, enson 1681, J. Irvine 862, J. C. Smith Or Secretary 733, C. Bond 1425, L. Jacobs S.

and paying the expense of the Stewardship, which proposition on being put to the vote was carried unanimously. Lodge was then closed, and the brethren proceeded to the crypt of the Hotel where banquet was served. At its conclusion, and after grace, the W.M. proceeded with the usual toasts. That of the Queen and the Craft having been honoured, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was given. The brethren all knew the interest he took in Freemasonry; only the day previous he was at Swansea, and there he, as usual, had done all that lay in his power for the good of the district, while the Masonic brethren had done their best to welcome him. The next toast—that of the Pro G.M., the Deputy G.M., and the other Grand Officers, having been given, Bro. Side assumed the gavel and proposed the health of the W.M. It afforded him a great amount of pleasure to have to propose the health of so eminent and worthy a brother as their W.M. He felt the Lodge had a great treat in store for the future. Bro. Stiles was a Mason worthy of high rank in the Craft, being second to none, either as regarded his knowledge of the ritual, or of his Masonic principles generally. The toast was heartily received, in true Metropolitan style. Bro. Stiles tendered his reply. He could but say how much he thanked his I.P.M., and the brethren generally for the way in which they had honored the toast of his health. As one of the first five initiates of the Lodge, he looked upon its present position with pride. Having worked through all the offices, he was now pleased to figure as Master of so popular a Lodge as the Metropolitan. He could only hope it might be worked in the future as it had been in the past, and that, as Master, he might be instrumental in advancing its interests. He felt that he had a somewhat difficult task before him as he followed so good a Mason as Bro. Side. He could only hope his year of office might prove as successful as that of Bro. Side had been, and that at the end of his term the brethren of the Lodge would have as good an opinion of him as they now seemed to enjoy. After a song, he gave the next toast—a very important one—really the backbone of the Metropolitan Lodge. He would propose, first, the I.P.M., and then the health of the P.M.'s generally. The work of the I.P.M. in the Lodge was too well known to need any comment, or require any commendation. The jewel that had been presented to him by the Lodge, and the usual reception accorded to him by the brethren, were sufficient proofs of the appreciation with which his working in the past was regarded. He could only say that it was the hope of all connected with the Metropolitan Lodge that Bro. Side should long be numbered amongst its members. As regarded the other Past Masters, in Bro. Michael they had a worthy and trusty Mason, ever ready to fulfil any duty required of him. For many years past he had not missed one of their meetings. Both as Past Master and Secretary he had done much to advance the interests of the Metropolitan Lodge. Bro. Scales had given very material assistance, and was deserving the best wishes of the members. Bro. Kingham had worked through the Lodge with a great amount of *eclat*; and since the time that he had filled the chair he had done everything in his power to further the interests of the Lodge. Bro. Willing—the Treasurer—was too well known to need any eulogy. They all regretted his absence from the festivities of the day, but it was unavoidable. The Worshipful Master was very sorry that Bro. Past Master Williams was still unable to attend the meetings, in consequence of ill-health. He was sure he was right in saying that every member of the Lodge wished him better, and trusted that they might, at no very distant date, have him again among them. Bro. Douglas was also absent, his many duties rendering it impossible for him to attend. The brethren could not be unmindful of what he had done for the Lodge. As one of the P.M.'s he was fully entitled to every honour the brethren could confer. He would conclude by wishing the Past Masters, one and all, very good health. Bro. Side was the first to reply. He felt at a loss to know in what terms to sufficiently thank Bro. Stiles and the brethren for the way they had honoured him. As he had previously said in the Lodge, he was highly delighted at having arrived at the position of a Past Master of the Metropolitan Lodge. The way in which the brethren had received him, gave him assurance that he had met their approval in the way he had performed the ceremony of installation. He was sure they need have no fear as to the ability of their present Master. He hoped he might always do his duty in such a way as to merit the approval with which he had been greeted that night. Bro. Michael followed. The Past Master fully endorsed all that Bro. Side had said. As a P.M., he thought the W.M. had scarcely given the I.P.M. all the credit that was due to him. Bro. Side had had an uphill task, and had left the Lodge in a splendid condition. He thought the less experienced brethren would do well if they consulted one or other of the P.M.'s before making any proposition to the Lodge, one in particular, that had been submitted that evening, being singularly unfortunate. A brother had proposed that Bro. Side be made an honorary member in

the one in which he was now W.M. W.M. 1602 and Bro. Lovegrove P.M. P. would leave the task of replying, feeling selected fair representative Masons. Br had imposed on him a gigantic task, capable of expressing all the thoughts of t safely say they one and all congratulat which it was worked. The reception accor of every commendation. He had been h Lodges, and had some experience on whi could fairly congratulate the Lodge on its affairs. Bro. Rimington felt that the W a prominence it hardly deserved. His was really very limited, although he ha years; judging by what he knew of the in saying that the Metropolitan Lodge one of the best in the country. Bro. Storr added his thanks. He could but say that greatly prized by him, as therein he usu he had in Masonry. He felt that the throughout the village of London, woul presidency of its present Worshipful Mast to carry out Freemasonry in its integrity. great honour to be allowed to add a fe Visitors. He congratulated the Lodge o they only worked in Freemasonry in the they had been received, they must eventu Craft. Bro. Thomas also replied, after w Charities, coupling with the toast the nar R.M.B.I.), who, in the course of his reply, all that lay in their power for the Be without some special effort on the part country, would next year find itself un made on its funds. It was a subject Metropolitan Lodge had no Steward to Festival in aid of the "Old People," but a past to which to refer, a past in whic worked hard for the Aged, who were com nature of their fellow Craftsmen. The to We may here remark that both the Ser present fill the chair in other Lodges, so t politan Lodge for some time to come wil experience in ruling its destinies, who upon to guide them. The toast having b ledged, the Tyler was summoned, and he a close. The meeting was in every way being larger than at any previous meeti severe tax on Bro. Clemow, the propri need hardly be said, was quite equal to the

ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 9

THE Right Hon. Sir Michael Hicks- Worshipful Grand Master of the P paid his first official visit to this Lodge on by a large gathering of the members of Grand Master was accompanied by the D W. Bro. J. Brook-Smith. The chair was Gregory (of Cheltenham) P.M. Prov. G. Bros. F. Moore, R. Chandler, Rev. — G James, Dr. Packer, G. Norman, E. Gandy the other brethren present were:—Bro Godfrey, N. H. Treasure, Baron de Ferr Forth, J. Bubb, J. L. Butler, W. H. Jam W. L. Bain, W. R. Porcher, F. B. Seller A. B. Rye, J. Bruten, R. A. Matthews, H. J. T. Darby, E. Fisher, J. W. Hawkins, M Hodgkins, J. Brown, J. M. James, F. W. Grand Master and the Deputy Prov. Gra with the customary honours due to their o tion of Provincial Officers, and with great The Lodge was held in the Town Hall, and the Swan Hotel.

Grey Friars Lodge, No. 1101.— Wednesday, 12th October, at the Masonic Bros. W. Ferguson W.M., J. Early Danks S.W., Richard Dowsett J.W., J. T. Stra

the hope that he should be supported by the P.M.'s and Officers of the Lodge during his year. The election for Treasurer resulted in the re-appointment of Bro. Stransom, who in felicitous manner returned thanks. Bro. Hemmings was re-elected Tyler, after which the W.M. called the attention of the brethren to a conversation he had had with the W.M. of the Lodge of Union, 414, as to the desirability of obtaining an organ, the cost of same to be defrayed by the contributions of the members of the two Craft Lodges, the R.A. Chapter, and the M.M.M., a discussion arose, and the subject was deferred to a future meeting. The W.M. also alluded to the services rendered to the Lodge by Bro. Hickie Organist, and proposed that a vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes, and that an Organist's jewel be presented to him, in acknowledgment of his many kindnesses in supplying gratuitously an instrument, and presiding at the same. The S.W. and W.M. elect seconded, and it was carried by acclamation. The W.M., before closing, expressed his grateful acknowledgments to the Officers and Brethren for their kindness and courtesy during his year of office, and congratulated Bro. Blackwell on his election. The duties of Lodge being ended, it was closed according to ancient form.

Islington Lodge, No. 1471.—The members assembled for the first meeting after the recess on Thursday, 13th instant. The chair was taken by the W.M., Bro. Henry Cresswell Sanders, who was supported by Bros. D. P. Holness S.W., E. Blinkhorn J.W., Cook P.M. Treasurer, Henry Cox P.M. Secretary, Halestrap J.D., G. Couchman P.M. Tyler; P.M.'s J. L. Mather, Underdowne Knell, Edgar Bowyer P.P.G.S.W. Herts, &c. Visitors—T. Pendered P.M. 33, H. P. Isaac P.M. 1693, J. H. Hawkins P.M. 693, J. J. Goode P.M. 1288, A. Potter 1580, A. Millward 179, W. W. Morgan Sec. 211. There was very little business before the Lodge, so after the minutes had been confirmed, the bye-laws were read by the Secretary. Bro. Couchman was elected Tyler in place of the late Bro. W. Steedman, and after routine work, Lodge was closed. A neat little repast was served by Bro. Baker, who personally superintended, and successfully exerted himself to minister to the enjoyment of the party. On removal of the cloth, the W.M. gave the first toast—The Queen and the Craft. Bro. Sanders spoke of the zeal displayed by Her Majesty for the welfare of the nation, and of the interest she took in our Institution. In proposing the health of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Bro. Sanders spoke of the energy displayed by the Prince of Wales. By his urbanity and geniality of disposition, he had won the respect of every member of the Craft, and it was the universal wish that his association with the Order in his present capacity might continue for many years. The Pro Grand Master and the Deputy Grand Master were next honoured, after which Bro. Millward gave a capital rendering of "Come into the garden, Maud." The health of the W.M. was proposed by the I.P.M., Bro. U. Knell, who spoke eloquently of the ability displayed by the W.M., and referred to an interesting incident that had lately occurred in his family. All things considered, he knew the members would give the toast a hearty reception. After a song by Bro. Potter—"The Midshipmite"—came the reply of the W.M. After thanking the brethren for the way they had received the toast, he regretted he had not had an opportunity of exhibiting his capabilities for conducting the ceremonial part of his duties; he trusted occasion might yet be afforded him. With respect to the domestic incident that had so delicately been referred to by Bro. Knell, he had especially to express his appreciation of their good wishes. In speaking to the toast of the Visitors, the W.M. gave a hearty welcome to all, naming each seriatim, and expressing the pleasure the Lodge felt in seeing so many present. After a song by Bro. Scarlett, Bro Isaac replied, and each of the Visitors added a few words, all expressing their satisfaction at the reception they had met with. Bro. Blinkhorn here favoured the company, and then the Past Masters were honoured. After a humorous recitation by Bro. Hawkins, Bro. Knell responded. Bro. Mather also, as Father of the Lodge, expressed a strong desire and a willingness at all times to promote the welfare of the Lodge. Bro. Bowyer also spoke, fully endorsing the remarks of the previous speakers. At this stage of the proceedings, Bro. Isaac gave a very fair rendering of "Melnotte's Defence." The Treasurer and Secretary were next complimented. Bro. Seamer sang "The Wolf" very effectively, and Bro. Cox replied. Bro. S.W. now contributed "Jack's Yarn," and the Officers came in for their share of praise. The W.M. said the S.W. and J.W. had worked consistently for the advantage of the Lodge, not for personal aggrandisement; their exertions had resulted successfully. Other toasts, &c., followed; good singing was in the ascendant, and all went away gratified at the result of the meeting.

Lord Holmesdale, P.G.M. Kent, and Lady Holmesdale, have been staying at Bishopsthorpe, on a visit to His Grace the Archbishop of York and Mrs. Thompson. They

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MOST EXCELLENT CONSECRATING OFFICER

I have been asked to address a few r Consecration of your Chapter, on Royal I ask your attention, whilst I claim your

The Book of Constitutions at its outs of union between the two Grand Lodges December, 1813, it was declared and ancient Masonry consists of three degrees the Entered Apprentice, the Fellow Craf *cluding* the Supreme Order of the Holy R

By this declaration the Royal Arch w to be only the completion of the Mast there is a different governing body in t establishment beyond his Lodge into w admitted, different regalia, and another advantageous or not, I will not stop to in might, on the present occasion, be consi

the orator to predict a successful and prosperous career for the Commercial Chapter at Nottingham. To all good Royal Arch Companions the progress of their Order, wherever it be, must ever call up feelings of joy and satisfaction. It has been said that "on the empire of England the sun never sets," an apt and forcible illustration of the extent and power of the country to which we owe our birth; but great, noble, and dazzling as is the acquisition of territory, such victories are sometimes only obtained at cost of thousands of lives, with desolation, ruin; and widows and orphans following in their train. But with regard to Freemasonry, although her domain is even far more extended—although as regards her influence the sun is always at its meridian—she brings no such pangs in her bright career, for hers is the mission of peace and goodwill to all mankind. She stands with a rock for her foundation; honour, truth, and virtue for its superstructure; whilst the three great pillars supporting her noble temple are Faith, Hope, and Charity—thereby implying our faith in the Most High, a hope in salvation, and to be in charity with all men. Our Institution, too, can boast of antiquity, forming the great link between the period when civilization just emerged from barbarism into an age in which it has expanded to such noble proportions. Even in the earliest periods the teachings of Freemasonry were full of veneration of the Deity, and the utmost regard for His supreme wisdom and power. The first tent or tabernacle erected by Moses in the wilderness for the proper and decent celebration of Divine worship, by a singular coincidence, formed the great prototype and ground plan of the magnificent temple built at Jerusalem by King Solomon, which for its extent and regal splendour was at that time considered one of the wonders of the world; but true to the prophecy which was pronounced when rich in its magnificence, the ploughshare of time has passed over its site, and not one stone has been left on another. The glories of Solomon could not preserve this stately fabric from ruin, and the temple that was reared with such industry, skill, and care, has passed away, "like the baseless fabric of a vision, and left not a wreck behind." But what shall we say of Freemasonry, the Order which King Solomon in all his glory delighted to honour. Has that shared the fate of the temple to which I have just referred? Has it, like the splendid structure of our Royal Master, crumbled to the dust? To these questions we can give an emphatic answer, and say that the great Order of Freemasonry not only still exists, but has gone on increasing in strength, adding every year to its vitality, and like the sapling oak it has grown to a noble and majestic tree, under whose spreading branches the young find shelter and the old repose. And, with regard to Royal Arch Masonry in particular, it may be said that the exercise and management of this sublime Degree of Masonry has been so highly appreciated, and its good reputation so well established, that these considerations alone would have been sufficient to account for the foundation of this new Chapter. But when to these is added the pleasure which every philanthropical heart must feel in doing good, in promoting good order, in diffusing light and knowledge, in cultivating Masonic charity, which is one of the great objects of this sublime Institution, you have, I take it, reasons which cannot be gainsaid for attempting to spread the knowledge of this Degree through the wealthy town of Nottingham and its environs. I will but add my good wishes, Companions, and bid the Chapter about to be consecrated, "God speed." To use the words of a Royal Arch lecture, "may your Chapter become beautiful as the Temple of Solomon, peaceful as the Ark, and sacred as its most holy place; may your oblations of piety and praise be grateful as the incense, your love warm as its flame, and your charity diffusive as its fragrance; may your hearts be pure as its altar, and your conduct acceptable as its offering. May the exercise of your charity be constant as the returning wants of the distressed widow and the helpless orphan; may the approbation of Heaven be your encouragement, and the testimony of a good conscience your support; may you be endued with every good and perfect gift while travelling the thorny path of life, and finally admitted within the Heavenly Temple to full enjoyment of life eternal."

At the last meeting of the Dundas Lodge, No. 1255, it was resolved that the sum of five guineas be given to the Huyshe Memorial Fund. This was supplemented by a donation from W. Bro. Charles Godtschalk P.M. P.P.G.D. of two guineas, and two guineas from the W. Master Bro. Admiral F. H. H. Glasse, C.B., P.G.S.W. Subscriptions from the other members were not announced. The W. Bro. J. B. Gover, P.M. 79, called the attention of the brethren to the Devon Masonic Educational Fund and the

the more so, as they learn with what mod
duct themselves in their assemblies; but wit
why they are not admitted, some indeed
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reflection would convince them, that their
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I understand to have said, "they stand i
with respect to the priesthood and many o
assemblies of the Ancients, the Senates of
of Rome, all national Senates and Ecclesias
seminaries of learning," &c., &c., with whi
propriety be offended.

Others have asserted, that the reason
our society was, to take away all occasion
which those shallow geniuses seem to
unavoidable, had they been admitted. And
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keep a secret,* because the woman of *Tam*
to wife, betrayed the secret of the riddle wh
to the Philistines;† likewise, because Delil
gems and arts, persuaded Samson to int
strength lay; which he had no sooner done
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Philistines. Sacred history is silent on the
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My fair readers will please to recollect, t
of antiquity, women's minds were not so
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Many of the fair sex, I am truly sensib
ornaments to Masonry, did not our laws
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ful preserver of his health, and the ever an
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manager of all his domestic concerns.

We do declare there is nothing which aff
of human nature, as the contemplation of w
the latter is the peculiar gift of heaven to

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* Some men, I feel confident, are less
than the ladies are here represented to be.

† Judges XIV.

‡ Judges XVI.

§ Josephus X 7.

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I must further add, that in the most solemn and serious moments of the assembled Freemasons in open Lodge, and at the reception of a brother, the ancient and even a part of the modern Freemasons, present the new initiated brother with two pair of white gloves, one pair for himself, and another for a lady, with a strict charge to present them to that female for whom he has the greatest regard; and even in our hours of relaxation from labour, when innocent mirth abounds, we never forget Milton's words, viz.:

Grace was in all her steps, heaven in her eye,
In every gesture dignity and love.

And in another place:

So absolute she seems,
And in herself complete, so well to know
Her own, that what she wills to do or say,
Seems wisest, virtuousest, discreetest best;
All higher knowledge in her presence falls
Degraded; wisdom in discourse with her
Loses, discountenanced, and like folly shows;
Authority and reason on her wait,
As one intended first, not after made
Occasionllay; and to consummate all,
Greatness of mind and nobleness their seat
Build in her loveliest, and create an awe
About her, as a guard angelic placed.

No better proof is required of a Mason's admiration for the fair sex than the Masonic song:

We're true and sincere
And just to the fair,
They'll trust us on any occasion;
No mortal can more
The ladies adore
Than a Free and Accepted Mason.

A Masonic writer of reputation observes, that though men are more reserved and secret in their friends' concerns than their own, women, on the contrary, keep their own and friends' secrets better than men. Modesty in a woman supposes all other virtues; immodesty all other vices. Women generally take greater care of their reputation than men do of theirs; why, then, do we account them the weaker sex? Hence, virtue makes a beautiful woman appear more beautiful, so beauty makes a virtuous woman really more virtuous.

In many countries ladies have been admitted to sundry parts of our ceremonies, such as laying the foundation stones of public buildings, private or public orations, at one of which the ladies in particular were addressed thus by the orator*:—

"You have heard, ladies, our grand principles explained, with the instructions given to the brethren, and I doubt not at other times you have heard many disrespectful things said of this society. Envy, malice and uncharitableness will never be at a loss to decry, find fault, and raise objections to what they do not know. With what respect, superior esteem and regard are we to look on every lady present, that has done us the honour of being present on this occasion. To have the sanction of the fair is our highest ambition, as our greatest care will be to preserve it. The virtues of humanity are peculiar to your sex; and we flatter ourselves, the most splendid ball could not afford you greater pleasure, than to see the human heart made happy, and the poor and distressed obtain present relief."

* Thomas Dunckerly Esq., Provincial Grand Master for Essex, Wiltshire, and Dorsetshire, England.

St. Aubyn Royal Arch Chapter.—The annual meeting was held on Monday, at the Masonic Hall, Granby Street, Devonport. In a meeting of Installed Principals, amongst whom were Excellent Companions J. R. Dugdale Z., T. Heath H., J. Redgate J., T. Goodall P.Z. P.P.G.O., J. Baxter P.P.G.A.S., C. Watson P.Z., W. H. Cawsey P.Z 230, W. Blackell P.Z., J. H. Harris H. 230, T. Searle H. 230, the Excellent Companions J. R. Dugdale was installed as Z., Thomas Heath as H., J. Redgate as J., and the following Officers were appointed and invested:—J. Osborn S.G., J. Crossley S.N., J. Baxter Treasurer, T. E. Gay P.S., J. Jolliffe 1st A.S., H. Gay 2nd A.S., N. Raymond Sword Bearer, H. Best S.B. The Treasurer reported the Chapter to be in a good financial position. The Companions retired to the refreshment-rooms in the building, when the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

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style, and at its conclusion, the usual toasts were given. Bro. Collier gave that of the W.M. He had pleasure in submitting this toast to the Lodge for the first time since the day of its consecration. Bro. Dean was not a young Mason, but one well skilled in the noble science. He had already filled the office of Master, and had performed the duties most creditably, in his mother Lodge. Bro. Dean, in reply, thanked the brethren. He wished he was but half as good a Mason as his brother Secretary had described him. It had always been his endeavour to do his duty in Freemasonry, and he should strive still further now that he was Master of the Montagu Guest Lodge. It would be his endeavour to see the duties of the Craft carried out in their integrity. They had, at the head of their Lodge, Bro. Guest, an excellent Mason, and one well acquainted with the work of every office. As a Provincial Grand Master there was none better suited to the office, while at Grand Lodge he was a frequent attendant. The Master felt the brethren would not be doing far wrong if they endeavoured to follow the example set by him, and that eventually their Lodge might attain a position in the Craft worthy of the name it bore. The W.M. then proposed the health of the Initiates. He was sure the brethren would all join heartily in honouring the toast. It was the desire of every Lodge to have Initiates, but more especially was this the case with new Lodges. The Founders of the Lodge were pleased at the accession that had been made to their numbers that night. The addition made was really of great advantage to the Lodge, and he hoped that it, in like manner, might prove an advantage to the Initiates. They had that night seen the first part of Freemasonry, and he hoped that they would continue their researches, and would find that Freemasonry was not only a name, but that it should be acted up to, and its teaching practised in every walk of life. Bro. Doble, in reply, regretted that his oratorical power was not such as to allow of his responding as he should wish. He was quite sure the Initiates would all do their best to carry out those maxims which had been so forcibly pointed out to them by the W.M. that evening, and he felt that in so doing they would become not only good Masons, but likewise good men. Each of the others having spoken to the toast the Master proposed that of the Visitors. Masons were always delighted at the presence of Visitors in their Lodges. In the Montagu Guest Lodge it would always be the endeavour of the brethren to receive Visitors and welcome them in that manner which should at all times characterise Freemasons. In coupling the name of Bro. Docker with the toast the W.M. desired to specially thank him for his assistance that evening in the office of P.M. of the Lodge. Bro. Docker tendered his thanks. He had watched the progress of the Lodge since its foundation, and might say that he deemed it all but impossible for a Lodge to start under more favourable auspices. Bros. Shand and Petts followed, and then the Master proposed the toast of the Officers. He was very proud of them, and referred to each in the kindest of terms. The several brethren having tendered their acknowledgments, the proceedings were brought to a termination with the Tyler's toast.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—Held at Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall Road, Dalston, on Tuesday, the 18th inst. Bro. F. Brasted W.M., Smyth S.W., Catling J.W., Jones S.D., Christian J.D., Cushing I.G., J. Lorkin P.M. Sec., P.M. Wallington Preceptor, also Bros. Bunker, Carr, Edwards, Forss, Gosling, Dallas, Clark, Allen. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Edwards acting as candidate. The Lodge was called from labour to refreshment, and after resuming its Masonic duties was opened in the second degree. Bro. Carr, a candidate for raising, was entrusted; Lodge was opened in the third degree, when Bro. Carr was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Lodge was resumed to the first degree, and Bro. Edwards assisted Bro. Forss to work the fourth section of the lecture. Bro Lamb, of Lodge No. 860, was elected a member of this Lodge of Instruction. Bro. Smyth was appointed W.M. for the ensuing week. The Fifteen Sections will be worked at this Lodge of Instruction on Tuesday the 25th, at seven o'clock, when Bro. P.M. Barnes will preside.

Friars Lodge of Instruction, No. 1349.—At Bro. Pavitt's, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, on 11th October. Bros. Myers W.M., Pavitt S.W., Moss J.W., Smith S.D., Watkins J.D., McGeorge I.G.; also Bros. Hirst, Willoughby, Day, Roddam, &c. Lodge being regularly opened, Bro. Hirst, as candidate for passing, answered the necessary questions, and was entrusted. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed by the W.M., in his usual perfect manner. Afterwards, assisted by the

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tion banquet of this Lodge of Instruction tak
Wednesday next, under the presidency of
P.M. P.G.P., J. E. Shand (W.M. of City
J. B. Docker (P.M. Rothesay) J.W. We trus
support these brethren, and hope there will b

West Middlesex Lodge of Instruc
Thursday, 13th instant, at the Feathers' Ho
Bros. C. Andrews P.M. W.M., E. C. Porter S.
Tucker Treas., J. Wells Sec., A. Jones S.
Yoxens I.G., A. J. Burr P.M.; Visitor—B
Lodge, No. 655, Sydney; T. Smith, J. Green,
The Lodge was opened and the minutes of
read, confirmed and signed. The audit com
report on the accounts of the Lodge, this wa
to be entered on the minutes.

On Thursday, 20th inst., Bros. A. Jones
C. Bellerby J.W., H. E. Tucker Treas., J. Wel
S.D., J. Le Grys J.D., T. A. Smith I.G.; Pas
C. Andrews; also Bros. Cunningham, Fern
Porter. After preliminaries, the W.M. rehe
initiation, Bro. Cunningham candidate. The
The Lodge was opened up to third, an
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sumed, and Bro. J. Green was appointe
meeting.

Crusaders Lodge of Instruction,
weekly meeting of this Lodge was held at th
St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, on Thursday,
others there were present Bros. Laurence W.
J. Simmonds J.W., Hunter S.D., E. Horne
ceptor, H. Halliday Secretary. Lodge was
the minutes of last meeting were read a
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vacated the chair of K.S. in favour of Bro.
W.M. of the mother Lodge, who rehearsed th
tion. The ability displayed augured well f
19th instant. Bro. J. Rothschild was unani
the ensuing week. This ending the duties o
ing, Lodge was closed in perfect harmony, an

THE THEATRES

DRURY LANE.—At 7.30, YOUTH.

COVENT GARDEN.—At 8, PROMENADE C

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PRINCESS'S.—At 7, A PHOTOGRAPHIC FRIG
OF LONDON.

GLOBE.—At 7.30, MY WIFE'S OUT. At 8, LE
VILLE.

GAIETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At 7.30, BU
TINGTON AND HIS CAT.

OLYMPIC.—At 7.15, QUITE AN ADVENTU
DUVAL.

STRAND.—At 7.15, PARADISE VILLA. At 8,

VAUDEVILLE.—At 7.30, THE HEN-WITCHE
WAY HOUSE, &c.

LYCEUM.—This evening, LA FIGLIA DEL RE
DON GIOVANNI. On Tuesday, IL TROVAT
FIGLIA DEL REGGIMENTO. On Thursday,

OPERA COMIQUE.—At 7.45, QUID PRO Q
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CRITERION.—At 8, WITHERED LEAVES. A

ALHAMBRA.—At 8.15, BRONZE HORSE. A

CRYSTAL PALACE.—This day, CONCERT.
Picture Gallery, &c.,

ALEXANDRA PALACE.—This day, INGO

28—Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
183—Unity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, E.C.
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
902—Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
905—De Grey and Ripon, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Inst. uction)
1480—Marquis of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, Queen's Arms Hotel, Kilburn
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Trelegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1632—Stuart, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
R.A. 25—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
999—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Inst.)
R.A. 241—Friendship, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 1237—Erfield, Court House, Erfield

TUESDAY, 25th OCTOBER.

Audit Committee Girls' School, at 4.
14—Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, W.C.
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
92—Moira, Criterion, Piccadilly, W.
141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
145—Prudent Brethren, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
186—Industry, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
205—Israel, Cannon-street Hotel, E.C.
211—St. Michael, Albion, Aldersgate-street, E.C. (Emergency)
551—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
733—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
890—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1158—Southern Star, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
1196—Urban, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1348—Ebury, Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Portobello-rd., Bayswater Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, Surrey Tavern, Kennington Oval
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
1744—Royal Savoy, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle, 7.30 (In
117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
253—Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
299—Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
310—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle
357—Apollo University, Masonic Hall, Oxford
573—Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen
1016—Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
1358—Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton
1566—Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead
1609—Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1675—Antient Britons, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
R.A. 721—Grosvenor, Masonic-chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
R.A. 823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
K.T.—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill Leeds

WEDNESDAY, 26th OCTOBER.

103—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
212—Euphrates, Masonic Hall, Masons' Avenue, Basinghall-street, E.C.
224—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
544—La Tolerance, Mortard's Hotel, Bean Street, Oxford St., at 8 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
734—High Cross, Seven Sisters' Tavern, Page Green, Tottenham
745—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E.
873—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
967—Whittington, Red Lion, Pimlico-street, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
998—Temperance in the East, Newby Place, Poplar
1067—Montefiore, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
1076—Victoria, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
1146—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7, (Instruction)
1227—Union, King and Queen, Seaton Folgate, E.C., at 8 (Instruction)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
1281—Finsbury Park, Alexandra Cafe, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1321—Eaglecastle, Gerrard and Star, Star Row Street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
1415—Prince Leopold, Mercantile Tavern, Mercantile Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 316 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1521—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8 (Inst.)
1540—Chaucer, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
1580—St. Dunstan's, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
1604—Wandle, Duck Hotel, York-rd., Battersea, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)

M.M. Northumberland and Berwick, Masonic
M.M. 24—Roberts, Masonic Rooms, Ann Str

THURSDAY, 27th

General Committee, Girls' School, Freemas
3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-stre
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walth
22—Neptune, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-s
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenha
34—Mount Moriah, Freemasons' Hall, W.C
60—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Ta
65—Prosperity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresha
66—Grenadiers', Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street,
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, P
754—High Cross, Conch and Horses, Lower
871—Royal Oak, White Swan, Deptford
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-c
1158—Southern Star, 108 Blackfriars-road, at
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington
1421—Langthorne, Swan Hotel, Stratford
1424—The Great City, Masons Hall, Masons
161 -Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James St
1658—Skelmersdale, Surrey Masonic Hall, C
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Resta
1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. Jol
1816—Victoria Park, Queen's Hotel, Victoria
1839—Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall,
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's F
R.A. 766—William Preston, Cannon-street H
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, So

51—Angel, Three Cups, Colchester
78—Imperial George, Assheton Arms Hote
100—Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Great
111—Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Archer
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpo
214—Hope and Unity, White Hart Hotel, Br
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8
286—Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup
348—St. John, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshawg
350—Charity, Grapes Inn, Stonecrough, near
534—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
78 -Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street
907—Cabbell, Masonic Hall, Theatre-stree,
904—Phoenix, Ship Hotel, Rotherham
935—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Islington
966—St. Edward, Literary Institute, Leek,
1313—Fermor, Masonic Hall, Southport, Lan
1327—Stanley, 214 G., Homer-street, Liverpo
1450—Ashbury, Justice Black Hotel, Hyde-ro
1505—Emulation, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1583—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield,
1617—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing
1626—Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Maple-street,
R.A. 216—Sacred Delta, Masonic Hall, Liver
R.A. 266—Naphtali, Masonic Hall, Market-p
R.A. 424—De Burghi, 34 Denmark-street, Ga
R.A. 431—Ogle, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street
R.A. 1098—Walton Skelmersdale Masonic H
M.M. 34—St Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, Co

FRIDAY, 28th O

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemas
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-stree
607—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall,
569—Fitzroy, Head Quarters, Hon. Artill'ery
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Gu
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Br
814—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-r
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fle
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. P
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton,
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulburn-
1692—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Agricultural Ha
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, Lou

453 -Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Bucklurst Hil
810—Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton
1385—Gladsmuir, Red Lion, Barnet
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1624—Castle, Crown Hotel, Bridgnorth
1712—St. John, Freemasons Hall, Grainger S
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall,
R.A. 242—Magdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster
R.A. 680—Sefton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.C. 26 -Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newca

SATURDAY, 29th

198—Percy Jolly Farmers', Southgate-Roa
136[illegible] Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Ma
[illegible] Egerton, Grosvenor Club, Pimlico
170—Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
S'nai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-st
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be voted from the funds, to be placed on his list. The Lodge was then closed, and the brethren, sixty in number, sat down to a sumptuous and *récherché* banquet and dessert, provided by Bro. W. G. Jennings, and superintended by Bro. M. Silver. The W.M. proposed the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts. Bro. E. P. Albert P.G.P. responded for the Grand Officers. In speaking to the toast of the Benevolent Fund attached to the Lodge, the W.M. announced that Bro. Stransky had given £1 5s, and Bro. Campen £5 5s to that fund. Bro. P.M. Alexander returned thanks for the toast. This brother, before resuming his seat, proposed the health of the W.M.; all who had seen Bro. Baker in the Lodge and at the banquet table could judge of his ability to perform the duties required of him. In every way he had conducted to the comfort of the members, whom he (the speaker) called upon to honour the toast. The Worshipful Master, who was enthusiastically received, said he could hardly find words to express his gratitude for the manner in which the toast had been proposed. He had to thank, not only the Past Masters, but every brother for able assistance and co-operation. The W.M. next proposed the toast of the Visitors. He wished them to understand that all were pleased to see them. This night was no exception; the Lodge always had a fair attendance of visitors. Bro. Cuff W.M. of the Kilburn Lodge, Bro. Dr. Macaulay, John Hay 180, and others responded. Bro. Cuff, in an able speech, spoke of the working of the Lodge, and of the mode in which charity, the true characteristic of our Order, had been exemplified in every respect by the brethren. The W.M. then proposed the toast of the P.M.'s. They were a goodly array; they had all done their duty in every way. He would call on Bro. M. Alexander. After Bro. Alexander had acknowledged the compliment, the W.M. gave the health of the Secretary and Treasurer, and the Senior Warden and Junior Warden, with which latter toast he coupled the names of the Junior Officers. Bro. L. Myers S.W. returned thanks; he was followed by Bros. Benjamin J.W., Blanks, Davis, and A. Dodson P.M., who said, although he held a minor office, he was always ready to assist the Junior Officers. They had a Lodge of Instruction connected with the Lodge, that meets every Thursday evening at Champion's Hotel, at 7 o'clock; there they can receive any instruction they may require. The Tylers' toast was given. An excellent concert was provided by the W.M., under the direction of Bro. P. E. Van Noorden, Organist of the Lodge. The artists included Misses Florence Desart, Doré, Devries; Bro. Arthur Thomas and Mr. Coleman.

Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198.—Held at Bro. Fysh's, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, Islington, on Saturday, the 15th instant. Present:—Bros. Gillham W.M., Peel S.W., A. Ferrar J.W., Pearcy Preceptor, A. W. Fenner Secretary, G. Ferrar S.D., A. Tuck J.D., Stroud I.G.; also Bros. Brasted, C. Lorkin, Parkes, Marks, Catlin, A. S. Morling, A. Gribbell, Gibbs, Weeden, Green, Richardson, H. T. Godolphin, W. W. Morgan, Fysh, C. K. Killick jun. Lodge was opened in ancient form, and the minutes were read and confirmed. Lodge was advanced, and Bro. C. Lorkin answered the usual questions leading to the third degree, and was entrusted. Lodge opened in the third degree, and the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. C. Lorkin acting as candidate; the traditional history was also given. Bro. Pearcy worked the third section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Lodge was closed to the first degree. Bro. Pearcy worked the first section, assisted by Bro. Tuck. Bros. H. L. Godolphin, of the Friars Lodge 1349, A. Gribbell, of the St. Martin's-le-Grand Lodge 1535, and A. S. Morling, St. Barnabas Lodge 948, were elected members. Bro. Tuck was elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and Lodge adjourned.

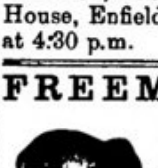
Whittington Lodge, No. 862.—The first meeting of the season of the above Lodge was held at the Freemasons' Hall, on Monday evening last, Worshipful Brother R. P. Tate occupying the chair. After the election of Officers for the ensuing twelvemonths, and other routine business had been proceeded with, the brethren adjourned to the Old Bell, Holborn, to a banquet. Amongst the numerous brethren, including visitors, who sat down, were W.M. Bro. Tate (in the chair), Bro. S. Godden I.P.M., and Bros. J. Weaver and T. Kingston P.M.'s of 862, the W.M. elect Bro. J. S. Brown, occupying the S.W. chair. Amongst the visitors were Bros. Irvine Harle I.P.M. 1780, and P.P.G. Pur. of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, W. H. Marston P.M. of Nos. 55 and 1599, A. E. Gladwell W.M. of No. 172. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts having been given, were enthusiastically honoured, and the toast of the Visitors was ably responded to. During the evening various excellent songs were sung, Bro. Harle presiding at the pianoforte. It would be but bare justice to remark that the banquet was served in a most excellent manner by the re-

given by the brethren and Visitors and then the brethren sat down to an excellent dinner, p best style. Grace having been said, the and patriotic toasts. Bro. Briggs I.P.M. he had to bring before their notice the W. was the toast of the evening, for the W.M. chair, showed he was the right man in the a progressive science; during the last nin progressed. Still, however eloquent he (B could not find words more than to ask the their Master. The W.M., who was enthusia the brethren for the kind manner they had was the first meeting held since March; h the manner in which the toast had been rec he had gone on a tour; he was pleased to Before resuming his seat he had to thank kind assistance. He would also call on the his health. Bro. Briggs rose to reply. A for his kind acknowledgments, he expressed way the brethren had honoured this toast. progress like the W.M. The Initiates wer Chilverd and Mote—the latter was initia whom all were proud to see with them. hardly considered himself an initiate; he w at their last gathering. He had been asso in various parts of the world, and he w regret his association with the King's Cros had to thank Bro. Michael and the W. into this Lodge, which he was sure h With the toast of the Visitors was coupled H. Mason and H. M. Levy. Bro. Mason R.M.B.I., and thanked the Junior Ward as a Steward. Bro. H. M. Levy followe hear the remarks of the last Brother. Schools had an election twice a-year, a beneficial if the poor old men and wo dealt with. He hoped steps would be ta Bro. Briggs had now permission of the W.M was the Provincial brethren of Kent, whom among them; two of them were members of Storey was a visitor. The Province of Kent working, and its association with the Charitie to see their friends from Kent not onl occasions. Bro. J. J. Michel P.P.G.P. H speech, responded. He was followed by Br and Bro. Storey Past Prov. G. and Supe in Mason also added a few words. The W.M. t the P.M.'s; he would couple with it the name Bro. Saintsbury; he need not say how it wa that the Lodge had flourished. After this ha ledged, the Officers were complimented, and toast.

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THIS is a principle the exercise of which may, in Masonry as in all the other walks of life, be turned either to profitable or ill account. The business man, the scholar, and the student are alike actuated by a spirit of emulation, between which motive and that of mere rivalry there is a wide and important distinction. Men may vie with each other, with all the ferocity of zeal, in pursuit of certain objects aimed at, and yet with an utter absence of that invaluable attribute of which we speak. And this distinction, with perhaps but little perceptible difference, it is to which we would draw the attention especially of the younger members of the Craft, with a view, if possible, to mould their thoughts and aspirations whilst in search of Masonic light. Many a man of sound judgment, after having discerned the first glimpses of that refulgence which bursts upon him in the initiative ceremony, and which deepens with every progressive step taken in a Masonic Lodge, sees before him a wide field for the culture of those nobler and loftier sentiments of which the human mind is capable, but which for the first time open out to him in all their comprehensiveness after he has had restored to him that blessing which had been the predominant wish of his heart. On the other hand, there are some who, having gratified their feelings of curiosity by the initiative rite, are inspired by no longings for a development of the motives which "prompted them to seek a participation in the mysteries and privileges of our Order." They stand lingering at the portals of the stately and superb edifice, but, though the foundation of their Masonic faith was duly laid, they fail to raise upon it the "superstructure, perfect in its parts and honourable to the builder." The absence of a spirit of emulation in such brethren precludes them from drinking those refreshing draughts which are the source of life-giving enjoyment to the more intellectual of their fellows; and when they see others rising to positions of honour and eminence in the Craft, they gaze, and wonder, and inquire how such things can be.

The answer is as simple in this as in any other of the avocations of life. The race is not always to the swift, nor the victory to the strong; but it is by a careful appreciation of the advantages placed within our reach, and by taking care that the opportunities presented to us are embraced in the proper spirit, that the most salutary results are accomplished. The man of business who, envious of his neighbour, enters into jealous rivalry with him, in order to keep pace with, or to outdo, the success which he observes is attendant on that neighbour's career, does so in a vein, not of friendly emulation, but of spiteful avarice, and from this spring "envy, hatred, malice, and all uncharitableness." It is a sentiment which, if carried into active exercise, would undermine and sap the very vitals of such an Institution as that of Freemasonry, whose objects are the binding together in bonds of mutual sympathy and brotherhood the members of one universal family. We have spoken of the brother who lacks either the courage or the intelligence to grasp with ready appreciation the grandeur and sublimity of a system which is the source of such unfailing inte tread its paths, and who looks wi envy upon those to whom are s of honour meritoriously won. brethren, excellent and admirable spects, grow peevish and discontente rise and progress of others, and for the have not cultivated this principle of em been content to repose on the couch expect the fruit to come to them, ously tilling the soil and zealously tend is ready to be garnered. They queru positions in their Lodges, and would slipshod form of official display; but such men neither reflect credit on th satisfaction or edification to the brethre surrounded. They lack this essential of which we speak, and are actuated rivalry—which, in many cases, is bu jealous antagonism. Emulation can g path hand in hand with brotherly love former whispers and exchanges mutua hope; the other breathes only discord

What deplorable scenes, therefore, are they are hapily very rare—witnessed in from which should be banished even th jealousy and strife. We have seen the rivalry carried on with such subtle, yc as to produce results highly detriments to the very life of a Lodge. There is the who could never understand the secret which lifts some men, Saul-like, shoul fellows, but who deems it no degradat unworthy artifices by which to add a stature. By and bye, the opportuni arrive; he is lifted up, not by his own resulting from a proper application of t we are speaking, but the compassionate or perhaps the shrewdness of his own a rule, such ambition invariably overle seen pitiable instances in which brethre all good intention, no doubt, on the part Worshipful Master—to positions of in rule, bring discredit and discomfort the prevalence of that spirit of rivalry in aspiring to office, and by the to acquire competency. We repeat cases are not of frequent occurrence, b occasion brethren must have been pain curl of the lip, and to detect the suppre upon the floundering about of an office forked into a chair, "not wisely, but dulgent Worshipful Master. He be amongst whom the spirit of emulation hold, who gazes vacantly into the vi grandeur along the paths of which ot graceful confidence, and who is conter wind of fortune wafts him into a positi to fill.

Far more pleasant it is to watch young brother who, from the first st

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further mark of favour" at the Master's hands.

We commend these suggestions in all friendliness to brethren who cling so tenaciously to the system of promotion by seniority, and which in many cases proves a not altogether unalloyed source of satisfaction. We admit that when young brethren are called to the front, and placed in positions "over the heads" of, older members, there may be a risk of dissatisfaction, or even of offence; but this we argue is by no means to be shirked, if the welfare of a Lodge is the object of primary regard. For a man entrusted with the insignia of Inner Guard to look upon himself as Worshipful Master, *nolens volens*, within a certain period, whether he is fitted for the post or not, is not Masonry. And thus when a Warden or other brother is selected to govern the Lodge, he should be most solicitous that those whom he appoints as his Officers are imbued with the most zealous and earnest determination to emulate all they may be able to see worth copying in his own work and example. That emulation, if properly directed, will permeate the whole official conclave, and instead of the bickerings and fighting after office which we sometimes read of, there will be a real and substantial aiming after that proficiency which will render "promotion by rotation" not only usual, but desirable.

The point we wish to impress upon our younger members especially then is, that rivalry and emulation are utterly and totally distinct. Whereas the former breeds only jealousy and sensitiveness, often retarding the best efforts of those who wish to advance the interests of the Craft, the latter sheds a kindly ray of earnestness upon the whole working of the body of members, infusing into it a fixity and enthusiasm which combine to strengthen the hands of the rulers, and to build up a spirit of happy cordiality and unity of purpose all round. Emulation heals the wounds and breaches which rivalry would produce; it is contagious, and incites a like spirit in others; it is, moreover, a principle which gathers strength as it goes, and works in a mysterious way for the good of any object over which it holds its sway. All, therefore, who desire to see our Institution flourish—and who does not?—must assist in promoting the growth of this invaluable plant, and nowhere can the seeds be more advantageously sown, with a chance of bringing forth fruit, than in our Lodges of Instruction. Here, in the nursery grounds of our future Lodges should the necessity for, and the priceless benefits of, this principle of emulation be engrafted into the minds and aspirations of our junior Craftsmen; and of this we may be assured, that those who practise it most zealously, will themselves reap the richest reward.

It has been announced that the Alhambra Theatre, London, will shortly have to close to make some extensive alterations to the stage, required by the Lord Chamberlain, and also to redecorate and refurnish the theatre. The "Bronze Horse," which has been played over 100 nights, will then have to be withdrawn. On the re-opening will be produced a new version of the "Black Crook," founded on "La Biche au Bois," a grand spectacular fairy opera, now creating a great sensation at the Porte St. Martin, in Paris, and which is also to be performed in New York at Christmas. The "Black Crook" is to be mounted on a scale of great splendour, and one of its most interesting features will be the introduction of no less than three new grand ballets, in which Mdlles. Pertoldi, De Gillert, and Palladino will appear. Amongst the artistes engaged for this new opera are Misses Constance Loseby, Lizzie Coote, Emilié Petrelli, Rose Berend, Julia Seaman, and Messrs. Harry Paulton, Henry Walsham, René Longrois, Louis Kelleher, J. H. Jarvis and W. Hargreaves.

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and Super Excellent Master, Prince of Wales Chapter Re St. John K.H.S., the Royal St. Lawrence the Martyr, &c young (37), had, during his Ma ten or twelve years, certainly cially the Masonic Charities, served as Steward for the Insti zeal, and his anxiety to promote general, won him the confidence the brethren, and made him o influential members of the seve was connected. He was ever a and ready at a moment's notice Master's chair to Inner or even may unhesitatingly be said that was one of the best Masons in East Yorkshire, and it will be will look on his like again, and various offices will be filled brethren in the Province. What he did with all his might, and ness will never be forgotten. H 25th instant, and although at th the deceased the funeral was enti we noticed amongst the mour shipful Master of the De La Preston; Cheesman P.M., A. Master Beverlac 281, Ansdell Highmoor, Chapman, Wing, &c. called our Brother to that hous may his footsteps be followed b members in the Province who ma and zeal in the carrying out o which characterised Bro. Boggett been suggested by the Beverlac M deceased occupied the position o with the Craft and Royal Arch C Masonic Hall at Beverley, to Masonic Memorial," and we trust carried out, that it will not only b brethren in the Province, but by prize honour and worth above of rank and fortune.

BRO. E. G. LE

Many of our readers will hear, no infinite regret, of the death of Legge. Bro. Legge was initiate No. 1196, where he filled the chai was one of the founders of the 1607, and at the time of his death Master. The sad event took plac after a long and trying illness, w looked upon as almost sure to term brother was deservedly respected a whom he was associated, and many a sincere and true-hearted man. our cordial sympathy in this the ment.

A meeting of the magistrates of has been called, at the instance of M.P., "for the purpose of consider Ireland, "with a view to putting a combinations and outrages with whi

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The Committee have likewise to report that they have received the following petitions:—

1st. From Companions Robert Hudson as Z., James Saxburn Wilson as H., Matthew Henry Dodd as J., and seven others, for a Chapter to be attached to the St. Bede Lodge, No. 1119, Jarrow, to be called "The St. Bede Chapter," and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Grange-road, Jarrow, in the County of Durham.

2nd. From Companions William Coppard Beaumont as Z., George Bernard Brodie, M.D., as H., Edward Milner as J., and seven others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Castle Lodge of Harmony, No. 26, London, to be called "The Castle Chapter of Harmony," and to meet at the Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, Regent-street, London.

3rd. From Companions William Herbert Addiscott as Z., James Keating as H., George May as J., and ten others, for a Chapter to be attached to the United Service Lodge, No. 1341, Victoria, Hong Kong, to be called "The United Chapter," and to meet at the Freemasons' Hall, Victoria, Hong Kong, China.

4th. From Companions Robert Hill Crowden as Z., William Lake as H., John Knight Stead as J., and six others, for a Chapter to be attached to the West Kent Lodge, No. 1297, Sydenham, to be called "The West Kent Chapter," and to meet at the Thicket Hotel, Anerley, Surrey.

5th. From Companions Richard Bagnall Reed as Z., Robert Foreman Cook as H., John Wood as J., and nine others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Lodge of Industry, No. 48, Gateshead, to be called "The Chapter of Industry," and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Gateshead, in the County of Durham.

The foregoing petitions being in all respects regular, the Committee recommend that the prayers thereof be respectively granted.

6th. The Committee have also received a petition from the Principals and other members of "The Otago Chapter," No. 844, Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand, praying for a Charter of Confirmation, the original Charter having been burnt in a fire when the Freemasons' Hall was destroyed.

7th. Also a petition from the Principals and Members of "The Chapter of Harmony," No. 309, Fareham, Hampshire, praying for a Charter of Confirmation, the original Charter having been destroyed by fire.

The Committee also recommend that Charters of Confirmation for these Chapters be respectively granted.

(*Signed*) JOHN CREATON, P.G.Pr.Soj.,
Grand Treasurer,
President.

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.
19th October 1881.

NOTE.—The "Freemasons' Calendar and Pocket Book" for 1882, will be published early in November, Scribes of Chapters and other Companions are requested to notify to the Grand Scribe E. the number they require.

North London Chapter of Improvement, No. 1471.—At the weekly meeting, at the Jolly Farmers Tavern, Southgate-road, on Thursday, 20th October. Present, Comps. J. Weston M.E.Z., J. Osborn H., G. H. Hunter J., Sheffield Acting S.E., Parkes S.N., T. C. Edmonds Preceptor, R. Pearcy P.S., Gregory, Laurence, and several others. The Chapter was opened, and the minutes of the preceding Convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Laurence acting as candidate. It was decided to invite Comp. Stiles, of the Metropolitan Chapter, to officiate as M.E.Z. at the next meeting. All Masonic business being ended, the Chapter was closed and adjourned. At a previous meeting of this Chapter of Improvement, held on 13th October, Comp. Fraser, Chapter 1507, was elected a member.

The ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the

Scribe E., Burford (named as) S.N., Bolton First Assistant, J. Garrod Second The ballot was taken for Brother Cha Baptist Lodge, No. 475, Luton, proposed seconded by Companion G. Burford; for Cross Lodge, No. 754, proposed by Com and seconded by Companion J. Garrod; fo Cross Lodge, No. 754, proposed by Co seconded by Companion G. Burford. T favour of each of these candidates, and pared for the ceremony, the ballot was tion, this time for Companion William D 217, who desired to enter the Enfield Ch He was proposed by Companion E. G. L M.E.Z.; here likewise the result showed the members for the admission of the ban were now introduced, and Companion L ceremony of exaltation, for their advanc Auditors was presented. This showed th Chapter to be highly satisfactory. The had been eminently gratifying, while kept within modest proportions. The in hand on the general fund, while still outstanding were amply covere appointments (which, by the way complete) of the Chapter. Howeve was so favourable, that on the recc mittee, it was moved and seconded the general fund towards the liquid claim, and to this proposition assent was work followed, hearty good wishes were closed. The banquet was served at the thison using every exertion to make his removal of the cloth, the Loyal and Roy In speaking to the toast of the Grand vince (Sir Francis Burdett), reference w Provincial Grand Chapter had been held two years. This was to be deplored, a looked forward to these gatherings as ha interest in the working of Royal Arch M proposed the health of the M.E.Z., to w the proceedings, had been presented the ous song from Comp. Mackney, Comp honour paid him, assuring all how he had so kindly voted. The other toasts c were done ample justice to, and the pr rendered agreeable by the successful ef themselves to entertain, by music, songs,

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Bro. Major Chard, V.C., R.E., Rorke's Drift, is on the eve of quit service at Malta.

The infant son of Lord Brabo Mr. E. Knatchbull-Hugessen, was Mersham Church.

The Lord Mayor elect, Bro. A sworn into office in the Queen's High Court of Judicature, instead Court of Exchequer.

H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke England, and Prov. G. Master Oxf the Annual Festival of the Scottish November prox.

On the 14th inst., Earl Granville ceremony of handing over the res to the authorities, and subsequent to the successful students of Dover

Bro. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., I opened the Michaelmas Quarter Se delivered his customary charge on the 14th instant.

The Earl of Dalhousie has rece

Deacon, Thomas Entwisle Past Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works, Robert Harwood Past Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works, J. W. Taylor Past Provincial Grand Organist, Thomas Mitchell Provincial Grand Tyler, A. A. Cokayne Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer Cheshire, Jessop Hulton W.M. 62, Manchester, William Cooper 146, Bolton, J. S. Aldred 221, Bolton, W. H. Alcock 348, Bolton, William Blair 1723, Bolton, John Alcock P.M. and Secretary 348, N. Nicholson P.M. and Secretary 1723, George Taylor S.W. 146, W. Wadeson 221, Thomas Morris P.M. 221, George Ferguson P.M. 221, J. M. Rutter P.M. 221, J. F. Elliston 221, Thomas Raby P.M. 348, G. A. Mort Past Master 1354 Leigh, W. C. Freeman Past Master 1354, W. Y. Martin 1814, Worsley, R. Moir 526, F. W. Brockbank 1145, James Richardson Past Master 1723, E. G. Harwood 1723, John Priestley 1723. Bro. James Newton P. Prov. G.S.D. had kindly placed for the inspection of the brethren his valuable collection of old Masonic Jewels and Medals; also his copy of the first Book of Constitutions ever printed, and bearing date 1723; also excellently preserved copies of the Constitutions of 1767; and 1784; Freemasons' Pocket Companions of 1735, 1764, and 1772 Smith's Use and Abuse of Masonry, 1785; Preston's Illustrations 1801; copy of Pyne's Engraved List of Lodges, dated 1734 (originally belonging to Bro. Edward Entwisle, the first Worshipful Master of the Lodge), bearing his initials on silver clasp; Masonic Scrap-Book, containing old Certificates, early Lodge Summonses, autograph letters of distinguished Masons, &c.; also Masonic Cup of the eighteenth century (Staffordshire ware), and other Masonic curiosities. The Secretary's collection of more modern works embraced the Freemasons' Magazine for 1793 and several succeeding years; the valuable works of Bro. Hughan—Masonic Memorials, Masonic Register, Old Charges of Freemasons, and others; Bro. Gould's works—The Four Old Lodges and the Athol Lodges; Ahiman Rezon, 1801; Proofs of a Conspiracy, 1797; Freemasonry in Scotland, by D. Murray Lyon; Selection of Masonic Songs, printed in Bolton in 1811; Freemasons' Pocket Companion, Glasgow, 1771, with a varied selection of Masonic Jewels, appertaining to every Degree and Order in Masonry. Two brethren—James Naylor and J. J. Whowell—who were candidates for the second degree, presented themselves for examination as to their proficiency as Entered Apprentices. This proving satisfactory, they retired, and the Lodge was opened in the second degree, when the Worshipful Master, in a most able manner, passed the candidates to the second degree, the working tools being presented by the S.W. Brother Garstang, and the Fellow Craft Lodge was forthwith closed. The Secretary, Bro. G. P. Brockbank P.Prov.G.S.D., had prepared a few statistics as to the early history and progress of the Lodge; but in view of the fact that the Lodge would attain the 150th anniversary of its existence in the course of another year, it was deemed advisable to defer the statement, and in the meantime the Secretary, with the assistance of Brother Newton, would endeavour to collect every available scrap of information, and produce the result of their labours on the occasion of the ter jubilee of the Lodge in 1882. Hearty good wishes were expressed by representatives from Provincial Grand Lodges of East and West Lancashire, Cheshire, Derbyshire, Berks and Bucks, from various Lodges in Lancashire, and from the Lodge of Edinburgh (Mary's Chapel), No. 1 under Grand Lodge of Scotland. The minutes of the proceedings of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Pennington W.M. explained the circumstances under which the brethren were now assembled in a room which had been engaged pursuant to a resolution passed at the last regular meeting for the exclusive use of the members of this Lodge, at an annual rent of £10, and expressed his thanks on behalf of the Lodge to the brethren who had so laboriously worked to achieve the present result. Mentioning brethren by name who had contributed to the satisfactory result, he distinguished particularly the services of Brother George Parker Brockbank, whose untiring zeal on behalf of the Lodge resulted in its establishment in such comfortable quarters, and without whose persistent hard work the end could not have been attained. The elegant appearance of the Lodge room was largely due to the exertions of Bro. Brockbank, aided by the professional skill of two architects, members of the Lodge, Bro. R. K. Freeman and John Morris. The furniture of the Lodge, which had been removed to a store for the purpose of safety since the Lodge ceased to assemble at the Church Institution, was now placed in the room, and a few banners which had been obtained by the brethren who had superintended the decoration of the room, were tastefully displayed. Prominently, a banner in possession of the Lodge, which evidently had been provided for the Provincial Grand Lodge some 50 years ago, was conspicuously placed in the centre of the building; the possession of this banner was quite unknown to the oldest Mason of the district or Lodge, and was looked upon both by members and visitors as a great curiosity. The ob-

only recently entered upon possessi
his capacity for catering to the wa
praise was awarded him for his su
teresting meeting a perfect success.

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THE installation meeting of this
at the Criterion, Regent-circ
dency of the W.M. Bro. S. Jones. Jo
Isaacs Tres., A. W. Beckham Sec., T
I.G., P.M.'s Flattery, Jones, Vincer
distinguished company of visitors,
tion — Bros. J. Bevan District
Zealand, W. Blakey P.P.G.D.C. F
J. Stevens P.M. 1426, Besant 1194
1360, W. Ruddle 73, Larner 858, Go
Snook 1604, Hamilton 1641, Bray P.
W. Hicklin, Berry P.M. 584, Carrin
C. F. May P.M. 780, T. Cross
Giacomezzi, E. C. Massey P.M. 1297,
J. Ward 860, A. Kimber 804, A.
467, Shute 1791, Wrangham 619, Lu
Sanders 1257, White 217, R. W. Bo
188. The Lodge was opened, and th
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Smith was passed to the 2nd degr
W.M. elect was then presented to th
the chair in the presence of 14 W.M
of New Zealand, and Bro. Cotteb
chairs. The ceremony was perfectl
Bro. Vincent P.M., and he well merite
at its conclusion. Bro. Flatterley P.M
music aided the ceremony. The cu
given, the W.M. in appropriate ter
Officers—S. Jones I.P.M., Powell S.W
Beckham Secretary, Johnson P.M. S.D
but through a domestic affliction was
Egerton Organist, Vernon and Coult
Johnson Wine Stewards, Thomas Tyle
congratulate the Lodge on its selectio
showed his proficiency by the perfect
Messrs. G. Messenger and S. Bruce.
were also conversant with their dut
now given by the numerous visitors,
brethren, over 100 in number, sat dow
banquet and dessert, provided by M
W.M., who ably presided, after grace
customary Loyal and Masonic toasts.
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the name of Bro. C. A. Cottebru
who, in replying, said he was pleas
first time he had visited the Lodge. Al
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done. He might add that he had nev
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the chair. The Installing Master ha
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abroad, and it behoved them, as loyal a
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he wished them to show Bro. Bevan tha
brethren from distant colonies as for t
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he felt that he should be received there
he wished to extend to Bro. Bevan on
Bevan could hardly find words in whic
the warm reception he had met with.
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that that is just the way he could wish t

I.P.M. had now, with great pleasure, to propose the toast of the Worshipful Master. They had seen, since his occupation of the chair, what Bro. Fisher had done, and from that they could judge as to what he would do in the future; he would never allow the hinges of the Lodge to rust while he was associated with it. The Worshipful Master, in reply, said he was gratified to have the opportunity of responding. He had been associated with other Lodges, and he had worked for many years as an aspirant for the chair; to-night he had arrived at the proud position of Worshipful Master. As he said before, he belonged to several Lodges; he had the interest of the Craft at heart. This was the first time he had been installed. With all sincerity he thanked them for their reception of the toast. The toast of the I.P.M. was the next on the list. The W.M. had an important duty in connection with it. The duties of the chair had been so satisfactorily fulfilled by Bro. Jones that he had become endeared to every member of the Lodge. He (the W.M.) had now great pleasure in presenting him with the Past Master's jewel, which he trusted he might long live to wear; he would ask them to drink long life and health to their Immediate Past Master. Brother Jones thanked the Worshipful Master; he felt grateful that he had received the jewel, which he should be proud to hand down to his family as an heirloom. He had been very anxious to get into the chair, and now he was equally glad to get out of it. With these few remarks he begged most sincerely to thank them. The Worshipful Master then proposed the toast of the newly initiated brethren. He trusted that what they had heard, and what they had seen, would ever be remembered by them. He must now tell them they had a Lodge of Instruction in connection with the Lodge, and if they attended there they would find how easy the working was. He would now ask the brethren to drink to the toast of the Initiates. After this had been suitably responded to, the Worshipful Master proposed the toast of the Visitors. They were a very numerous body. On ordinary occasions it was not unusual for them to have fifteen or twenty, but to-night they had fifty visitors. However, if the members invited them, they should always be pleased to see them and give them, in the name of the Eccleston Lodge, a hearty welcome. Bro. Captain Blakey, Past Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies Kent, ably responded; he was followed by Bros. Stevens and H. M. Levy. Bros. Barfield and Cantle likewise spoke, paying just compliments to the Worshipful Master for his excellent working. He then proposed the toast of the Masonic Press, and Bro. C. E. Massey responded for the *Freemason*, while Bro. H. M. Levy responded for this journal. The Worshipful Master then proposed the toast of the Officers; those he had selected would, he felt assured, render him valuable assistance; each one could do the duties of the chair, if required, and he hoped they would eventually occupy it. This toast having been ably responded to, the Tyler's was given, and the brethren separated. The Worshipful Master had provided a very excellent selection of music. Bros. Davies, W. Sexton, Crow, Bond, Taylor, and Cantle were the artists. Bro. Stevens gave his popular recitation, "Masons' Vows." Bro. G. R. Egerton Organist presided at the piano.

NEW FINSBURY PARK LODGE, No. 1695.

THE annual installation meeting was held on Tuesday, the 18th inst., at the Alexandra Palace, where there was a large attendance of members and visitors—viz., Bros. T. Press I.P.M. as W.M., R. C. Frampton S.W., J. N. Thompson J.W., R. T. Davies P.M. Treasurer W.M. elect, A. J. Berry Secretary, G. D. Edmunds S.D., J. H. Bastable J.D., J. Eldridge P.M. D. of C., A. F. Speller I.G., E. Grout Organist, F. H. Tibbetts Steward, A. Ayden, W. Earl, H. Hollis P.M. P.G.S.B. Herts, F. Rushwood, W. F. Richmond, F. G. Madgin, J. Swinyard, T. Jackson, W. J. Cattermole, J. R. Perfect and Geo. Chutter. Visitors—Bros. J. Terry P.G.S.W. Norths and Hunts, A. Stewart W.M. 1158, J. Cooper 1471, J. Barber 1314, A. Mullord W.M. 1288, J. T. Rowe P.M. 167, C. James 15, J. Chinnery 145, P. Harnett 813, F. Rehm 813, S. Carrington P.M. 1314, H. Follitt P.M. and Treasurer 45, T. Goode P.M. 1288, L. Bamberger 1366, George Blackie P.M. and Sec. 1426, J. Pigot P.M. 753, F. Rothschild P.M. 1288, S. J. Byng P.M. 902, J. Viney 173, J. F. O. Wood 1288, W. Wilkinson S.D. 167, B. Groner W.M. 1613, S. Medcalf 206. The Lodge was opened in due form, and after the confirmation of the minutes, and the reception of the balance-sheet and report of the auditors, Bro. Terry took the chair, and having advanced the Lodge installed Bro. Davies as W.M., performing the ceremony in that excellent manner which characterises Bro. Terry's working. The following brethren were then appointed and invested: — Bros. J. N. Thompson S.W., G. D. Edmunds J.W., J. Eldridge P.M. Treasurer, A. J. Berry Secretary, J. H. Bastable S.D., A. F. Speller J.D.

will conduct the business of the Lodge
months:—Bros. E. P. Shedd S.W. 276 I
P.G.S. Essex, F. Warner S.W., E. Rattray
Chaplain P.M. 276 P.P.G.C. P.P.G.S.W. I
P.M., F. M. Williams, M.D., P.M. Secreta
276 P.G.S. of W. Essex, E. O. Cockayne J
Russell Tyler. After the brethren and
of a banquet, to which ample justice wa
ably fulfilled his duties, introduced the
In speaking to that of the Deputy Prov.
of the Grand Officers of the Province, the
that Bro. Philbrick, Q.C., had been prev
Bro. T. J. Ralling, therefore, was entrust
this toast, which he did in brief, but we
health of the W.M. was proposed by
spoke in terms of eulogy of Bro. D
His remarks were fully endorsed by
the toast an enthusiastic reception. Th
the compliment, thanked the I.P.M. and
they had responded to the toast of his h
carry out the duties of the important pos
and ability he might possess. He hoped
ably, with the assistance of the I.P.M. and
observe a strict conformity to the rules an
Constitutions and the Bye-laws. Bro. De
active and individual co-operation of eac
He considered tact was quite as necessary
principles on which the Order was founde
into play it would conduce to the welfare
mony of the brethren. He trusted that
honour of installing his successor, he migh
the Lodge in as prosperous a state as now
with the unanimous esteem of the brethr
mony of a clear conscience that he had per
in such a manner that he might follow in
or reproach. The W.M. concluded by aga
manner they had received the toast of hi
Visitors was replied to by Bro. Motion; Br
honour done the P.M.'s, while Bro. Terry
Installing Master and Representative of
eloquent. The Wardens and other Offic
and—as usual—the Tyler gave the partin
out was in the ascendant, Bros. Rubinstein
fully exercising their musical abilities.

Israel Lodge, No. 205.—The reg
was held on Tuesday, at the Cannon-stre
Phillips, the Worshipful Master, presided,
Officers, viz.:—Bros. Da Silva S.W., A. Al
P.M. Treasurer, C. F. Hogard P.M. Secr
A. Bassington P.M., I. P. Cohen P.M., H.
P.M., A. Abrahams S.D., John A. Gartley
E. H. Norden Steward, Edwin I. Ward I.
attendance of members of the Lodge, and
Visitors:—Bros. C. Hunt P.M. 194, A. J. H
Cothan 9, W. Cracknell 1423, H. Masse
Lewis Thomas P.M. 142 P.A.G. Direct
Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, Edgar Bowyer P.
Davis Organist 1017. The ballot was take
of, Messrs. Edward Nathan and Lewis Na
prepared, and regularly admitted to a pa
of Masonic light. Lodge being advanced
raised, Bro. Phillips performing this and th
he was assisted by Bro. I. P. Cohen) in a s
transaction of some routine business, th
the brethren adjourned to banquet. In t
Secretary, read several letters of regret
unable to be present; these included comm
Woods, the Grand Secretary, Sir John
Peter De Lande Long, and others. At th
Grace was said, and the Worshipful Maste
of the evening. Being late, he should n
brethren with any lengthened remarks, b
them to honour the toast of the Queen
followed by the National Anthem, a
Master gave the health of the M.W. the
toast of the Grand Officers he had
the name of a most distinguished
Thomas—whom he was particularly gl
present occasion. Bro. Thomas felt that

the brethren, he was amply repaid. He then proposed the health of the Initiates. The Lodge had that evening received two gentlemen of the same blood as himself. He had known them for some years, and could vouch for them as good men. He was sure they would prove a credit to the Lodge, and that it would benefit by their introduction. He wished them every success in their Masonic career, and trusted they might be elected to the chair as quickly as he had been, and might fill it with the same amount of support from the brethren he now experienced from them. Each of the newly admitted members having replied, the W.M. proposed the toast of the Visitors, giving them a hearty welcome. Bros. Hunt and Massey were called upon to respond. The former, on behalf of the Visitors generally, felt they were under great obligations to the officers and members of the Lodge for the way they had been entertained. For himself, he might say he had that evening enjoyed a very great treat. All who had witnessed the working must be gratified, while the initiates and others who had not seen the ceremonies so ably performed could but be very much impressed. Bro. Massey followed. The present was not the first occasion on which he had had the pleasure of visiting the Israel Lodge, he having been present at many of its meetings, even before the initiation of the present Master. What the brethren had had the opportunity of witnessing that evening was nothing new. The Lodge had always been noted both for its good working and its princely hospitality. As Past Master of one Lodge, and present Master of another, he naturally took some interest in the working of the ritual. He might say he had that evening received a lesson for which he was extremely obliged. It was some years since he had worked the third degree, but having to confer it next month, the way in which it had been carried out that evening would serve as a splendid guide for him, and he hoped he might acquit himself as well as had their Master that evening. The next toast was that of the Benevolent Fund of the Lodge, with which the W.M. coupled the name of Bro. A. M. Cohen, its founder and Treasurer. Bro. Cohen knew of nothing so gratifying to Masons as that of helping the less fortunate members of the Craft, brethren, or those families who were unable to help themselves; it was for this object that the Israel Lodge Benevolent Fund had been founded, and for this that it was kept up. It behoved every Mason to provide in the day of prosperity for those of adversity, which although he hoped might never fall upon any of those present, it was impossible to say would not do so. One great principle in connection with their Benevolent Fund was, that of keeping all knewledge of who appealed to it entirely unknown, except to a few members of the committee, who of necessity became acquainted with the several applicants—indeed he might say that the right hand of the Lodge did not know what the left was doing. He could but appeal to the brethren for their support, and express thanks for all that they had done in the past. Nine amounts of half-a-guinea each, and two of five shillings each, were subscribed by the brethren. The health of the Past Masters of the Lodge was next honoured. The W.M. felt very grateful to the Past Masters for their assistance, as he felt the Lodge must do for what they had done in the past. Bro. S. M. Harris replied, returning sincere thanks on behalf of the Past Masters for the way in which the toast had been proposed and received. The Past Masters felt great pride in the Lodge, especially after the high opinions expressed by the distinguished brethren present as visitors that evening. He felt it an honour to be in the position of Past Master of the Lodge. The tongue of good report had been heard in its favour many miles distant, as was evidenced by their receiving that evening the name of a distinguished P.M. of the Lodge of Israel, at Liverpool, No. 1502, as a candidate for joining; he would not be the first member of that Lodge who had joined them—provided, as he had no doubt he would be—he was accepted by the members. He thought this was sufficient evidence that the work of the Lodge was carried on properly, as Bro. Henochsberg, the candidate, knew too well what Freemasonry was to imagine he would join an inferior Lodge. Bro. A. M. Cohen took the opportunity of thanking the brethren for their kind expressions during his recent illness. The few words they had recorded on the minute book of the Lodge were, in his estimation, the kindest expression they could possibly have made. They amply repaid him for any little trouble he had been at in past years in connection with the Lodge. He trusted he might long enjoy the pleasures of the Israel Lodge, so long as he was spared. The toast of the Officers was given, and that of the Tyler concluded the proceedings.

St. Michael's Lodge, No. 211.—An emergency meeting of this Lodge was held on Tuesday, when the W.M., Bro. John Waters, presided. Mr. Henry Gibson Creft was initiated into the mysteries of our ancient Order, the W.M. ably conducting the ceremony. The

who proposed the following resol
Prov. Grand Secretary, and carrie
thanks of the Lodge of Union, N
Stephens W.M. for his munificent
and defraying the cost of stuffin
benches and seats, and renovating
Master expressed his pleasure in
appreciated, and hoped it would ac
Lodges that assembled in the Mas
subscription to the "Hervey Mo
passed. A discussion took place
American organ or harmonium for
Two resignations were accepted,
proposed, after which the Lodge w

Montefiore Lodge, No. 10
the above Lodge since the recess
Masonic Rooms, Air-street, Rege
W.M., M. Levy S.W., Syer J.W.,
P.G.P. Sec., G. T. Mann S.D., N.
I.G., Davis Organist, N. Vallenti
De Solla, S. Pollitzer, A. Blum
Visitors—Bros. W. Argent British
188, Phillips W.M. 205, Moore,
Dr. Macaulay (Star-in-the East
U.S.A., Max Klein 1319, and
Lodge was opened, and the minu
meeting were read and confirmed.
questions very satisfactorily, and w
A ballot was taken for the admissi
initiated into the Order. The resig
accepted, with regret. The name
proposed. After Lodge had been cl
banquet and dessert, provided by
Worshipful Master, in eloquent
and Masonic toasts. In speaki
Lathom and the rest of the
Lodge of England, the W.M. sai
Brother present a member of Grand
referred, had not only done his duty
Lodge. After Bro. Albert P.G.P.
the toast of the Initiate, who, he t
a credit to the Order. Bro. Walters
proposed the toast of the Visitors.
Zachary, and H. M. Levy P.M. 188,
in proposing the toast of the W.M.,
the honour of installing, said, he
worker. Brother Abrahams was ful
esteem. The W.M. said he esteem
been elected to the chair; he felt it
flattering remarks of so old a Mason
twice elected to fill the chair. He
reception of the toast. The Past M
and Bro. J. Lazarus was called on
Wardens, the Treasurer, the Secreta
lowed in due course. Bro. Max Klei
on the violin, and then the Tyler's t
vided an excellent concert, Misses Cl
others being engaged. Bro. Frikell,
amused by some marvellous tricks
Van Noorden Organist 188 superinten

Grey Friars Lodge, No. 110
the proceedings of this Lodge last w
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agreed should be presented to Bro. W
ledgment of his many valuable servi
of his admirable working during his
posed by Past Master Margrett, second
unanimously.

Brownrigg Lodge of Instruc
of Instruction, under the above title,
fourth Wednesdays in the months of O
Sun Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames, at 8
worked as the W.M. for the time bei
fee is one shilling, and the annual subs
fee 6d. We wish those interested in

Lodge of Instruction was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. The Fifteen Sections were then worked by the following:—First Lecture—Bros. L. Jacobs, B. Kauffmann, J. Elvin, W. Birrell, Clegborn, J. Hemming, and C. Koester. Second Lecture—Bros. W. M. Robinson, W. J. Burgess, J. C. Smith, J. Paul, and Sillis. Third Lecture—Bros. W. C. Smith, Edwin Storr, and N. P. Vallentine. All the sections were perfectly worked, and reflected great credit on those engaged, many of the workers being but a short time in the Order. Bros. Baron Theokoy 1563 and H. Dawson 1516 were elected members. A cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. J. Hemming for the able manner in which he had conducted the duties of the chair that evening, and also for the excellent way he at all times performs the duties of Preceptor. A vote of thanks was also recorded on the minutes to the Senior and Junior Wardens and the brethren who had worked the sections. Bro. L. Solomon was elected W.M. for the ensuing week.

A Committee of the brethren of the King's Cross Lodge, No. 1732, has been formed for the purpose of arranging a Benefit Performance for Bro. F. Silvester (Sydney Franks) at the Royal Music Hall, Holborn, on the morning of the 26th November. Several talented artistes, in addition to the company, have promised their assistance. Bros. L. Solomon, 109 Old-street, and L. Jacobs, 12 Upper Marylebone-street, W., have been appointed Treasurer and Secretary. It is expected a numerous attendance of the brethren and Bro. Silvester's friends will be present.

DEDICATION OF A MASONIC HALL AT SHANKLIN.

THERE was a large meeting of Freemasons at Shanklin, on Tuesday, the occasion of the dedication of a new Masonic Hall, recently erected there. The ceremony was performed by the Right Worshipful Grand Master (Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P.), who was assisted by the Grand Officers of the province, Bro. Osborne P.G.O. presiding at the harmonium. The new building has been erected by Mr. Francis Cooper, of Shanklin, from designs furnished by Mr. Francis Newman, of Ryde. Though not a large building, it is thoroughly adapted for its purpose. On the ground floor there is a capacious reception room and dining hall, and above are the Lodge room and offices. The Lodge room, which has been furnished in a very substantial manner, is of ample dimensions, and is well ventilated. The new building is in connection with the Chine Lodge, No. 1884, which was started only a few months since, and of which Dr. Dabbs is Worshipful Master. In the course of the ceremony of dedication, the Provincial Grand Master congratulated the brethren of the Chine Lodge on the completion of the building. In addressing the architect (Bro. F. Newman), he said that the manner in which the erection of the building had been carried out reflected the highest credit on those who had taken it in hand, not only for their skill, but for the order and arrangement which had been shown. In a limited space every one knew how difficult it was to finish a building complete in all points, and therefore he was quite certain that they had brought to bear not only powers of intellect, but great arrangement, in arriving at so successful a conclusion. After the ceremony had been completed, the Provincial Grand Master said it was most interesting to see a body of Freemasons—the members of a new Lodge only recently sprung into existence—so anxious to carry out the principles of the Order, that they had lost no time in erecting a building for that purpose. It was seldom that a new Lodge did not take time before deciding on such a step; but the Chine Lodge had shown that they were animated by a pure spirit of Freemasonry, which led them to think that Freemasonry being good in itself it was right that they should have a building suitable to carry out its principles. He congratulated the Lodge on their new building, and said that, considering the manner in which the building had been inaugurated, and the spirit which had animated the brethren in undertaking it, he entertained no doubt that their new Lodge would be crowned with complete success. The Provincial Grand Master then expounded in eloquent terms on the tenets of the Craft, exhorting the brethren to act up to its principles, and endeavour to do something to preserve and maintain the character of the Order. The Provincial Grand Master was well supported by Provincial Grand Officers and brethren of neighbouring districts. After the Lodge had been closed a number of the brethren adjourned to a banquet at the Town Hall, at which Dr. Dabbs, the W.M., presided, supported by the Provincial Grand Master and his Officers. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and the vocal efforts of some of the

theme being "Home, Sweet Home." A humo
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MARK MASONRY IN N YORKSH

A FEW weeks ago we recorde Lodge at Sheffield of Bro. borough, as Provincial Grand M East Yorkshire. We now have to act, which consisted in the conse at Driffield, a pleasant little mar the far-famed Yorkshire Wolds, Lodge (the Sykes), and Royal A borough) already exist. There i Masonic Hall, neatly furnished began to muster at midday on The Prov. G. Master and the Sca the party from York, were in g o'clock, after a luncheon at the were opened. By command of the Lodge was opened by Bro. the Re Wath, the W.M. of the York M A. P. Wilson W.M. of the Bever

Masonry in these islands, and alluded in detail to the minutes of the Newstead and other old Lodges. He also showed the rational connection between the ceremonies and teachings of Craft and Mark Masonry, and concluded by an exhortation to the brethren to keep in mind the charitable tendencies of the Order, and its deeply moral lessons. The consecration having been completed, the chair was assumed by Bro. Whytehead, who proceeded to instal Bro. S. Chadwick in the Chair of A. according to ancient custom, and to give the various addresses to the Officers and Brethren. Bro. Chadwick afterwards appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Martin M., Reynard S.W., G. S. Highmoor J.W., A. P. Wilson as I.P.M., J. Dunn M.O., James Elgey S.O., Jas. Ansell J.O., Rev. J. Blake Chaplain, J. Elgey Treasurer, T. J. Kirby Sec., J. S. Wilson Reg. of Marks, J. Robinson S.D., John Baines J.D., T. Bowman D.C., Walter Highmoor I.G., G. H. Potts Tyler.

The W.M. then moved a vote of thanks to the P.G.M. and those brethren who had come long distances to aid him, and moved the election of Bros. J. W. Woodall, T. B. Whytehead, W. C. Lukis and S. Middleton as Honorary Members, which was carried unanimously. A hearty vote of thanks was also accorded W. Bro. M. M. Reynard J.W., who had presented the Lodge with most of it furniture, the Overseers' mallets being turned out of old timber from the Parish Church, which is undergoing restoration. After the completion of the business, the Driffield brethren entertained their visitors at high tea at the Bell Hotel, and in the course of the evening many of the usual toasts were duly honoured. We may add that the name of the new Lodge is, according to Domesday Book, the ancient method of spelling the name of the place, and signifies "land near waters," the town being surrounded by a network of beautiful streams of water running clear and cool out of the chalk rocks of the wold lands, and swarming with "lusty" trout, affording sport to members and their friends of the exclusive "Driffield Anglers' Club."

We understand that Bro. J. W. Woodall has arranged to hold his first Provincial Grand Mark Lodge for the appointment of Officers and other business at York under the banner of the York Lodge (T.I.), on Tuesday, the 15th November.

MARK MASONRY.

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ALFRED LODGE, No. 247.

THE Annual Festival of this Lodge of M.M. Masons was held on Wednesday, the 19th instant, in the Masonic Hall, Oxford. Lodge was opened in due form by the W.M. (Bro. Christopher Park). Bro. James Jenkin was presented for installation by Bro. Ansell P.M., and the ceremony was carefully performed by the W.M. Bro. Jenkin appointed and invested his Officers as follow:—Bros. Park I.P.M., W. G. Emberlin S.W., Frank Ryman Hall J.W., J. M. Dormor M.O., James Jesse Hughes S.O., A. Rowley J.O., W. Park Treasurer, R. Payne Secretary, A. Wheeler Registrar of Marks, H. O. Crane S.D., H. G. W. Drinkwater J.D., R. Hodgson Director of Ceremonies, W. R. Bowden Organist, J. Seary and G. H. Osmond Stewards, G. Norwood Tyler. Lodge having been closed, the brethren adjourned to banquet. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. Some excellent songs and glee singing enlivened the proceedings. It is understood that Bro. Jenkin—who is highly esteemed and popular in Oxford—will occupy the Mayor's chair during his year of office.

Friendship Lodge No. 16.—The annual meeting was held at

on Wednesday, 19th inst. The principal of Bro. John Russell Lord P.G.S. Wks. performed by the W. Bro. J.B. Gover P. of Installed Masters, amongst whom we Bate, Deputy Provincial Grand Master; chalk, Samuel Jew, L. D. Westcott, Comp The charges were very impressively Spence Bate, and the following Officers w ing year:—W. Bros. John James I.P.M., Westcott Secretary, James Griffen S. King sen. Chaplain; F. B. Westlake M. C. Harris J.O., J. D. Barker S.D., W. J. D.C., T. King jun. A.D.C., L. Martin Thomas Gray S.S., W. Symons J.S., T. D Tyler. The Lodge being closed, the breth James's Imperial Hotel, Millbay, where Bro. Lord presided, and the usual loya duly honoured. The host and hostess mented for their admirable catering.

Brunswick Lodge of Mark Mas meeting was held on the 19th inst., at the Hobart-street, Stonehouse. A dispensatio the M.W. G. Master—Bro. John Willia installed as W. Master, the ceremony be Bro. J. H. Stephens P.M. 43 P.P.G.S.B., C. Spence Bate D.P.G.M., and Thomas Se a Board of installed Masters, consistin Miller, F. Littleton, W. Amery, B. S. Joh completion of the ceremony the followin as the Officers for the year:—B. S. Jo P.G.O. S.W., Charles H. Nicholson J.W., H. Stephens Secretary, R. Lose jun. Carter J.O., Thomas Worledge Chapla Chubb J.D., F. Webber O., A. Spoer D.C., S., James Bartlett Tyler. The refreshme convenient rooms adjacent, and the usual

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WILL BE WORKED AS

At the Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. Farmers, Southgate-road, this (Saturday T. Cull W.M. First Lecture—Bros. G. H. Gillham, A. W. Fenner, D. Moss, Powell. Second Lecture—Bros. G. Fe C. Lorkin, R. P. Forge. Third Lecture— and F. Brasted.

At the Kennington Lodge of Instructi Tavern, Kennington Park, by the me Lodge of Instruction, No. 1056, on Tu commencing at 7 p.m. precisely. Bros. S.W., Gush J.W., Appleton I.G. First Creak, W. F. Gardner, Johnson, Larchin Lecture—Bros. Caton, Snelling, Abell, Lecture—Bros. Lee, Denison, and Fox.

At the Prince Leopold Lodge of In Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate-street, E.C November, at 7 p.m. precisely. Bros. J Myers S.W., W. Musto J.W., B. Cundi Bros. Kimbell, Loring, Loane, Goddard, Cundick. Second Lecture—Bros. Richi Fenn, Myers, and Macgregor. Third Lec J. Taylor. Bros. W. H. Myers Prece Secretary.

Bro. H. J. Lardner, W.M. Fe 1745, will rehearse the ceremony West Smithfield Lodge of Instru St. Paul's, E.C., on Monday next,

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FAIR TRADERS, Registered.—J. E. chants, 2 Albert Mansions, Victoria St Further Public Notice that in May 1879, they

— Free and Accepted Masonry, constantly assert in our Lodges, when opened in the first degree, two astronomical axioms, and from these two we deduce a third. This last is evident, for if "The sun is always at its meridian," "Freemasonry being universally spread over the surface of the globe, it necessarily follows that the sun is always at its meridian with respect to Freemasonry." The sun of Freemasonry was at its zenith in the magnificent reign of our Grand Master King Solomon, upwards of 2885 years ago. At that same point overhead, opposite to the Nadir, ever shining in its universality over the whole surface of the globe, under the Grand Mastership of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, it is still, as then, at its highest point of glory and power; and, in its meridian splendour and lustrous brilliancy, it still may be said to shine in its benign influences for good upon mankind. For fifty years under the auspices of this British Association have Freemasons and the great personages of science been gathered together from all parts of the world once every year for the advancement of science, in order "to give a stronger impulse and more systematic direction to scientific inquiry, to obtain a greater degree of national attention to the objects of science, and a removal of those disadvantages which impede its progress, and to promote the intercourse of the cultivators of science with one another, and with foreign philosophers;" and thrice during this period of time have Science and Freemasonry joined hand to hand, and foot to foot, within the walls of this ancient city, in unitedly pointing out to the whole world the great lines of direction in which the researches of operative and speculative, of aerial and oceanic science, should move; in assigning to every class of mind a definite task, and in vindicating the claims of science to freedom of inquiry into the hidden mysteries of nature. At Plymouth, at Sheffield, and this year, for the third time, at York, the Freemasons have markedly proved themselves the organisers of the meetings of this Association, and have thus shown themselves to be the true "Fellow Crafts" of this Association for the advancement of science and of moral philosophy. Dr. William McCormac (about to be knighted), of Harley-street, has written an admirable work on the "Unity of Science;" and a very learned lady, Miss Buckley, has in another work introduced us to the "Fairy Land of Science;" and in still another, to "Life and Her Children, from the Amœba to the Insects,"—

"His parent hand,
From the mute shell-fish gasping on the shore.
To men, to angels, to celestial minds,
For ever leads the generations on
To higher scenes of being."—AKENSIDE.

The teachers of the minds of both these latest of scientific expounders are the men who, for the most part, are now and have been recognised as masters in their several departments of speculative knowledge,—Lord Milton, Harcourt, Gray, Phillips, Allis, Ford, Smith, Kendrick, Davies, Wellbeloved, and Dr. Bell D.P.G.M. of N. and E. Yorkshire: as well as those upon whom the mantles of these noble founders of the Association have fallen, — Professors Huxley, Osborne, Reynolds, Ramsey, President of the Royal Society, the ex-President, and the acting President of this Association. The key-note of these writers and scientific philosophers is, that science is a centre of union amongst us, and that if Miss Buckley in her glimpses of animal life has shown us the struggle for existence from the Amœba to the insects, so has that noble Yorkshireman, one of the founders of the British Association fifty years ago, shown us in his struggle for existence, for he was a self-educated man,—I mean Professor Phillips,—"The only thing which made the continuance of life an object of desire was to enjoy the contemplation of the works of nature." And he always added—"The works of nature are the works of God—the Great Architect of the Universe." Freemasonry has the same unity of purpose as the unity of science. The concord of its degrees and branches is so to polish and adorn the mind, to enrich it with the most useful knowledge, and to prepare it for the reception of moral and divine truths; that while it searches into the marvellous properties of nature, it further demonstrates the wonderful truths of morality, mercy, and charity. Freemasonry, indeed, contemplates with studious reverence the splendour of the dispensations of Jehovah's Providence, while the Sciences investigate but the outward exercises of God's power over matter. And what, may I ask, is the second degree of Freemasonry, with its inculcation of the study of the liberal arts and sciences, but the development of those objects which Freemasonry and the British Association of Science hold to most firmly, and which the outside world, in an age of material progress, is too likely to forget, the "beauty and the dignity of knowledge," the duty to look on nature as a more sacred thing, and to view the study of it in a more religious light. Science

ceded it, fifty years ago. And first, on which has accrued to scientific research i preciating, as our fathers and grandfather and labours of the great men of our earlier for instance, been thrown upon the works and of Davy. Thanks to their genius and important discoveries to Colding, to Amongst the most important to mankin fact that work can be converted into h verted into work, and that while in such loss of energy in so far as practical ter there is never any loss in cosmical resu been known that it was impossible to cre ticle of matter; but it remained to be pro kind, that it was equally impossible to cre pulse of energy. It was known by ancien was constant; but it was left for this these men in their labour of recent years constant, although its forms were varia indestructible, and that heat and light, are only modes of motion. To Joule, th definite law of thermo-dynamics, or in p must be expended to procure a certain am great advances for the benefit of mankind direction. This is a new branch of scienc existence; and in only one other directio has science in our time advanced as rapid of the laws of radiation and absorption to spectrum analysis have been deduced searched into; comets have been examin its axis has been verified, and an accurate tance of the fixed stars made possible. scientific advance for the benefit of m Helmholtz's investigations in acoustics, th spots and terrestrial magnetism, and the tricity, atmospheric-electricity, and therm much has been done to contribute to the ciation of some of the most important scien As an illustration of the adaptability o practical uses, it may suffice to state that way Company have contracted with Mess to light up one of their trains with the The initiation of this novel departure from looked forward to with the keenest in agriculture, are similarly in the near futu drous adaptability of this electric force. science, we must couple the labours of tastes for natural history. His researches i direction of insects and crustacea. He structure, and habit of these lower forms observations and discoveries in papers co of the learned societies. His elucidations and wasps are well known. "On the Ori Insects," on "British Wild Flowers, consid are works of his, and contributions to Scie the preservation of the ancient monument Lubbock, as an archæologist, has taken t legislator and an educationalist, his view "Scientific Lectures." But as the author he is, perhaps, most popularly known am orary Secretary to the London Associa natural representative and the spokesma all questions concerning the banking inte bankers greet Sir John as the President "British Association for the Advanceme only our science, our banking laws, and advanced by "leaps and bonnds;" the wh life have been changed during the last half- are nowhere better recorded than in t Association. It is difficult, indeed, to re midst of which the British Association differed notably from the land we now inh chester and Liverpool line had only been telegraphs, no Reform Bill: our navy w of Old England;" Oxford and Cambridg South Kensington, and Board Schools, ar in the far future; science was mostly sp Philosophical Institution was the dignif local societies that then existed: George

morality, or mercy, or charity, as well as an investigation into the mysteries of scientific researches. It prides itself as the conservator of that architectural knowledge with which Solomon's wisdom identified itself, and with which as a great master builder he made his name famous throughout all generations of men: he who possessed the greatest knowledge of science of his day, the mighty master of wisdom, before whom the most potent of invisible spirits is said to have bowed in lowly submission, who could interpret the speech of beasts and of birds, and from whom no secret power of germ or herb was hidden. We, brethren, are searchers this day into his wisdom and philosophy. In the same wisdom-spirit of our wise Master, we "incline our ears to wisdom" and "apply our hearts to understanding;" we "thirst after knowledge;" we "seek her as silver," and "search for her as for hid treasures," that we may find the knowledge of Jehovah, and understand the fear of the Grand Geometrician of the Universe. Masonry is a science confined to no particular country. Wherever arts flourish, there it flourishes also. As architects and master builders, our works stand unrivalled in the world: Yorkshire teems with examples of our constructive skill. And whilst Freemasonry displays the effects of human wisdom as well in the choice as in the arrangement of the materials of which an edifice is composed, it demonstrates that a fund of science and industry is implanted in man for the best, most salutary, efficient purposes. Its speculative branch is interwoven with religion. It leads the contemplative to view with reverence the glorious works of creation, and inspires them with the most exalted ideas of the perfections of the Divine Creator. Freemasonry in its two divisions of human and moral science is general and universal; in its application to mankind its purposes are benevolent and charitable. Virtue, the grand object in view, shines on the mind, enlivens the heart, and operates, without respect of persons, to make men happy in this world and to enable them to look forward for happiness in the Grand Lodge above. And the universal principles of the art unite with science in every effort for making "the whole world one Lodge, and every man a Brother." There are many other points in connection with the history and organisation of Freemasonry and its contact with science which I should like to mention, but time fails me, and I must conclude. Sufficient, it has like science, outlived much misrepresentation, vituperation, and ridicule, and, so long as the world lasts, there is no reason why it should not maintain its usefulness for all generations yet to come, with its sun always at its meridian. At one question only does Freemasonry halt,—but one over which scientific speculation is ever exercising continued research,—What is life? and what is it that which an animal or a plant gives up when it is said to part with life? Science would treat this question as something not separate from organisation. Freemasonry speaks of life as a vital principle, something separate from organisation, and regards it (to use the words of Joseph Green) as "a power anterior to the order of thought, to the organisation which animates, maintains, and repairs." Science unfolds to us a knowledge of how the forces act, but tells us nothing of their origin, and this, in respect of life and mind, the Freemason most earnestly studies to know. There is nothing in science which has yet determined the order of precedence among the forces. The Freemason finds the safest guide in the Volume of the Sacred Law, in the wisdom of Solomon, and in the manifold evidences of the Christian faith. These, by scientific men—some scientific men—have often been looked upon in their researches, as if opposed to Science. Freemasonry prefers to examine facts by the light of divine Truth, and to wait. Time, or if not, Eternity, will prove that science and Christian theology are but two sides of the truth. It will prove that both sides have known only in part: "For eye hath not seen, nor ear heard the wonderful things stored up by God, for those who love Him."

> "Wisdom and Spirit of the Universe!
> Thou Soul, that art the eternity of Thought!
> And giv'st to form and images a breath
> And everlasting motion."—WORDSWORTH.

Science and Freemasonry, with their unity in diversity, and diversity in unity, thus combine, in the universality of their object, to benefit mankind. Let us hope that under these conditions the meridian splendour attained by each, may never approach the Nadir of their influences for good; that with vigour and enthusiasm both may lead most flourishing lives; and that this Association and its Masonic members, welcomed within the walls of the Lodges of this ancient city, will exercise as much influence on scientific pursuits in the future, as Freemasonry hopes also to do upon the Arts and Sciences, and as both have done upon those of the past. Whatever be their ultimate fate, they must leave the world better than they found it, and the attitude mankind must cherish towards the "British Association," and to Freemasonry, is one of gratitude for the incomparable

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S. Souter 1334, W. Turnbull 124, W. H
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124, R. Thompson 1121, A. Carr 124, &c.
the proper degree, and a prayer offered
Shepherd, Provincial Grand Chaplain.
Bro. W. H. Crookes addressed the Acti
desired the brethren who had signed the
of the Lodge. This having been done,
read the petition, and also the warrant f
Grand Master of England His Royal Hi
The acting Prov. Grand Master then ad
nature of the business before the meetin
Lodge having signified their approval c
petition and warrant,—namely, Bros. C.
Shaftoe S.W. 124, and W. H. Turner
Shepherd delivered an excellent oration
ciples of the Order, which was listened t
The ceremony was then proceeded with,
toms of the Order, and we may state
highly satisfactory manner by the Ac
The ceremony of consecration being c
the first W.M. named in the warrant—B
solicitor, of Spennymoor—was then proc
P.G.D. of C., the Board of Installed M
The brethren having saluted the W.M
Grand Master entrusted him with the
appointment and investment of Officers
Bros. C. E. Barnes P.M. 1334 W.M., R.
Turner 124 J.W., Rev. J. Gaskill 1934
Treasurer *pro tem*, J. Turner 124 Secret
John Heslop J.D., W. B. Bolland I.G.
was deferred until the next meeting
brethren present on the occasion wer
D. Whitehead (tenor), J. Natton (bas
S. Wilkinson (organist); their harmon
degree to render the ceremony most imp
of the ceremony a banquet was held
Eastern Hotel, at which nearly the whole
above were present. The newly-elect
occupied the chair.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—All our faculties.—Alm
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selves to the attention of all such sufferers.
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chronic constipation the most beneficial effects
obtained from the wholesome power exerted b
digestion. Persons whose lives have been ruined

79—Pythagorean, Ship Tavern, Greenwich
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1469—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1615—Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square
1633—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1635—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
1745—Farringdon, Holborn Viaduct Hotel

61—Probity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
168—Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
264—Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
408—Three Graces, Private Rooms, Haworth
467—Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
613—Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport
830—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1177—Tenby, Royal Assembly Rooms, Tenby, Pembroke
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Inst.)
1543—Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Carlton-street, Castleford
1575—Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
R.A. 827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury

TUESDAY, 1st NOVEMBER.

Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
7—Royal York of Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
9—Albion, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
18—Old Dundee, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
101—Temple, Ship and Turtle Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
173—Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
217—Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
765—St. James, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
960—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1259—Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern, Commercial Road
1261—Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent-street, W
1296—Royal Standard, Club, Upper-street, Islington
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington
1397—Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow
1668—Samson, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1693—Kingsland, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, Islington
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

70—St. John, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.
117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
120—Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford.
124—Marquis of Granby, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham
158—Adams, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness
209—Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor
226—Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough.
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
348—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
365—Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
384—Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath.
393—St. David, Masons' Hall, The Parade, Berwick
493—Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester
558—Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone.
624—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Burton-on-Trent
673—St John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
685—Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Westgate-road, Newcastle
702—Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, Stroud, Gloucestershire
734—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay.
794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
804—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant.
847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon.
897—Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
948—St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard
969—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
986—Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
995—Furness, Masonic Hall, Ulverston.
1002—Skiddaw, Lodge Room, Market-place, Cockermouth.
1134—Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford.
1214—Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Caledonia-road, Batley
1244—Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar.
1322—Waverley, Caledonia Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne.
1336—Square and Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham.
1473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6. (Instruction.)
1488—St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amlwch, Anglesea
1750—Coleridge, Sandringham House, Clevedon.
R.A. 203—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
R.A. 286—Loyalty, Freemasons' Hall, Sussex-street, [illegible]

1827—Alliance, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-st
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Que

74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Bir
86—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescot, Lancas
258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Beckm
277—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-st
296—Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street,
326—Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street,
327—Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigt
380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Commercia
406—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, M
417—Faith and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Do
439—Royal Navy, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
471—Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street
580—Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at
611—Marches, Old Rectory, Ludlow
645—Humphrey Chetham, Freemasons' Hall,
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8
678—Earl Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Kersley,
755—St. Tudno, Freemasons' Hall, Llandudn
758—Ellesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn,
910—St. Oswald, Masonic Hall, Ropergate, P
97?—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbur
993—St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broug
1010—Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship-street,
1013—Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland. (In
1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street,
1091—Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
1187—Alnwick, Masonic Hall, Clayport-street,
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
1318—Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossl
1374—Earl of Durham, Freemasons' Hall, Che
1323—Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind-street, Sw
1335—Lindsay, 20 King-street, Wigan.
1354—Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leig
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-stre
1363—Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury,
1431—St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
1479—Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Ho nsea, Hull
1620—Marlborough, Derby Hall, The B. ot, L
R.A. 126—Nativity, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
R.A. 221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town
R.A. 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Gt. Ge
R.A. 477—Fidelity, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhe
M.M. 36—Furness, Hartington Hotel, Duke-st
M.M. 65—West Lancashire, Masonic Hall, Liv
R.C.—Palatine, Palatine Hotel, Manchester

THURSDAY, 3rd N

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Waltham
27—Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Stree
37—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-
45—Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, Mas
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, L
192—Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Hotel, C
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate S
227—Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Stre
231—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Re
538—La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower T
822—Victoria Rifles, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-co
1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate, We
1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury
1351—St. Clement Danes, Anderton's Hotel, F
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Ro
1426—The Great City, Masons Hall, Masons A
1445—Prince Leopold, Mitford Tavern, Sandri
1539—Surrey Masonic Hall, Surrey Masonic H
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Stre
1672—Mornington, London Tavern, Fenchurch
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restau
1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John
1681—Londesborough, Regent Masonic Hall,
1724—Kaisir-i-Hind, Regent Masonic Hall, Air
1765—Trinity College, 61 Weymouth Street
1772—Pimlico, Morpeth Arms Tavern, Millban
1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulw
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Ho
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Sout
R.A. 1507—Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, Fl
M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Bell Hotel, She

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, G
31—United Industrious, Masonic Room, Can
38—Union, Council Chamber, Chichester
41—Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Old C
50—Knights of Malta, George Hotel, Hinckle
116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne
123—Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond,
208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall,
240—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
254—Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry
266—Napthali, Masonic Hall, Market-place, H
269—Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade,

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1074—Underley, Masonic Room, Market-place, Kirkby Lonsdale
1125—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Tiverton, Devon
1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall.
1183—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1231—Savile, Royal Hotel, Elland
1283—Ancholme, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire
1284—Brent, Globe Hotel, Topsham, Devonshire
1304—Olive Union, Masonic Hall, Horncastle, Lincolnshire
1360—Royal Arthur, Village Club Lecture Hall, Wimbledon
1367—Beaminster Manor, White Hart Hotel, Beaminster
1394—Equity, Alforde Chambers, Widnes
1473—Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lancashire
1500—Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
1504—Red Rose of Lancaster, Starkie's Arms Hotel, Padiham, near Burnley
1513—Friendly, King's Head Hotel, Barnsley
1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1594—Cadewain, Public Rooms, Newtown, Montgomeryshire
1613—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1630—Watling-street, Cock Hotel, Stoney Stratford, Bucks
1807—Loyal Wye, Builth, Breconshire
R.A. 235—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
R.A. 758—Bridgwater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
M.M. 53—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.

FRIDAY, 4th NOVEMBER.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 (Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 7.30. (Instruction)
834—Hanelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction.)
890—Hornsey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8 (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instruction)
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1286—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8 (In.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1627—Royal Kensington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1648—H. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington. at 8. (In.)
1815—Penge, Ticket Hotel, Anerley
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
Metropolitan Masonic Benevolent Association, 155 Fleet-street, E.C., at 8.30

44—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
81—Doric, Private Room, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
127—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
219—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Todmorden.
243—St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster.
306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
375—Lambton, Lambton Arms, Chester-le-street, Durham
401—Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn
404—Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford
443—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Peterborough
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
460—Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
531—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.
539—St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall.
574—Loyal Berkshire of Hope, White Hart Hotel, Newbury
601—St. John, Wrekin Hotel, Wellington, Salop
653—Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth
680—Sefton, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
706—Florence Nightingale, Masonic Hall, William Street, Woolwich
709—Invicta, Bank-street Hall, Ashford
837—De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
839—Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester
1034—Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1143—Royal Denbigh, Council Room, Denbigh
1333—Athelstan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick.
1367—Chorlton, Masonic Rooms, Chorlton Cum Hardy
1383—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
1526—Fort, Masonic Hall, Newquay, Cornwall.
1557—Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham.
1561—Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Edward-street, Morecambe, Lancashire.
1648—Prince of Wales, Free masons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1664—Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, High-street, Gosforth.
1735—Douglas, College Gateway, Maidstone
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5.30
K.T.—Loyal Volunteers, Queens Arms Hotel, George-street, Ashton-under-Ly

SATURDAY, 5th NOVEMBER.

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
142—St. Thomas, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street
196—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
1364—Karl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
1558—New Cross, New Cross Hall, New Cross
1573—Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.
1622—Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1634—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.

149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham.
308—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood.
1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manchester
1567—Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham

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ing was held on Friday, 21st inst., at the Kew Bridge. Present—Bros. Gunner W.M. P.M. J.W., Tucker Treasurer, C. E. Bothl Monson J.D., Andrews P.M. Preceptor, Spe Blasby, Sugg. Lodge opened in the 1st ceremony was rehearsed, Bro. Tucker can 2nd and 3rd degrees, and the ritual of the Brother Sperring candidate. Lodge clos W. Goss P.M. was elected to fill the chair on to hold the annual banquet of the Lodge 11th November, at 7 o'clock. Loge was th

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, Tavern, Pownall Road, Dalston, on Tuesday P.M. Barnes W.M., C. Lorkin S.W., H. F Smyth J.D., Clark I.G., J. Lorkin P.M. Se ceptor; also Bros. Webb, Bunker, Baker, Greenwood, Larter, Catling, Wardell, Carr Moss, Allen, Lamb, Robinson, Bonn, Clegg, Hill 1246. Lodge was opened in due form meeting read and confirmed. Lodge was third degrees, and resumed to the first, wh worked the Fifteen Sections:—First Lect Smyth, Edwards, Christian, Webb, and H. Bros. T. Clark, Moss, Brasted, C. Lorkin, ture—Bros. Carr, J. Lorkin, and W. Wal resumed, and Bros. Everett 1679, Rye 1382 322, were elected members. Bro. Smyth ensuing week. A cordial vote of thanks w to Bro. Barnes for the very able manner in Fifteen Sections. Nothing further offerin form.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Ins Held at the Lamb Tavern, opposite Beth Eastern Railway, on 26th inst., Bros. Hammond J.W., Gray J.D., Hand Secreta &c. After preliminaries, the W.M. re initiation, Bro. Hand acting as candidate charge in a very creditable manner. Th 1st, 2nd and 3rd sections of the lecture W.M. for next week. A vote of thanks was the able manner in which Bro. Jones W. initiation, for the first time. Bro. Gray P.M of this Lodge of Instruction. Lodge clos enjoyable evening.

Selwyn Lodge No. 1901.—The nat was held at the East Dulwich Hotel, on th unavoidable absence, through illness, of I the chair was taken by Bro. J. W. Bic present Bros. Linscott S.W., Nicod J.W. S.D., Powles J.D., Marcus I.G., Mussard and numerous other brethren. Bros. Col land were raised to the third degree, B H. Sweeting, J. A. Gurney were passed Messrs. Wimble and Dean were duly init Freemasonry. Two gentleman were prop Rowan as a joining member. There being then adjourned.

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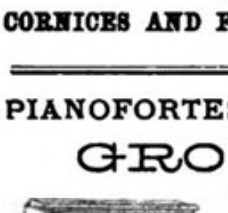
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ROYAL ARCH MASONRY: ITS DISTRIBUTION AND PROGRESS.

OUR recent articles on the progress and distribution of Freemasonry would be incomplete without some notice of the Royal Arch degree, which, by the articles of the Union, is included as part and parcel of free and ancient Masonry. It works very unobtrusively. The meetings of the Supreme Grand Chapter are mostly formal, while generally the degree has about it an air of tranquillity as though it belonged to the *dolce far niente* school of philosophy. Yet it has made its way along these latter years surely, if somewhat placidly, and in a manner that must be creditable to its self-esteem, as well as satisfactory to all lovers of the Craft. Indeed, this section of ancient Masonry has maintained its level with the other as well in respect of the progress it has made as on the score of the smart diligence with which it has fulfilled its appointed task. Be it our present task to show where this progress is apparent, and how the Chapters belonging to the Degree are distributed.

With Grand Lodge Calendar for our guide, we have no difficulty in ascertaining that at the close of the year 1874 there were 462 Royal Arch Chapters, of which 67 met in the Metropolitan district, 308 in the Provinces, and 87 in the Colonies and Dependencies Abroad. There are now 620, of which the Metropolis can boast about 120, while the Provinces muster some 380, and there are perhaps a round 120 abroad. By a comparison of the latter with the former figures it will be seen that the progress has been greatest in the Metropolis, where it is something like 80 per cent., while in the Provinces it is less than 25 per cent., and Abroad a fraction under 30 per cent. The differences in the rates of progress as between the Metropolis and the Provinces and Abroad are no doubt attributable to the fact that in London the Lodges are concentrated, and it is easier, therefore, to form Chapters; while in the Provinces and Abroad the Lodges are distributed in towns more or less distant from one another, and in the majority of cases having only a small population. Consequently, Chapters are not so easily established, as the number of Royal Arch Masons is, if not more limited, at all events more widely scattered. If we turn now to the Provinces, we shall find that if the progress, for the reason we have just been considering, has not been so marked, it has been, on the whole, satisfactory. Bedfordshire, though possessing five Lodges, had no Royal Arch Chapter at the end of 1874. Since then, however, one has been attached to the Stuart Lodge, No. 540, meeting in Bedford. Berks and Bucks, with eighteen Lodges equally divided between the two counties, has six Chapters similarly apportioned; in 1874 there were five Chapters. The Province of Bristol remains in the same state, with three Chapters to eight Lodges. Cambridgeshire has advanced. In 1874 only three of its four Lodges had Chapters attached to them; now all have, the newly-established one meeting at Wisbeach. Cheshire, which has some thirty seven Lodges, has nineteen Chapters, two—Nos. 425, Chester, and 533, Congleton—being of recent origin. Cornwall, which can boast a record of thirty Lodges, musters fourteen Chapters, of which Nos. 330, Bodmin, 537, Calling 970, East Looe, and 1071, Saltash, h during the last seven years. The Pro and Westmoreland has two new Ch county, making the present number ei 1874. Derbyshire has just doubled Chapters, there having been on whereas there are now six. In increase, the Province has its G and full complement of Provincial Officers. Devonshire, with its half c stronger still proportionately in R there being no less than twenty-seven boasting of four, of which No. 1099 Plymouth six, No. 1255 being new, Newton Abbot, Paignton, and Topsh in having each of them a Chapter; Masons are no longer under the nece distance in order to celebrate the r Dorsetshire, under the presidency of Montagu, is flourishing, having six 1874, the new one being attached to No. 1037, meeting at the town from name. Durham has twelve Chapters, located in Sunderland, two in Gat Hartlepool. In 1874 there were r creations being No. 48, Gateshead, and 1119, Jarrow. Essex had but years since, and it now has four, the Chapter, No. 1000, of Southend. however, that this is far from a str with that of the Craft, there being Lodges. A similar remark might shire, which has fourteen Lodges an one of them—the Royal Lebanon, N ham—having been constituted since 1 Isle of Wight is almost as strong i Chapters as it is in that of its Lodges five of the former and seventeen of twenty-eight and thirteen respectively Chapters are Nos. 1331, Aldershot, 6 Gosport, and 1428, Portsmouth. The two Chapters to its eight Lodges, so tha strength is maintained for the whole equally distributed.

So far, with the exception of Bristo stationary, we have had nothing bu but in Herefordshire there has been Chapter, the Bowles Chapter, No dropped from the roll—let us hope porarily. The Palladian, No. 120, H home of Royal Arch Masonry in thi on the one hand, Hereford has lost jus in respect of this degree, little Hert it, the Barnet (No. 1385) and Bisho Lodges now having Chapters attached quence, Right Worshipful Bro. T. F G.M. is likewise Prov. Grand Superin five and forty Lodges has only fourte here, too, there is room for increase, to the fact that six of the fourteen

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about sixty-eight Lodges. Liverpool has increased its number from eleven to fifteen Chapters, Warrington has an additional Chapter, while Barrow-in-Furness, Chorlton, Didsbury, Moss Side, and St. Helen's, are now able to point each to a Chapter on the roll of the Province. Leicestershire, as in 1874, has four Chapters; Rutland, which is conjoined with it, having none. Lincolnshire has added to its strength, a sixth Chapter having been consecrated at Burton-on-Humber, namely, the St. Matthew's, No. 1447. Middlesex, to its over thirty Lodges, has eleven Chapters, of which two, meeting at Hampton, and one each at Enfield, Stanmore, and Twickenham, have been warranted during the septennial period of 1874-81, Monmouthshire, has five Chapters, that meeting at Pontypool—No. 1258—being of recent constitution. This looks well, as there are but eight Lodges in the Province. Norfolk, with its fifteen Lodges has Chapters attached to six of them, the one-half of them being held in the city of Norwich. There was the same number in 1874, when there were only fourteen Lodges. North and Hunts has now the good fortune to possess a Prov. G. Superintendent in the person of the Duke of Manchester, who was appointed to the office last year, there being three Chapters meeting at Northampton, Peterborough, and Stamford respectively, whereas in 1874 the Northampton, No. 360 was the only one in the Province. Northumberland, with twenty Lodges, has six Chapters, of which four are located in Newcastle, one of the said four and the Wellington Quay Chapter (No. 991) having been consecrated since 1874. Nottinghamshire, which had but a solitary Chapter in that year, has four now, three of them meeting in Nottingham and one at Newark, while North Wales and Salop has five Chapters to some six and twenty Lodges, not a single addition having been made to the R.A. roll, though there have been seven new Lodges consecrated in the last seven years. It is time, we think, some progress was attempted: five to nineteen is a far better ratio than five to twenty-six. Of the nine Oxfordshire Lodges three have Chapters attached to them, one—No. 1399, Woodstock—being newly constituted. As yet, however, it has no Provincial R.A. organisation.

[To be continued.]

Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales arrived in London from their brief sojourn in Paris early on Monday morning. Later in the day, the Prince left Marlborough House for Eridge, on a visit to the Marquis of Abergavenny, in order to enjoy a few days' duck shooting; while the Princess with her daughters journeyed to Sandringham, where they arrived in the course of the evening.

The Earl of Huntingdon, Prov. Grand Master Midland Counties, Ireland, was present at the meeting of landlords, tenant-farmers, and shopkeepers held at Parsonstown, on Saturday last, under the presidency of the Earl of Rosse, for the purpose of raising a fund for the relief of persons who have been "Boycotted," and supporting the Government in their measures for the restoration of tranquillity.

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Eventually out of this chaos
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Lodges in 1774, and ordered that no males, save regular Freemasons, should attend them; and that each Lodge should be attached to a regular Lodge of Masons, and should be ruled by its Master, assisted by a female President, or Mistress. This has been the rule ever since that date. I am not aware if any Lodges of Adoption are now in existence in France, but if there are, they are still governed by the same laws, which have never been altered. The Rite of Adoption contains four degrees—(1) Apprentice; (2) Compagnonne; (3) Maitresse; (4) Parfaite Maitresse; and in some Lodges (5) Sublime Dame Ecossaise. The first degree is the Initiation, when the candidate is presented with a white apron and gloves, the symbolical meaning of which is explained. In the Charge in the first degree occurs the following passage:—

"Your sex, my dear sister, having for a long time been denied admission to our Society, alone has the right to think us unjust. What satisfaction must you therefore now enjoy in perceiving that Freemasonry is a school of decorum and virtue, and that our laws are intended to restrain the violence of our passions, and to make us more deserving of your confidence and esteem. We have hitherto frequently found ourselves at a loss in our meetings for the agreeable conversation of your amiable sex, and hence we have at length determined to invite you into our Society by the endearing name of sisters, with the hope that we shall hereafter pass our time more delightfully in your pleasant company, as well as give additional respect to our Institution."

In the second degree the Lodge is made to represent the Garden of Eden. The candidate represents Eve. In the middle of the Lodge is the tree of good and evil, with fruit hung from the branches, and a serpent coiled round the stem. An apple is plucked and given to the candidate, who is persuaded to eat it by the assertion that otherwise she cannot gain a knowledge of Freemasonry. She takes the fruit, but no sooner bites it than she hears a clap of thunder. A curtain is dashed aside, and she finds herself in the presence of the assembled members of the Lodge, detected in the very act of eating the forbidden fruit. The Master lectures her on her conduct, but finally pardons her on her promising to show the same forgiving spirit to others.

In the third degree of *Mistress*, the Tower of Babel and Jacob's ladder are introduced, with a long explanation of their symbolical significations.

In the fourth degree of Perfect Mistress, the Mosaic Tabernacle is supposed to be represented by the Lodge, and the liberation of the soul of man from sin is symbolised by the liberation of a bird from a cage. In a portion of the ritual of this degree the candidate is plainly told that the ceremony is "a virtuous amusement, by which we recall a part of the mysteries of our religion."

The Lodge rooms of the Rite of Adoption in France were often splendidly furnished, and were emblematically disposed to represent the world, the west end being called Europe, the south Africa, the north America, and the east Asia. The members sat in rows on each side, the ladies in front.

In 1775 the Duchess of Bourbon was installed the first Grand Mistress, with great splendour, and the Empress Josephine, wife of Napoleon I., presided at a meeting of one Lodge at Strasburg in 1805.

The French *Freemason* has given us an interesting account of the installation of Madame Cesar Moreau as Grand Mistress in the Lodge *La Jerusalem des Vallées Egyptiennes* in July 1854, which was a most elaborate and spectacular ceremony. After the introduction in due form of a number of brethren and sisters, the Grand Mistress elect was announced, and she entered, preceded by the five Lights of the Lodge, and escorted by the Inspectress,

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Lady Morgan, in her famous D
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In Italy Adoptive Masonry foun
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Degree. There are also in America certain Androgynous Side Degrees conferred on both Males and Females, the conditions being with regard to the latter that they shall be female relatives of Masons. Thus "Mason's Wife" can be conferred only on Master Masons, their wives, single daughters, sisters and widowed mothers. "Heroine of Jericho" can only be conferred on R.A. Masons, their wives and daughters; and "Good Samaritan" is conferred on R.A. Masons and their wives.

A system of Female Freemasonry was invented in 1777 by the impostor Cagliostro, who found many dupes in London and the Continent. His system was very curious and elaborate, but, of course, had no foundation whatever or claim to antiquity, and lasted but a short time, the inventor being very soon exposed as an unscrupulous charlatan. His life and his Masonic swindles would alone occupy an entire paper.

On the Continent the idea of admitting women seems to have been to secure the pleasures and advantages of Female society in the Lodges. In America the idea is to furnish the female relatives of Masons with the means of making themselves known and thus claiming the assistance of the brethren, and many instances are related where these means have conduced to the succour of members of the Eastern Star in circumstances of peril or distress.

It was not until the first Book of Constitutions, compiled by Anderson, was published that any explicit law was promulgated excluding women from Masonry, but there it is laid down that "no women" can be admitted members. We have often been accused as a body of want of gallantry in thus excluding women from our meetings, and most Masonic writers have cudgelled their brains to find reasons in justification of the law as it stands. For my own part I think it is apparent that the presence of the fairer sex would be so constantly distracting that work could not progress in the Lodges. Conversations and flirtations would engross the attention of the brethren, to the detriment of business.

As for the Androgynous and Adoptive systems, they are not really Freemasonry, and are no part of any genuine system, and women who join them under the impression that they are becoming participants in Masonic secrets are utterly deluding themselves.

Perhaps the most graceful explanation I have seen given as to the exclusion of women from Masonry is that of a leading American Mason, who has said that Freemasons are symbolically a race of builders, hewers and squarers of stone, toilers in the heat of the day, and it would be out of all character with such an idea to permit the fair and fragile frames of our sisters to be subjected to the rough labour and weariness which must ever attend manual toil.

Freemasons however will I hope always be amongst the staunchest admirers of the excluded sex, and the truest defenders of Female honour and fame, and that character they already hold. A man was never an unkind husband, a careless father, a boorish brother or a faithless lover, *because* he was a Mason, and I trust we shall all unite in proving the truth of poor old Bro. Birkhead's lines, doggrel though they be—

"No Mortal can more
The Ladies adore
Than a Free and an Accepted Mason."

But although woman have not been admitted into English Masonry it has been reserved for an English

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Chapter, No. 1507, having accepted
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HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—D
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guished visitors, both Military and Civil. The cloth having been removed, the W.M. Bro. H. Clipperton called upon the brethren to charge their glasses, and he proposed the health of the Queen and Craft, which was responded to in the most Loyal and Masonic manner. Bro. S. Dunlop then proposed the M.W. G.M. of England H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. He spoke in the highest terms of the M.W. G.M.'s distinguished accomplishments and the interest he at all times took in Freemasonry. The brethren drank his health with loyal cheers. Bro. Emmerson, who acted as toastmaster, then called upon the brethren to charge their glasses, and Bro. Braddell proposing the health of Bro. W. H. Read, said :—

W.M., Past Masters and Brethren,—We have met this evening to celebrate two events, first, the return of our R.W. D.G.M. from Europe after an absence of some time, and second, to celebrate the 40th anniversary of his first arrival in the Colony, on the 12th September 1841. The Lodges under his guidance had therefore met, and, like good Masons, they had not forgotten work. We had that evening seen the work of Lodge Zetland in the East conducted in such a manner as to reflect the highest credit on the W.M. and Officers of the Lodge, and effectually to maintain the high reputation of Masons in Singapore. We owe much of the excellence of this work to our R.W. D.G.M., who was the second Mason initiated in Singapore, the first having been our late respected brother Wm. Napier. Our G.M., since his initiation, has worked zealously and indefatigably in the cause of Masonry, and has long held the highest position in the Craft, in which position he has secured the respect, love and veneration of all the brethren, as a just, honourable, and upright Mason, qualities which mark him equally as a member of the community of Singapore.

We rejoice, therefore, greatly at having him again among us to occupy that position of honour and dignity in the Craft which he had so long illustrated by his many good qualities, and we have now to show to him, as I doubt not you will do, the high estimation in which you all hold him, by the manner in which you respond to my toast.

On such an occasion as this, it would have been fitting to have given a short sketch of the Masonic life and doings of our R.W. D.G.M. here. I regret greatly that I cannot enlarge on this subject, from want of time and opportunity, as it was only as we were sitting down just now that I was asked to propose this toast. I cannot therefore do more than refer generally, as I have done, to the many good qualities of our G.M., and ask you now to join in drinking to the health, happiness, and prosperity of William Henry Read.

Bro. Clipperton read a telegram from Penang, "Congratulations to D.G.M. on his safe return to Singapore, from Lodge 1555, Penang."

The D.G.M. rose amidst much cheering, and in reply spoke something to the following effect :—

He was excessively proud of the honour that had been done to the toast which had been so eloquently proposed. He was glad to find himself once more among the brethren of the Lodge, where 36 years ago he had first seen Light, and he could assure them that he highly appreciated the compliment they paid him when a deputation of the brethren had waited on him and welcomed him back to Singapore.

Allusion had been made by his worthy friend and brother to his forty years residence in the island—a long time to pass in one place, perhaps, but one he could look back to with pleasure and regret. Singapore, when he first arrived, was not a place of varied amusement. Fives was the only game played—cricket was almost unknown, and lawn tennis a thing of the future. But soon after, Singapore seemed to awake as from a dream, and races, theatricals, and other amusements contributed to make time pass pleasantly, till telegrams and telephones and all amenities of civilization kept one constantly stretched on a bed of thorns. Still, however, the young hands persevered, and long might they do so, to relieve the monotony of desk life. He then congratulated the brethren on the perfect performance of the evening's duties, and entered upon sundry Masonic matters, and resumed his seat amidst much applause.

The next toast on the list was the joint health of the W.M.'s Lodge Zetland in the East, No. 508, Bro. H. Clipperton, and Lodge St. George, No. 1152, Bro. N. B. Dennys, which was proposed by Bro. W. H. Read, who in high terms paid a graceful compliment to these Officers for the thoroughly efficient manner in which they did their work. The former, in reply, gratefully alluded to the valuable assistance he at all times received from his colleague, Bro. Dennys, and to the efficiency of the Officers of the Lodge, to whom the was indebted for their untiring efforts to support him, and said that during the eight months he had occupied the chair, his duties, however manifold, had always been those of pleasure. Bro. N. B. Dennys, replied in suitable terms, thanking Bro. W. H. Read for the kind and hearty manner in which his health had been proposed by him, and the brethren for the way they had drunk it. The next

being in attendance was initiated into th
Freemasonry.

Another Emergent Meeting was hel
Clipperton W.M., Beal S.W., Allen J.W
Dehush I.G., Woodworth Tyler and two
being in attendance, took his first step.

Lodge St. George, No. 1152.—
Present :—Bros. Dennys W.M., C. Dunl
Secretary, Joaquim S.D., Gubbay J.D., F
five members and two visitors. M
R. A. Gubbay were balloted for, accept
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was unanimously agreed that this Lodg
Wednesday of every month.

NEW ZEAL

Our Auckland correspondent wr

Lodge Eden (E.C.)—The installa
took place on 26th July, at the Lodge-r
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various constitutions in Auckland and
well-lighted, and well-furnished Lodge-r
capacity. The district Grand Lodge of
In the absence of Bros. Lodder D.D.G.M
P. Moat D.G. Registrar officiated as In
Officers of the Grand Lodge present
Rev. C. M. Nelson D.G. Chaplain, D
D.G. Director of Board of Works, Heske
Director of Ceremonies, and Rattray
Ceremonies. Amongst those present we
—Bros. Chapman P.M. Eden, Wright
P.M. Cawnpore, Rattray P.M. Prince of
Service, S. Young P.M. Lodge of Ligh
E. Jones W.M. Northern Light, and
Waitemata Lodge attended as a Lodge, a
Bro. the Rev. W. Tebbs P.G. Chaplain
The Lodge was opened in the first degre
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Fellow Craft degree. The Grand Loc
honours, and Bro. Moat assumed the chai
W.M. elect Bro. Joseph Warren. The c
sively conducted. The W.M. then inves
Bros. T. W. Kitt S.W., Young Warren J
Chapman P.M. Secretary, C. M. Newso
J.D., C. Brooke I.G., W. Johnson T
received from the representatives of
after which the Lodge was closed, and
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cellent banquet. A number of speech
posed. The evening passed very pleasa

The Quarterly Communication of th
Scotland was held on 29th July, at the
It was presided over, in the absence of t
Bro. Anderson D.P.G.M. A large amo
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A meeting of Magistrates for
held on Saturday last under the p
Bandon, Prov. G. Master Mun
Ireland, for the purpose of taking
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It is rumoured that Earl Co
Ireland, has tendered his resigna
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excitement has subsided.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION
of High-street, Brecon, begs to return
Electors who voted for her daughter, Millicent

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I take the responsibility for the correctness of the above particulars relating to the individual who was the subject of my two former letters, and only hope that the opportunity might be afforded me of proving the facts in his presence. Having given the warning (in yours of the 1st instant), I would not have pursued the matter further as against him but for his continuance in imposition on other brethren.

The Rev. Bro. C. W. Arnold, of Woking College, writes to me that he has had a visit from this man en route to Portsmouth. He was assisted; our worthy brother expressing, what is the feeling of most of us, that he "would rather give a man who might not deserve it a trifle than run the risk of sending away one honest man unrelieved." After the assistance had been rendered, and the impostor out of reach, Bro. Arnold learned that he had been tricked. I maintain that it is our bounden duty to stop this fellow's malpractices if we can, for he not only wrongs the few he swindles, but the "poor and distressed" who have honest claims on our sympathy and brotherly help.

Will the brethren who see this letter kindly refer to those inserted in your impressions of the 1st and 22nd instant respectively, and be good enough to make the subject known in their Lodges? Doubtless such a course of action would result in preventing other members of the Craft suffering from this fellow's machinations. Many districts are yet I dare say open to him.

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

JAMES STEVENS.

Clapham, 26th October 1881.

DELILAH A PHILISTINE.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—In the article taken from the *Keystone*, on "The reason why Ladies have never been made Freemasons," it is stated that "Sacred History is silent on the subject" of Delilah's origin.

In the 14th chapter of Judges we find that Sampson told his father and mother that he had "seen a woman in Timnath, of the daughters of the Philistines," and that he asked them to "get her for" him "to wife." They expostulated with him, saying, "Is there never a woman among the daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the uncircumcised Philistines?"

This is, I suggest, conclusive, and it is to be wondered at that it escaped the attention of the writer of the article.

Yours fraternally,

W.M. 416.

COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

THE monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls was held on Thursday, 27th ult., at Freemasons' Hall. Bro. Colonel J. Creaton, Grand Treasurer, in the chair. There were also present Bros. Frank Richardson, A. H. Tattershall, H. A. Dubois, E. M. Money, H. Massey, C. H. Webb, James F. Corben, Charles Pugsley, and R. W. Hedges (Secretary). After the reading and confirmation of the minutes, the Chairman was authorised to sign cheques for £1247, and the daughter of one petitioner was placed on the list for election in April. The Committee then adjourned.

The ceremony of installation will be rehearsed in the St. Michael's Lodge of Instruction, No. 211, held at the Moorgate, Moorgate-street, E.C., on the 17th November, by the Preceptor, Bro. Geo. King P.M. of the Old Concord Lodge.

On and after Wednesday, the 9th November, the meetings of the Finsbury Park Lodge of Instruction, No. 1288, will be held at the Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8.30 p.m.

The Earl of Rosebery, who is President for the year of St. Andrew's Society of Manchester, has consented to take the chair at the annual banquet on the 30th inst. (St. An-

passed Bye-Laws, &c., separated, the number of 27.

West Middlesex Lodge

A meeting was held on Thurs Ealing. Present—Bros. Geo. Cc J. Green J.W., H. E. Tucker Tr Smith S.D., Cunningham J.D. Stephens. After preliminaries, th initiation, Bro. H. E. Tucker ca charge in this degree. Lodge wa the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony didate. Lodge was closed in the s elected W.M. for the next meeting.

Crusaders Lodge of Inst

the Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. Joh ing of this Lodge, on 27th Oc Cummings W.M., J. Rothschild S. J. S. Fletcher I.G., George H. Halliday Secretary, and many o been opened, and the minutes of firmed, the ceremony of initiatio Cummings vacated the chair of opened the Lodge in the second ceremony of raising very impressi didate. The Lodge was resumed in the ensuing week elected. Bro. Till officers in rotation. Bros. Fletcher, Auditors, and other business, havi meeting, which takes place 3rd Lodge was closed in due form and

Rothesay Lodge, No. 16

since the installation was held on th Hotel, Holborn, under the presiden Bros. Duret S.W., Livermore J. Treasurer, W. C. Parsons P.M. Se I.G., Green jun. D.C., B. Swall Nathan A.W.S.; P.M.'s J. Docker rous attendance of the brethren. 1900, L. Taino 209, O. Cousins J. E. Shand W.M. 1563, C. A. Co Maxted 180, H. M. Levy P.M. 188. minutes were confirmed. Bros. Wa invested with the collars of I.G., and Stevenson, being in attendanc degree. The W.M., in feeling te respected member of the Lodge, and Bro. Green seconded, that a l to the sorrowing widow and family the W.M. informed the brethren th prevent him being present until t obliged to go to Nova Scotia. Bro. Lodge would be carefully attended sure, would render him every ass cordially endorsed, and wished t return to them in health and pros met, at the invitation of the W.M.,

King's Cross Lodge of I

regular meeting of the above was h lin's, Adams Arms, Hampstead-s Solomon W.M., N. Vallentine S.W., L. Solomon Secretary, Robinson S.D J. Hemming Preceptor, L. Jacobs the ceremony of initiation was re candidate. The first and 4th sectio the brethren. The ceremony of Harrison acting as candidate. B W.M. for next meeting.

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THE only real remedy for this

imagine all other journals—that reported the meeting as well. Space is always a matter of grave consideration, and to have given the Report as now made public by Bro. Whytehead, would have touched too seriously on the limited amount at our command. We have, however, to a certain extent, made amends for such unavoidable shortcomings in the first instance by quoting freely from the pages of this pamphlet, so that our readers might have an opportunity of reading those papers, or parts of papers, which for the consideration aforesaid, were either omitted or curtailed. We are, however, well satisfied that the Masonic reception at York of the Masonic members of the British Association is an event as important, as it is unusual, in the history of our Fraternity. It is not every year the British Association visits this famous city so intimately associated with the fortunes of our Craft; and it is not every city in England that would have offered so many and such varied attractions to Masonic visitors; nor shall we be exceeding the limits of just encomium if we say there are few Lodges which can point to so strong an array of able, cultured, and energetic brethren as those which hold their meetings within a stone's throw of the venerable York Minster.

As to the contents of the pamphlet we need say little. We published a lengthy report of the meeting at the time of its occurrence, and have since, as we have already intimated, quoted freely from its pages. We shall content ourselves, therefore, with advising our readers to secure for themselves copies of the report as it appears in its entirety, with the papers that were read printed in full, and with complete lists (*a*) of the relics exhibited, and (*b*) of the brethren present.

INAUGURATION OF THE ROYAL UNION LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 382.

THE Royal Union Lodge is the oldest Lodge in the Province of Middlesex, it having been established in 1826. The necessity for a Lodge of Instruction has long been felt, and is now rendered more necessary from the fact that several members are joining the Lodge from the town and district of Uxbridge, where the Lodge is held. At the usual meeting in July, steps were taken to obtain the sanction of the Worshipful Master and the brethren in order that a Lodge of Instruction, in connection with the Mother Lodge, might be obtained, the same to be held in Uxbridge. The sanction was obtained. The brethren in the district have held meetings to discuss details, frame bye-laws, &c. They have also succeeded in securing the services of a very efficient Preceptor in Bro. Tucker, of Ealing, who is also Preceptor to the West Middlesex Lodge. The first meeting of the Royal Union Lodge of Instruction was held on Monday, 31st October, at the Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge, when 15 brethren from Uxbridge, Ealing, &c., attended to meet Bro. Tucker as Preceptor. Bro. Nicholson was voted to the chair, and appointed his Officers as follow:—Bros. Gray S.W., Garrard J.W., Porter S.W., Botley J.D., Poole I.G. The Lodge was opened in due form with solemn prayer. The minutes of the previous meetings and bye-laws were read by the Honorary Secretary (Bro. Brooks), and were, on the motion of Bro. Nicholson W.M., carried. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Sugg being the candidate. Bro. Andrews P.M. worked the second section of the first lecture. This closed the work of a very successful evening, profitable and enjoyable. The visitors from Ealing added much to the succes of the evening by their presence and assistance. May so good a work prosper, and be the means of diffusing true Masonic light to those who need it.

Langton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1673.—The annual supper was held at the Bridge House Hotel, Southwark, on Thursday evening. There was a strong muster of brethren, to the number of between seventy and eighty, among those present being Bro. Langton, who occupied the chair, first as W.M. and then at the festive board, Bros. T. Fenn P.G.D., Sudlow (Preceptor), Smallpeice, &c. Lodge having been opened, the ceremony of installation was rehearsed by Bro. Fenn, who, it is needless to say, performed his part ably and impressively. A vote of thanks to Bro. Fenn having been proposed and acknowledged, Lodge was closed and the brethren sat down to an excellent repast, such as reflected the greatest credit on the proprietors of the hotel. On the removal of the cloth, Bro. Langton gave the customary toasts, referring in connection with that of the Grand Master to His Royal Highness's zeal and interest in the Craft, as well as to his thorough knowledge, both theoretical and practical, of all its working. With the toast of the Grand Officers was connected the name of Brother Fenn, who thanked all present for very great heartiness with which they had drunk the toast. The duties and responsibilities of the Grand

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marked a feature of our Masonic gather
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Bro. Haycock recited Artemus Ward's
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Hall on the occasion.

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DRURY LANE.—At 7.30, YOUTH.

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TINGTON AND HIS CAT.

STRAND.—At 7.15, PARADISE VILLA.

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By Order,
JAMES TERRY,

2nd November 1881.

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BRO. J. P. BELL P.G.D. D.P.G.M. G. Sup. of North and East Yorkshire,

After returning thanks for the fraternal greeting which had been so cordially given to him, remarked that it was not his intention to make a formal address, but after he had personally thanked his excellent and distinguished Bro. Deputy Grand Master for the Province of West Yorkshire for the very kind and flattering way in which he had just expressed himself towards this Province, he would in a familiar and brief manner explain some of the more interesting contributions which he had had the pleasure of submitting to the notice of that influential and distinguished gathering of the Craft. Whenever, as a Mason, he visited the good old city of York, he always felt as if he were treading upon sacred ground—probably from a consciousness of the important part which this city played at a very early period after the arrival of the Romans, and up to the present century. He regretted to find that within the last few years it had been the fashion with a certain class of Masonic students to ignore all traditional or legendary accounts of either events or circumstances relating to the early history of the Craft, and to treat such accounts as myths; forgetting the marked distinction which obtains between these definitions. For his own part, until evidence was adduced to the contrary, he was of opinion that Grand Lodges had been regularly held in York, *and only in that city*, from the year 926 until the reign of Queen Elizabeth. These meetings of the Craft were dignified by the title of "Assemblies," which were to all intents and purposes "Grand Lodges," and there is every reason to believe that they were held in York, long antecedent to their being held in London, previous to which latter period (namely, A.D. 1567) he was not aware of any Grand Lodge, or "Assemblie," having taken place in that city, although no doubt "Lodges" were held in London and different parts of the kingdom; but the "general assembly" was held in York, where all the records were kept; and Preston informed us that to this assembly appeals were made on every important occasion. The disposition to treat traditions and legends simply as myths, had led, and would lead, its advocates into difficulties. If they considered how much the history of the Craft differed from perhaps that of any other institution, they need not wonder that they had so few documents or other direct evidences of long bygone transactions and ceremonials, the transmission of which they all knew was only by *oral* communication. Nevertheless, now and then tangible and undoubted records unexpectedly presented themselves. For instance, they had been told over and over again that no Masonry of a speculative character existed prior to the year 1700, and some even assert not until 1717; but he now shewed them a photograph of an old brass square, presented to him by Lodge No. 13, Limerick, which he thought indubitably proved the existence of speculative Masonry as early at least as the year 1517. What was speculative Masonry but a symbolizing of the operative art in its various aspects, and amongst them that of spiritualizing or symbolizing our working tools, and applying them to our morals? That old brass square, much corroded, was discovered in 1830, under the foundation stone of Old Baal's Bridge, which, in that year, under the superintendence of the late Bro. Pain, was removed and replaced by the present structure. He was in possession of a full account of its discovery. There could be no doubt of the genuineness of the square—which was carefully preserved by Lodge 13, Limerick—neither could there be two opinions as to the speculative character of the couplet engraved upon it 200 *years before* 1717, namely:—

"I will strive to live with love and care,
Upon the level, by the square."—1517.

It would not become him that evening to impose upon the visitors even a brief history of that Province. He could not, however, but remark upon the graceful terms in which Worshipful and excellent Bro. Tew alluded to the character and Masonic position of N. and E. Yorkshire. He would remind him that it was in the year 1738 that the first deputation was appointed for Yorkshire, when William Horton, Esquire, was appointed Provincial Grand Master for all Yorkshire. He died in 1740, and was succeeded by Edward Rooke, Esquire. At that time there were only two private Lodges in the whole Province, namely, one at the Three Tuns, at Scarborough, whose warrant was dated 1729, and which was erased 29th Nov. 1754; and another at the Black Bull, in Halifax, warrant dated 1738. He might inform the visitors that the entire Province of York was under one jurisdiction from that time until the year 1821, when it was divided; Viscount Pollington (afterwards Earl of Mexborough), being appointed to preside over the West Riding, and Lord Dundas, the father of our late venerated and distinguished Grand Master the Earl of Zetland, being appointed under the title of "Provincial Grand

possibly peculiarly proper for arches,
found that there was an immense q
and we had good evidence from tho
that all the stones were there hewn
their respective places. As a matter
that the quarry had been so skilfully
higher than that of the Temple itself.
the most Worshipful Bro. Hyde Clar
a Lodge which is held in a room in th
and another distinguished brother p
Lodge held there, the Royal Solomon
the Grand Lodge of Canada. The sto
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friable, but became harder on long e
polish. He also shewed a beautiful
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composed of variegated precious stone
be rather of a vitreous nature. Those
in Mark Masonry as it was called, or i
never seen them before, would be g
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upon the foundation of the Temple.
Palestine Exploration Fund for this i
70 feet deep below the present surface
through accumulated soil and debris b
reached—and upon it and others in
marks were found. Bro. Col. Warre
Palestine exploration, described some
in red paint, apparently vermillion, a
colour easily rubbed off on being tou
larger letters were above five inches h
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who pronounced them to be certainly
the marks of Phœnician workmen e
Master Mason, who in all probability
intended the lowering of the stones.
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not doubt the truth of the statement.
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taken particular interest in Masons'
being able to trace, by the Jewish be
marks he had described, some of them
a connexion between, if not a cont
builders, and those of that glorious Ca
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monument of the skill and daring
brethren. The D.P.G.M. next exhibi
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the foundation stones of Solomon's
suppose that it was placed there at
foundation stone, and then covered in.
are in the habit of embedding a bott
foundation stone of a new public build
visited the excavations, and in comp
repeatedly descended the shaft at t
the Masons' marks, and the place w
found at the base of the wall. In conc
ful address delivered by the Deput
West Yorkshire, Dr. Bell said he felt
Ancient Charge remained on the page
whatever might be the case with
either at home or abroad, no perso
Order unless he firmly believed in the
and Earth, in whose hands were the i

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ber to inform numerous inquirers that the

whose captain did not require much persuasion to give them a rope. And, learning what they were after, he put on all steam, bringing them pretty quickly within sight of the wreck. Cutting rapidly along in the wake of the steamer against wind and tide kept the men in the boat drenched with spray. As they got into rougher water, however, the captain of the Consett bade them haul in closer to receive a stronger rope, and took the opportunity to pass them down a bucket containing biscuits, beef, and a bottle of brandy. This warmed and obeered them, but they had to stand up to eat and drink, or they would have swallowed more sea water than biscuit. Having towed them as close to the wreck as he could with safety to his own ship, he let them go, and they took to their oars. Having reached within about twenty yards of the wreck, on the weather side, they dropped anchor, but a huge roller coming lifted the wreck and carried it further on to the sand. They were obliged, therefore, to pay out more cable, and were just successful in making connection by a line with the wreck when another roller again lifted the wreck and carried her quite out of reach. They had paid out all their cable, and it was therefore a question whether they should abandon the wreck or voluntarily encounter the only real danger that threatens the splendid self-righting Craft built by the National Lifeboat Society. This is the danger of being stove in against the side of the wreck, and the crew unanimously and with a ready courage which is beyond all praise determined to risk this, in order to attempt the rescue of the woe-begone beings that they could see on the ill-fated vessel. They therefore let go the cable, and the next roller cast their boat right on to the deck of the vessel, which proved to be the Madeleine, of Boulogne, a new steam fishing vessel, with a crew of 16 hands. After some buffeting, losing their rudder, breaking an oar, and otherwise damaging their tackle, they were enabled to make fast to the side of the wreck, and the Frenchmen one by one jumped, fell, or were pulled into the boat. One poor boy, starved with the cold wind and drenching spray, fell into the sea, and was rescued with a boat-hook; and one of the men, falling into the sea, just managed to seize the fortunately long beard of one of the crew, and was actually sustained and partly pulled into the boat by this means. The result was that the whole of the sixteen were safely brought to land, and placed in charge of the local agent of the Shipwrecked Mariners' Society. The way the Frenchmen embraced such members of the lifeboat's crew as they could get at on the pier was something to witness. As already stated, the boat was damaged, losing rudder, boathooks, anchor, cable, &c. But this was really a splendid service, deserving something more than the mere formal and local notice that it has received. With no hope of praise, and with but slight reward, the crew of the Clacton lifeboat has done a right noble duty."

To-day (Saturday) is the 276th anniversary of the infamous plot to blow up King, Lords, and Commons in Parliament assembled, in which one Guido Fawkes is always set down as occupying the central figure, though, as a matter of fact, he was only a subordinate to whom was entrusted the dangerous task of firing the powder secreted in the cellars of the Parliament House. In these enlightened days, however,

> Remember, remember, the fifth of November,
> Gunpowder treason and plot.
> I know no reason why Gunpowder treason
> Should ever be forgot,

is, after all, a mere matter of form, in which, with a few notable exceptions, only the idle and irrepressible rough plays a conspicuous part. The "Guys" are effigies of people who happen at the moment to be unpopular, while the fireworks, so many of which are let off in the public thoroughfares, are mostly a nuisance, and oftentimes a cause of terror, to nervous old ladies. Is it not nearly time that "Guy Fawkes," who was hanged—as he deserved to be—in 1605, was at last buried once and for ever? His burial need not involve the discontinuance of the firework displays, which are always attractive.

Bro. J. H. Jennings, the courteous manager of the Oxford Music Hall, announces his annual benefit for the

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venturesome as Columbus. We twenty centuries ago are believ but so were two of the little fl there would have been nothing Atlantic voyage in the days of seem really to have sailed from land, than a similar trip in the there were good reasons for th turning to their native land. to do as one chooses, has no Mediterranean within two thou the Uxmal records will be awa *New York Herald.*

The Prince of Wales M.W. (year on Wednesday next, h November 1841.

H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Dul his inability to be present at Tuesday, the 15th instant. Hi will, notwithstanding, pay his Mrs. Coleridge Kennard at We

Viscount Ebrington, P.G. M in the Liberal interest as a Tiverton, vacant by the death

Sir T. D. Acland, M.P., p important meeting held at Bud of the London and South-We worthy to that pleasant waterin

The Earl and Countess of Castle for London, on Monday,

The health of the venerable Grand Master Antrim, is spoke medical advisers.

Bro. Alderman Ellis, Lord of the continued indisposition (Lord Selborne), was sworn in Coleridge, Lord Chief Justice of

Bro. J. L. Graydon, No. 7 benefit at the Middlesex Music Drury-lane, on the 8th Novemb usual attractions, several novelt be presented.

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The *Times*, August 13th, 1877. From our c Army. Okoum, July 25th, 1877. The wan Russian Camp was dreadful, and had we dysentery and typhoid fever would have pl the bombs of the Turks. I myself

1567—Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham

MONDAY, 7th NOVEMBER.

12—Fortitude and Old Cumberland, 129 Leadenhall-street
25—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
72—Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
144—St. Luke, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
188—Joppa, Albion, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
256—Unions, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
1319—Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1488—Marquiss of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1669—Royal Leopold, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
1670—Adelphi, 4 Adelphi Terrace, Strand
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
1685—Caxton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
M.M.—Old Kent, Trocadero, Broad Street Buildings, E.C. at 6.30. (Instruction)
M.M. 139—Panmure, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.

37—Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Church Institute, Bolton-le-Moors
53—Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath
119—Sun, Square, and Compasses, Freemasons' Hall, College-st., Whitehaven.
133—Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham
154—Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
156—Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
236—York, Masonic Hall, York
302—Hope, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
307—Prince Frederick, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
338—Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire
341—Harmony and Industry, Smalley's Hotel, Market-street, Over Darwen
395—Guy, Crown Hotel, Leamington Priors
431—St. George, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street, N. Shields
441—Three Grand Principles, Red Lion Hotel, Petty Curry, Cambridge
478—Churchhill, Masonic Hall, Oxford
483—St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Wretham Road, Handsworth, Staffordshire
597—St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead
822—St. Cuthbergs, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
850—St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire
1009—Shakspeare, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire
1050—Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester
1051—Rowley, Athenæum, Lancaster
1077—Wilton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire
1108—Royal Wharfedale, Private Room, Boroughgate, Otley, Yorks
1124—St. Oswald, Wynnstay Arms Hotel, Oswestry
1140—Forward, Masonic Rooms, New Hall-street, Birmingham
1211—Goderich, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street, Leeds
1239—Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1302—De Warren, Masonic Hall, White Swan Hotel, Halifax.
1380—Skelmersdale, Queen's Hotel, Waterloo, Liverpool
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
1477—Sir Watkin, Masonic Hall, Mold
1519—Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, Clayton-le-Moors, near Accrington
1573—Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer-street, Swansea.
1578—Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd, South Wales
1674—Caradoc, Town Hall, Rhyl
1676—St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
1798—Zion, Hulme Town Hall, Manchester.
R.A. 580—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley

TUESDAY, 8th NOVEMBER.

46—Old Union, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
96—Burlington, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate street
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall, W.C
198—Percy, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
211—St. Michael, Albion, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
228—United Strength, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, City
235—Nine Muses, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
763—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
917—Cosmopolitan, Cannon-street Hotel
933—Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1196—Urban, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30, (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1904—Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1614—Covent Garden, Ashley's Hotel, Covent Garden
1635—Canterbury, 33 Golden Square, W.
1668—Samson, Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.
1120—St. Millburga, Tontine Hotel, Ironbr
1250—Gilbert Greenhall, Masonic Rooms,
1314—Acacia, Bell Hotel, Bromley, Kent
1325—Stanley, 214 Great Homer-street, Li
1347—Lorne, Greyhound Hotel, Sutton, S
1414—Knole, Masonic Hall, Sevenoaks
1465—Ockenden, Talbot Hotel, Cuckfield,
1509—Madoc, Queen's Hotel, Portmadoc
1545—Baildon, Masonic Room, Northgate,
1587—St. Giles, Royal Oak Hotel, Cheadle
1593—Royal Naval College, Ship Hotel, G
1678—Tonbridge, Masonic Hall, Tonbridg
1713—Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walt
R.A. 265—Judea, Masonic Club, Hanover-
R.A. 289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton
R.A. 537—Zion, 9 Hamilton Street, Birke
M.M. 6—Adams, Victoria Hall, Trinity-ro
M.M. 153—Dover and Cinque Ports, Royal

WEDNESDAY, 9th

3—Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
11—Enoch, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
13—Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, Will
15—Kent, Freemasons' Hall, Great Quee
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-stre
147—Justice, White Swan, High-street, D
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, Londo
229—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Cr
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dea
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at
749—Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-st
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern. Bur
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, South
861—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-co
1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Gr
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Fol
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, oppo
1288—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, High
1306—St. John of Wapping, Moorgate Tav
1321—Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swallow
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, M
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 51
1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward,
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Stree
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Stree
1677—Crusaders, Imperial Hotel, Holborn
1694—Imperial, Cadogan Hotel, Sloane-st
1718—Centurion, Imperial Hotel, Holborn
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Porto
1805—Bromley St. Leonard, 148 Bow-road,
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-str
R.A. 1260—John Hervey, Freemasons' Hal
R.A. 1305—St. Marylebone, Eyre Arms, St
M.M. (T.I.)—Old Kent, Ship and Turtle, L
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great

54—Hope, Spread Eagle Inn, Cheetham-
125—Prince Edwin, White Hart Hotel, H
128—Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bolton-st
146—Antiquity, Bull's Head Inn, Bradsha
191—St. John, Knowsley Hotel, Haymark
204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Man
210—Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hote
225—St. Luke's, Coach and Horses Hotel
274—Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, New
281—Fortitude, Masonic Rooms, Athenæ
288—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
290—Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, South I
363—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
387—Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate, S
483—Sympathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Grave
567—Unity, Globe Hotel, Warwick
606—Segontium, The Castle, Carnarvon
625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
668—Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince
750—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Rail
758—Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn,
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Rich
851—Worthing of Friendship, Stevne Ho
852—Zetland, Albert Hotel, New Bailey-s
854—Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, nea
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canter
1018—Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Sal
1031—Fletcher, Masonic Hall, New-street,
1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Church-s
1064—Borough, Bull Hotel, Burnley.
1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1101—Grey Friars, Masonic Hall, Reading
1209—Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
1248—Denison, Grand Hotel, Scarborough
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, a
1342—Walker, Hope and Anchor Inn, Ryle
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hall S
1398—Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-F
1403—West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel
1424—Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old B
1434—Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Not
1503—Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twi
1520—Earl Shrewsbury, Public Rooms, C's
1547—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1582—Llanilloes, Trewythen Arms, Llanid
1638—Brownrigg, Sun Hotel, King-ton-on
1643—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebden
1645—Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Slait
1707—Southdown, Hurstpierpoint, Sussex
R.A. 20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun H
R.A. 24—De Swinburne, Freemasons' Hall

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1599—Skelmersdale, Masons' Hall Tavern, Basinghall-street, E.C.
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
1642—Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst.)
1791—Creaton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1804—Coborn, Vestry Hall, Bow
1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, at 8. (Instruction)
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (In)
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Inst.)

35—Medina, 85 High-street, Cowes.
97—Palatine, Masonic Hall, Toward-road, Sunderland.
112—St. George. Masonic Hall, Fore-street Hill, Exeter
139—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
303—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
215—Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingden
216—Harmonic, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool.
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
333—Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston
339—Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Cumberland.
432—Abbey, Newdegate Arms, Nuneaton
469—Hundred of Elloe, Masonic Rooms, London Road, Spalding.
477—Mersey, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead.
546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Caroline-street, Longton, Stafford.
732—Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.
739—Temperance, Masonic Room, New-street, Birmingham.
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
786—Croxteth United Service, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
945—Abbey, Abbey Council Chamber, Abingdon, Berks
971—Trafalgar, Private Room, Commercial-street, Batley
991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland
1035—Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool.
1055—Derby, Knowsley's Hotel, Cheetham, Lancashire.
1098—St. George, Private Room, Temperance Hotel, Tredegar, Mon.
1144—Milton, Commercial Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne.
1145—Equality, Red Lion Hotel, Accrington
1147—St. David, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1204—Royd, Imperial Hotel, Malvern, Worcestershire.
1273—St. Michael, Free Church School-rooms, Sittingbourne.
1369—Bala, Plasgoch Hotel, Bala.
1416—Falcon, Masonic Hall, Castle Yard, Thirsk.
1429—Albert Edward Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Newport, Mon.
1457—Bagshaw, Princes Hall, Princes-road, Buckhurst Hill
1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room, Design House, Lindley
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1583—Corbet, Corbet Arms, Towyn.
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1697—Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot, near Manchester.
1782—Machen, Swan Hotel, Coleshill.
R.A. 51—Patriotic, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester
R.A. 307—Good Intent, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
R.A. 337—Confidence, Commercial Inn, Uppermill
R.A. 613—Bridson, Masonic Hall, Southport.
R.A. 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
K.T.—Fearnley, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
K.T.—Salaxanca, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax

FRIDAY, 11th NOVEMBER.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
33—Britannic, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
134—Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street
157—Bedford, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
177—Domatic, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Instruct.)
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 7.30. (Instruction)
834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction.
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C. at 7. (Instruction)
1159—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8. (In.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
R.A. 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd., N. Kensington, at 8. (In
R.C.—Mount Calvary, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square

36—Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's-street, Cardiff.
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
458—Aire and Calder, Private Rooms, Ouse-steet, Goole.
526—Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.
662—Dartmouth, Dartmouth Hotel, West Bromwich.
697—United, George Hotel, Colchester.
815—Blair, Town Hall, Stratford-road, Hulme.
1001—Harrogate and Claro, Masonic Rooms, Parliament-street,
1087—Beaudesert, Assembly Rooms, Corn Exchange, Leighton Buzzard
1102—Mirfield, Assembly Rooms, Eastthorpe, Mirfield
1289—Rock, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry.
1536—United Military, Masonic Hall, Plumstead
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
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SATURDAY, 12th NOVEMBER.

108—London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street
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198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8. (Instruction)
1328—Granite, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Mare-street, Hackney
1426—The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel

can say, that we never witnessed t
more careful, correct or impressive
occasion; every one, from the W. M
to his duties. At its conclusion the
tions of all the Visitors present.
Bros. Crone and Walls to the degre
work was equally well done. There
Lodge, it was closed in due form, an
brethren adjourned to the pillar-room
provided, served in Bro. Clemow's
having been given and responded to,
great pleasure in asking the brethren
the next toast—a toast that was al
diality in the Burgoyne Lodge. He w
with the same heartiness and good wi
of their W. Master, who had endear
his able conduct in the Lodge, but
chair in the fourth degree. He had
of the brethren, but the Visitors inclu
would be cordially responded to on t
here gave, in an impressive manner, H
The W. Master, in responding to the
you most sincerely for the very kind
diate Past Master (Bro. Taylor) propo
you, brethren, for the hearty and cor
received my name. I can only say, t
to the best of my ability, and I can a
inside or outside the Lodge my thou
anything that I can do to advantag
command. The W.M. said the next toa
the Burgoyne Lodge always proudly re
of the Visitors. No Lodge could give
were always proud to see them; an
again. Bro. H. Thompson was the fi
said that words almost failed him to
of the W.M. in the chair. He felt assu
one of the most talented Masons wh
again come amongst them, he would
he predicted for the Lodge had been
Lodge had made its mark in Masonic
future as one of the best-worked
name of Burgoyne was also inscribe
the country, and this hero's victorious
in the enduring rolls of fame. Still t
its alloy, for another Burgoyne, en
country, with the band of brave fellow
watery grave, and not one remained to
he said that as long as the name of Bu
long would the Lodge maintain the
borne, The other Visitors returned tha
toast he had to propose was that of th
had a goodly array, both as to quality
were all aware of their good working.
they had such reason to be proud
Taylor, as the youngest Past Master, w
the toast. It was his duty and pleasure
ruling and guiding the Lodge. The Lo
Officers ably performed their duties.
Past Masters' places were not sinecure
thanked the brethren for the cordial ma
the toast. The next toast was "the
Secretary;" few members of the Burg
much they were indebted to these Offic
operation the Lodge must soon co
surer said he had had to reply to this to
he was "poor in thanks," and had s
he knew not what to say. He had fo
about, and had been unable to go th
thought there was nothing of which th
find that their finances were in a pros
balance for the great objects of the M
been well supported. As a member of
the Colonial Board, he had always heard
of with the greast respect, and not long
the Grand Secretary, told him that he
spoken of in the highest terms. Hav
their Secretary and Past Masters, and t
he said the representation of the Bur
none. Bro. Jeffreys Secretary briefly re

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Marks, C. Lorkin, J. Lorkin, Money, Birch, Fysh, I. P. Cohen, R. W. Pearcy, Horley, Bird, E. Payne, Everett, G. H. Clark, O. Von Holtorp, Hagger, C. Weeden, Carter, Catlin, Reeve, Spencer, R. P. Forge, and others. Lodge opened in due form, and the minutes were read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the second and third degrees, and resumed to the first, when the Fifteen Sections were worked by the following brethren:—First Lecture—Bros. Stroud, T. E. Horley, G. H. Gillham, A. W. Fenner, D. Moss, C. Lorkin, and J. A. Powell. Second Lecture—Bros. A. Clark, R. Pearcy, C. Weeden, C. Lorkin, and R. P. Forge. Third Lecture—Bros. J. Lorkin, D. Somers, and F. Brasted. Bros. A. Clark, W.M. of the Upton Lodge, No. 1227, O. Van Holtorp, Citadel Lodge, 1897, S. J. Hagger, New Concord Lodge, No. 813, H. W. Carter, Citadel Lodge, No. 1879, and Reeve, Bayon's Lodge, 1286, were elected members. Votes of thanks were cordially voted to the W.M., the S.W., and the brethren who had so efficiently aided in working the Sections. Bro. D. Moss was elected an honorary member, after which Lodge was closed, and adjourned.

Israel Lodge of Instruction, No. 205.—The Fifteen Sections were worked, at the Rising Sun, Globe-road, E., on 23rd ult. The chair was ably filled by Bro. W. Musto P.M., the Preceptor of the Lodge. The W.M. was supported by the following brethren:—Bros. T. J. Barnes P.M. S.W., W. H. Myers P.M. J.W., B. Cundick P.M. I.P.M., I. P. Cohen P.M. S.D., T. Wooding J.D., A. Abrahams I.G. The Lodge was numerously attended, and the sections were worked in a very satisfactory manner by the following brethren:—First lecture—Bros. Stewart, Macgregor, Cohen, Woodfing, Barnes, Cundick, Stephens. Second lecture—Bros. Stewart, J. Taylor, Job, Cundick, Macgregor. Third lecture—Cohen, Myers, Barnes. Bro. G. H. Stephens S.D. Hon. Sec. A cordial vote of thanks to Bro. Musto was ordered to be recorded on the minutes. Bros. W. J. Musto, Friars Lodge, 1349, and J. C. Trueman 184, were elected members.

La Tolérance Lodge of Instruction, No. 538.—At the Morland Hotel, Dean-street, Oxford-street, W., on Wednesday, 26th ult. Bros. W. H. Richardson W.M., J. Paul S.W., J. Hemming J.W., J. Hurdell Preceptor, L. G. Langdon Hon. Sec. Lodge was duly opened, and the Fifteen Sections were worked as follows:—First Lecture—Bros. J. Hurdell, J. Elvin, T. S. Cooper, E. Child, W. C. Smith, E. Carlstone, and J. Ash. Second Lecture—Bros. G. A. Cundy, J. Skinner, J. Hemming, J. Paul, and J. Hurdell. Third Lecture—Bros. L. G. Langdon, Sillis, and W. H. Richardson. A vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes to Bro. W. H. Richardson for his able working, and the honorary membership of the Lodge was conferred upon him.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No. 780.—A meeting was held on Friday, 28th October, at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge. Present—Bros. W. Goss P.M. W.M., F. Botley S.W., A. Kent J.W., C. E. Botley Secretary, Gunner S.D., Maton J.D., B. Blasby P.M. I.G.; P.M. Bro. E. H. Sugg. Lodge opened in due form, and minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge advanced to the second and third, and resumed to the second degree. The ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Gunner candidate. Bro. Andrews P.M. gave the lecture on the second tracing board. Lodge resumed to the third degree, and the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Botley candidate. During the evening it was incidentally mentioned that Bro. Akhurst, formerly D.C. of the mother Lodge, had been drowned in the wreck of the Clan Macduff, together with his two daughters.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—On Tuesday, at the Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston. Bros. Smyth W.M., Catling S.W., Glass J.W., J. Lorkin P.M. Secretary, Wallington P.M. Preceptor, Clark S.D., Edwards J.D., Lawrence I.G.; also Bros. Wardell, Brasted, Bunker, Christian, Dignam, Baker, Lamb, Brown, Boyce, Carr, Young, Allen, Forss, Larter. Lodge was opened, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Baker acting as candidate. Bro. M. Christian gave the charge to the candidate in a very able manner. Lodge was called from labour to refreshment, and after resuming its Masonic duties, the W.M. worked the first and second sections, assisted by the brethren. Bro. J. Catling was elected W.M. for the ensuing week.

Upton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1227.—The Fifteen

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instr
at the Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal-g
nesday, 2nd November. Bros. Clark W.M
Clements S.D., Chitson J.D., Ward I.G., C
mal business the W.M. rehearsed the init
as candidate. Bro. Hand answered the q
degree, and was duly entrusted. Th
the second degree, and worked the cer
acting as candidate. The W.M. opened t
and closed to the first. It was pro
seconded by Bro. Brittain, that Bro. Jo
next week. Nothing further offering,
journed.

Great Northern Lodge of
—The members met on the 27th
Berners-street, Oxford-street, where th
ance, nearly sixty brethren being prese
W.M., E. Farwig P.M. 180 S.W.
W. Cleghorn S.W. 1287 Preceptor
Secretary, W. C. Smith S.D., Cane
of Instruction was opened, and t
The Fifteen Sections were then worked
Bros. Cane, J. B. Lancaster, G. Tribbel,
E. Farwig, A. Christie. Second lectu
Burgess, J. Forbes, W. Cleghorn, A. Ch
W. Blundell, Birrell, and Paul. The m
of Instruction, No. 3, adjourned their
being present. They were much gratifi
working of the brethren. Bro. Hemm
member. Special votes of thanks were
to him and to the brethren who worke

Friars Lodge of Instruction,
ing of this prosperous Lodge was held
J. H. Pavitt's, the Liverpool Arms, Ba
The evening had been set apart for the
tions, under the presidency of the Wor
Lodge, Bro. R. Durell, who was well su
and ability, by the following brethren
Preceptor as S.W., F. C. D. Fenn J.W.,
Stephens S.D., Jones J.D., Bailey I.G.,
M'George, Cope, Tannahill, Rodham, C
Stewart, W. H. Myers P.M., A. T. Ives
Sections were capitally rendered thro
character of this Lodge for efficient
Bros. Loane (2), Musto (2), Myers, C.
Lecture—Bros. Stewart, F. C. D. Fenn,
Third Lecture—Bros. Stewart, Taylo
Musto 1349, Fenn 171, Tannahill 171
were duly elected members of this Lod
the honour conferred upon them. A v
the W.M., and the honorary membershi
him, in recognition of the eminent ser
Bro. Durell having returned thanks fo
expressed his gratitude to Bros. Musto
and all those brethren who had given h
carrying out the duties of the evening.
and adjourned.

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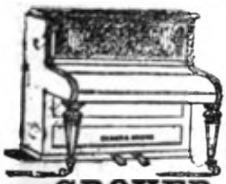
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ROYAL ARCH MASONRY: ITS DISTRIBUTION AND PROGRESS.

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IN our perambulation of the Provinces we succeeded last week in reaching Oxfordshire. We now pass thence into Somersetshire, of which Colonel Adair is Prov. G. Superintendent. It has nine Chapters, of which the Avalon, No. 446, Wells, is of recent constitution. As there are twenty-two Lodges, and the City of Bath alone has more than one meeting within its limits, this is a very fair proportion. The Eastern and Western Divisions of South Wales have each of them four Chapters, but while the former has fifteen Lodges, the latter has only nine, so that there is obviously room for further progress in the Eastern section of the district. Neither Province has a Provincial organization, the vacancy caused by the death of Companion T. M. Talbot, Provincial Grand Superintendent of South Wales East, not being filled up. As regards progress, we note there are two new Chapters in South Wales West since 1874, but no increase has taken place in the sister Province. Staffordshire, to its twenty-three Lodges has but eight Chapters, the only changes that have latterly taken place being the disappearence from the roll of St. Martin's Chapter, No. 98, Burslem, and the constitution of the Marmion, No. 1060, Tamworth. Suffolk, which can boast of the Rev. C. J. Martyn for its Provincial Grand Superintendent, has six Chapters to twenty Lodges, three being located in Ipswich, and one of the six, namely, the Gorleston, No. 1631, being of recent creation. Surrey has an active popular chief in the person of General Brownrigg, C.B., who is both Provincial Grand Master and Provincial Grand Superintendent, but there are only six of its twenty-two Lodges which have Chapters attached to them, and of those the Dobie, No. 889, Kingston, and the Wey Side, No. 1395, Woking, are of new creation. Here again we would suggest that something might be done to strengthen the ranks of Royal Arch Masonry, though as Surrey is a Metropolitan County, the shortcoming may be more apparent than real. Sussex has nine Chapters to its twenty-four Lodges, five of the number, of which Hova Villa, No. 1466, is the newest, meeting in Brighton. Last year Sir W. W. Burrell, Bart, M.P., Provincial Grand Master was appointed Provincial Grand Superintendent, and under his auspices it is quite on the cards that further additions may be made to the roll of Provincial Grand Chapter. Warwickshire, as in 1874, has eight Chapters, of which all but two are located in Birmingham. As there are some thirty Lodges, and the Province is one of our most important industrial centres, we might have expected there would have been a somewhat stronger array of Chapters, especially as the popular Lord Leigh is the presiding genius in Arch as in Craft Masonry. Wiltshire is a small Province, with only ten Lodges, but four of these have Chapters attached to them. In 1874 there were but three so circumstanced, the new comer being the Thynne Chapter, No. 1478, of Warminster, so named after Lord H. Thynne, M.P., Provincial Grand Superintendent. Of the eleven Lodges in Worcestershire, four have Chapters, and two Dudley. No addition to the stre been made during these last seven Yorkshire, which had thirteen fourteen at the present time, th No. 566, having disappeared from Pole, No. 1605, Hull, and the Eb been added; as there are some two Province, the proportion of those h to them is a very fair one. Of the four meet in Hull, two in Scarbo West Yorkshire has twenty-nine Chapters in 1874, the four nov (No. 1513), Batley (No. 1214), So and Wakefield (No. 1019). Hudder field have three Chapters each; a Halifax, and Sheffield two each, t localities in which Royal Arch Ma Considering how energetic a ch and Arch Masonry, it is not surpr fair an array both of Lodges and C Islands (Guernsey), Jersey, and are no changes either in the way o there being two Chapters in C Provincial organisation in Jersey,

We now pass to the Chapters situated on the Mediterranean with one Chapter, Corfu with three, remain as in 1874. Ma attached to each of its three L other new Chapters, one at Tuni China can boast of four Chapters, Hong Kong, Nos. 1165 and 1341 b Chapter No. 501 having droppe still has a solitary Chapter, the Yokohama. Of the nine District five are to be found in the East Bengal, Bombay, British Burmah and in each case the District Gran trict Grand Superintendent. Beng being an increase of four during Chapters being No. 234, Calcutt No. 1526, Jumalpore; and No. 1(is a fair proportion, seeing there a in the District, though as Calcu should have thought that more have had Chapters attached. Bo ters to four times as many Lod like Calcutta, having a limited its Lodges. In British Burmah t and, as in 1874, there are three Ch in Rangoon. The number of Lo six Chapters to about three time the six being attached to Lodges Madras. In the Punjab a very n place. In 1874 only five out of s tunate enough to possess Chap twelve out of nineteen have th greatly in excess of anything to b of equal importance. The new Dalhousie, 1394 Delhi, 1722 Du

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Indies, while in 1874 there were eight, the new creation being Chapter No. 867, Trinidad. In North America there are three Chapters, two constituting the District Grand Chapter of Montreal or Canada East, and one meeting at St. John's, Newfoundland. In 1874 there was also a New Brunswick Chapter, No. 518, St. Andrew's. In South America there are two Chapters, No. 227, Demerara, and No. 617, Beunos Ayres, the latter having been lately warranted. The progress of the degree in Australasia is very far from being commensurate with that made in Craft Masonry. There are considerably over 200 Lodges, yet there appear to be only some twenty-seven Chapters all told distributed among these Colonies. New South Wales, for instance, has about five or six and forty Lodges, yet only three of the number have Chapters attached to them, two meeting in Sydney, and one at Maitland. Now Sydney alone has ten Lodges, so that we might justly have looked for greater strength in Royal Arch Masonry in this District, especially as it is fortunate enough to have a District Grand Chapter. Victoria, to its seventy Lodges has nine Chapters, four of them being attached to as many Melbourne Lodges, which is thus better off than Sydney. Here, too, there is a District G. Chapter. In Queensland, South Australia, and Tasmania, there are but four Chapters, two in Queensland, and one in each of the other two. In 1874 South Australia had two Chapters, and consequently the gain of one in Victoria is neutralised by the loss of one in this Colony. Western Australia has not a single Chapter. In New Zealand there is some improvement. In 1874 there are four Chapters to thirty Lodges; now there are ten Chapters, but at the same time we must point out there are a round seventy Lodges. Canterbury, South Island, has two Chapters, one newly constituted; Otago and Southland three Chapters, two being newly warranted, and Westland three, of which two are recent. Wellington, North Island, has two Chapters, both established since 1874, but Auckland has no Chapter, though it can boast some dozen Lodges. However, many of the Lodges are not yet entitled to have Chapters, so that we may look for more progress in accordance with the recognised strength of Craft Masonry in the course of the next few years. If we add that of the six Lodges in Military Corps, one half have Chapters, we shall have completed our survey of English Royal Arch Masonry, and noted all that our readers can wish to know respecting its progress and distribution in the Metropolis, the Provinces, and Abroad.

OUR BANQUET.

BY AN OLD STAGER.

THAT there is "pretty much of a muchness" about the festivities attendant on the Fourth Degree, and that our banquets—at least so far as the post prandial speeches are concerned—are as nearly as possible alike as "two peas," few of my readers, I imagine, will be inclined to dispute. There may be variety as to the extent of luxury of these *réunions*, such as when Grand Lodge or Festival gatherings bring out the eloquence of the great orators of the Craft; but, taking our ordinary Lodge banquets into account, who can say that they present any striking contrasts, or that he who has attended one has not witnessed

the brethren file out into the
assembling for refreshment.

At the banquet table the
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Beyond him are the Past Mas
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are the Grand Officers, amidst
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while the rank and file seek
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as invitations to exchange frie
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Then comes, of course, the hea
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will emulate, of installing those who come after him as rulers of the Lodge. To which the Past Masters, who have gone through the same kind of thing before, and who feel a little of the honour now showered upon the Immediate Past Master reflected upon themselves, murmur "hear, hear," and raise their glasses amidst respectful smirks, as the Grand Officer resumes his seat.

Then up rises the Immediate Past Master, who has been the subject of such honeyed flattery, and who deems it scarcely necessary to *hint* even the toast he is now about to submit to the acceptance of the brethren. It is no less than the health of our newly-installed Worshipful Master (cheers), who, having proved himself a true and zealous Mason in all the minor offices through which he has passed, has now reached the summit of his ambition, and has received at the hands of the brethren the highest honour which it is in their power to bestow upon him. He (the Immediate Past Master) feels conscious of his many shortcomings and imperfections in his rendering of the Installation ceremony (No, no); but though he has passed from that proud eminence to which—though undeserving of it (No)—he was raised a year ago, by the kindness of the brethren, his interest in the welfare of the Lodge remains unabated, and he can only wish for his successor a happy and prosperous year of office (cheers). There are responsibilities connected with that dignity which—had he only known beforehand—would have made him hesitate before accepting it at their hands (Hear, hear, and cheers); but, by the kind assistance of his Officers—and none more so than his worthy brother whose health he now proposes (cheers)—he has succeeded, he hopes, in upholding the prestige of the Lodge, and in handing down to his successor the insignia of the office untarnished, and with its lustre undimmed. Whereupon there are loud cheers and exclamations from all points of the compass, "Worshipful Master," whilst a brother favours with a song or recitation, so as to give the W. Master breathing time before replying to all the pretty things that have been said respecting him.

As soon as the chorus is finished, the toastmaster exclaims, "Silence for the Worshipful Master," who rises slowly, and under a sense of the ponderous responsibility which has just been placed upon him, and which evidently oppresses him weightily. He can scarcely find language adequately to express his sense of the distinguished honour which the brethren have conferred upon him, for he feels he has done little or nothing to entitle him to such a mark of their favour (Yes, yes). Indeed, but for the bashfulness of some brother who is more eminently deserving of it, but who has magnanimously stepped aside to make room for him—unworthy as he is—he should have had to wait another year, and probably longer. But, having attained the position at which he has aimed ever since his initiation into the mysteries and privileges of the Order, he pledges himself to devote his utmost energies to the study of those duties which the brethren naturally expect from him, and with which he is as yet but imperfectly acquainted. He is also deeply impressed with the ineffectual attempts he has made to perform even the preliminary functions with which he has just been entrusted (no); but he shall be jealous of the prestige of the Lodge into which it was his happy fortune to have been admitted (cheers), and he hopes that at the end of his year of office he shall have gained the approbation so ungrudgingly bestowed upon his predecessor, upon whose breast he now begs leave to affix a jewel, which has been subscribed for by the whole of the brethren, as a mark of their esteem, and in recognition of the able and

(No). This is an honour with gold, but must be earned humble—to the Craft; and he s posterity as an heirloom of the have been so glowingly descr Master, and some little of whi deserved (cheers). He can as with his brother Past Masters, h render what little assistance he brother's year of office, as he hin the counsel and aid which have b predecessors (cheers).

The other Past Masters reply the same sentiments, and assurin of their fatherly interest, and what little aid they can give h experience.

Then follows the health of the importance on all occasions, not s those brethren can shed upon simple fact that as yet they know from an itching desire to pick n fall like childish innocence upon These replies possess, at all even ality, for gentlemen who have speaking at length in other as have gained greater experience, by their new surroundings, and which they have passed, are n out a word or two of thanks for t upon them by having been admitt company, and to assure the bre become apt students of the Art, to the height and stature of good timents there is always applause, ripple of laughter is caused by incipient of the initiates prop Master's good health in return."

But of all the toasts that co perhaps the greatest is that of th posed with pardonable pride and Master. Hospitality is one of teristics of a Freemason's heart, are welcomed with the heartiest Lodge in particular the welcon often as Visitors come—and the —they will find the same open- hospitality extended to them (ch

Whereupon, after the toast h charge, and all the honours, the Vi with emphatic pride, each beir expressions of welcome.

The Visitors rise in a row, they also are generally unanim express. They are all delighted they have witnessed in the Lod Worshipful Master upon his wis tion of his Officers, and upon t which the installation ceremor Immediate Past Master. In f Lodges, they must confess they good, working (Hear, hear). T measure with the lavish hospit greeting with which they have bec this is the first time they have meeting the brethren at the fe hope it may not be the last.

to their native shores should they desire to do so.

At this period the more staid and sedate of the brethren retire, setting an example which might be profitably followod by others. However, those who remain now draw their chairs nearer together, and indulge in friendly chat—a vast relief from the cut and dried utterances which, as I have said, form the staple of nearly all the festive gatherings of the Craft. My object in presenting this sketch is, not so much to throw a slur upon the formalities and the ordinary procedure by etiquette in which our banquets are conducted, or to question the intelligence of the brethren, but to endeavour to elicit if some freshness and more entertaining pabulum cannot be made to be forthcoming at gatherings at which friends in jolliest friendship meet, and which may be made of real service and benefit to the brethren who listen to after-dinner speeches.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF WILTSHIRE.

THE annual meeting of this Provincial Grand Lodge was held on Friday, 4th instant, at the Town Hall, Bradford-on-Avon, the receiving Lodge being the Lodge of Friendship and Unity, No. 1271. In the absence, through temporary illness, of the Prov. Grand Master Lord Methuen, the meeting was presided over by the Deputy Prov. G.M. Bro. Sir Gabriel Goldney, Bart., M.P., who was supported by a numerous gathering of present and past Provincial Grand Officers. Amongst whom were C. F. Marshall P.G.S.W., Alfred Plummer P.G.J.W., Rev. J. A. Lloyd P.G. Chaplain, F. H. Goldney P.P.G.S.W. and P.G. Treasurer, William Nott P.P.G.J.W. and P.G. Registrar, Henry C. Tombs P.G.D. P.G. Secretary, T. S. Futcher P.G.J.D., E. B. Merriman P.G.S. of Works, John Chandler P.P.G.S.W. P.G.D.C., W. S. Bambridge P.G.O., Robert Stokes P.P.G.S.W., T. H. Chandler P.P.G.S.W., E. Turner Payne P.G.D. P.P.G.J.W., T. Graham P.P.G.J.W., John V. Toone P.P.G.S.D., T. P. Saunders P.P.G.J.D., S. Gauntlett P.P.G.J.D., J. J. New P.P.G.A.D.C., J. C. Collie P.P.G.O., Jas. Sparks P.P.G.O., W. H. Brinkworth P.P.G.O., H. E. Bishop P.P.G.P., W. G. Stodart P.P.G.P., and others; whilst amongst the Visitors were Bros. R. M. Worlock P.P.G.S.W. Bristol, T. Ringer P.M. 1308, J. Robinson P.M. 417, &c.

The roll of the various Lodges was called, and all being found to be properly represented, the Provincial Grand Lodge was opened.

The Deputy Prov. Grand Master having expressed his own regret, which he was sure they would all feel, and which he knew personally was deeply felt by their Prov. Grand Master Lord Methuen, that the latter was unable to preside over them to-day, on account of a severe neuralgic affection, called upon the P.G. Secretary, Bro. Tombs, to read the minutes of the last meeting. These having been read, were duly confirmed.

The Provincial Grand Treasurer then read his accounts, which showed a good balance in hand on the general account, the general charity account, and the benevolent fund account. These accounts having been duly audited by Bros. E. Turner, Payne, and Merriman, the former moved that the Treasurer's accounts should be passed, especially approving the inclusion therein of a small sum being the balance of the cost of printing the Wiltshire Masonic Calendar for 1881, after crediting the amounts received for sale of copies thereof. This was seconded by Bro. Stokes, and carried unanimously.

The Provincial Grand Secretary then read the minutes of a meeting of the Provincial Charity Committee, held that same morning, when, after having had the general charity account, as well as the benevolent fund account, before it, the Committee had resolved to recommend the Provincial Grand Lodge to direct the investment in government stock on the former account of the sum of £100, in the names of the P.G.M., D.P.G.M., and the P.G. Treas., and to suggest that a like sum of £100 should also be invested in the benevolent fund account in a different government stock, in the names of the same trustees.

The report of the Charity Committee and its recommendation were unanimously approved and confirmed. The Provincial Grand Registrar Bro. W. Nott then read his report, from which it appeared that the number of subscribing members in the Province was 419, being practically unaltered since the preceding year. The General Working Expenses averaged 14s 9d per member, whilst the expenditure devoted to Charity stood at 4s 5d per member.

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The D.P.G.M. Bro. Sir Gabriel Go
a pleasing duty to perform. He was

always anxious and willing to promote the interest of the Craft and its Charities, and to him was largely due the success of the efforts of the Committee of the Provincial Charity Organization, in getting Wiltshire candidates elected as recipients of the Charities, and his steady persistent endeavours entitled him to all honour at the hands of the brethren.

Bro. Nott thanked the D.P.G.M. for his kind remarks, and the brethren generally for their appreciation of his services, as shown by the honour just conferred upon him.

The D.P.G.M. Sir G. Goldney, in addressing the Provincial Grand Lodge, expressed his regret at the absence of Lord Methuen, whose attendance that day nothing but illness would have prevented, and whose heart was still with them. They all knew the pleasure he took in the work of the Province, and that he was always ready for anything that might advance its prosperity. The D.P.G.M. in glancing at the proceedings of the meeting, expressed his pleasure at learning from the Registrar's report, the substantial sums the brethren of the Province were able to devote towards charity, and also that the amount of arrears of subscription had been very greatly reduced. That the Province had been able to put by such a balance as enabled them to make the investments that day ordered, he considered to be extremely gratifying, for now was the time, when they had no special calls upon them, to put by for a rainy day. In alluding to the successful starting of the Benevolent Fund, the D.P.G.M. announced his intention of making a donation to it, towards qualifying himself as a Life Governor.

He then alluded to the admirable manner in which the proceedings of the Provincial Grand Lodge were managed by the Provincial Grand Secretary, Bro. Henry C. Tombs, who made all the arrangements in so admirable a manner, and who, without the assistance of any shorthand-writer, managed to lay before them as correct a record of their proceedings as, he believed, it was possible to make. The great advantage of such a full and complete record as they from time to time heard read by their Provincial Grand Secretary it was impossible to over-estimate, and he thought he should be entirely in accordance with the wish and feeling of every brother present if he proposed a vote of thanks to Bro. Tombs, as some expression of their appreciation of his labours. This therefore he did, with the greatest pleasure and gratification.

Bro. E. Turner Payne said, that although there was no necessity for so doing, in order to commend the vote to the meeting, yet as a matter of form he seconded the proposition, and this he did most readily and cordially. The vote was carried unanimously, and with acclamation.

The Prov. G. Secretary expressed his obligation for this renewed mark of approval of his services.

The D.P.G.M. having declared all offices vacant, Bro. F. H. Goldney was, on the proposition of Bro. Robert Stokes, seconded by Bro. Colonel Ford, unanimously re-elected Treasurer, and the Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year were then appointed, and invested as follows:—

Bro. F. King 586	Prov. Grand Senior Warden
T. P. Saunders 1271	" Junior Warden
Rev. J. A. Lloyd 1583 (re-appointed)	" Chaplain
F. H. Goldney 626 (re-elected)	" Treasurer
Thomas Ponting 1478	" Registrar
Henry C. Tombs 355 (re-appointed)	" Secretary
R. S. Edmonds 355	" Senior Deacon
J. R. Magrath 1271	" Junior Deacon
W. T. Briscoe 626	" Supt. of Works
John Chandler 355 (re-appointed)	" Dir. of Ceremonies
W. D. Lovell 1271	" Assist. Dir. of Cer.
H. Simpson 1271	" Sword Bearer
James Sparks 1271	" Organist
A. Beavan 1271	" Pursuivant
G. W. Collen 626	" Assistant Pursuivant
John Savory (re-elected)	" Tyler

Before the Lodge was closed, Brother Nott, Charity Secretary, who had, with the sanction of the Provincial Grand Master Lord Methuen, superintended the issue of a Calendar for the Province for the year 1881, called attention to the fact that the proceeds from the sale thereof had not met the actual cost out of pocket of printing the same, as they had gathered when the Treasurer's report was before them earlier in the meeting. He now asked whether it was the wish of the Provincial Grand Lodge that this Calander should be continued next year, expressing at the same time his belief that in a year or two it would be self-supporting.

ON the three intermediate days of last Berners' Hall, Agricultural Hall, th soda water machinery and appliances, an may be set down as an unqualified s second and third days was unfavourable, from the merits of the display. The H exhibits, the general excellence and usef question. Among the most attractive Dows, Clark and Co., of Compton Ho Soho-square. The reputation of this fir to mention with praise any among the n exhibited would seem to be much of the refined gold. Still, it may be as well to n for which the firm has attained so well-des must be mentioned the improved patent machine. The chief points in its favou and the rapidity with which it does its foot, water, or steam power, while the re composed of rubber, are so made as to f flat-bottomed bottles, those used in clean an especial feature. By this machine t most completely. Another exhibit att Mrs. Barker's Patent Bottle Filler. It ciple, the great object aimed at being t prevent breakage of the bottles. Anot was the new Turnover Bottling Mach kinds of bottles. This, too, has the adv complete in all its parts, and reasonable but upright and somewhat more costly, is one slight drawback in this case, tha kinds of bottles, whereas the Turn taken of another invention in the sh Liquid Syphon," which is not only a gr ratus formerly used for handling oil of kinds, but has the further advantage injury the hands, eyes, and clothing of saw a Patent Syrup Measuring Tap, by can be measured at will from half an o the trouble of having extra glasses for Other machines included an "Improve bottling Cylinders," a "complete outfi or Soda Water, and more particularl bottling trade." The materials used i very best, and having regard to all charged, must be described as modera Generator" is equally serviceable, but amount of work, it is less costly than should be mentioned Messrs. Dows, C Draught Stand with Cooler, the paten counter or sideboard, and having a c of soda or other waters; syrup and s or more taps; syrup taps; ice cutte article that could possibly be requi beverages either in private or in pub not omit to notice an aërated bevera one of the ingredients of which is The of tea—hence the trade mark. It is palatable, and stands out prominent a lants of the day. We must also d russet Champagne Cider," which is refreshing, and may be taken with been carefully analysed by eminent qualified testimony to its admirable exhibition, we repeat, has been a gre articles shown, whether taken singly to the average, while the courtesy of Clark was president, gave every satis

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The Earl of Fife, Provincial G will be shortly entrusted by H with a special mission to Dres King of Saxony with the insigni of the Garter.

FAIR TRADERS, Registered.—J. ... chants, 2 Albert Mansions, Victoria Further Public Notice that in May 1879, th ... ols "FAIR TRADERS" as their Trad

Nine candidates were placed on the list for the Election in May; and the Committee then adjourned.

When present recently at a colonial dinner in London, his Grace of Manchester, in replying for the House of Lords, narrated an experience that occurred to him during his visit to Queensland. One day, he said, when travelling up country, he was accosted by a free selecter, who asked him if it was not true the Duke of Manchester was coming that way. "I am the Duke of Manchester," said his Grace; to which, in derision, the free selecter at first replied, "You git along now;" but at length, becoming satisfied the Duke was really standing before him, the man walked deliberately round him, critically examining him from every point of view, and then exclaimed, "Well, I'm blowed; *you* a duke? Why you might go from here to Barcos and no one would take you for anything but a bushman." Let us change the scene from "up country" in comparatively benighted Queensland to the enlightened Masonic Province of Norths and Hunts. Let us picture to ourselves R.W. Bro. the Duke of Manchester, Grand Master of the said Province, wandering "promiscuously" as it were in the vicinity of a town where one of its Lodges is on the point of meeting. Suddenly he is accosted by one who proves to be a brother and member of the said Lodge. "I am told the Duke of Manchester, our Provincial Grand Master, is about to honour our Lodge with a visit." "I am the Duke of Manchester, Prov. G. Master Norths and Hunts." To which at first, as derisively as a Mason is capable of speaking in that vein, "Be as merciful as you can, Sir, with your chaff." Then suddenly becoming convinced it was the Duke he was speaking to, the brother corrected himself and said: "Why, your Grace, if you were to pass the rest of your days in wandering about your Province, no one would imagine you were about to visit one of the Lodges you have been appointed to rule over." Would his R.W. Grace of Manchester be as ready to record such an episode in his Masonic Career. Unlikelier experiences have happened to most of us.

The hope is entertained that His Royal Highness Prince Leopold will visit Wakefield on the occasion of the opening ceremony connected with the Wakefield and West Riding Scientific and Fine Art Exhibition.

Bro. Sir Moses Montefiore, Bart., was born in October 1784, and is consequently in the 98th year of his age. Sir Moses was Sheriff of London and Middlesex in the year 1837, the year of the Queen's accession, and was knighted on the 9th of November of that year, in honour of Her Majesty's first visit to the City. His patent of baronetcy was conferred upon him in 1846.

Earl Percy, M.P., Prov. Grand Master of Northumberland, has been appointed one of the Trustees of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

The fortieth birthday of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was celebrated with the usual manifestations of rejoicing on Wednesday.

At Sandringham and Windsor there was the customary merrymaking. In the morning the Prince and his guests had some shooting, and in the afternoon the labourers had their annual dinner, the Prince and Princess being present during a portion of the time.

MR. GLADSTONE and the WINE DUTIES.—J. E. SHAND & CO., Wine Merchants, 2 Albert Mansions, Victoria Street, London, S.W.

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necessity, more conspicuous than ever for the first time, and the trial far greater number of Lodges have persuasive invitations into furnishing tion as to the *months* as well as slight addition must be noted. Lodges are ranged according to Pr order. That portion of the Calend to Freemasonry in other countries is means of forming an opinion permit ation is as voluminous as any Eng In short, the "Cosmo" for 1882 mor completeness and accuracy it has so past eleven years of its publication.

Sir E. A. H. Lechmere, Bart shire, was among those presen Gloucester, convened for the p sideration the desirability of es St. John's Ambulance Associati neighbourhood.

Sir Baldwyn Leighton, Bar Saturday at the ordinary mont shire Chamber of Agriculture.

Their Royal Highnesses the Prince Leopold, Duke of Alban 13th December for their visit to the guests of the Mayor on the

The Earl of Dalhousie, it is by Her Majesty with the This death of the Earl of Airlie.

It is understood that Sir Michs Grand Master Mason of Scotland Martin as Provincial Grand Mast that the ceremony will take pl instant. A deputation from Gra Grand Master on the occasion.

The Marquis of Hartington, Derbyshire, presided at the mee Yeovil Agricultural Association.

Bro. Erasmus Wilson P.G. ficence we are indebted for the Needle on the Thames Embankm honour of knighthood conferred

It is with very great regret w Thursday morning last, of the Edgcumbe, the sad event occurri near Devonport, the seat of her Edgcumbe, Prov. G. Master Corn

Bro. A. Stavely Hill, Q.C., turned to Oxley Manor, on Tues tour through the Dominion of C the Far West of that portion of N

We congratulate Bro. Hedges is enabled to make in his letter we columns. H.R.H. the Duke of C prestige attaching to his high chairman, as was shown when P sided at the Anniversary Festival 1878.

The members of the High Cr No. 754, will hold their annual ba Horses, Lower Tottenham, on meeting will assemble at 6.30.

Bro. H. A. Brassey, M.P.,

ness will be supported by a large Board of Stewards.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

F. R. W. HEDGES.

Freemasons' Hall, London, 10th Nov. 1881.

WOMEN IN FREEMASONRY.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I have read with a great deal of pleasure Bro. Whytehead's very able paper on this subject. I trust he will not think I am intrusive if I suggest, that his sketch would be still more complete if he added a few words in recognition of the hearty sympathy exhibited towards the Craft by one of the most benevolent and beneficent ladies of this or any age. I allude to the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, whose father, the late Sir Francis Burdett, the distinguished politician of the earlier years of this century, was a member of our Society, and whose cousin, the present Sir Francis Burdett, is one of our most distinguished chiefs, being Grand Master and Grand Superintendent of Middlesex; Prov. G.M.M.M. Middlesex and Surrey; a Member of the Supreme Council A. and A. Rite, being Inspector-General of the South District, &c. It is not, however, on account of her father's and cousin's services to Freemasonry that I should rest the claim of the Baroness to rank amongst the few distinguished ladies whose names have been more or less intimately connected with our Order, but because of the generous kindness with which she has ever regarded the Burdett-Coutts Lodge, No. 1278, which was founded in 1869, and received her express sanction for adopting her name as part of its style and title. As showing the interest she felt in the new Lodge she presented to it a handsome copy of the Volume of the Sacred Law, which doubtless will be most carefully and religiously guarded by the Lodge so long as it has the good fortune to retain its place on the roll of the Grand Lodge. Some few years later she presented a complete set of chairs for the Worshipful Master and Wardens of the Lodge, and the permission of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales having been accorded for the purpose, the Baroness, accompanied by her cousin R.W. Bro. Sir F. Burdett, was received by the brethren, fully clothed and assembled in Lodge, and the chairs were formally bestowed by her ladyship, a few suitable remarks being offered on her behalf by Sir Francis. Following on this was the reception by the Baroness, at Holly Lodge, Highgate, of the members of the Lodge and their lady friends, while, as apart from these distinctive marks of her interest in the Lodge, and her approval of the principles of the Craft, it may be stated in general terms that she is continually making inquiries as to the progress of the Lodge, and evincing a kind and earnest wish for its continued prosperity.

As it is most probable the Baroness Burdett-Coutts is the only English lady who has ever been present in a Lodge of Freemasons—the brethren having, of course, been called off during her presence—I trust Bro. Whytehead will accept my suggestion that her ladyship's name should in future figure in connection with his able paper.

Fraternally yours,

M.

Bro. J. E. Shand W.M. of the City of Westminster Lodge, No. 1563, will rehearse the ceremony of installation, at the Albion Lodge of Instruction, John-street, Berkeley-square, W., on the 20th inst. The Lodge meets at seven o'clock.

The Annual Installation Meeting of the Earl of Carnarvon Lodge, No. 1642, was held on Thursday, at the Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, when Bro. Rev. C. Darby Reade was installed as W.M. A report will appear in our next issue.

His Royal Highness's tradesmen dined together, as usual, at Willis's Rooms, St. James's, under the presidency of Bro. Herbert Dicketts (Messrs. Skinner and Co.) Among the guests present was Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., Provincial Grand Master Middlesex.

Alderman Ellis, the new Lord Mayor of London, was

R.W. Bro. W. W. B. Beach, Hampshire and Isle of Wight, as North East Hants Agricultural those present at the annual dinn Alton, on the 1st instant.

The Directors of the Alhambra have they have secured the use of Her Majes weeks the Alhambra will be closed for a Horse" and the grand ballets, together will on Saturday (this day) be transferr for positively three weeks only. The A decorated, &c., on Saturday, 3rd Dece spectacular opera "Black Crook."

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Master, Colonel Sir Archibald C.
Substitute Grand Master, and Bros.
David Kinnear Grand Cashier, Rev.
Andrew Kerr Grand Architect, J
H. Y. D. Copland Grand Sword
Bearer, Major Hills, James Caldwe
James Turner, &c. Apologies for
Earl of Haddington Junior Gran

submitted from the promoters of the reponal of the Lodge Carron, No. 139, stating that they had utterly failed to obtain a suitable place in which to carry on Masonic work in the villiage of Carron, and praying that the Lodge be authorised to meet at Grahamstown; and this was granted. In compliance with the wish of the Province, Bro. John Maclellan Martin jun., of Auchindennan, was appointed Provincial Grand Master in room of Bro. Smollett, of Bonhill, deceased. Bro. P.M. James M'Callum was appointed representative to the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, in room of Bro. G. S. Blackie, M.D., deceased. Grand Committee reported that a memorial had been submitted to them from three Past Masters and 30 other members of Lodge Canongate and Leith, No. 5, repudiating the act of the Lodge which led to its suspension, and praying that the charter should be delivered to the petitioners, with authority to meet and elect office-bearers, and otherwise reorganise the Lodge, under such conditions as the Grand Lodge might in its wisdom impose. They had remitted the matter to a special committee which now reported that, after careful consideration, they recommended that this old Lodge be restored to its working: but that, after what had occurred, they were unanimously of opinion that the warrant should be granted on the conditions that the brethren who had been the means of bringing the Lodge into its present unfortunate condition should not be allowed to speak or vote or hold office in the Lodge until 1st January 1885, by which time it was hoped that all dissensions would be healed and forgotten. This report was adopted by a majority, against a proposal that the suspension should be remitted as to the present office-bearers, and only continue for one year. The bye-laws were approved of a Lodge in Aberdeenshire, which embraced the following rule:—"Every member of this Lodge is strictly forbidden to use any of the emblems on his sign or in connection with a business advertisement unless such advertisements be strictly for Masonic purposes." In a report by Grand Committee it was stated that Bro. W. M. Bryce had resigned the offices of Grand Tyler and Hall Keeper, on account of failing health and long service. He had been elected Joint-Grand Tyler in 1847, Grand Tyler in 1855, and Grand Tyler and Hall Keeper in 1859, and had thus been thirty-four years in office. Grand Committee recommended that a pension, to the amount of £52 a year, be granted to Bro. Bryce; and had remitted to a committee to consider the matter of appointing a successor or successors. This report was adopted.

Grand Lodge then proceeded to the nomination of office-bearers for next year. It was reported from Grand Committee that Sir Michael R. Shaw-Stewart, Bart., had intimated that he was of opinion that the time had arrived when it would be for the interests of Grand Lodge that there should be a new Grand Master, and that he would decline to be again nominated. He added that the Grand Committee were aware of his feelings of friendship and gratitude to them individually and collectively. It had been suggested in committee that the Grand Master be respectfully asked to reconsider this decision, but Grand Secretary stated that he had the authority of Sir Michael for saying that, however highly he valued the honour, he had made up his mind to decline re-election; and Grand Committee thereupon now recorded on their minutes their deep sense of the invaluable services rendered to Grand Lodge and Freemasonry by Sir Michael during his occupancy of the throne. This report having been received, the Grand Master nominated as his successor the Earl of Mar and Kellie, and in doing so said he made the proposal with the greatest pleasure and confidence. From the manner in which his Lordship had attended to the Grand Lodge business for a great many years, and the fact that he was conversant with the business and devotedly attached to the interests of Freemasonry, he was sure he would well discharge all the duties of his high office. The nomination was enthusiastically agreed to; and the Grand Master-elect, in thanking the brethren for their reception of the proposal of the Grand Master, and for the very feeling and fraternal manner in which he had proposed it, said that he had always had the greatest pleasure in acting under Sir Michael, and thought it one of the highest honours he could have to support him. He assured the brethren that he would do his utmost to discharge aright the duties of the high office to which they had been pleased to nominate him. His Lordship then named as Depute Grand Master Sir A. C. Campbell of Blythswood, and, as Substitute Grand Master, Bro. Robert Shaw-Stewart. The following brethren were then, on the recommendation of Grand Committee, nominated for the other offices:—The Earl of Haddington, formerly Junior, to be Senior Grand Warden; the Earl of Breadalbane, formerly Senior Grand Deacon, to be Junior Grand Warden, the Rev. James Barclay, Edinburgh, and the Rev. W. W. Tulloch to be Joint Grand Chaplains, Major Crombie Aberdeen, formerly Junior, to be Senior Grand Deacon, the Marquis of Tweeddale to be Junior Grand Deacon, Andrew Kerr, Edinburgh, Grand Architect, John S. Matheson, Leith, Grand Jeweller, Geo. Fisher, Glasgow, Grand Bible-Bearer, Major

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THE Annual Assembly of the
Grand Imperial Council of
Hotel, Edinburgh, on Friday, the
Most Illustrious Sovereign the Earl
Forfarshire, owing to the indispos
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detained in Wales, the throne was
Knight Major John Crombie Grand
General Grand Conclave and Exe
confirmed. The following were the
year, viz., Captain Charles Hunt
Crombie Grand Senior General,
General, George Dickson, M.D., G
michael, M.D., Grand Treasurer,
William Edwards Grand High Al
Marshal, J. Dalrymple Duncan Gra
Stewart Grand Standard Bearer,
Bart., Grand Chamberlain. The fo
to office in the Grand Senate, viz.,
George Miller C.A., John M. Marti
J. Proudfoot Dick, J. H. M. Bairns
A charter to a new Conclave in Gla
No. 10, was granted. The usual r
through, and the General Grand
sat down to an excellent dinner, p
Hotel. Sir Knight Grieve and M
Knight J. Crichton as Croupier. T
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COMMITTEE MEETING O

THE General Committee of the F
met last Saturday at Freema
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Tyrrell, Rev. Dr. Morris (Head M
Williams, William Mann, Arthur
Massey, F. W. Ramsay, M.D., Leo
F. Adlard, W. H. Saunders, George
John L. Mather, and F. Binckes
Audit Committee was received and
purchase £1000 Stock; also to tran
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to the Preparatory School Fund.
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MONDAY and Tuesday n
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3 p.m., in the Masonic Room
lowed by a banquet at 6 p.m.
8 p.m., the Provincial Grand
East Yorkshire will be receiv
(T.I.), to be followed by a ba
that many visitors are expect
double event.

bers from the 19 Chapters in the Province, all with three exceptions being represented.

Provincial Grand Chapter was opened shortly after three p.m., by the Most Excellent Provincial Grand Superintendent Companion Lord de Tabley, Grand J. of England, as Z., Companion T. Marwood as H., and Companion H. Bulley P.P.G.H. as J. The M.E. Provincial Grand Superintendent having been saluted in ancient form by the assembled Companions, the roll of Chapters was called by the Provincial Grand Scribe E. Companion G. W. Latham, and the minutes of the last annual Convocation held at Stockport twelve months ago, read and confirmed.

The report of the committee appointed to inspect Chapters and regulate the procedure in reference to Royal Arch Masonry in the Province was read, and on the motion of the Provincial Grand Superintendent, ordered to be printed for distribution amongst the Chapters of the Province, and the thanks of the Provincial Grand Chapter were accorded to the members of the committee for their labours.

The M. E. Provincial Grand Superintendent then addressed the Companions at some length, and expressed his pleasure and gratitude at being ably once more to meet them in Provincial Grand Chapter, and more especially so under the banner of a Chapter which he had so recently consecrated to the purposes of Royal Arch Masonry. He paid a well-deserved compliment to the Companions of Congleton for the excellence of their arrangements, and referred to the satisfaction he felt, as head of the Province, in seeing the disposition evinced by members of the Craft to dissociate Freemasonry from taverns. Nothing afforded him greater pleasure and satisfaction than to hear of brethren and Companions of the Order carrying out the business and duties of Masonry away from taverns, and he hoped the excellent example set by the Masons of Congleton in this respect would be followed in other parts of the Province.

The P.G. Treasurer, Companion F. Jackson jun., submitted his statement of the Prov. Grand Chapter funds, which showed a balance in hand of over £15. On the motion of the Provincial Grand Superintendent, the accounts were passed, and Companion Jackson was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

The M.E. Provincial Grand Superintendent then appointed and invested the Provincial Grand Officers of the Chapter for the ensuing year—viz., Companions R. Beales 533 H., W. S. Sutton 537 J., G. W. Latham 321 S.E., Wallace Lumb 321 S.N., W. Johnson 721 P.S., S. F. Goslin 533 1st A.S., W. Pritchard 323 2nd A.S., J. Hibbert 361 Registrar, L. D. Bradbury 322 Sword Bearer, W. Blackshaw 533 Standard Bearer, H. Finch 323 Director of Ceremonies, E. Cuzner 425 Organist, F. Jackson jun. 595 Treasurer, M. Allcock 941 Janitor.

The newly-appointed Officers having been proclaimed and saluted, under the direction of Companion Finch P.G.D.C., the M.E. Prov. Grand Superintendent announced his intention of holding the next P.G. Chapter at Chester, and the P.G. Chapter was closed in ancient form.

The Companions afterwards dined together, and the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. The state of Lord de Tabley's health did not permit of his remaining to the banquet, but his place was most ably and genially filled by the senior Officer, Companion Dr. R. Beales Prov. G.H. The Companions separated about seven o'clock, after enjoying one of the pleasantest meetings ever held in connection with the P.G. Chapter of Cheshire.

St John Chapter, No. 70.—The annual Convocation was held on the 3rd, at the Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth, and there—in a Board of Installed Principals amongst whom where Comps. Jas. H. Keats, J. B. Gover, F. D. Westcott, Samuel Jew, Richard Pengelly, James Gidley, H. Cameron—Comp. J. Russell Lord P.H. was installed as Z., A. E. Lean as H., and J. G. Kevern as J. After the installation, the following Officers were appointed for the ensuing year:—J. H. Keats I.P.Z., L. D. Westcott Treas., Richard Pengelly S.E., Leonard J. Webber S.N., W. Odam P.S., Yeo 1st A.S., G. Sercombe 2nd A.S., E. Tout R., T. King sen. D.C., W. H. Symons A.D.C., J. D. Barker P.G.O., R. C. Uglow S., W. H. Phillips Jan. The usual business consequent on the yearly Convocation was satisfactorily completed, and the Companions adjourned for the annual dinner to Harvey's Hotel, where, after the admirable catering of Companion W. H. Symons, and under the presidency of the newly-installed, the usual Loyal and R.A. toasts were duly honoured.

St. John's Chapter, No. 327, Wigton.—The annual convocation of this Chapter was held on Saturday last, at the Chapter rooms, Lion and Lamb Hotel. The Chapter was opened soon after eleven o'clock by M.E. Comps. Joseph Pearson Z., H. Bowes P.Z. as H.

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Huyshe Lodge, No. 91.—Th meeting on 7th inst., at the Ebri street, Devonport. A candidate was the W.M. elect, W. Bro. R. Ellis, was Ellis was in talled into the chair by th W. Bro. T. Searle P.P.G.A.D.C. condu following Installing Board:—W. Bi Rowe, E. J. Knight, W. Allsford, F. Baxter, J. R. Dugdale. The W.M. in as the Officers for the year:—J. H. R R. J. Goodyear J.W., T. Towan M.O., John Lynn Treas., J. R. H. Harris S Coath J.D., W. Joll I.G., John Roger

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A MEETING of this body was h the M.W.S. Bro. J. S. Cumber M.W.S. took place, and Bro. the Rev and returned thanks to the membe was re-elected Treasurer. A resoluti the Masons of America in the loss of was passed, and ordered to be forwar and Accepted Rite in the United Sta

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The ceremony of installatio St. Michael's Lodge of Instruc Moorgate, Moorgate-street, E.C by the Preceptor, Bro. Geo. King Lodge.

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BRO. WILLIAM

ON Friday last there died, a 54 Frenchwood-street, at much respected inhabitant of the William Bailey. He was for a business in Fishergate as a prin the repeal of the stamp duty, c under the title of the *Preston* ever, discontinued the following enthusiastic Freemason when th as it is now, and was a P.M. Lodge of Perseverance, No. 1 but formerly at Preston; the L Starkie-street, Preston; and th held at Blackpool. Of the last and was the first W.M. He su former Lodges over a very critic and, with the assistance of a f laid the foundation of their p eighteen months ago Bro. Baile spend the remainder of his d known to a generation now fast "Judge" Bailey, as he was f fine commanding presence, a manner in which he gave uttera be learned with deep regret by foremost in the battle of life.—

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1556—Addiscombe, Harewood House, High Street, Croydon.
1637—Unity, Abercorn Hotel, Great Stanmore

MONDAY, 14th NOVEMBER.

45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
58—Felicity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street
59—Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
90—St. John, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
176—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
193—Confidence, Anderton's Hotel,
222—St. Andrews, 101 Queen Victoria-street
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
1366—Highgate, Gatehouse Hotel, Highgate
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1469—Marquess of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1571—Leopold, Gregorian Arms, Bermondsey
1606—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1657—Aldersgate, Castle and Falcon, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
1663—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
1789—Ubique, Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.

40—Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
75—Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
104—St. John, Ashton House, Greek-street, Stockport
151—Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields
262—Salopian, the Lion Hotel, Shrewsbury
292—Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
296—Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
297—Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
332—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge, 8.30. (Instruction)
411—Commercial, Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham
481—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
502—Rectitude, Town Hall, Rugby
587—Howe, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
589—Druids of Love and Liberality, Masonic Hall, Redruth
665—Montagu, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
721—Independence, Masonic Chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
797—Hanley, Hanley Hall, Dartmouth
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
893—Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook, Cornwall
949—Williamson, St. Stephen School, Monkwearmouth, Durham
1021—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Custom House Buildings, Barrow-in-Furness
1069—United Brothers, Castle Hotel, Southsea
1174—Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
1221—Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
1237—Enfield, Market-place, Enfield
1253—Travellers, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
1350—Fermor Hesketh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1436—Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1474—Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
1592—Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
1611—Eboracum, Queen's Hotel, Micklegate, York
1618—Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea
1656—Wolsey, White Hart Hotel, Hampton Wick
1790—Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
R.A. 148—Elias Ashmole, Chapter Rooms, Warrington
R. A. 302—Charity, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
R.A. 306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
M.M.—Egerton, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry, Cheshire.
R.C.—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool

TUESDAY, 15th NOVEMBER.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
30—United Mariners, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
73—Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.
95—Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
162—Cadogan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
194—St. Paul, Cannon-street Hotel,
435—Salisbury, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
704—Camden, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
857—St. Mark, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
890—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at. 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, (Instruction)
1420—Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge, S.W.
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1658—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.
R.A. 933—Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
R.A. 1385—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)

117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
213—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, The[illegible], Norwich.

190—Oak, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-s
226—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Cro
538—La Tolerance, Moriand's Hotel, Dean
700—Nelson, Masonic Hall, William-street,
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Belham, at 7
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burde
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgs
862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-cour
960—Maybury, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
1044—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsw
1150—Buckingham and Chandos, Freemason
1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Gree
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folga
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposit
1289—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbu
1321—Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swallow
1349—Friars, Cheshire Cheese, Crutched Fri
1382—Corinthian, George Inn, Glengall Road
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moo
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 C
1507—Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet
1534—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, M
1624—Eccleston, Criterion, W.
1662—Besconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street,
1673—Langton, Viaduct Hotel, Holborn
1677—Crusaders, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Vi
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobe
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-stree
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Qu

30—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, C
131—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzar
140—St. George, Trafalgar Tavern, Greenw
175—East Medina, Masonic Hall, John-stre
178—Antiquity Royal Hotel, Wigan.
200—Old Globe, Private Rooms, Globe-stree
221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Ha
246—Royal Union, Freemasons Hall, Chelte
325—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-
342—Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, 79 Co
428—Sincerity, Angel Inn, Northwich, Ches
451—Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem
537—Zetland, 9 Hamilton-street, Birkenhead
581—Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
592—Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirenc
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at
633—Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Manch
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8
683—Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, N
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
874—Holmesdale, Royal Sussex Hotel, Tunb
889—Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston-on-Tha
938—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, New-street,
969—Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Wor
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbu
1019—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Zetland-
1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield, Yorks
1086—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, K
1129—St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
1161—De Grey and Ripon, Brunswick Hotel,
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
1246—Holte, Holte Hotel, Aston
1371—Brighouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-ro
1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Durham Hou
1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenæum, Lancas
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-stre
1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hul
1634—Starkie, Railway Hotel, Ramsbottom
R.A. 220—Harmony, Wellington Hotel, Garst
R.A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, H
R.A. 481—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maple-stre
R.A. 1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Tamw
M.M. 181—Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, T

THURSDAY, 17th N

House Committee, Girls' School, Battersea Ri
3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-stree
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Waltham
23—Globe, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-
49—Gibon, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-stree
55—Constitutional, Inns of Court Hotel, Flee
63—St. Mary, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, I
169—Temperance, White Swan, High-street,
179—Manchester, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-str
181—Universal, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate S
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Re
733—Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St Johns Wo
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower T
813—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gresha
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-co
1139—South Norwood, Public Hall, South Nor
1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate, Wes
1287—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Victo
1247—Great Northern, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1321—Emblematic, Tulse Hill Hotel, Tulse Hil
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Ro
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Clapton
1420—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' A
1475—Peckham, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camber
1613—Cripplegate, Albion, Aldersgate-street
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Stree

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1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
R.A. 204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
R.A. 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 275—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield.
R.A. 1214—Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Caledonian-road, Batley

FRIDAY, 18th NOVEMBER.

House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green, at 4.
Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
143—Middlesex, Albion, Aldersgate-street.
201—Jordan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Instruct.)
786—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 7.30. (Instruction)
834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction.
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8. (Instruction)
975—Rose of Denmark, Greyhound, Richmond
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C. at 7. (Instruction)
1118—University, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1154—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
1296—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8. (In.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd., N. Kensington, at 8. (In)
1704—Anchor, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)

127—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
153—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
347—Noah's Ark, Wagon and Horses Hotel, Tipton
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Bucklurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
516—Phœnix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
541—De Loraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
993—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield
R.A. 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5.30
M.M. 123—Callender Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire.
K.T.—Jacques de Molay, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.C.—Talbot, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

SATURDAY, 19th NOVEMBER.

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
715—Panmure, Cannon-street Hotel, E.C.
1329—Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
1732—King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
1767—Kensington, Courtfield Hotel, Earl's Court, S.W.
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.

TRINITY COLLEGE LODGE, No. 1765.

THE Installation Meting of this new and flourishing Lodge, comprised principally of the members of the musical profession, was held on the 3rd inst., at No. 11 Mandeville-place, under the Presidency of the W.M. Bro. J. A. Hammond, J. H. Stark Mus. B. Oxon., Rev. B. Hunt J.W., Garvel Treasurer, J. Stedman Secretary, E. J. Hoare S.D., Bradbury Turner J.D., G. F. Hammond I.G., A. W. S. Turner W.S. Visitors—E. Farwig P.M. 180, J. E Shand W.M. 1563, C. Brander 1563, Jas. Stevens P.M. 1426, T. Poore P.M. 720, H. Massey W.M. 1928 P.M. 619, C. Moser 19, E. Rogers S.W. 1746, H. Taylor, Lochner 1642, H. M. Levy P.M. 188. Lodge was opened and the minutes were confirmed. Bro. Carl. M. Brander 1563 was, by the courtesy of the W.M., raised to the third degree in a perfect and impressive manner. The report of the Audit Committee was read and adopted. Bro. Stark S.W. and W.M. elect was then presented to the Lodge by Bro. E. Farwig P.M. 180, and duly installed into the chair by the retiring Master Bro. J. Hammond, in a manner that reflected great credit on him for so young a Mason. After the customary salutations the W.M. invested the following as his Officers:—Bros. J. A. Hammond I.P.M., Rev. V. Hunt S.W., Stedman J.W., Gabriel Treasurer, J. A. Hammond I.P.M. Secretary, E. J. Hoare S.D., B. Turner J.D., G. Hammond I.G., B. Lane Organist, F. Carr Director of Ceremonies, S. Hoare W.S., Harrisson Tyler. The W.M. said one of the most pleasant duties that had devolved on him since his occupation of the chair had now to be undertaken; this was the presentation of a jewel to the retiring Worshipful Master, Bro. Hammond. This gift of jewels was, in some Lodges, looked upon almost as a part of the routine work; this would not be the case in the Trinity College Lodge. It was not the intention to present jewels unless they were fairly earned. The I.P.M. was fully entitled to a jewel, and he hoped he would regard it in a twofold

or Westminster Lodge thanked th
ministering the third degree to a
he hoped to have the pleasure, on a
The W.M. then proposed the toas
Hammond I.P.M. All knew the ci
the chair of the Lodge, which he t
perity. Bro. Hammond, in eloque
jewel that had been presented to h
tion. He regretted to say two of t
Lodge; he had frequently heard it
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For the toast of the Masonic Press
sponded. Then came the toast o
name of the S.W. This having
toast was given. Several glees we
W. Wells, and Stanley Smith, and
enjoyable by the ability displayed

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THE annual Installation meeti
Lodge, which is just commer
ence, took place on Tuesday eveni
Gresham-street, where there was
Visitors. The brethren assembled
half-past Lodge was opened in ac
formalities under the presidency of
Bro. Thomas Grove, who was su
Master Bro. James Cooper, Charle
T. W. Mayes J.W., John Stanley
John Soper S.D., George Croxton
Linscott I.G., E. Abercrombie, W.
others. Amongst the Visitors we
276, H. C. Soper 704, J. T. Rober
Farthing 55, G. E. Snow 55 P.P.G
P.P.G. Chaplain Leicester, T. P.
Essex, H. E. Dehane 1543 P.G.S
Andrews 1799, Thomas C. N
Maurice S. Rubenstein 1642, T.
1642, J. Healey 1348, John Cotton
D. Stroud 55, Thomas E. Wright
having been advanced in accordan
Bro. Charles Thompson was present
and having assented to the interro
ness to accept the responsibilitie
Masters was duly constituted, a
installed into the chair by Bro. Ch
the ceremony in a most creditable
the brethren the newly-installed
saluted, and greeted with the usu
to invest his Officers for the ens
bestowed:—Bros. Thomas Grove
Soper J.W., John Stanley P.M.
J. C. Thomas J.D., J. B. Linsc
Abercrombie Inner Guard, C. Thon
having been transacted, the broth
hall, where a sumptuous repast
Ritter and Clifford, whose arrang
intendence of Bro. Henry Mills,
the conclusion of the repast the
given from the chair and duly hon
being received with especial cordiali
thanked the brethren for the hon
and assured them that he should e
the welfare of the Lodge. In prop
Past Master, he spoke of the offici
charged the duties of the chair du
his acceptance of a handsome Past
respect and esteem in which he
recognition of the valuable service
The toast was most cordially rece
ledging the compliment paid to
their generous gift, and promised
could to his successor during the t
Several other toasts were honoured
tractive selection of vocal and in
Gantle P.M. leading efficient aid

Gribbell candidate. Lodge was called off and on. Bro. Ferrar worked the first section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. G. Ferrar was elected to preside at the next meeting, after which Lodge was closed, and adjourned.

St. Michael's Lodge, No. 211.—The regular monthly meeting was held at the Albion, Aldersgate-street, on Tuesday, the 8th inst. The chair was taken by Bro. John Waters W.M. Among those present to support their chief being Bros. Usher Back S.W., W. E. Young J.W., W. Radcliffe I.P.M., C. Greenwood P.G.S.B. P.M. Treasurer, W. W. Morgan Secretary, F. J. Hentsch S.D., T. H. Peirce J.D.; Past Masters G. Dryedale, Laver, Lavers, Parsons, Linsdaell, Green, Withers, &c. There were also present Bro. C. Atkins P.M. 27, White P.M. 177, J. Mason P.M., C. Greenwood jun., Clynds, and Kenningham, as Visitors. Lodge having been opened and minutes of last meeting, and of an emergent meeting, read and confirmed, Mr. Francis N. Frohawk, who had been regularly balloted for and accepted at a previous meeting, was initiated into the mysteries of the first degree by the W. Master, who played his part very ably and impressively. Mr. R. C. Douglas Bradley was then balloted for, the result being favourable to his admission into the Lodge. Such other business as remained having been disposed of, Lodge was closed with the accustomed formalities, and the brethren adjourned to a banquet, which was in all respects worthy of the fair fame of this noted hostelry. On the removal of the cloth, Bro. Waters gave the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts, to each and every one of which the brethren paid the usual honours. The toast of the Worshipful Master fell to Bro. W. Radcliffe I.P.M., who, in proposing it, paid a just compliment to Bro. Waters for the assiduity and zeal he exhibited in the discharge of his duties, and congratulated him on the evidence he had afforded them in the course of that afternoon of his ability in working the ceremony of initiation. The toast was very warmly received, and the W.M., in his reply, expressed his hope that he should continue to merit this applause, and should during the remainder of his term of office be as numerously and loyally supported as he had been hitherto. The health of the Initiate was also duly honoured, Bro. Frohawk acknowledging the compliment, and expressing the hope that he would be found worthy of the honour they had done him in admitting him into their Lodge. The Visitors severally replied to the toast with which they were associated, each offering a few remarks in recognition of the heartiness with which they had been received. The rest of the toasts having been worthily honoured, the Tyler was called upon to contribute his part to the proceedings, and this having been done, the brethren rose and separated, after having spent a quiet but very enjoyable evening.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No. 780.—At the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge, on the 4th instant. Present:—Bros. F. Botley W.M., Gunner S.W., Blasby P.M. J.W., C. E. Botley Secretary, E. H. Sugg P.M. S.D., Monson J.D., Andrews P.M. Preceptor, Sperring I.G.; Past Masters Bros. Gomm and Goss; Bros. Maton, Beckett, N. Wotton, &c. Lodge was opened, and the minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed, and signed. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. N. Wotton candidate. Lodge opened in the third degree, and the ceremony of raising was gone through, Bro. Beckett candidate. Bro. Gunner was elected W.M. for the 11th instant, on the occasion of the Annual Banquet. Lodge was closed, and adjourned.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—On Tuesday, 8th instant. Bros. Catling W.M. T. Clark S.W., Wardell J.W., Edwards S.D., Dignam J.D., Larter I.G., J. Lorkin P.M. Sec., P.M. Wallington Preceptor, Smyth Treasurer; also Bros. Brasted, Baker, Robinson, Christian, Jones, Glass, Boyce, Allen, C. Lorkin, Bunker, Goling, Lamb, and others. All formalities were observed, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. Bro. C. Lorkin gave the lecture on the second tracing board. Bro. Christian worked the first section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Lodge was closed in the second degree, and Bro. C. Lorkin worked the third and fourth sections, assisted by the brethren. Bro. T. Clark was elected W.M. for the ensuing week.

Acacia Lodge, No. 1214.—The regular meeting was held on the 8th inst., at the Bell Hotel, Bromley, Kent. Bros. J. Harvey W.M., W. Carrington S.W., Bond J.W., A. Avery P.M. Treasurer, E. Coste P.M. Secretary, J. E. Harvey S.D., Keyes J.D., Gibson I.G.; P.M.'s S. Carrington, Seaman, and Wyer. Lodge was opened and

in the first degree, when Bro. Ward w
Nothing further offering, Lodge was
nesday next. The Fifteen Sections w
Instruction on 23rd November, on whi
preside; he will be supported by Bro
Wooding, and many other eminent bre

West Middlesex Lodge of
On Thursday, at the Feathers Hotel, F
W.M., J. Green S.W., C. E. Botley J.
jun. S.D., A. Jones J.D., Cotton I.G
Clarke, E. C. Porter, T. A. Smith. L
and the minutes of the two previous
firmed. The Lodge was opened up to
to first degree. Bro. T. A. Smith an
W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of passi
The Lodge was resumed to third degre
ceremony of raising, Bro. E. C. Porte
unanimously elected W.M. for next me

Kingsland Lodge of Instruct
Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., on
past eight. The installation ceremo
hearsed by Bro. Speedy, the W.M. of
Bro. P.M. Cohen, of the Israel Lodge
installed into the chair of K.S. The
present, amongst whom we noticed
Hickman (of the Joppa), Fenner,
Killick jun.; Bro. J. Osborn (W.M.
Lodge), Forge, Harthaw, Marks, Sch
&c. The W.M. Bro. Cohen having be
invested Officers. The Lodge was
offered himself as candidate to be rais
questions. Lodge was further adva
ing ably rehearsed. The Lodge hav
degree, the votes of the members of
Harthaw, of the Kensington Lodge; I
P.M. Hickman, of the Joppa Lodge, w
members. The usual vote of thank
the able manner he had rehearsed the
to Bro. Cohen, the same to be placed
Instruction. Nothing further offerin
Lodge was closed in perfect harmony.

King's Cross Lodge of In
the Adam's Arms, Hampstead-street,
Bros. N. P. Vallentine W.M., B. K
Devine Treasurer, L. Solomon Secret
J.D., J. Guyer I.G., J. Hemming Pr
the rehearsing of the ceremonies of
which the W.M. conducted most credi
lecture was worked by the brethren.
W.M. for the ensuing week, and
closed.

Bro. Lord Headley, No. 10,
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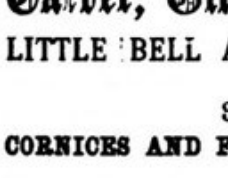
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GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE.

THE Annual General Assembly of the Grand Orient of France was opened on Monday, 12th September, and closed on Saturday following with the customary banquet. The chair was taken at the morning and evening sittings of the first-named day by Bro. De Saint-Jean, President of the Council of the Order, who, we are informed, had but recently recovered from a long and painful illness. At the second sitting M. Ali Margarot was chosen President of the meeting, and to him accordingly Bro. De Saint-Jean resigned the gavel. At the Friday sitting, after due honour had been paid to the memory of the late Prince Frederick of the Netherlands, for sixty-five years Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, the election of eleven brethren to serve on the Council, instead of as many members retiring by rotation, and one in place of the late Bro. Albert Joly, was proceeded with. The following were successful, namely, Bros. Poulle, Wyrouboff, Lagache-Saint-Gest, Duhamel, Thulié, Bruand, and Doué, who were re-elected; and Bros. Maynard, Ali Margarot, Guimbaud, De Serres, and Péan, the last named being chosen for two years only, while the rest will serve for the full term of three years. The following were then chosen by the Council to be its Officers for the year, namely:—Bros. De Saint-Jean, President; Cousin and Caubet, Vice-Presidents; Poulle and Wyrouboff, Secretaries. A table was then submitted from which it appeared that, on the 1st March of this year, there were in the French Lodges 15,221 members, to which number 683 brethren since initiated or affiliated must be added, making a total of 15,904 active members, as against 13,281 at the corresponding period last year. The banquet, under the presidency of Bro. De Saint-Jean, brought the proceedings to a close.

OCCASIONAL PAPERS.—No. III.

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THE RISE AND EARLY PROGRESS OF SPECULATIVE FREEMASONRY.

Read in the Confidence Lodge of Instruction, 28th November 1876.

WERE I asked to arrange the history of Freemasonry in certain well-defined periods, I should feel justified in dividing it into the following:—The first I should describe as the Philosophical, or better still, perhaps, the Mystical period, relegating to it all those curious legends and traditions, which certainly exist, but of the value of which we are at the best most imperfectly informed. This period I should carry as far forward as the Middle Ages. The second I will describe as the Operative period, extending from the time when Mason Guilds were established in the Middle Ages down to the latter half of the seventeenth century, when Operative Freemasonry gradually, we may almost say imperceptibly, lost its supremacy. The third period comm century, and embraces the whol Society, from the establishment Lodge of England till now. Thi lative period. During all the 16 have seen our modern system progressing, till it is now establ entire surface of the earth, and i an influence that the members religious worship and more than so content as when fiercely denou is my periodical arrangement of think there are any strong reasor indeed, it be in the case of th Buchan and others, that Mod masonry goes no further back th last century. They, of course, w anything like our present syste ages of antiquity. They would l connection, except, perhaps, a Speculative system and the prec But while I confess I am not prep story which some among us hav scribe as a true and circumstan see no just reason for refusing to Worshipful Pro Grand Master, t does trace back its origin to a I am not, however, about to adva or support anybody else's, by w of this antiquity. In the first more space than is at our dispos teresting as such a paper could those better versed in the quest lead, I fear inevitably, to a long discussion. Nor am I about to for the purpose of establishing t connection of Speculative with am simply about to give a sho sketch, of the Rise and Early P tem; for which purpose it is you back well nigh a century b as many call it, the Revival of in the year 1717.

We all know that many years several honourable gentlemen w operative Lodges. The earliest r receptions are mentioned by l elaborate history of Freemasonry some time before the year w Ashmole was made a Mason at As far back, indeed, as the y authority of this learned brother, Master of Work, and John Bosw engaged in settling an alleged b it is not till the year 1634 tha professional persons being adn of the Lodge of Edinburgh, o the 3rd July of that year it is re the right honourable Lord Alex and Sir Alexander Strachan wer Lodge. These minutes are a

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Alexander Nesbet warden, and the hell rest off the Mesteres off Edenbroch; and therto euerie mester heath supscriuet with their hans or eles pet to ther markes. Thomas Ainslie, Thomas Patersone, Robert Gray. [Deacon's and Wardens' marks.] Jn. Watt, Alexander, An. Alexander, Johne Mylln.

"At Edinburghe, the 3 of July 1634. The quhilk day Sr. Alexander Strachan of Thorntoun is admitted fellow-craft be Hew Forest deaken, and Alexr. Nisbet warden, and the baile rest of the Masters Measons of Edinburghe; and in token thereof the mesters underscryband have sett to their hands and marks to thir presnts. [Deacon's and Wardens' marks.] Jn. Watt, Robert Gray, Thomas Ainslie, Thomas Paterson, Johne Mylln, Alexander, An. Alexander, A. Strachan."

Among the minutes which are quoted after the above is one dated 27th December 1636, in which the words "Frie Mesones" occur, this, says Bro. Lyon, being "the earliest instance yet discovered of 'Free Mason' being in Scotland applied to members of the Mason Craft. It is evidently used," adds Bro. Lyon, "as an abbreviation of the term 'Freemen Masons'—Master Masons possessing the legal right to exercise their vocation as such within the liberties or boundaries of the town or burgh of which they were burgesses, and cannot in any sense be held as equivalent to 'Freemason,' as now understood." Close on 160 years occur before we meet with the expression again—namely, in the minute of 29th January 1795, where it is used in designating the Lodge as a "Society of Free Masons." Bro. Lyon adds that "the adoption in January, 1735, by the Lodge of Kilwinning, of the distinguishing title of Freemasons, and its reception of Symbolical Masonry, were of simultaneous occurrence."

Three other records worth referring to are also given. The first of these mentions the reception on the 16th February, 1638, of "The Right Worthie and honerabell Mr. off Work to his Maj'stie, Herie Alexander," afterwards Earl of Stirling; the second, dated 20th May 1640, records the admission of the "right honerabell Alexander Hamiltone, generall of the artelerie of this Kindom;" and the third, dated 27th day of July 1647, mentions the admission of "William Maxwell, doctor of Fisek ordinare to his Maj'stie hines."

The first record we have in England of a similar kind is from the diary of the celebrated antiquary, Elias Ashmole, who records that he and Colonel Henry Mainwaring, of Kermincham, in Cheshire, were made Freemasons at Warrington, in Lancashire, on 16th October 1646. Many years later, under date of 10th March 1682, mention is again made in the same diary of Ashmole's being summoned to attend a Lodge to be held the next day at Masons' Hall. He went accordingly, and found himself the senior fellow present. On this occasion, Sir William Wilson, Knight, Captain Richard Borthwick, and others were admitted. Other instances might be mentioned, but these will suffice for our purpose, which is merely to show that some eighty years before the important year 1717, non-Masons were made members of Masonic Lodges—as early as 1634 in Scotland, and twelve years later in England. It is clear then, I think, that the growth of what we call Speculative Freemasonry, if gradual, was sure, and I conceive there must have been, by the end of the seventeenth century, a considerable number of Freemasons in Britain. Doubtless, too, the restoration of London after the Great Fire must have created great

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"2. That noe person hereaft
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"3. That noe person hereaft
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until he hath brought a Certific
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Assembly.

"4. That every person who
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to the end that the same may b
of place as the Brother shall d
the whole company of fellows r
other.

"5. That for the future, the
Fraternity of Freemasons shall
by one Master, and the assembly
Company shall think fit to appo
Assembly.

"6. That noe person shall be
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taken the oath of secrecy follow

"I. A. B. doe, in the presence
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that I will not at any time her
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privileges of Masonry should no longer be restricted to operative Masons, but extended to men of various professions, provided they were regularly approved and initiated into the Order." This is quoted from the "Book of Constitutions," published in 1738, but nothing is said about the year in which the resolution was passed, Moreover, as we have already seen, non-Speculative members had already been elected. At all events, the few authorities to which I have had access all agree that, after this, the Society revived, and when the Hanoverian dynasty ascended the throne, on the death of Queen Anne, but three years passed ere the present Grand Lodge of England was constituted.*

[* The lecture included the circumstances of the establishment of the Grand Lodge in London, but the story has been so often told that, having regard to the space at our disposal, we have omitted the account.—ED. F.C.]

FREEMASONRY IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE Grand Lodge of Missouri held its annual meeting in St. Louis, on 11th October and two following days. Most Worshipful Brother W. R. Stubblefield Grand Master presided, and there were present twelve Past Grand Masters and some five hundred brethren. The Grand Master, in a brief address, described the events of the year, but the most gratifying feature of the meeting was the consideration and adoption of a plan by which, if the Grand Lodge of New Mexico accede to it, an end will be put to the difference existing between the two Grand Lodges on the subject of jurisdiction *re* the Silver City Lodge, No. 465, on the roll of Missouri, but situate within the Masonic jurisdiction of New Mexico. The plan is simplicity itself, Silver City Lodge being requested to join the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, and the latter being invited to remove the interdict against Silver City Lodge. The following are the principal Grand Officers for the current year:—Bros. Dr. A. M. Dockery Grand Master, Rev. C. C. Woods Deputy Grand Master, Lee A. Hall Senior Grand Warden, R. F. Stevenson Junior Grand Warden, John W. Luke Grand Treasurer, Rev. John D. Vincil, of St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

It has been resolved to erect in the city of Washington, U.S.A., a Garfield Masonic Memorial Institute, where the Orphan children of Master Masons of the United States shall be maintained and educated.

The annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was held at Chicago on the 4-7th ult., under the presidency of the W.M. Bro. W. H. Scott Grand Master, the attendance of Grand Officers and representatives of Lodges being large. A thousand dollars were voted towards the relief of brethren who have suffered by the recent forest fires in Michigan. Recognition was refused to the so called Grand Lodges of Colon and Cuba and New South Wales. M.W. Bro. William H. Scott, of Salem, was re-elected Grand Master, R.W. Wiley M. Egan, of Chicago, Grand Treasurer, and Bro. Loyal L. Munn, of Freeport, elected Grand Secretary.

Sir Knight Simeon V. McDowell, of Rochester, has been elected Right Eminent Grand Commander of Knights Templar of New York, and Sir Robert Macoy, of New York City, re-elected Grand Recorder.

R.W. Bro. Robert A. Quillian, of Walsenburg, has been

H. K. Maitland Grand Captain
Grand Lecturer, Rev. Albert
D. B. Murray Grand Master of
Grand Conductor, W. H. Ro
Davies, A. G. Harvey, J. F.
P. J. Slatter, John Scoon Stew
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According to the *Cosmopolita*
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Sir T. Brassey, M.P., K.C.B
the Royal Naval Volunteers, o
Bristol, on Saturday last.

The Very Rev. the Dean of
preach to-morrow (Sunday)
in the morning, and at S
evening.

The Prince and Princess of
Sandringham on Friday last.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—The blood being
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Spain or Portugal, while for others a copious draught of modest beer has superior attractions. Liquor of some kind is a necessity of our being, but so long as a man gets his share of his favourite tipple—be it the modest quencher of Mr. Richard Swiveller, the sack of old Jack Falstaff, or the particular vanity of the hypocritical Stiggins—who cares, we ask, whence it came, or how or by whom it has been invented or compounded? To drink and be happy is the thought of the moment, all else is of secondary consideration. And yet the history of liquors from the pure water of the earliest to the cup "which cheers, but not inebriates" of these degenerate days, from the divine nectar of Mount Olympus to the rum punch and porter of the British Isles is not the least interesting of the many studies on which we may profitably bestow a little attention. Be it our present task to extol the admitted virtues of a class of beverages, which finds ever-increasing favour with the public, whether we consider them in their native or manufactured simplicity; as ingredients to be deftly compounded with other and stronger potables for the perfectly legitimate purpose of quenching the thirst and making the heart glad; or as possessing medicinal properties of considerable value. We include not in our programme the abuse of these or other beverages.

It is not improbable that the wines of the ancients were often qualified by those who drank them, and possibly even doctored by the more unscrupulous vendors. Spices likewise and other materials were often laid under contribution, in order to make them attractive to the palates of more refined drinkers. Even the great Falstaff himself, whose capacity for imbibing sack would seem to have been unquenchable, could detect in his least sober moments the presence of too much lime in his potations; but we cannot say how far back it is since man discovered the art of imitating by artificial means those mineral waters which Dame Nature has so bountifully provided in some countries for the health or pleasure of the inhabitants, or when or by whom it was first suggested that alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks could be compounded together into something that should be both refreshing and palatable. We have, however, before us a copy of an old report that was presented to the National Institute of France towards the end of last century, and from which we have been able to gather some useful information as to what had been done previously in connection with the manufacture of artificial mineral waters, as well as of the many great improvements and further discoveries in relation to such manufacture as were made by M. Nicolas Paul, the founder, in 1802, of the present well-known and enterprising firm of Paul and Burrows. From the first section of this report, which was presented to the National Institute in December 1799, and is throughout highly laudatory of M. Paul's method, we learn that in 1755 M. Venel, of Montpellier, presented to the Royal Academy of Sciences, Paris, "an account of his success in imitating Seltzer Water, by passing through pure water the gas arising from effervescing substances." Then it was that for the first time chemists began to conceive the hope of "producing, by artificial means, mineral waters exactly resembling those of Nature, and the prejudice, before entertained, of its being impossible to communicate to simple water the same principles and the same virtues that are found in natural mineral water, gradually disappeared." No long time elapsed, and Dr. Black made his discovery respecting fixed air, or, as it has since come to be termed, carbonic acid, while the further successive discoveries of Dr. Priestley, the Duc de Chaulnes, and M. Ruelle as to the solution of this aëriform acid in water, "brought to light the true composition of its spirituous or acidulous waters, and afforded the means of imitating them perfectly." Moreover, "the knowledge which was at the same time accumulated from all hands respecting the various salts dissolved in water; the manner of detecting them with certainty, and extracting them without alteration; the solubility of iron by the assistance of the carbonic acid; and that of the fetid or hepatic gas (sulphurated hydrogen) in water, furnished the means of composing, from their respective ingredients, artificial waters in the several classes of acidulous, alkaline, bitter saline, simple and acidulous chalybeate waters, and likewise sulphureous waters." We are next told that "Bergmann was the first who, in his valuable dissertations, published in 1774, 1775, and 1778, on the preparation of cold waters, on the aërial acid, and on the analysis of waters in general, gave easy processes of imitating, from their scrupulous examination, the waters of Seidchutz, Seltzer, Spa, and Pyrmont; and also the hot and cold hepatic, or sulphureous waters. He showed that no mineral water could be considered as exactly analysed, unless it could be imitated in all its properties, by dissolving in simple water the same principles that had been obtained from the compounded one; and he proved that there was no exception to this general rule." In 1779, M. Duchanoy published a treatise on the art of preparing artificial mineral waters, but though

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A PASSING FUNERAL.

SLOW moves the mournful throng;
The muffled bell
Sends forth its solemn knell;
And thro' the aisles now fall, now swell,
The weeping cadents of the fun'ral song.

All sound is hush'd, save pray'r:
A boding gloom,
That chills the heart, doth loom
O'er all things, palling as the tomb,
And awes the soul with its weird presence there.

A woman in the crowd:
With gaze intent
Upon the *cortège* bent;
Her breast with hopeless grief is pent,
And in her wild despair she speaks aloud:

"Oh, glorious sight;—oh, grandest sight;
Stay, let me feast mine eyes upon thee well.
Death!—how I hunger for thee day and night.
Man!—how I envy thee thy heaven—or hell.
Ay, hell were better far than wretched life—
Than this, my cursed, miserable lot:
Oh, how I envy thee thy peace from strife—
Thy sleep in which all troubles are forgot.
Oh, that I did now in thee, coffin, rest,
And ye, oh bearers, bore me to my grave;
Ah, happy me, if I could but be blest
With peaceful death, the one boon which I crave.

See, see, for that poor mortal clay that's gone
They shed hot tears, and wring their hands, and sigh:
No mourning tear will ever fall upon
My cold and lonely grave when I shall die.
Yet, wherefore sorrow for me were I dead?
My death should cause a wild, exultant glee;
None should bewail them that my life be fled,
But bless the happy day that saw me free.
No, no; at my release ye must not grieve—
'Twere not a time for morbid, tearful gloom;
Ye should feel glad when this harsh world I leave,
And feast—and sing—and dance upon my tomb!"

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Oh, men of hearts sincere;
Oh, women good;—
Ye who life's test have stood—
She *lived*—no fiction of an idle mood;
Her life a waste, with none to love her near.

This fair, wide world contains
A many such,
Who suffer, oh! how much;—
Who need a friendly hand's kind touch
To ease them just a little midst their pains.

Oh, ye who ever meet,
Mid life's hot fuss,
Poor hearts that suffer thus,
Oh, think of all the good that blesses us,
And strive to make their lives more blest and sweet.

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Bro. Bulkeley Hughes, M.P., Deputy Provincial Grand Master North Wales and Salop, who is in the 81st year of his age, and has been latterly in a somewhat indifferent state of health, is reported as being much better.

The Marquis of Londonderry, Provincial Grand Master of Durham, who for some time past has been supplying sea-borne coals direct from his collieries retail, has found the scheme so successful that his agents have been obliged to increase the number of their staff and run additional

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North London Chapter of
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Companion Sparrow was elected P.
for the next meeting. All busines
closed and adjourned.

The Alexander Chapter, N
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Col. Shadwell H. Clerke. P
next week.

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Prince Leopold Lodge.—T
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W.M., who was supported by Br
Bro. Walls P.M. acting as J.W., a
and visitors. Lodge was opene
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Webb will preside. Bros. T. J. Ba
I.P.M. First Lecture—Bros. Clem
Christian, Wooding, and Stephen
Moss, Hopkins, Musto, and I. I
Gaskill, Taylor, and Wallington.

At the Tredegar Lodge of Ins
Hotel, Mile End-road, on Monday,
will preside. Bros. T. J. Barnes
Beck I.P.M. First Lecture—Bros.
Wooding, Moss, Macdonald, and
Richardson, Andrews, Fenn, Myer

be considered we are wandering from the task we set ourselves when we started to write this report of the proceedings at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew, on Friday, the 11th instant. The brethren had assembled to celebrate their anniversary Festival, and all seemed imbued with one spirit, namely, to make the evening a thoroughly enjoyable one. The chair was taken by Bro. J. J. Gunner J.W. of the Mother Lodge, who was supported right and left by P.M.'s Andrews (Preceptor) and Gomm. The Vice-Chair was filled by Bro. B. E. Blasby I.P.M. 780, and there were present to sustain him in the fulfilment of his labours Bros. W. Gardiner and W. Goss, both of whom have ably filled the chair of this Lodge. Bro. H. Brill placed a capital repast before his guests, and one and all seemed fully to appreciate his efforts. The toasts usual on these occasions were fully honoured. Bro. Andrews proposed the toast of the W.M. of the evening. All knew the interest Bro. Gunner took in the well-being of the Lodge of Instruction. The P.M.'s and old members of the Lodge could but be gratified at the zeal he at all times displayed. Bro. Gunner, in reply, said he felt it a great honour that had been conferred on him, he having been selected to preside at this annual gathering. He made reference to the special recognition that had been noted twelve months back of any trifling services that he had rendered to the Lodge of Instruction, and could but be gratified at the knowledge that such help as he had been able to give still stands in the recollection of the brethren. To the other toasts replies were made by Bros. Blasby, Sugg, Goss, Gardiner, Botley, &c. Bros. Botley, Lucas, Legg and Maton contributed some capital songs, and all strove to make the evening what it essentially proved to be—an agreeable one.

PROSPERITY LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 67.

THE Annual Supper took place at Bro. Maidwell's, Hercules Tavern, on Tuesday, the 15th instant. Bros. Chicken W.M., Roberts S.W., Shadler J.W., and the following brethren:—Maidwell, Ferry, Brown, Bond, Marshall, Davidson, Clements, Rich, Walker, Daniel, Haynes, Hollands, Moss, and Herold. The Lodge was opened and closed in due form. The brethren then did full justice to the excellent repast provided by Bro. Maidwell. After the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts, occasion was taken to present Bro. Moss, the indefatigable Preceptor, and his wife, with tokens of the brethren's appreciation of his services. Bro. Moss having responded in suitable terms, the toasts of the Treasurer Bro. Maidwell, the Secretary Bro. Hollands, and Bro. Brown P.M. Secretary of the Benevolent Association connected with the Lodge of Instruction, were given. In responding, Bro. Brown stated that the sum of £280 had been sent to the Institutions during the last eighteen months. The evening was enlivened by the harmony of Bros. Marshall, Bond, Shadler, Maidwell, Hollands, and Hayes.

HIGH CROSS LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 754.

THE Annual Banquet in connection with the above took place on Wednesday, at the Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham. The chair was taken by Bro. J. Garrod (W.M. of the mother Lodge) Hon. Sec.; he was supported by Bro. Taverner W.M. of the Enfield Lodge as S.W., and a considerable number of Past Masters and members; altogether there must have been nearly fifty guests present. A capital repast having been partaken of, Bro. Garrod briefly proposed the toasts. With that of Prosperity to the Lodge of Instruction was associated the name of Bro. Thompson the Preceptor, who was complimented on the ability he had brought to bear on the fulfilment of his duties. The health of the President of the evening came next, Bro. Garrod being commended for the energy he displayed as Secretary, and specially thanked for attending on this occasion, as by so doing he had entailed on himself a long double railway journey. In reply, Bro. Garrod stated that any inconvenience he had experienced had been amply compensated for by the heartiness with which he had been received. In the course of the evening reference was made to the good work being done through the Charity Association in connection with this Lodge, and the brethren were urged to a continued assistance in so worthy a cause. Notwithstanding the prevalence of most tempestuous weather, the proceedings throughout were of the most harmonious character.

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next meeting. Bro. C. F. Kearley 1

Polish National Lodge, N

this old established Lodge, since
Thursday, 10th inst., at Freemasons'
Dr. Corrie Jackson W.M., Lancaster
Berling J.D., Tongue I.G., and Davis
the respected Treasurer, having a
tions, was passed to the degree of
business, Lodge was closed punctuall
retired to the banquet room. Durin
guineas was subscribed, to form a t
who retires from the office of Tyler,
to the satisfaction of the brethren.
shillings was also subscribed for
visitors were present.

St. Ninian Lodge, No. 49

day evening, at Newton Stewart,
Officers for the ensuing year, Bro.
names of Bros. George Hodkinson a
to the meeting for the post of Wors
box being opened, it was found that
Hodkinson. The W.M. elect then no
—Bros. Cooke I.P.M., Montgomery
terick S.W., D. Hodkinson J.W., Jam
J.D., G. R. Peattie Secretary, Hunte
Welsh O.G. The installation was
30th instant. The W.M. elect return
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at the conclusion of the installation
stating that he had received a circul
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been held for about fifteen months.
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endorsed by the brethren present.
due and ancient form.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instru

day, at Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Taver
sent—Bros. T. Clark W.M., Edwards
Boyce J.D., J. D. Larter I.G., J.
acting Preceptor, C. Smyth Treasur
Baker, Christian, Jones, Forss, All
After preliminaries, Bro. Baker, as c
rogated and entrusted; Lodge was o
the ceremony was rehearsed, the W
The Lodge was then called from l
resuming Masonic duties, was closed
worked the first section of the se
brethren. Lodge was closed in
Edwards was elected W.M. for th
Sections will be worked at this Lodg
bourne Lodge of Instruction, No. 73
of the Dalhousie will do all in the
brethren a hearty reception. The
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Lodge was closed.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of

At the Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethna
16th inst. Present Bros. Clark W
Ward S.D., Peal J.D., Bonner I.G
Stewart, Anderson, Hammond. Lod
the three degrees. The minutes of
been duly read and confirmed, the
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splendid temple of the Bull Apis, at Memphis, has perished, but the burial place remains, that magnificent excavation of the Serapeum, which shows the continuous lavish expenditure of nine centuries, undisturbed by war and unchecked by disaster. Yet even this wonder does not produce the impression of the pits in which the mummies of sacred animals were deposited. The worship of an individual animal for his lifetime, and his costly entombment is not so marvellous as the sepulture of multitudes we cannot count, carefully mummified and wrapped in bandages. Such are the ipis-pits at Memphis, such that labyrinth which contains the mummies, alike of crocodiles and crocodile-worshippers, opposite Mahfaloot in Middle Egypt. The religious preservation after death of a whole generation of animals, the very eggs of the ipis with the bird, shows the strength of this strange worship. One animal could be revered as a symbol, but all animals of a species could have only been worshipped from a belief in their sacredness. Nor did this religion, for it is no less, content itself with the animal world. From the mountain which towered above the earth to the tree which grew from it, and the root within it, all nature could afford more objects of worship. There is a seeming consistency in this width of range, which has misled the philosophic inquirer; for it breaks down in the inconsistent selection of the individual sacred things.

What was the Egyptian doctrine as to the sacred animal? This is very clearly stated in the texts. They were regarded as the gods themselves, styled, at least, in the great selected individuals like Apis, the "life" or the "soul" of Ramor or of Osiris. Nothing could be stronger or more direct. They were, in fact, idols in which the divinity represented was thought to reside.—*R. S. Poole.*

The ceremony of installation will be rehearsed at Bro. Maidwell's, the Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street (Egyptian Lodge of Instruction), by Bro. H. J. Phillips W.M. Lodge of Israel, No. 205, on Thursday next, 24th instant. Lodge will be opened at 7.30.

The ceremony of Installation will be rehearsed by Bro. C. J. Wade, W.M. St. James's Union Lodge, No. 180, at the Lily Lodge of Instruction, at the Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, on Monday evening, 28th November. The Lodge will be opened at 7 o'clock.

H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, who is a Bencher of Gray's Inn, has intimated his intention of being present on the occasion of the "Grand Day" of Michaelmas term, which has been fixed for Tuesday next, the 22nd instant.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales has expressed his willingness to visit Bradford in the month of May or June next, for the purpose of opening the new Technical Schools. The Princess of Wales, it is expected, will accompany her husband.

H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, and suite have left Paris for Frankfort. During his brief stay in the French capital His Royal Highness paid a visit to the President of the French Republic, the visit being returned on Wednesday.

The Prince of Wales, who has been the guest of Lord Rendlesham, at Rendlesham Hall, went out shooting in the neighbourhood of Butley Abbey on Thursday, among those invited to meet His Royal Highness being the Earl of Lathom D.G.M. and Viscount Castlereagh, M.P.

Earl Granville left his residence at Carlton House Terrace for Walmer at the end of last week.

Bro Ellis is the fourth Mason that has occupied the civic throne since H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was elected and installed Grand Master in April 1875. The four are Bros. Alderman Stone P.G.J.W., Sir Thomas White, Sir F. W. Truscott P.G.J.W., and Ellis.

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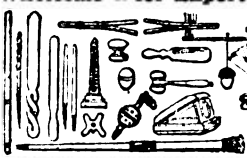
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UNITED MARINERS' LODGE, No. 30.

THIS Lodge, which besides being one of the oldest, as well as one of the most celebrated for the excellence of its working, in the Metropolis, held its meeting on Tuesday evening last, at the Guild-hall Tavern, Gresham-street, under the presidency of the Worshipful Master, Bro. Hiram Cosedge, who was supported by Bros. Joseph Clark I.P.M., J. W. Crossley S.W., J. Shipley J.W., Past Masters Joseph Harling Treasurer, and Joseph Driscoll Hon. Sec., T. E. Davey S.D., T. Linscott J.D., Steingraber D.C., L. G. Reinhardt Tyler; Past Masters Bros. A. Lefanx, W. Ansell, G. J. C. Smith; Bros. Herman Meyers, T. Flack, M. Mint, James Rotheroe, Thomas Oblein, C. Bergman, W. Fasshaber, B. Barge, A. Couldrey, B. Ollendorff, S. James Lampen, Frank Wellesley Saunders, J. Hildrath, E. Bailey, &c. Amongst the visitors were Bro. Henry Forbes 1329, W. Woodmason 1642, C. H. Gray 1704, Karl Bergman W.M. 238, B. G. Hoare 1685, W. Day 55, and many others. Lodge was opened, in accordance with ancient rites, at half-past five o'clock, when the minutes of the last Lodge meeting were confirmed. Bros. Herman Meyer, Bergman, and James Rotheroe having proved themselves worthy, were raised to the sublime degree by the Worshipful Master, who performed the ceremony and delivered the charges with great elocutionary effect. We recollect that at the installation of Bro. Hiram Cosedge great expectations were formed as to the intelligent and judicious discharge of the duties of the high functions of his office, and it was admitted on all hands, on Tuesday evening, that those anticipations had been fully realised. The encomiums passed upon his working at the subsequent banquet were by no means an empty compliment, and we can add our congratulations to those expressed in Lodge as to the admirable style in which a somewhat formidable agenda was carried out. Lodge was afterwards resumed in the first degree, and the ballot was prepared for Mr. Frank Wellesley Saunders, of Peckham, and Mr. William Layton Odell, of the Gray's Inn-road, who had been proposed by the Worshipful Master, and seconded by Bro. Thomas Smith P.M. The result was unanimous in each case, and Mr. Saunders being in attendance, was duly admitted into the mysteries and privileges of the Order. A brother who had left the Lodge for some time was unanimously elected a joining member, after which the brethren resolved to send a Steward to the next Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and requested Bro. Joseph Driscoll P.M., the esteemed honorary Secretary of the Lodge, to attend in that capacity. Bro. Driscoll, amidst much applause, gladly accepted the honourable responsibility, and expressed the hope that he should go to the Festival fortified with a liberal list of support from the brethren. After the transaction of some formal business, the brethren and Visitors adjourned to the Throne room of the hotel, where Messrs Ritter and Clifford had provided a *récherché* banquet, the tables being adorned wth a profusion of exquisite flowers and ornamental plants. After dessert the customary Loyal and Masonic toasts were given from the chair, and received with every mark ef respectful enthusiasm. Bro. J. Marcham acting efficiently as toastmaster. The I.P.M. said the brethren would be aware why the gavel was now placed in his hands. His term was drawing to a close, and he should not many more times have the privilege of proposing the health of the Worshipful Master, who had served the Lodge so well during the past twelve months, or nearly so. Full well they knew he had done his work admirably in the Lodge, as he had presided with urbanity over all their festivities during his tenure of office. They had seen that he had brought work into the Lodge, and from what they had witnessed that night, as on many previous occasions, they must all admit he was fully capable of Masonry, although it had been of the United Mariners' Lodge, good. He believed the working being not far down in the list beg of every future occupant of the work, and the grandeur of and more enhanced in his esteem reason why Masonry had existed would continue to exist to the end felicitous terms the health of the minded Bro. Saunders that as of the beauty of the system, and th say of it they could no more j from the outside than they co merely by looking upon the hus suitable terms, expressing the grea have been admitted a member of Master then extended a cordial we ing for whom Bro. Henry Forb afforded him very distinguished p the occasion. As they were aw fallen from the Worshipful Mast an old friend of his—and now one now taking his first step in Freem pleased and impressed with the w in his experience he had seen var called the Prestonian, the Thom he liked the working of this Lodg had been present in this hall when and where he had introduced s to-night; he assured them witnessed equalled, if it did observed. He trembled lest the but he carried out his duties He must say a word or two to might tender a little advice to th sublime degree. They were all y would find as the Worshipful Mast Masons would exalt their character its principles. There were good outweighed the bad; and becomin character and make them better hu members of society. If they went i into connection with the Masonic the right hand of a brother was no further friend. He urged them law as their guide in all the trans would the great commercial worl some parts of the Continent it h which had taken a contemptuous vi properly cast out, by the tacit cons of the Craft. The Worshipful M Past Masters, and Bro. Joseph Dri the Initiate upon the happy auspi mitted to the Lodge, and conclud might live to see each member pre Master. The health of the Offi behalf Bro. J. W. Crossly respond tences, after which the official toast. Some excellent music, sing ceedings of a most harmonious an

GREY FRIARS

A MEETING was held on W Hall, Reading. Present—B Berks and Bucks W.M., Edward J Richard Dowsett J.W., J. T. Stra Hickie Organist, J. H. Hawl W. Ravenscroft Steward, R. C. H P.M.'s Bros. Welch, Brown, Mar hon. member; Bros. Tegg, Conte Sands, Cordrey, Greenaway, J. Visitors—Bros. Horlock W.M. H W.M. 1566 Prov. G.R. Berks and H McDowall W.M. 918, C. Stephe and Bucks, Cozens Organist 907, R. Bradley P.M. 414 Prov. G. S

vote of the last regular Lodge, proceeded to invest the I.P.M. with a P.M.'s jewel, alluding in eloquent terms to the very successful year of office he had just passed through, and the great services he had rendered to the Charities and the Lodge. He also expressed the hope that he might be spared for many years to wear it, as a token of the regard and esteem of the brethren, and as a memento of the many pleasant evenings spent amongst them. The I.P.M. expressed his deep sense of the kindness of the members during his year of office; this further proof of their regard would always remind him of the truly fraternal feeling he had experienced. He should at all times feel a pride in being of assistance to the Officers and Brethren. At the same time he alluded to the two Deacon's wands presented by his predecessor, and asked the brethren to accept a similar token of office for the D.C., which made the emblems complete. The W.M. thanked the I.P.M. on behalf of the Lodge for his handsome and useful present. He then proceeded to invest Bro. Hickie with an Organist's jewel, which, with a vote of thanks to be recorded on the minutes, had been unanimously passed at the last regular Lodge. Bro. Hickie appropriately returned thanks, and stated that he should at all times be pleased to render his services when required. The subject of the "Hervey Memorial Fund" was introduced by the M.M., who gave a short explanation of its objects, and moved that the sum of two guineas from the funds of the Lodge be devoted to that purpose. This was seconded by the S.W., and carried by acclamation. All business being ended, the Lodge was closed with the customary salutations according to ancient form. The brethren adjourned to the Ship Hotel, where an excellent banquet was provided by Bro. Bailey, to which about fifty brethren sat down, several of whom were unable to attend the Lodge. Upon the removal of the cloth, the Loyal and Masonic toasts were given in appropriate terms. That of the Prov. G. Officers being responded to by Bros. Charles Stephens, Prov. G. Treasurer Berks and Bucks. The I.P.M. then proposed the health of the W.M., dwelling upon the care and efficiency with which Bro. Blackwell had filled the several offices below the chair, and heartily wishing him a most successful year of office. The toast was very cordially received. In replying, the W.M. thanked the brethren for the many hearty expressions of goodwill which had been accorded him, and said that they would strengthen his hands very materially in undertaking the important and responsible duties appertaining to the Mastership of the Lodge. He assured the brethren that no effort should be wanting on his part to render the working of the beautiful ceremonies in Lodge as perfect as possible; to aid the cause of charity and benevolence, and to keep up a good fraternal spirit in the Lodge. He then announced his intention of going up as Steward for the Benevolent Institution, and made an earnest and forcible appeal on behalf of that Charity, concluding by expressing a hope that at the close of his year of office, the brethren would find that the confidence they now reposed in him had not been misplaced. Bro. Danks P.M. then gave the toast of the Masonic Charities, specially urging the claims of the Benevolent upon the brethren, the other Institutions having been well supported in the two previous years. Bro. Oades P.M. 414 responded, giving some interesting details of the work in connection with the Boys' and Girls' Schools. The toast of the I.P.M. was very heartily received, and Bro. Ferguson was warmly congratulated upon the success of his labours during his year of office. Other toasts followed, that of the Lodge of Union 414 being responded to by its W.M. Bro. Charles Stephens, who expatiated upon the benefits to be derived from a friendly intercourse between the two Lodges in the town, which he felt assured could work in a spirit of perfect harmony and concord together. Other toasts were given and responded to and the Tyler's toast brought a most agreeable and successful meeting to a conclusion. The music was under the direction of Bro. Hickie Organist, and some excellent songs, by Bros. Cozens, Robinson and others, contributed not a little to the enjoyment of the brethren.

EARL OF CARNARVON LODGE, No. 1642.

THE brethren met on Thursday, the 10th instant, at the Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, to celebrate their annual installation. There was a good attendance of members, while as regards the visitors it is only necessary to say that on this occasion this hospitable Lodge fairly outdid itself. The guests, among whom were several Grand Officers, were exceptionally numerous. The minor details of opening having been complied with, the ceremonies of initiation and raising were worked on behalf of a candidate for each degree. Bro. the Rev. C. Darby Reade was then presented as W.M. elect, and in due form that brother was placed in the chair of K.S., Bro. W. Stephens

that the date of the Annual Festival of the day, 19th January, the Ball to be held This would be their fifth annual venture as great a success as those which have of adding a considerable amount to the Masonic Charities. Lodge was then proceeded to banquet. At the conclu gave the customary toasts. Those of Grand Master having been honoured, Master, a toast worthy the heartiest the special distinction conferred on it connection with the toast of the Depu of the Grand Officers, Bro. Reade ex having around him so many worthy r He looked upon their support as a gr and to the Lodge over which he p Grand Chaplain was the first to rep had the honour of acknowledging w tion that a Mason could give. He fe to the Earl of Carnarvon Lodge, that the toast of so august a body as the was convinced that throughout the C were looked upon as brethren who worthy of the honour conferred on th Burney P.G. Deacon followed; he interest in the Earl of Carnarvon Lo associated with the district of Nottin the Lodge on the position it had a regard to the Masonic Charities, whe tation of being among the best of th I.P.M. assumed the gavel; he had posing the health of the W.M. Bro. to the members of the Lodge, who him in their midst, and more so now of W.M. He could but wish him h year of office. The W.M. thanked all it really a pleasure, as it undoubtedly to rule over such a Lodge as that in w of filling the chair. It was partic Lodge he met many of those with w day life. He had been a member years, and was now the better able to ship which had been conferred on considered the toast of the evening would give him a hearty welcome, a he took in the Craft he would find and further, that he would never re evening. Bro. Initiate had pleasure the Craft. He should certainly stri to attain, if not the seat occupied least one superior to that he then fil health of the Visitors, and the toa ceived. Bro. Firth replied. He occasion on which he had been ca the guests of a Lodge, although in city proper—he had often had the He had been connected with the Cr during that time had been honoured Lodges than that with which the W assured the brethren it was no co sent that night and see that the Cra in the east, and other parts of thei the visitors generally, he might say greatest pleasure in being present. D.G.M. Malta followed. His exper extensive one, having commenced other distant parts of the world. Colonial Lodges, and as a visitor ha of Freemasonry; still he could say ciplesof the Craft more fully carrie day in the Earl of Carnarvon Lodge mon with the other visitors, he coul its present position. He believed t Lodge so soon after its consecra Masonic charity which the Earl of W.M. proposed the health of the I.P that the deeds of the past year test of Brother Smout than anything pleasure in presenting him with th of the Lodge had thought he was w a vote of thanks engrossed on vellu

Steward for one of them during the coming year, and hoped the members would do all they could to make his list representative of the spirit of the Lodge. He hoped at the Festival of the Benevolent Institution, for which he was working, the Lodge would figure as well as on any occasion in the past, although he could hardly expect so large an amount as previous representatives had been able to collect. One thing he particularly desired the brethren to bear in mind, this was that anything they felt disposed to give would be well spent. He would also impress upon them that there was no charity in giving that which was needed in their own households. We may state that the list of Bro. Smout at the time of the meeting reached close on seventy guineas. Other toasts followed, the list not being completed until a late hour, when the concluding toast was proposed and the brethren separated. The following were among the visitors:—Bros. J. F. B. Firth P.M. 227, 1435, J. J. Thomas 753, J. W. Baldwin P.M. 1423 P.P.G.P., R. Fairclough P.M. 1675, T. Cubitt P.G.P., J. N. Frye 195 Prov. J.W., J. W. Hiscox S.W. 1512, F. J. Moore 1196, Ambrose W. Hall G. Chaplain, W. Shead 1366, W. Provost 861, H. Ruff J.W. 95, C. Davey P.M. 30, J. J. Michael W.M. 1107 P.P.G.P. Kent, L. M. Myers S.W. 188, Colonel G. Haldane P.D.D.G.M. Malta, J. E. Carpenter P.M. 284, 1196, A Dickenson 55, G. C. Harding W.M. 1238, C. Smith S.W. 1489, Lieutenant-Colonel H. S. Somerville Burney P.G. Deacon, J. Healey 1348, C. W. Cunningham 1612, L. Bryett P.P.G.S. of Works Berks and Bucks, J. Driscoll P.M. 30, J. W. Cuff W.M. 1608, G. Davis P.M. 167, W. T. Wilkinson 115 I.C.,'L. Wall 188, H. Massey P.M. 619, and W.M. 1928, H. A. Spencer 733, W. W. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, R. W. Bosworth 230, F. J. Deacon 1382, G. Cooper P.M. 507, J. Jordan P.M. 4, J. Fisher 733, S. Etherington 1305, R. J. Ward S.D. 1541, W. G. Vassil 1767, J. H. Pearson P.M. 1567, J. O. Surtees P.M. 1248, J. Gillingham S.D. 1238, &c.

Sir Hugh Myddelton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1602.—On Tuesday last, at the Crown and Woolpack, St. John-street-road. Present:—Bros. C. Weeden W.M., T. J. Bird S.W., J. Field J.W., R. Pearcy Preceptor, J. Osborn Secretary, A. R. Green S.D., Gyer J.D., J. Cammell I.G.; C. Dearing, G. Willison, T. H. Inman, C. G. Payne, W. Hirst, R. Dillon, J. Trotman, H. L. Godolphin, S. Millin, T. Crosbie, Isaac, &c. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Payne acting as candidate. Bros. Dearing and Cammell answered the questions leading to the second degree. The first and second sections of the lecture were worked by Bro. Pearcy Preceptor, assisted by the brethren. Bro. J. Trotman, Citadel Lodge 1897, was elected a member. A vote of thanks was passed to Bro. Millin for his kindness in having the jewels of the Lodge renovated. The Lodge was then closed, and adjourned.

West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction, No. 1623.—A meeting was held at the Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's Churchyard, on 17th inst. Bro. Thomas Butt P.M. 907 W.M., he was supported by Bros. J. F. Van Raalte Worshipful Master 917 as S.W., T. Baker J.W., G. H. Stephens S.D., Keeble I.G., Walter Tyler; also Bros. Hiscox, McBatt, Field, Laurence, W. Pennefather P.M. Preceptor. Lodge having been duly opened and minutes read and confirmed, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Field candidate. Bro. Van Raalte resumed the chair, and opened up the Lodge. Bro. Hiscox was interrogated and entrusted, and Lodge was advanced. The ceremony of raising was next carefully rehearsed, and a most instructive evening passed. Some discussion ensued as to the desirability of returning to the old hours of meeting, i.e. from eight to ten—the alteration to seven till nine not being deemed to have worked satisfactorily. Bro. Hiscox was elected W.M. for the ensuing meeting, and Lodge was closed. The members of this Lodge have it in contemplation to rehearse the ceremony of consecration, Bro. J. Terry, Secretary of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, has kindly consented to assist on the occasion.

Crusaders' Lodge of Instruction, No. 1677.—The adjourned annual meeting of this Lodge was held at St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, on Thursday, 10th instant, there being present among others Bros. W. Simpson W.M., Arthur E. Gladwell S.W., J. S. Fletcher J.W., R. D. Cummings Preceptor, C. G. Payne S.D., J. S. Tillett J.D., W. J. Goode I.G. The Lodge having been opened, and [illegible] of the last meeting read and confirmed, the ceremony

a candidate for raising, and having [illegible] entrusted. Lodge having been adv[illegible] was ably rehearsed by Bro. Ferrar. I[illegible] The votes of the members were taken [illegible] and Bro. Struguell, of the Farringdon [illegible] members. Bro. Harthan was appoint[illegible] ensuing week. Bro. Secretary propo[illegible] that Bro. Osborn W.M. of the Sir H[illegible] rehearse the ceremony of installatio[illegible] month. Bro. Osborn expressed him[illegible] request, and thanked the brethren fo[illegible] colsed in perfect harmony, and adjo[illegible] at 8.30.

Sir Thomas Brassey, K.C.B [illegible] the Admiralty, will be admitted [illegible] Assistants, and will subsequen[illegible] dinner of the Shipwrights' Co[illegible] December. The dinner will be [illegible] Hotel, Cannon-street.

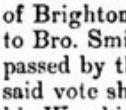
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The recent visit to Canada [illegible] Hill, Q.C., M.P., Grand Chance[illegible] England, afforded His Royal Hi[illegible] Grand Master of the Templ[illegible] opportunity of transmitting a l[illegible] W. J. B. Macleod-Moore, Grea[illegible] Canada, in which His Royal Hi[illegible] greetings to Knights Templa[illegible] generally of Canada. A specia[illegible] Cœur de Lion Preceptory was [illegible] receiving Sir Knight Hill, and [illegible] the letter of the Prince.

Viscount Ebrington, Prov. [illegible] has been returned by a large m[illegible] liament for Tiverton, in place [illegible] Massey, deceased.

We regret to announce the [illegible] his Lordship's youngest sister, t[illegible] aged seventeen years.

Rro. Alderman Smith has bee[illegible] of Brighton By Alderman W. H[illegible] to Bro. Smith for his valuable [illegible] passed by the Town Council, a[illegible] said vote should be engrossed [illegible] his Worship.



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8—British, Freemasons' ...
21—Emulation, Albion, Aldersgate-street
45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
185—Tranquillity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.
862—Whittington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
901—City of London, Gresham-street, E.C.
907—Royal Albert, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquess of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1506—White Horse of Kent, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1537—St. Peter, Westminster, Criterion, W.
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
M.M.—Old Kent, Trocadero, Broad Street Buildings, E.C. at 6.30. (Instruction)

77—Freedom, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend
236—York, Masonic Hall, York
331—Phœnix Public Room Truro
359—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton
382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge
424—Borough, Half Moon Hotel, Gateshead
466—Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron, Northampton
622—St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
725—Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
925—Bedford Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
934—Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield.
985—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Holbeach.
1030—Egerton, George Hotel, Wellington Road, Heaton Norris, near Stockport
1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland.
1141—Mid Sussex, Assembly Rooms, Horsham.
1170—St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
1199—Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury.
1208—Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover.
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
1502—Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 32—Jerusalem, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
R.A. 139—Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
R.A. 1051—Rowley, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

TUESDAY, 22nd NOVEMBER.

14—Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, W.C.
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
92—Moira, Criterion, Piccadilly, W.
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
145—Prudent Brethren, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
165—Honour and Generosity, Inns of Court Hotel
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
186—Industry, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
205—Israel, Cannon-street Hotel, E.C.
259—Prince of Wales, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1158—Southern Star, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
1348—Ebury, Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, (Instruction)
1441—Ivy, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30., (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
1744—Royal Savoy, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle, 7.30 (In.)
117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
253—Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
1016—Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
1609—Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1675—Antient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 158—Adam, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness
R.A. 1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.

WEDNESDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER.

General Committee of Grand Lodge and Lodge of Benevolence, Freemasons' Hall, at 6
2—Antiquity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
212—Euphrates, Masonic Hall, Masons' Avenue, Basinghall-street, E.C.
228—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dean Street, Oxford St. at 8 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
754—High Cross, Seven Sisters' Tavern, Page Green, Tottenham
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
862—Whittington, Red Lion, Pepin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
1056—Victoria, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7. (Instruction)
1427—Union, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
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THURSDAY, 2

General Committee, Girls' School, Fr...
3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, Lond...
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, ...
22—Neptune, Guildhall Tavern, Gre...
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Lea...
34—Mount Moriah, Freemasons' Ha...
65—Prosperity, Guildhall Tavern, G...
66—Grenadiers', Freemasons' Hall,...
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-...
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, M...
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-st...
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses,...
766—William Preston, City Termin...
858—South Middlesex, Beaufort Hou...
861—Finsbury, London Tavern, Fen...
871—Royal Oak, White Swan, Deptfo...
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Ma...
1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stan...
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kenni...
1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, ...
1524—Duke of Connaught, Anderton's...
1563—The City of Westminster, Regen...
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, Ja...
1658—Skelmersdale, Surrey Masonic ...
1673—Langton, Mansion House Statio...
1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav...
1816—Victoria Park, Queen's Hotel, V...
1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, E...
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, ...
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farm...

48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, G...
78—Imperial George, Assheton Arm...
100—Friendship, Crown and Anchor, ...
111—Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, ...
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, ...
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverp...
286—Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, ...
348—St. John, Bull's Head Inn, Bra...
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Live...
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Parl...
807—Cabbell, Masonic Hall, Theatre ...
904—Phœnix, Ship Hotel, Rotherha...
935—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Is...
966—St. Edward, Literary Institute, ...
1313—Fermor, Masonic Hall, Southpo...
1325—Stanley, 214 Gt. Homer-street, ...
1459—Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, ...
1505—Emulation, Masonic Hall, Live...
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, H...
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel...
1626—Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Maple ...
R.A. 292—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Li...
R.A. 360—Northampton, Masonic Hal...
R.A. 1086—Walton, Skelmersdale Ma...
M.M. 32—Union, Freemason's Hall, C...
K.T.—Albert, Masonic Rooms, 23 An...
K.T.—Plains of Mamre, Bull Hotel, ...

FRIDAY, 25

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, F...
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, A...
197—Jernsalem, Freemasons' Hall, ...
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Mason...
569—Fitzroy, Head Quarters, Hon. A...
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tav...
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, ...
834—Rane's-hgh, Six Bells, Hammers...
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitecl...
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, ...
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., ...
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle...
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower C...
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Agricultu...
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hot...
R.A. 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel...

453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhu...
810—Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Sky...
1385—Gladsmuir, Red Lion, Barnet ...
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpo...
1621—Castle, Crown Hotel, Bridgnort...
1712—St. John, Freemasons Hall, Gra...
General Lodge of Instruction, Mason...
R.A. 152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, ...
R.A. 242—Magdalen, Guildhall, Dove...
K.T. 20—Royal Kent, Masonic Hall, ...

SATURDAY,

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southga...
1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall...
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebu...
1679—Henry Muggeridge, Prince Geo...
1706—Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.

1462—Wharncliffe, Rose and Crown ...
1464—Erasmus Wilson, Pier Hotel, ...
R.A. 178—Harmony, Royal Hotel, W...
Scottish Chapter of Instruction, Canon...

J. E. Shand & Co., Wine Merchant...
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arrived, and was enthusiastically received. After grace, he very genially presided, and in brief but eloquent terms, proposed the toast of the Queen and the Craft; that of H.R.H. the Most Worshipful Grand Master followed. Bro. Harris said that he knew they would drink the toast heartily and sincerely; His Royal Highness had, on the 9th instant, completed his 40th birthday; not only this Lodge, but all other Lodges wished him long life and health. After the other rulers of the Craft had been honoured, Bro. J. E. Walford P.M. proposed the health of the Worshipful Master. They had seen Masters who had done more work; but none had performed the duties of the chair with greater ability than Bro. Harris. He asked them to drink, with all sincerity, the health of the W.M. The Worshipful Master thanked Bro. Walford for his kind expressions. Whatever he had done in the past he would strive to improve on in the future. The toast of the Visitors came next; the W.M. had the pleasure of recognizing many distinguished brethren whom they were all proud to see; he would call on Bro. Stiles W.M. 1507 to respond. After a hearty response from Bro. Stiles, several of the other visitors spoke. The W.M. next complimented the P.M.'s of the Lodge. He might remind them they were assembled in the pillar room; the P.M.'s were the pillars of the Lodge; all knew their working, and all knew they were anxious to render every service. After replies from Bros. Walford, Willing, and others, the W.M. introduced the toast of the Treasurer and Secretary. The former Brother every one knows and respects, he assists the W.M. in governing the Lodge; at the banquet table he looks after our comforts; in fact no worthier Brother could be found. To the Secretary he (the W.M.) was personally indebted. Many who do not know the duties of Secretary can scarcely imagine how arduous they are. He would ask the members to drink the toast with all sincerity. Bro. G. Everett P.M. and Treasurer, who on rising was received with loud cheers, delivered a speech which the brethren fully appreciated. In his dual capacity of P.M. and Treasurer, the W.M. had stated that he had the interest of the Lodge at heart; that, indeed, was true. He was proud to say the Lodge was in a prosperous condition; it would be his province, as Treasurer, to see that every Master who left the chair should not do so with the Lodge in debt. Bro. Morris, the Secretary, followed. The W.M. then proposed the toast of the Masonic Press, and with it coupled the name of Bro. H. M. Levy P.M. 188, who responded. The Wardens, Junior Officers and Tyler's toasts in due course were given, and the proceedings, which throughout had been enlivened by some good singing, were brought to a close.

Camden Lodge, No. 704.—There was a numerously attended meeting of the members of this Lodge, at the Guildhall Tavern, on Tuesday evening last, under the presidency of Bro. William Frederick Rogers W.M., who was supported by Bros. Frederick Earnshaw S.W., N. Goodchild J.W., George Butler P.M. Treasurer, Edward William Young P.M. Secretary, William Blank S.D., Frederick Snee J.D., Frederick Trinder D.C.; P.M.'s Frost, Grey, Soper, Meadway; Kehl, Saunders, Bindon, Roberts, Saunders, Glendall, Clement, Hilliard, Eyers, Osborn, Miller, Law, Sayers, Webb, Very (Tyler), and others. Among the Visitors were Bros. Reynolds 1524, Thompson 1681, Earnshaw 902, &c. Lodge was opened in form soon after five o'clock, when the ballot was opened for Mr. John Byard, proposed by Bro. Frederick Trinder, seconded by Brother Kehl; Mr. Alfred Thomas Eyers, whose sponsors were the same; Mr. Edmund Sayers, proposed by Bro. Kehl, seconded by Bro. Bindon; and Mr. Thomas Wilson Miller, proposed by Bro. Bindon, seconded by Bro. Kehl. The voting in each case was unanimous, and the candidates being in attendance were duly initiated by the Worshipful Master, who acquitted himself in a manner that afforded the utmost satisfaction and edification to all present. By fiat of the Worshipful Master, Mr. George William Osborne was then admitted, on the proposition of Bro. Bindon, seconded by Bro. Kehl; and Bro. Henry James Sibley J.D. of the Chigwell Lodge, 453, was accepted as a joining member, on the nomination of Bro. Latter Organist, seconded by the Secretary. The whole of the working was perfectly rendered by the Worshipful Master, assisted by his Officers, and after the transaction of some formal business, the brethren adjourned to the banquetting-room, where an excellent supper had been provided, and all the arrangements were such as to give the utmost satisfaction. The customary Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and amidst an abundance of excellent vocal and instrumental music, a most enjoyable evening was passed.

The Great City Lodge No. 1426.—The usual meeting of this Lodge was held on Saturday evening, 12th November, at the

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being deferred until the next meeting, f
W.M. announced his intention to repr
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together, and on the removal of the clot
were duly honoured. Bros. Partridge
toast of the Visitors. Bros. Bertram, St
Parker and Headon contributed to th
with some excellent songs and recita
pleasurable meeting was added to the
Lodge.

Prince of Wales's Lodge, No
ing, 27th October, the ceremony of i
W.M. of the above Lodge took place a
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I.P.M., Thos. Batchelor S.W., W. F.
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Hayman, T. P. Palsgrave, R. W. Dow
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W. Brunwin, C. J. E. Mumby, Walter S
G. Dean, G. Weller, D. G. Gilmour,
Horn, C. A. Pates, E. Embling, H. Po
S. Smith.

Doric Lodge of Instruction
at the Turk's Head, as usual, on th
Payne S.W., Moss J.W., Hopkins S.I
I.G., &c.; also Bros. W. Musto P.M.
Chappell, Levy, Benabo, Dupree,
Jones, Nathan, Stephens, Webb P.I
Mitchell, &c. Lodge was opened
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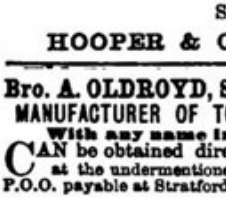
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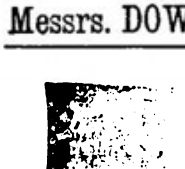
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THE LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

FROM our Report elsewhere of the proceedings of the Lodge of Benevolence on Wednesday, it will be seen that the unusually large number of fifty-six cases of distressed Masons, &c., &c., was submitted for the consideration of the brethren. Four of these were deferred, and one was dismissed, while in the other fifty-one cases relief was voted, or grants were recommended to the extent of no less a sum than £1,630. As the number of applicants was about twice as large as it usually is, it is not surprising the aggregate of the grants and votes should be proportionately great. We have frequently expressed our entire confidence in the wisdom and discretion of the body charged with the administration of the Grand Lodge Fund of Benevolence. We are well satisfied that every case which is brought under its notice is most carefully inquired into, and that the amount of each vote is strictly in accord with the needs of the applicant. At this meeting, the Lodge sat for five hours and a quarter—a fact which fully bears out the opinion we have just expressed. Yet it is impossible to record this opinion and the facts as they are stated elsewhere without experiencing some sort of feeling that the remarkable numerical increase in our ranks which has been made during the last few years is not entirely the subject of congratulation which many are inclined to believe it is. All is not gold that glitters, and among the 10,000 initiates per annum of 1875-81 there must have been a very large number who could not have spoken the exact truth when they asserted, as they were bound to do, that it was with wholly disinterested motives they sought enrolment in our Fraternity. We are well aware there has been very serious depression in almost every branch of trade and commerce throughout the whole country for an unusually lengthened period, and it is in the order of things that Masons should have their share in the general suffering as well as the rest of the community. Moreover, under the most favourable circumstances, increased strength must of necessity entail an increase in the demands made from time to time on the resources of Grand Lodge for the purposes of benevolence, as well as on those of our Charitable Institutions. But when we have made every allowance for the inevitable, the vast amount of help of every kind that is being sought is hardly to be explained by existing circumstances. The number of those who are now on the strength of our several Institutions is quite fifty per cent. above what it was about the time when the Prince of Wales was installed G. Master. There is a capital sum of £50,000 available for the Fund of Benevolence, which the administrators very wisely refrain from trenching upon, and will leave undiminished, except under the severest pressure. A glance, however, at the Grand Lodge accounts will show that the Income of the Fund has latterly been insufficient to meet the heavy demands made upon it. Of course, when applications for help are made, they must be met to the fullest extent commensurate with their respective merits. It is no fault of the Lodge of Benevolence if the number of cases brought under its notice is excessive. Lodges, however, will do well to be more than ever on the alert in respect of
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possibly do. It is apparent, from our way of thinking, that the proposal made by the so-called disappointed and disaffected brethren is really consistent; for immediately it is made public the District Grand Lodge (English Constitution) takes the matter in hand, not as we think would have been best, by combining with the promoters of the already suggested Fund, but by independent action, and that too after heaping abuse on the original movers. However, let us hope that the differences of opinion existing on the subject will not in any way delay the attainment of the desired object, but that at an early date arrangements may be made which will give to some at least of those in need of it relief in their declining days. As the matter now stands, a Committee of District Grand Lodge (E.C.), consisting of the D.G.M., the D.D.G.M., the D.G. Treas., the D.G. Sec., Bros. Simpson P.D.D.G.M., Booth D.G.S.W., F. Wright D.G.J.W., D. Mitchell P.D.G.S.D., F. B. Davidson President Board of Benevolence, and Bro. Elkington, has been unanimously appointed "to consider and report upon the best means of increasing the present Benevolent Fund," especially with the view of affording "permanent assistance to aged and helpless brethren and their widows." We await further particulars, with the hope that everything will combine to bring the proposal to a successful issue.

EDUCATION OF FREEMASONS.

IT is the mission and business of education to inform and enlighten the understanding; to instil into the mind principles of art, science, morals, religion and behaviour; and so to carry on its work that improvement shall be perceptible in everything studied.

The saying is a trite one that not to progress is to go backward, and this, if true in anything, is conspicuously so in Freemasonry.

The cosmopolitan character of the institution of Freemasonry must necessarily include minds as diversified as are the members composing it, but the toleration with which it greets both religion and politics, prevents the breeding of dissensions in behalf of either.

This being the well settled polity of Freemasonry, the person or persons who would undertake persistently to disturb it, would sooner or later be overtaken with merited condemnation, and the inherent dignity of an institution which has stood the test of ages would quickly remind the intermeddler of his lack of a high sense of propriety in the conduct of Masonic affairs.

The force of character sustained by the Institution, as applied to its own immediate interests, will, therefore, generally prevail against ignorance, and the meritorious brother will readily yield an obedience, heretofore withheld, if withheld at all, to an increase of knowledge and growth in Masonic education.

It must be apparent then that the great principles on which the superstructure of Freemasonry is erected are not endangered by ignorance, for these must abide always, but the lyings, warfares, and wrongs, which come of ignorance, do much to endanger its peace, and disturb the serenity of its character. The remedial influence of education may not always be apparent among Masons, for the good and the bad do so closely press upon each other that the former may be rudely jostled in the house of its friends, while the latter is skilful to assume the habit of disguise.

How then shall we be educated, in order that individuals, as well as the Institution, may be perceptibly benefited.

Compared with the immensity of all knowledge, the individual man is as a mere child, beginning in the simplest way to acquire a knowledge of things, and while the alphabet is before him he leaves it to prattle about the thing itself. It is not astonishing therefore to hear, as we recently did, a Knight Templar and a Knight of Kadosh also, say that he never read anything about Masonry; he liked to go to the meetings, however, as a mere pastime; but we must do him the credit of saying that he is in no sense an assassin of character, or a shirker of pecuniary claims, two important elements, and both essential to the acquisition of true Masonic education.

The philosophy of Freemasonry, its morals, its dogmas, and religion are so little understood, and indeed so little regarded, that like the

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the Temple Chapter, viz. : M.E. Comps. R. H. Baynes P.Z. 254 Z. designate P.P.G.C. Warwickshire, S. H. Knaggs 7 and 1503 H. designate, Francois Klatt 709 J. designate, J. Kennett 709, A. H. Holbein 79, R. White Z. 723, R. Philpott 199, J. N. Rogers 1503. The Chapter was opened by the Consecrating Officers E. Companions Jas. Terry as M.E.Z., Jas. S. Eastes as H., Thos. Wyles as J., T. S. Warne as S.E., and H. Ward as D.C. The Companions being admitted, the petition of the Founders and the warrant of Grand Chapter having been read, and agreed to, the M.E.Z. called upon the Rev. Canon Baynes to give the inaugural address. The Rev. Canon, after expressing his surprise at being unexpectedly called upon to deliver an address, proceeded to give a most able oration on the advantages of Masonry in general, and R.A. Masonry in particular, in the course of which he described the R.A. as the culminating point of Masonry, which united in one vast bond of brotherhood many thousands of the human race. In Masonry, and R.A. Masonry in particular, men met together irrespective of all religious or social differences, in one bond of unity, and though in all ranks, and grades of society there must and will be men who do not act up to their obligations, Masonry, though it cannot make a bad man good, tends to make a good man better. The M.E.Z. then proceeded to consecrate the Chapter in his usual incomparable style, Companion Cozens presiding at the organ, and the anthems and chants being rendered in an admirable manner. The ceremony being completed, the acting M.E.Z. next installed the three First Principals of the new Chapter, viz.:—Companions the Rev. R. H. Baynes Z., S. Knaggs H., F. Klatt J. This being done, the M.E.Z. invested his Officers as follow:—Companions James Kennett S.E., A. H. Holbein S.N., Richard White Principal S., Richard Philpott First Assistant S., J. N. Rogers Treasurer, G. Willson Janitor. Numerous brethren were then proposed for exaltation and joining. The Chapter being closed in due form, the brethren adjourned to the Leeds Hotel for the banquet, which was excellently served by the host, Mr. Marchant. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts having been given, Companion Eastes, in responding to the health of the Prov. Grand Officers, congratulated the Companions upon the formation of the Chapter, and the favourable conditions under which it had started. What he had observed from the Officers selected to preside over the Chapter, he augured well of its success, and on behalf of Lord Holmesdale Provincial Grand Superintendent, himself, and the Provincial Grand Officers of the Province, he wished it every success. In responding to the health of the Consecrating and Installing Officer, Companion James Terry again expressed his pleasure on receiving a vote of thanks from the Companions for the way in which he had performed the ceremony, and in a most emphatic manner impressed upon them the faithful discharge of the serious obligations they had that day taken upon themselves. The health of the Principals and other Officers having been drunk and responded to, the Companions separated in love and harmony.

Patriotic Chapter, No. 51.—The annual meeting of this Chapter, for the installation of Principals, &c., was held on the 10th inst., at Colchester, when there were present E. Comps. A. Welch M.E.Z., W. Richey H., T. J. Ralling J., E. H. Crate P.Z., W. P. Lewis P.Z.; Comps. W. Sowman E., E. Hennemeyer P.S., S. Munson Janitor, R. Little, C. Gunner; Visitors, E. Gasaner (Ara Chapter), T. M. Richey (Zetland Chapter), E. Dorling P.Z., and W. Hoare. The Principals were installed by E. Comp. E. Dorling P.Z. as under:—E. Comps. W. Richey M.E.Z., T. J. Ralling H., E. Hennemeyer J., and the other Officers were invested as follow:—E. Comp. A. Welch I.P.Z., Comp. W. Sowman S.E., E. Comp. W. P. Lewis P.Z. Treas., Comp. J. E. Wiseman P.S., Comp. S. Munson Janitor. Two candidates were then exalted, and there were two propositions for next Chapter. The Companions subsequently adjourned to the festive board, and spent a happy evening.

Alexander Chapter, No. 1681, Newark-on-Trent.—On Thursday, the 17th instant, a Chapter of the Supreme Degree of Holy Royal Arch Masons was consecrated and dedicated at the Town Hall, Newark. The Officer appointed to consecrate the Chapter was M.E. Comp. Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke P.Z. G.S.E., who was ably assisted by M.E. Comps. Major W. H. Smyth P.Z. Grand Superintendent Linc. as H., Ensor Drury P.Z. P.P.G.H. West Yorks. as J.; Comps. J. C. Lazenby P.G.R. Linc. as D.C., Charles Harrison P.Z. P.P.G.J. Linc. as S.E., C. G. Wragg P.Z. 47 as S.N., M. Vowles P.Z. 47 as P.Soj. Among the Companions present we noticed Sir Henry Bromley, Bart., 402, F. D. Marsden P.G.S.E. Linc., H. W. Maleham P.Z. P.G.P.Soj. West Yorkshire, John Watson, J.P., Deputy Prov. Grand Master Notts (Craft) Z. 402; P.Z.'s George Housham

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THE funeral of Dr. Jacob Sand afternoon, at St. Hilda's P The deceased gentleman having Divisions of the 5th Durham Ri military one. The *cortege* proceed in Chapter Row, by way of Wat Street, King Street, and the M The procession was headed by a f 3rd Durham Rifles, under the com by the band of the corps, playing the coffin (covered with the U and accoutrements of the de of six sergeants. Then follo deceased, among whom were J. H. Morton W.M., John S. Wilson P.M. (Secretary), George Lawson P.M., Thomas son J.W., G. Davison J.D., G. W. Harwood S., J. Brown Tyl Northumberland, T. Haswell P.P. P.P.G.S.B. Northumberland, A. M R. Schwartz, W. Smith, T. Gentle Davidson, W. Smith, F. Macke Hunter, — Kirby, J. E. Smith, W G. C. Whitfield, W. Ross, R. T. G. McGregor, and — Whitehead. J. L. Hall, W. S. S. Hall, W. T. Mr. W. S. Young, and Mr. J. T were the Mayor of South Shield Clerk, Mr. J. M. Moore; Alderm Councillors Lightfoot, Mabane, In Bowman, Wardle, Dale, Weir, T Dr. Dalziel, medical officer of Drs. Legat, Frain, Armstrong, Cr derson, chairman of the Sout members of the Board and U R. Dobby, T. Ramsay, and Craik; Robson, Lawson, J. Turner, J. Po Mr. T. Bincks (clerk), and Mr cemetery), Mr. J. Crisp, chairm and Mr. L. Inkster (secretary). brought up by about 150 membe the command of the following Graham, Guthrie, and Bewicke burial service was read by the vic Chester. After the coffin, whic "Jacob Sanderson Denham, 50 years," had been lowered i Masonic brotherhood, according sprig of acacia. The funeral wa taken place in South Shields.—M

A FUNERAL IN

IT is our painful duty to recor the early age of 47 yea Day, J.P., of Hyrst Cottage, manufacturer, well known and circle of friends in the West R 251, now 208, Dewsbury, on offices, and was Worshipful Provincial Grand Warden un in 1871; was exalted in Roya 1860, elected Z. in 1870 and ap was Vice President of the three the office of Steward at sixteen he was ready with his purse to in his native town and neigh tressed, as well as his relativ cause to deplore his death. By will he leaves his ample for and one sister, with legacies late partner and executors. Dewsbury Cemetery, at noon large number of Freemasons, fr joined the cortege at the Cem of the work people had assem their late employer.

W. R. Haylock, H. Souter, P. Newman, Robt. Diamond, John Vale, Stephen Roberts, George Smith, F. Eade, R. Gillard, Edwin Venner, W. Venner, Geo. Brittan, Henry Bardell, Thomas Hosking, George Chivers, G. Rubardt, J. Balcomb, W. B. Smith, C. G. H. Bisley, W. H. Easey, Henry Smith, William Little, J. Corkhill, H. Gordon, P. J. Walker, P. C. Rogers, E. W. Cundy, Thomas James, Alfred Parker, and J. Woodstock Tyler. Amongst the Visitors were Bros. W. Thomas 1853, J. Timsdale P.M. 1507, G. J. R. Tribbell W.M. 1287, E. C. Massey P.M. 1297, J. Pardoe 1505, George Steer 831, George Messenger 1525, T. Bramley P.M. Leigh Lodge, and others. After the customary rites, Lodge was advanced, and Bros. Faux and Diamond having replied satisfactorily to the test questions, were duly passed to the degree of F.C. by the Worshipful Master, who performed the ceremony in a most creditable manner. On the Lodge being further advanced, Bros. P. C. Rogers and H. Souter were raised to the sublime degree, the Worshipful Master delivering the impressive charges in a style that afforded considerable interest, as well as edification, to all present. The working was watched throughout with keen and critical interest, and all admitted that in the almost closing act of his official career as ruler of the City of London Lodge, Bro. Beaumont displayed the requisite wisdom to discern, and judgment to execute, the functions of his exalted post. At the conclusion of the practical work on the agenda, the brethren proceeded to vote for a successor to Bro. Beaumont as W. Master, and the choice fell unanimously upon Bro. George A. Cundy, who as S.W. had been exceedingly popular, and had earned his prerogative for promotion by the efficient manner in which he had discharged the duties of the minor offices through which he had passed. The result of the ballot was hailed with the liveliest satisfaction, and Bro. Cundy acknowledged in a few happily-chosen sentences the compliment which had been paid him. Bro. Henry Darcey P.M., was unanimously re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. J. Woodstock Tyler. Lodge was then closed in form, and the brethren adjourned to the throne-room of the hotel, where a sumptuous banquet had been provided by Bros. Ritter and Clifford, the arrangements, under the personal supervision of Bro. Henry Mills, giving the most unqualified satisfaction. After dessert, the usual Loyal and Craft toasts were honoured, the Worshipful Master observing it was a source of congratulation to them to know they had the first gentleman in the land to be the ruler of the Craft, and he felt assured that none were more loyal to the Prince of Wales than were the body of Freemasons of England. In proposing the health of the Pro Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and other Officers of Grand Lodge, the W. Master said the City of London Lodge was not often honoured by the presence of Grand Officers at their festivities, but he hoped from the way in which they were progressing they might soon deserve and receive attention at the hands of the rulers of the Craft. Bro. Alfred Ginger I.P.M., on rising to propose the next toast, said, when the gavel was given into his charge the brethren well knew the pleasant duty which accompanied it. During the time he had been I.P.M. of the City of London Lodge he had not been absent from one of its gatherings, and it had ever afforded him the utmost pleasure to propose, as he did to-night, the health of the Worshipful Master. He would not detain them by any repeated eulogiums of the brother who had so well held the reins of office in the Lodge during the past year, with the exceptional remark that Bro. Beaumont had gone through the work really better than he had done before, which was a proof that the further he went in Freemasonry the better he liked it, and the more was he capable of carrying out his duties. The W. Master, who was most cordially received, said this was the last time on which he should have an opportunity of addressing them from the chair at the festive board, and he should like to take advantage of it to thank them for the very kind manner in which they had supported him during his year of office. He could assure them the City of London Lodge had always been his hobby; he loved the Lodge, and he had done all he could to promote its welfare. As in the past, so in the future, he should strive to advance its interests to the utmost of his power. In proposing the health of the Worshipful Master elect, he congratulated the brethren upon the choice they had made, and he felt assured the City of London Lodge would have, in Bro. Cundy, a Master of whom any Lodge might well be proud. His abilities were already known, from the very efficient way in which he had carried out the duties appertaining to his office as S.W. His kindness and urbanity were also known, for he had made himself beloved to the City of London Lodge. Therefore, it was with much pleasure he asked them to rise with him and wish Bro. Cundy every source of happiness and health, and might his year of office be the most prosperous in the annals of the Lodge. The toast was received with pro-

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it had hitherto enjoyed was only
Lewis P.M., in reply, said he had b
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not a word had been spoken more t
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received the toast. He was sorry
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John Hughes J.W., in respondi
Officers of the Lodge had done the
and that they had given the sati
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complimentary speeches followed,
closed with the Tyler's toast. D
capital recitations and songs. Bros
assistance at the pianoforte.

It was arranged that the annual
should take place at Freemasons
January, and several Officers and b
as Stewards.

ROYAL SAVOY

THE annual meeting of this
inst., at the Freemasons'
occasion Bro. Jonathan L. Jones w
The great popularity of this Lodg
of gentlemen who desire to enter
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be maintained. Previous to this a
than thirteen candidates who had
initiation, accordingly it was decid
which was done on Monday, the
Messrs. T. Jefferies, A. H. Cole,
Nadanla were initiated. On Tues
and shortly after that time busi
present during the evening, Br
Douglass I.P.M., J. L. Jones S.W
jun. P.M. Treas., W. M. Stiles P.M
J.D., John W. Smith and W. Jac
F. W. Sillis Steward. The Lodge
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Jewell, J. Saddington, and J. T. K
and Bro. Medway, of the Domatic,
Bros. J. T. Buston, J. Plowman,
W.M. elect was then presented, obl
invested the following brethren
land S.W., Cook J.W., Willing
S.D., Holt J.D. (by proxy), J.
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Steward, P. F. Callaghan Organi
C. Koester Tyler. The addresses
ceeded to initiate Messrs. H. Zab
into the mysteries of Freemasonry
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was quite sure there was no brot
the Lodge conferred than Bro. Cle
of the Lodge desired to express
rendered. It was not possible fo

occupying the chair. The welcome accorded to visitors under the rule of each had been most cordial, there appeared to be one feeling entertained by all as regarded the guests. They each strived to outdo the other in the warmth of their reception, and the invariable invitation was, Come again, we are always pleased to see you. Bro. Michael W.M. 1107 also spoke to the toast, as did Bro. Burgess Worshipful Master 1472, Mursell Worshipful Master 35, Garrod Worshipful Master 754, and others. The toast of the Initiates followed; each of the newly-admitted brethen replying. Brother Willing gave the next toast. As time was rather short, the W.M. had desired him to adopt a somewhat informal course, namely, to propose in one toast success to the Masonic Charities and the Masonic Press. He looked upon these two Institutions as two of the most important adjuncts to Freemasonry. In Brother Mason, the representative o the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, they had a thorough support of the Charities, and one who seemed to do everything it was possible for man to do to add to the success of the Institutions connected with the Craft. He ably represented Bro. Terry, the Secretary of the "Old Folks," to whom the brethren of the Royal Savoy Lodge were under some amount of obligation, as he had at the time of the foundation of the Lodge, rendered great service by acting as its Consecrating Officer. His absence on the present occasion was owing to his presence being required elsewhere, but he had sent a very good deputy, and one who could speak to the toast with ability. He thought the best recommendation he could give Bro. Mason personally was to say that he was a somewhat dangerous man to know, as he seemed to possess the knack of advocating the cause of his Institution so well as to compel brethren to support it. He had that evening induced the Past Masters to promise that one of their number should act as Steward at the next Festival of the Benevolent, and it now only remained for the brethren to do their part to render Bro. Mason's work worthy of the reception it should receive. He could not omit to mention also, that he materially assisted the Lodge that evening by acting, first in one capacity and then in another at the earlier part of the evening. As representative of the other portion of the toast, he was glad to again welcome Bro. Morgan jun., and he hoped that at many future meetings of the Lodge these two brethren would again be present. Bros. Mason and Morgan having replied, the W.M. proposed the Officers of the Lodge, and each of those brethren having spoken, the Tyler was called and the concluding toast honoured. The Past Master's jewel presented to Bro. Clemow, bore the following inscription.

"Presented to Bro. F. H. Clemow P.M., by the Savoy Lodge, No. 1744, as a mark of esteem, and in recognition of his valuable services as W.M. 1880-81."

Among the Visitors were Bros. W. Fountain 879, A. Hayman 375, H. Speedy P.M. 742, Henry Stiles W.M. 1732, J. Garrod W.M. 754, C. H. Mursell W.M. 35, R. J. Taylor P.M. 144, H. Medway 177, G. L Moore P.M. 169, W. Birrell 1310, B. Kauffmann D.C. 1732, T. Butt P.M. 700, J. J. Michael W.M. 1107 P.P.G.P. Kent, W. Knight S.D. 87, J. Mason P.P.S.G.D. Middlesex, J. E. Thomas I.G. 619, J. Knowles 1744, C. G. Brown 1589, W. W. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, W. R. Davis I.G. 87, T. Pinn 860, J. H. Grant 1507, A. Wingrove 3, E. Storr J.D. 167, C. Harris 79, C. Baker 201, W. J. Burgess W.M. 1472, W. Abrahams 201, J. Paul 1287, W. H. Rohrs W.M. 946, &c.

SPHINX LODGE, No, 1329.

ON Saturday afternoon the brethren of this flourishing Lodge assembled at the Masonic Hall, Camberwell New-road, for the purpose of installing the W.M. elect Bro. J. R. Richards, and also to transact other important matters connected with this Lodge in particular and the Order generally. As on former occasions, the Lodge was opened in due form to a minute, all the Officers being in their respective positions previously thereto. This is as it should be. After the minutes of the preceding meeting had been read and confirmed, and some minor matters of detail settled, Bro. Walter John Brooks was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft, the interesting and impressive ceremony being performed by the W.M. Bro. Bryant. The installation ceremony was then proceeded with, in the presence of a board of twenty-three installed Masters—a most unusual occurrence, in South London at least. Bros. Bryant and R. J. Voisey conducted the proceedings, the latter with much tact and efficiency acting as Director of the Ceremonies. There was not a hitch throughout. Bro. Bryant had, moreover, been called upon at a short notice to undertage the labours, as likewise had Bro. Voisey, P.M. Nairne having

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F. G. Lewin, C. Lyle, C. F. C
R. Irvine, S. H. Goldschmidt, A.
Bradley, C. Cornes, J. A. Thornhil
J. S. Asman, D. D. Mercer, R. Str
T. T. Brooks, J. B. Noble, T. C.
Permewan, W. Farmer, and ser
were Bros. C. Greenwood P.G.S.
Benevolent Institution, F. Birch
Poore P.M. 720, M. S. Larlham
Treasurer of the Lebanon Chapte
Secretary, H. Vickey P.M. 1175 a
Arnold 818, O. H. Cohen, F. Deri
P.M. 140, Rev. H. W. Turner 134
Griffiths 18, Alphonso Estoclet 16
228, G. H. Kilson 548, J. Garner
1347, C. A. Wells W.M. 15, W. H.
176, F. Hilton S.D. 171 Preceptor
1641, G. Cotton 1641, O. H. Cohen
Payne S.D. 1669, A Lester 1309,
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Bro. Slawson, of 736 Old K
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the commendation of all present, a
On the removal of the cloth, grac
Master remarked that, owing to
being of a long duration, and as
proffered their musical services w
he would suggest that the speech
The first toast he should propose
Our gracious Queen had truly loyr
desire that she may long continue
persons and contented people. T
National Anthem was sung. Th
the Most Worshipful the Grand
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remarks. Following the toast,
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the name of Bro. C. Greenwood
merits they all knew and appre
Lyre," had been sung, Bro. C. G
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assistance he much regretted.
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that knowledge that but few seemed to care to acquire. But, when acquired, what edification and pleasure was the outcome! Every initiate should resolve to become Master of a Lodge; and, in order to attain that proud position, he should devote all possible time, care, and attention. He could not do better. The goal sooner or later would be reached; but if not, at least he would be a wiser and a better man. Their W.M. elect he had no doubt would emulate the action of his predecessor. The tongue of good report had already been heard in his favour, and if during his year of office matters continued to progress as they had during the past year, their Lodge would stand foremost in South London. He hoped that health and prosperity would attend the Officers, and that all would discharge their duties readily and attentively, as had their predecessors. Bro. Bryant then, in a neat speech, proposed the health of the W.M. who was esteemed by them one and all. He had no apprehension as to the manner in which he would fill the chair, inasmuch as he was conversant with, and equal to any amount of work he might be called on to undertake during his year of office. The W.M. in responding said it was a source of much pleasure to him to know that he should be supported by able and judicious Officers, and that if counsel were needed the Past Masters of the Lodge would co-operate with him whenever their services might be required. The health of the Visitors followed, to which Bros. Cohen and Turner responded. The W.M. then proposed the health of the Immediate Past Master, which evoked an excellent rejoinder from Brother Bryant. The Past Masters were also given from the chair, to which Bro. Sugden responded. The Treasurer and Secretary, the Charities, the Officers, and the Stewards were the next toasts. Bro. Forbes, as Steward, which office he had held for several years, made a forcible speech, in the course of which he alluded to the fact that Bro. Brinton and himself had conjointly been Stewards for four years. That brother, however, had forsaken him, and gone up higher. However, time alone would reveal whether or not he should occupy the chair before him. The race was not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong. He would do his duty without fear, favour, or dissimulation, and at all seasons, whatever demands they would make on his time and labours, a ready response would be made by him, and he would not (if possible) be found wanting. The Tyler's toast concluded the interesting proceedings. We cannot forbear mentioning, that the selection of vocal music, under the direction of Bro. A. Stribling, by Bros. A. Lester, H. Griffiths, J. H. Asman, and R. J. Voisey, contributed in no small degree to the pleasures of the evening. Their musical ability is of a high order, and all of them were in excellent form. The coming year of this Lodge indicates prosperity, financially and numerically.

LODGE OF ISRAEL, No. 1502.

THE annual installation meeting of this Lodge was held on Monday evening in the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool. The Lodge was established about eight years ago, chiefly for the accommodation of Hebrew brethren. It has met with deserved success, and its usefulness will be still further extended in the course of a few days, when a Chapter in association with the Lodge will be Consecrated by the Earl of Lathom. At the installation there was a large muster of members and visitors, amongst the latter being Bros. J. P. Platt P.P.G.J.W. Cheshire, H. L. Alpass P.G. Sec., W. A. Clayton P.G.J.W., J. S. Beanford P.P.J.G.W., Dr. Bailey P.G.S., Councillor J. Ball W.M. 673, Dr. H. Pitts W.M. 1620, W. Marquis W.M. 537, &c. Bro. Maurice Aronsberg the W.M. elect was ably installed by Bro. Samuel J. Henochsberg I.P.M. The following Officers were invested:—Bros. the Rev. Professor J. Prag Chaplain, Dr. W. Stern Deputy Chaplain, S. Schonstadt P.M. M.C., M. P. Tneski S.W., Joseph Saber J.W., M. Hart P.M. Treasurer, H. F. Wright Secretary, D. Gabrielsen S.D., H. M. Silver J.D., M. Baum I.G., P. S. Levy, S.S., H. Archer J.S., E. Capstick A.S., and J. Ball Tyler. At the close of the ceremony the newly-installed W.M. initiated two brethren in an efficient manner. A banquet followed, under his presidency, and in the course of the evening a valuable P.M.'s jewel (the work of Bro. B. Levy, South Castle-street) was presented by the brethren to the I.M.P. Bro. Henochsberg, in acknowledgment of his zealous services to the Lodge. Several musical brethren contributed to the enjoyment of the evening, including Bro. Hargreaves Gill, who played his popular "Fairy Bells."

Neptune Lodge, No 22.—There was a very large attendance at the annual [illegible]

for the election of officers and othe
evening, at the Guildhall Tavern
under the presidency of Brother
Walter Moore was unanimously e
Bro. James Stilwell was re-appoi
Longstaff was again entrusted wit
clusion of Lodge business the bre
quet, and the evening was spent in
Masons.

Percy Lodge of Instruct
on Saturday last, at Bro. Fysh's,
there were present Bros. C. Weed
D. Moss Acting Preceptor, A. W.
Brasted J.D., G. Ferrar I.G.; a
Carter, Gribbell, Marks, R. M. Jon
son, Mitchell, Glass, A. Winborn,
and minutes of last meeting read
when Bro. R. M. Jones answered
entrusted. Lodge was opened up,
ably rehearsed, Bro. R. M. Jones b
worked the first section of the
Lodge resumed to the first degre
Concord, No. 813, and John Glass
were elected members. Bro. Gill
at next meeting, after which Lodg
Fenner, P.M. of 1277 and W.M.
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Euphrates Lodge, No. 2
members of this Lodge was held o
Hall, Basinghall-street, when there
the presidency of Bro. Ricknall
ported by Bros. C. Drosber S.W.,
W. J. Cooper J.D., R. Millett I.G.
Rushton P.M., J. Halsey P.M., Lo
J. C. Franks P.M., Joseph Coates
J. Marsh Tyler; J. Benabo, R. Mc
W. J. Bassett, S. Moss, S. J. Fisk,
and others. Amongst the Visitors
Richard T. Cook S.D. 435, J. Mac
I.G. 87. Lodge having been open
the agenda satisfactorily disposed
Master for the ensuing year, in
choice of the brethren fell unanim
had efficiently discharged the du
during the past year. Bro. Drosber
of the brethren, and suitably ackn
been paid him. Bro. Thomas Rus
and Bro. Joseph J. Marsh was re-a
of business, the brethren sat down
in excellent style by Messrs. Wood
for the comfort and enjoyment o
versal expressions of approbation.
toasts were honoured, and amidst
singing a most enjoyable evening

New Concord Lodge, N
Lodge assembled on Thursday, 17
Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street,
W. Pierpoint W.M., L. C. Haslip
C. Stevens Chaplain, John Stilwell
Alfred J. Potter S.D., Peter Har
P.M.'s Bros. Sampson George and
W. Swales, J. Wicks, Frederick P
Alladyce, H. Millson, W. Potter,
Speight P.M. 27 Prov. G. Tyler
been opened in form, Bro. F. M.
and was passed to the F.C. degr
other business, the brethren adjo
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Islington Lodge of Instr

Wellsman P.M., H. W. Dalwood P.M., J. C. Dwarber P.M., John Dodson P.M., A. H. Jenkins, F. J. Elliot, M. W. Edwards, C. G. Brown, John Waller, E. Symons, J. A. Harrison, H. G. Harris, David R. Lowe, John Jones, John Esson, W. H. Longman, Robert Skelton, John Giseard, A. Dickinson, and F J. E. Young. Visitors—Bros. John Bertram P.M. 742, George Hollington P.M. 933, T. Walls P.S.B. Middlesex, J. B. Marshall Treas. 1777, E. Blake 507, W. Abbott 507, H. E. Joyce 1601, and Walter P. Story 1365. Lodge was opened in accordance with ancient rites, and having been advanced, Bros. F. J. Elliot, J. A. Harrison, and David R. Lowe, were raised to the sublime degree, by the Worshipful Master, who performed the ceremony in a perfect and impressive manner. This being the only business on the agenda, Lodge was closed in form, and the brethren partook of an excellent repast, served by Bro. Clemow, in a style for which this old establishment and reputed Hotel is proverbial. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, and interspersed with some excellent harmony, the evening was passed happily.

West Middlesex Lodge of Instruction, No. 1612.—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 18th instant, at the Feathers' Hotel, Ealing. Bros. J. Green W.M., H. E. Tucker S.W., W. Seward J.W., Cunningham S.D., Jones J.D., C. Andrews P.M. I.G.; Bros. Bellerby, Walters, Smith, Clarke, Balysey. After preliminaries, the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Bellerby candidate. The Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Balysey candidate. Lodge was closed in the second degree. The W.M. delivered the charge.

PRESENTATION.

Lodge Sincerity No. 1019, Wakefield, West Yorks.—At the usual monthly meeting of the above named Lodge, Bro. Joseph Matthewman was chosen W.M. for the ensuing year. Mr. Matthew Samuel Walker was initiated into Masonry, and at the close of business Bro. William Henry Gill, J.P., P.P.G. Warden, presented a full set of Provincial clothing and jewel to Bro. Henry France P.M. P.P.G.D. of C., which had been purchased by a few members of the Lodge, as a recognition of long and valued services. Bro. France was initiated in Lodge Wakefield, 727, now 495, 14th May 1861, and was a founder of Lodge Sincerity, No. 1019, in 1864. He served the office of W.M. in 1866, and was appointed Provincial G.D. of C. by Bro. Bently Shaw, and invested by the Marquess of Ripon in 1872. Bro. France has a son a member of the Lodge. Bro. France's father occupied the office of Prov. G.D. of Cer. from 1830 till 1849, when he was made S.G. Warden, and was held in high esteem by the Craft.

WHAT IS MOST NEEDED.—We declare the foundations of Masonry imperishable, because they rest upon Divine command. We know that they are no more to be disturbed by open designing enemies than by the amount of their denunciation; nevertheless we may impose upon them a structure that obscures their origin, only to insure a want of respect for our pretensions. If we do this, there is not any escape from merited obscurity. Our Institution, with all others, will be commended or condemned as it adheres to or deviates from its professions. If a Lodge is to command the respect of the community in which it exists, it must insist upon truest manhood from its members. Practical life is the demonstrator of personal character. What a Mason *does* is the true index of his value to humanity. The same rule applies to men in their associated capacity. Professions are not of any importance in presence of a disregard for obligations, and the more exalted our official or other Masonic attainments the more vivid and damaging our insincerity. Our Fraternity should have *men* rather than professional theorists who can coolly administer a ritual, become eloquent in discussing the fundamental ideas and demands of the Lodge, and the next moment jubilant in associations that do not have a remote relation to respectability.— *M.W. Wm. Scott, G.M. of Illinois.*

The Installation ceremony will be rehearsed in the Prince Leopold Lodge of Instruction, No. 1445, held at The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, on Wednesday next, 30th November, at 7 p.m., by Brother W. H. Myers, P.M. 820 and 1445, Preceptor. Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Earl Cowper, K.G., Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and the

Owen, Director of the South State banquet was held in the of the Imperial Palace, in Imperial Highness's birthday, the Imperial Family, the high British Ambassador were pres

We regret to announce the His Majesty the Emperor of Grand Lodges of Prussia.

The Duke of Abercorn, K.G with the Duchess of Abercorn M.P., &c., &c., left Baron's to Sir John and Lady Les Monaghan.

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From the Voice of Masonry.

NEARLY thirty years ago we spent a brief period in Connecticut. The occasion was the dedication, at Danbury, of the monument erected to the memory of General David Wooster, 27th April 1854.

David Clark was then Grand Master, a noble man and Mason, as well as a most efficient workman in our Temple mysteries. The Hon. Henry C. Deming, one of Connecticut's most gifted sons, was orator of the day, while the talented Mrs. Sigourney laid her tribute of poetry upon the altar of her country's hero. It was the only time we ever saw Mrs. S., but shall never forget her noble, calm, dignified motherly appearance. Deming and Clark and the 'sweet singer of Connecticut," Mrs. S., have now all "passed over the river," while the writer survives to place their names on record in the Voice, for others of the Craft to read when *he* shall have gone to join his earlier co-labourers where the "weary are at rest."

In the early history and biographies of Masons on this Continent is also involved the history of Masonry. Indeed we should know little of the latter if we were not familiar with the former. The elders of the Order are rapidly being numbered, and soon there will be but few living left to tell the story of the fathers. The younger brethren we feel sure will be glad to read these items of the past, especially when involving the character and achievements of one "who fell a martyr to his faith," and gave his life for the freedom and happiness of his country. The story is true, though it may have been long forgotten, or never heard of by those who shall read the present number of the Voice of Masonry. When *he* is in the grave they may think of the writer, and recall with grateful recollection the noble names he has "placed upon perpetual record."

David Wooster, Master of the first Lodge organized in Connecticut, was born in Stratford, 3rd March 1711. He was the son of Abraham and Mary Wooster, and was reared in the Puritan principles of that era; the discipline of his early years was severe and sober. He had but just reached his twenty-seventh year, when England declared war against Spain. The protection which the English flag extended to smugglers and pirates compelled the people of the colonies to organize for their own protection. To provide for this, the General Assembly of Connecticut, at its May session in 1740, ordered a sloop of war to be built and equipped. The sloop was launched at Middletown and named the Defence, of which Bro. Wooster was appointed Lieutenant and afterwards Captain, and here commenced his long career in defence of his native land against foreign aggression.

In the Defence we find him from 1741 to 1743 cruising between Cape Cod and the Capes of Virginia. As he passed the rock-bound shores of Connecticut, he ran into New London for supplies, and into New Haven on a stolen visit to Mary, who was yet to be his bride.

While Wooster was employed in this humble service the question of colonial commerce grew into a general struggle of Europe. The Pragmatic Sanction which settled the throne of Austria upon Maria Theresa, was solemnly guaranted by all the principal powers of Europe. But the crown was hardly placed upon her brow before Frederick of Prussia, and Louis of France conspired to despoil her of her hereditary dominions,—one whose sex, youth and beauty presented the strongest claims to their protection. England remained true to the house of Hapsburg. Both hemispheres were plunged in war, and as one of the direct results of royal perjury, thousands in the remote valleys of Connecticut, who would otherwise have descended in green old age to where

"The rude forefathers of Hamlet sleep,"

shed their young life-blood on battle-fields from Detroit to Lonisburg, and found early graves in the snows of Canada and the sands of the West Indies.

Lonisburg, on the Island of Cape Breton, was the camp and arsenal of France in America, and the scourge of the English. It became necessary, therefore, to destroy this nest where war and outrage was fostered to the injury of the English, and the destruction of the commerce and industries of the colonists; and the New England States, backed up by New Jersey and Pennsylvania, were ready to undertake the task, however formidable it might prove.

Into this scheme Wooster entered with all the zeal of his ardent and unselfish nature. He was the first to volunteer, and the first to receive a Captain's commission, and among the earliest to have his command ready for the field. The month previous to his departure on this expedition was that to which his mind reverted in after years, with the tenderest emotions, for 6th March 1745 he was married to Mary, the daughter of the Rev. Thomas Clap, President of Yale College,—a wife who, from the date of nuptials, never failed to cling to him with all a true woman's constancy and devotion. He purchased the old homestead in New Haven, on the street which bears his

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was organized in 1750—the first Lodge
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backs. Colonel Wooster had already
minister, the Rev. Jonathan Edwards

in the army; while Wooster was compelled to accept the position of brigadier under Putnam, or retire from the service. The former he *could* do, though at the sacrifice of feeling and position; the latter he could not do, especially while his country was calling upon her children for aid in the grand struggle for freedom.

He laid aside his personal grievance, however, and marched with his command to the front, where he was met by the insults of Schuyler—such as would have driven any other man from the army; but Wooster's patriotism was of too noble and lofty a type, and the insulting letters and remarks of such men as Schuyler only elevated Wooster in the estimation of every true love of his country. But Schuyler's conduct became such at last, that even the high-toned, gentlemanly and forbearing Wooster could endure it no longer, and he appealed to Congress for relief. He was, at his own request, recalled, and within one month afterwards the army was driven out of Canada.

Wooster returned to Connecticut with the undiminished respect and confidence of his fellow citizens; and as the Assembly had recently raised six brigades for home defence, he was promptly appointed the major-general and commander-in-chief. With zeal unchilled either by age or misfortune he again entered the service of the commonwealth. When General Wooster was again called to lead the Connecticut troops he was compelled to draw upon his private funds to pay both officers and men, for which he took receipts. The vouchers for these disbursements were all destroyed by the British in 1779, and his venerable and accomplished wife was, in her declining years, actually imprisoned for debt from the impossibility of recovering the money her husband had advanced to his suffering country; while the self-conceited Schuyler, who had been sure to keep out of harm's way, was revelling in wealth obtained by marriage with one of the old English aristocratic families!

[To be continued.]

This day (Saturday) the Marquis of Hartington, M.P., Provincial Grand Master Derbyshire, will address his constituents of the North Eastern Division of Lancashire, in the Amphitheatre, Blackburn. As may well be imagined, the demand for tickets has been very considerable.

The Duke of Marlborough left Thomas's Hotel towards the end of last week for Blenheim Palace, where he and the Duchess purpose receiving a succession of visitors.

Among the guests at the annual dinner of the Botley and South Hants Farmers' Club was Bro. W. W. B. Beach Prov. Grand Master Hants and the Isle of Wight.

It is very satisfactory to hear that Lord Sherborne Past Provincial Grand Master of Gloucestershire, who had been somewhat seriously indisposed, is in a fair way of recovery.

The Earl and Countess Granville have returned to Carlton House Terrace from Walmer Castle.

"Grand Day" of Michaelmas term was held at Gray's Inn, on Tuesday, on which occasion H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught took his seat for the first time since his election as a Master of the Bench.

A meeting of upwards of fifty magistrates of county Wicklow was held at the International Hotel, Bray, on Saturday last, for the purpose of passing resolutions in favour of the measures taken by the Government for the restoration of peace and tranquillity in Ireland. The chair was taken by the Earl of Meath, Lord Lieutenant of the county, and among those present was Viscount Powerscourt P.G.M. Wicklow and Wexford, who seconded the first and principal resolution.

The same day a meeting of the Deputy Lieutenants, magistrates, and land-owners of County Leitrim was held at Carrick-on-Shannon, under the presidency of Lord Harlech Provincial Grand Master of North Connaught, when, among other resolutions that were passed, was one

for services recently rendered to the I
to the late Assistant Grand Secreta
Charity Jewel were presented to B
Smith, Wigram, and J. Potts.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Maste
the ensuing year, as follows:—

Bro. J. Potts	- - -	Pro
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C. Head	- - -	
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G. Norwood	- - -	
W. Biggs	- - -	

The brethren afterwards dined to
where Mr. Attwood supplied a repas
tion, which was served up in excellen
toasts the Deputy Prov. Grand
Master," "The Pro Grand Master,
the Officers of Grand Lodge," whi
F. J. Morrell P.G.D., "The Provincia
Leopold," was then proposed by
Master, who explained the cause of H.
Provincial Grand Officers, present
replied to by Bro. J. Potts, the P
Bro. F. J. Morrell then proposed
Provincial Grand Master," to wh
Masonic Charities" and the "Tyler's
the courtesy of the Great Western
brethren returned the same evening

SPAIN.—At this moment Freemas
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are metamorphosed into surreptitio
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sonry proper; and, call it what you
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series of "Occasional Papers" you have started, bids fair to be a useful "addition to our Masonic Literature," and when a sufficient number of them has appeared, it strikes me they should be reproduced in book form. In that case, Lodges need never be at a loss for a little variety in the business transacted. It is all very well to talk about the beauties of Freemasonry, but the most beautiful picture that man ever set eyes on must in time become wearisome to behold. Our ceremonies, when they are well rehearsed, are very impressive, but candidates for the three degrees are not always forthcoming, and I cannot see how a body of sensible men, assembled in Lodge, could spend a vacant twenty minutes more profitably to themselves than by listening to such a paper, say, as the one read by Bro. Whytehead in the Eboracum Lodge, No. 1611. There are those who think the "Entered Apprentice Song" is, as a poetical composition, one of the finest that was ever penned by English writer, while the music to which it is set rivals the sublimest strains of Handel or Mozart. Be is so; no reasonable being will have the slightest objection to the adoption even of the extremest or most eccentric opinions. But the same liberality should be extended to those who are not given to the same expression of extreme opinions, and are only eccentric in so far as they believe that an occasional departure from routine is not seriously to be objected to, and need not be stigmatised as an innovation that is calculated to wound the tenderest susceptibilities of the most conservative Freemason. You may depend upon it the Scottish domestics did a very sensible thing when they bargained not to dine off salmon more than so many days in the week, and you may signally depend upon it that Masons would be all the better if they occasionally indulged in some other mental pabulum than the eternal, albeit beautiful ceremony and lectures.

Fraternally and faithfully,

A MILD REFORMER.

GRAND LODGES OF ENGLAND AND QUEBEC.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Had I not been so closely occupied during the last few weeks, I should have written, not for the purpose of endorsing your opinions on the differences between these Grand Lodges—it would be an act of presumption on my part to entertain such an idea—but with a view to pointing out that the circumstances of the dispute are somewhat different from the ordinary run of such cases. No one objects to the broad principles laid down by the advocates of exclusive jurisdiction. If the Grand Lodge of New York issued a warrant for the erection of a new Lodge in the State of Pennsylvania, it would be the one and only reasonable course for the Grand Lodge of the latter to resent the invasion of its territory. So if Scotland took a similar step and established a Lodge in London, or if England set up one in Edinburgh, either Grand Lodge would have just grounds for objecting to such a course. But the difference which Quebec would fasten upon our Grand Lodge has arisen out of quite another array of circumstances. The Grand Lodge of Quebec is an offshoot of the Grand Lodge of Canada, as the Grand Lodge of Canada is an offshoot of the Grand Lodge of England. When England recognised the Masonic independence of Canada, it did so conditionally. It acquiesced in the secession of those of its Lodges which were desirous of affiliating with the New Grand Lodge, but it claimed for those who were not desirous of seceding the right to remain under its authority, an undertaking being given at the same time to erect no new Lodges on Canadian territory. This conditional recognition was accepted; the claim was seen to be perfectly just and reasonable; and the undertaking on the part of England has been honourably kept during the quarter of a century the Grand Lodge of Canada has been in existence. Quebec separated from Canada, if I remember rightly in 1867, since when England, acting in accordance with her original policy, and with a liberality which cannot be too highly commended, in recognising the new Masonic body, stipulated for the freedom, as heretofore, of its own Lodges. It must be remembered that true Masonic liberality consists quite as much in allowing Lodges to remain if they choose in the jurisdiction to which they owe their existence as in sanctioning their departure, and their affiliation with another body; and what cause of complaint Quebec can possibly have against the three English Lodges at Montreal clinging to their old love, the Grand Lodge of England, is beyond my comprehension. It is said they interfere with the authority of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, though what is the nature of the interference is not apparent. Lodges holding under the English, Irish and Scotch Constitutions respectively, meet side by side in the British Colonies and Dependencies, and it is found as a

Board of Masters, which was first held
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COMMITTEE MEETING OF

THE November meeting of the G
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Arthur E. Gladwell, H. Massey, Jn
Money, C. G. Brown, C. H. Webb, T.
and F. R. W. Hedges Secretary. Aft
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ALHAMBRA THEATRE.—After being
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GAIETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At
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WAY HOUSE, &c. On Monday, MA
HAYMARKET.—At 7.45, PLOT AND
PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 7.
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NEW SADLER'S WELLS.—At
ROYALTY.—At 7.30, FOR LIFE. At
COMEDY.—At 7.30, SEEING FROU-F
SAVOY.—At 8, MOCK TURTLE, and I
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4—Royal Somerset House and Inverness, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
28—Castle Lodge of Harmony, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
28—Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
79—Pythagorean, Ship Tavern, Greenwich
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
183—Unity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, E.C.
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
902—Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
905—De Grey and Ripon, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquess of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, Queen's Arms Hotel, Kilburn
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1615—Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1632—Stuart, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1603—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
1745—Farringdon, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
1828—Shepherds Bush, Athenæum, Goldhawk-road, W.

48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead
62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
148—Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge, at 8.30. (Instruction)
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
909—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1177—Tenby, Royal Assembly Rooms, Tenby, Pembroke
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
R.A. 241—Friendship, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 448—Regularity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
R.A. 827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
M.M. 146—Moore, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

TUESDAY, 29th NOVEMBER.

55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
869—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at. 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, (Instruction)
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30., (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
299—Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
310—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle
357—Apollo University, Masonic Hall, Oxford
573—Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen
624—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Burton-on-Trent
897—Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
986—Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
1214—Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Caledonia-road, Batley
1358—Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton
1506—Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead
R.A. 721—Grosvenor, Masonic-chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester

WEDNESDAY, 30th NOVEMBER.

House Committee, Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, Croydon, at 3
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
228—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dean Street, Oxford St. at 8 (Inst.)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. (Instruction)
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
898—Temperance in the East, 6 Newby Place, Poplar
1017—Montefiore, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7, (Instruction)
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.
1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1321—Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swallow Street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
1345—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8 (Inst.)
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1788—Progress, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

86—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescot, Lancashire
163—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
277—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham

192—Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Ho
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moor
227—Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall
231—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, W.C
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-stree
538—La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall, W
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepn
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lo
822—Victoria Rifles, Freemasons' Hall,
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin
1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stanga te
1178—Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hote
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington
1351—St. Clement Danes, Anderton's Ho
1428—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Ma
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, Jame
1672—Mornington, London Tavern, Fen
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station
1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St.
1765—Trinity College, 61 Weymouth Str
1772—Pimlico, Morpeth Arms Tavern, M
1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lor
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers
M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Bell Hot

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons'
31—United Industrious, Masonic Roon
38—Union, Council Chamber, Chiches
41—Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall,
50—Knights of Malta, George Hotel, H
116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, C
123—Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richm
208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpo
254—Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Cove
268—Naphtali, Masonic Hall, Market-p
269—Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Black
275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South P
283—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place
289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-h
294—Constitutional, Assembly Rooms,
295—Combermere Union, Macclesfield
300—Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton
309—Harmony, Red Lion, Fareham
317—Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Coop
337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, U
344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe,
360—Pomfret, Abington Street, Northa
419—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel W
425—Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chest
448—Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, S
509—Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton
636—D'Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
637—Portland, Masonic Rooms, Town
659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Bly
792—Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Bul
816—Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Ward
913—Pattison, Lord Raglan Tavern,
974—Pentalpha, New Masonic Hall, D
1012—Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, B
1074—Underley, Masonic Room, Market
1165—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. Germa
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Ha
1231—Savile, Royal Hotel, Elland
1282—Ancholme, Foresters' Hall, Brig
1284—Brent, Globe Hotel, Tonsham, D
1304—Olive Union, Masonic Hall, Horn
1367—Beaminster Manor, White Hart
1384—Equity, Alforde Chambers, Wid
1473—Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lanc
1500—Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
1505—Red Rose of Lancaster, Starkie'
1513—Friendly, King's Head Hotel, B
1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Che
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Ha
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel,
1639—Watling-street, Cock Hotel, Sto
1807—Loyal Wye, Builth, Breconshire
R.A. 429—Thanet, Royal Hotel, Ramsg
R.A. 681—Rectitude, Corporation Hote
R.A. 758—Bridgwater, Freemasons' H
R.A. 1339—Stockwell, Half Moon, He
M.M. 53—Britannia, Freemasons' Hal

FRIDAY, 2

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Fr
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, A
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masoni
706—Florence Nightingale, Masonic
709—William Preston, Feathers' Tav
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter,
834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammers
890—Horsley, Freemasons' Hall, W.
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitech
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, F
1154—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W.,
1275—Star, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
1296—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle
1305—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Cl
1489—Marquess of Ripon, Metropolitan
1627—Royal Kensington, Freemasons'
1942—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Gosl

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1528—Fort, Masonic Hall, Newquay, Cornwall.
1557—Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham.
1561—Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Edward-street, Morecambe, Lancashire.
1648—Prince of Wales, Free masons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1664—Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, High-street, Gosforth.
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5.30

SATURDAY, 3rd DECEMBER.

142—St. Thomas, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street
198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
1559—New Cross, New Cross Hall, New Cross
1572—Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.
1622—Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
R.A. 975—Rose of Denmark, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.

149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham.
308—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood.
1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manchester

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

St. James's Union Chapter, No. 180.—A convocation of this Chapter was held on the 22nd instant, at the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street. Comps. A. L. Annett M.E.Z, E. Farwig H., Keyes J., Reed S.E., Fletcher S.N., R. Baker P.S.; P.Z.'s L. Pillin, Stonor; Comps. J. Andrews, Van Duren, Wade, E. Bateman, Harris, Smith; Visitors—H. J. Gabb H. 813, E. Bowyer P.Z. 1471, H. M. Levy P.Z. 188. The Chapter was opened and the minutes of the former convocation were read and confirmed. A ballot having been previously taken for the admission of Bro. T. S. Herbert J.D. 1139, he was duly exalted into Royal Arch Masonry. The working of the M.E.Z., Principals, and Officers was perfect. The Chapter was then closed until February, and the company sat down to an excellent banquet and dessert provided by Bro. Best and superintended by Comp. Dawkins. The M.E.Z. proposed the usual Loyal and Royal Arch toasts. Comp. Pillin I.P.Z. had much pleasure in proposing the toast of the M.E.Z. All who knew him respected him, and are proud to see him occupying the chair. The M.E.Z. in reply thanked Comp. Pillin for his cordial remarks; he very much appreciated the kindness of the Companions in placing him in the chair; he would do all in his power for the welfare of the Chapter, and strive to perform his duties to their satisfaction. The M.E.Z. then proposed the toast of the newly exalted Comp. Herbert, whom they were all pleased to see. He hoped he would be among them for many years. Companion Herbert, in brief but appropriate terms, responded. The M.E.Z. proposed the toast of the Visitors, for which Companions E. Bowyer, H. M. Levy, and Gabb severally responded. The toast of the H. and J. came next. The Companions had seen that evening how they had fulfilled their respective duties; their working was complete, and Comp. Annett was sure, in the course of events, these excellent Companions would eventually occupy the First Principal's chair. Comp. Farwig ably responded; he was followed by Comp. Keyes J. The M.E.Z. then proposed the P.Z.'s; they had only three present, but they could give great credit to Companion Reed S.E., who is one of the mainstays of the Chapter, and keeps it together in love and unity. Comp. Pillin is the Treasurer; they know what his duties are, and they had seen his ability in that capacity; in the past they had seen his working in the Chapter. Comp. Pillin P.Z. Treasurer responded. It was with pride he said he was the oldest Companion in the Chapter; his services were at their command, and he hoped to be spared for many years more to be among them. The toast of the S.N., Comp. Fletcher, and the P.S., Comp. Baker, came next. The M.E.Z. had great pleasure in proposing that toast, as he considered these posts as stepping stones to the chair. The proceedings were brought to a close with the Janitor's toast. Comps. Pillin, Baker, J. Andrews, and Smith contributed to the harmony.

Lodge of Prudent Brethren, No. 145.—The regular meeting was held on 22nd inst., at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street. Bros. Dr. Wilkinson W.M., C. A. Woods S.W., Kerrell J.W., T. Bull P.M. Treasurer, Lambe as Secretary, Read J.D., Banks I.G., P.M.'s Lister I.P.M., Leggott, Haslett, G. States, and a numerous attendance of the brethren. Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. The election for W.M. took place, and Bro. C. A. Woods S.W. was chosen to fill that important post. Bro. T. Bull, amid great applause, was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Reinhardt Tyler. It was proposed that a jewel be presented to the W.M. for the zeal he displayed during his year of office. Lodge was closed, and the brethren sat down to a banquet and dessert, provided by

gave the lecture on the second tracing impressive manner, which called forth be recorded on the minutes. The Pocock P.M., to vote the sum of ten Lodge towards providing an organ or referred to the Permanent Committ The recommendation of the Permane of the banquet tickets was also discuss A candidate for initiation was prop which the Lodge was closed, and adjo

St. Augustine Lodge, No. 8
Masonic Temple, Canterbury, on Wed purpose of installing the W.M., Bro. S was a very numerous assembly of Masters. The Visitors were—Bros. Gann S.D. 1915, A. Taylor P.M. 1110 1110, J. Sutton S.W. 1110, John East W. Ashenden I.G. 31, John R. Hall Jamblin W.M. 1837 P.G.C., H. Ta P.M. 1449, F. Fletcher 33, J. R. Reev 1915, Peter Williams S.W. 1915, C. 1915, W. Coleman J.D. 1915, R. B 511 540 1001 P.P.G.S.D. Leicester and The impressive ceremony was most ab the W.M. Bro. Beer P.M. 1449. The appointed and invested by the W. T. B. Rosseter S.W., T. Crump J.W. Pringuer Hon. Sec., W. Price S.D., J. G. Fawcett Organist, R. Westwo W. Harnett Tyler, R. Ewell Assist Almoner, J. Welsh P.M. Delegate to t After the Lodge was closed, the breth Hotel, where the usual banquet was in their well-known excellent style. the newly installed W.M. presiding. toasts were duly honoured. The Pro sponding for the Provincial Grand Of of Canterbury upon possessing a Tem solemnities of the day, as well as the g strongly urging them never to allow it purposes (an event which is not likely sent occupied by the three Canterb Martin Lodge Mark Masons, Bertha Rose Croix, and the "Black Princ there was something very incongr entertainments in the same room service. He was glad to find a f the several Lodges. The toast of to by Bro. Head, from Eastbourn greatest distance, and Bro. Saunders Mason. The latter alluded to the him by the Canterbury brethren. A but a "neophyte," he seemed to genuine principles of our Order, wh some appropriate and beautiful lines way of an Eastern Apologue the pre over all other virtues. Bro. P.M. Masonic Charities, pressed upon t increased subscriptions in order to k ing number of deserving cases. Br Rhodes, of the Cathedral choir, ex songs, glees, &c., and contributed in of the evening, which was brought to and the Tyler's toast.

Royal Alfred Lodge of I
meeting was held on the 18th instan Kew Bridge. Present:—Bros. Gu Gomm P.M. J.W., C. E. Botley Secre J.D., Andrews P.M. Preceptor, Matc Sugg. The work comprised the cer Bro. Blasby was elected W.M. for 25 intention to work the Installation o the Past Masters and brethren.

Victoria Lodge, No. 1056.—
an "off-night" at the Guildhall Ta was a good attendance, under the pr the Worshipful Master. The agen ness, five raisings, two passings,

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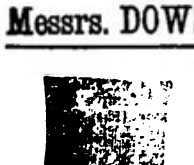


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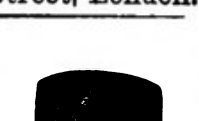
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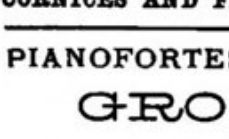
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NOTES ON MASONIC HISTORY.

WHAT is in many respects an admirable little guide-book to the history of the Craft, has been brought under our notice in the shape of "Notes on the History of Freemasonry," by Bro. Henry Sutherland, M.D., P.M. P.Z. These notes, it seems, were in the first instance printed for private distribution. Those, however, who were privileged to read them, found they were so serviceable, that Bro. Sutherland tells us he was induced to make additions, and issue them in an extended form for the satisfaction of the Craft. He disclaims all idea of his notes being exhaustive of the subject of which they treat, but he believes they will be found to contain a fair selection of the chief points of interest connected with Freemasonry, and this belief of his we consider to be well founded. He has consulted the best authorities, he has extracted from them the points that are necessary to give a fair outline of Masonic history, and he has marshalled these points in a manner which is very creditable to his perspicacity. It is the purpose of this present paper to place some of these before our readers, to the end they may form a clear idea of the merits of these notes.

No time is lost in that kind of preliminary skirmishing in which many writers are apt to indulge, and in the very first Chapter, after but a very few lines explanatory of the object of the work, Bro. Sutherland takes us at once to what are known as "The landmarks of Freemasonry." These he is pleased to enumerate, "as they are not so accessible to the Masonic student as are those Constitutions which take their origin from the landmarks," and for this reason we have thought it desirable to reproduce them in our pages. They are as follows:

1 The Modes of Recognition.
2 The Division of Symbolic Masonry into Three Degrees.
3 The Legend of the Third Degree.
4 The Government of the Fraternity by a Grand Master, elected from the body of the Craft.
5 The Prerogative of Grand Master to preside over every assembly of the Craft.
6 The Prerogative of Grand Master to grant Dispensations for conferring Degrees at irregular times.
7 The Prerogative of Grand Master to grant Dispensations for opening and holding Lodges.
8 The Prerogative of Grand Master to make Masons at sight.
9 The necessity for Masons to congregate in Lodges.
10 The Government of the Craft when congregated in a Lodge by a Master and two Wardens.
11 Necessity of every Lodge, when congregated, being duly tyled.
12 The Right of every Freemason to be represented in all general meetings of the Craft, and to instruct his Representatives.
13 The Right of every Freemason to appeal from the decision of a Lodge to the Grand Lodge or General Assembly of Masons.
14 The Right of every Freemason to visit and sit in every Regular Lodge.
15 No Visitor, unknown to the brethren present, or to some of them as a Freemason, c an examination.
16 No Lodge can interfere ir Lodge, nor give Degrees to of other Lodges.
17 Every Freemason amenable
18 Certain qualifications of Ca
19 Belief in the existence of Go
20 Belief in a Resurrection to Masons.
21 The "Book of the Law" is the furniture of every Mas
22 The Equality of all Freemas
23 The Secrecy of the Institut
24 The foundation of a Specula tive Art, and the symbolics terms of that art for purp purposes.
25 The Landmarks can never b

Having enumerated the La goes on to classify them. "Th he says, "explain what Freem 11th, 15th, and 23rd, refer to th 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th, poi ceptional privileges of the Gra 14th, and 22nd, show the Right 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st, den of Candidates and Brethre and 16th, indicate points of a Lodge; and the 25th i is Conservative." To the mor follows no reasonable objecti represents the character and from the shorter and still m "Freemasonry is a secret socie promotion of good-fellowship. see sufficient grounds for diss with the far higher and mor that "Freemasonry is a syst allegory, and illustrated by sy masonry as a "secret society," degree of qualification, is calcu impression in the mind of the in the general acceptation c "secret society" being mos organisation, whose aims insp reverse of satisfactory. Now their secret modes of recognitic who is so minded may learn masonry, what its nature is, organisation. Again, "feasti the "objects" of Freemasonry and a very agreeable incident i as it is an incident in the caree just as a man does not live tha has not been constituted so t "feasting." The good fellows though erroneously, held to so boisterous and indecorous con out of our way to give one of ance of an "object." Brethr

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circumscribe it to the period commencing with the establishment of our Grand Lodge in 1717, while others adopt a sort of middle course. We do not gather from Bro. Sutherland's narrative what are his personal views on the question. Our own opinion we have often expressed, namely, that Freemasonry, being a system of morality, may justly lay claim to a very respectable antiquity, and that, as a matter of fact, it is in a certain sense the legitimate representative of the philosophies taught by the learned and discreet men of the earliest and most enlightened nations of olden times.

As regards the next chapter, in which is given the traditional history of the Craft, we are surprised that a brother who exhibits generally so much acumen should have seriously discussed the initiation of Henry VI. into the mysteries of Freemasonry. Whatever may be the value of the MS. referred to in this part of Bro. Sutherland's notes as having been rejected by Findel and Lessing, but accepted by Preston, Krausse, and Fessler, it is impossible to associate it with Henry VI. in the year 1425, to which it is usually assigned. This monarch, at the time he is said to have gravely propounded the series of questions contained in this MS., as to the nature and teaching of the Mason Craft, could not possibly have been more than four years old, or a little over, even if we set the M.S. down in connection with the closing months of the year in question. Young men, especially young princes, appear to have been very precocious in those days. Edward the Black Prince was a boy of fifteen when, under the guidance of his father Edward III., he gained the victory at Crecy. His son Richard II. was about the same age when, with a presence of mind that a greybeard might have envied, he boldly confronted the followers of Wat Tyler, at the instant they were about to avenge the slaughter of their chief. But though in those times many a brave military or political act was performed by youths still in their teens, we cannot call to mind a single instance in which a boy, who, if he were of the present generation of English youngsters, would be about entering into his first suit of knickerbockers, inquired about, and was subsequently initiated into, the mysteries of Freemasonry. We have often wondered that brethren, with even a slight knowledge of English history, should have allowed themselves to fall into such an error. We say again—whatever may be the value of this manuscript, it is impossible to associate it with Henry VI. in the year 1425, when he was a boy of four years old.

In his account of the different English Grand Lodges, Bro. Sutherland has been very successful in his array of the facts. No one, after reading his notes on the subject, ought ever to fall into a difficulty as to which of the Grand Lodges that have been established in England is which. His remarks on the ritual and degrees are also clearly and concisely set forth. The side and high degrees, having regard to the character of the essay, are very properly dismissed in a few lines. It is bewildering enough to the brother of ordinary intelligence to be told "there are in existence not less than 57 Maitres, 72 Masters, 66 Ecossais, 91 Degrees of Memphis, and 152 Knights of various sorts, to say nothing of the Female degrees." To have had any account of them would have been still worse. For this reason we think it would have been better had the "Adoptive Lodges" been as unceremoniously disposed of.

The fifth section calls for only one remark. It was in 1874 the Prince of Wales expressed his readiness to accept the Grand Mastership rendered vacant by the resignation of the Marquis of Ripon, if elected. He was nominated to the Office at the Quarterly Communication in December

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List of over £14,000 cannot be looked for every year. ... shall be pretty near the mark if we reckon upon an average of £11,000 per annum—and a very handsome one into the bargain—which with the present permanent income leaves absolutely no margin whatever for even the smallest contingency.

A further reason may be submitted. Grand Lodge started the Male Fund in 1842 with a grant of £400 per annum, increased in 1858 to £500. The Widows' Fund dates from 1849, when G. Lodge voted an annual grant of £100 towards its support, since when it has twice increased it, namely, to £200 in 1855, and £300 in 1858. Consequently, there has been no addition made to the total grant to the two Funds together, namely, £800, during the long period of twenty-three years, while the Institution itself is only in the fortieth year of its existence. Again, in 1858, there were forty-six annuitants on the Male Fund receiving among them, according to a graduated scale, £856, and twenty-five on the Female Fund receiving together £445, the amount making a total of, in round figures, £1,200. If we set down the other expenditure—which would necessarily have been greater in proportion in those days—at £500, the annual outlay to be met in 1858 was £1,700, of which £950 was provided by G.L. and G. Chapter, and £450 by the interest on invested moneys (£15,000 Government Stock), amounting to £1,400. Thus, £1,400 out of the £1,700 was defrayed out of permanent income, leaving £300 to be met by the voluntary subscriptions of the Craft. As these amounted for the two Funds to over £2,600, it does not need a long array of figures to show that the liabilities of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution were amply provided for out of sources which could not fail. Now a considerable falling off in the subscriptions means either the selling out of stock, and consequent diminution of permanent income, or a reduction in the number of annuitants, either of which eventualities must certainly be set down as deplorable.

Let us still more conspicuously compare the several points as between the years 1858 and 1881, Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter grants in both years being the same, and amounting together to £950. Permanent Income in 1858, £1,400; in 1881, £3,670; Subscriptions in 1858, £2,600; in 1881 from Festival alone, £14,300, but from all sources not more than £15,000. Per contra:—Liabilities in 1858 in respect of Annuitants, £1,200; total expenditure, £1,700. Liabilities in 1881 in respect of Annuities, £12,240; total expenditure not far short of £14,700. Ratio of fixed income to total expenditure in 1858 considerably over three to four, or 75 per cent; in 1881, about one to four, or 25 per cent. Were there no other reasons, we think these figures would furnish one of a character not easily to be disturbed.

We are prepared to see one objection raised to Brother Stewart's motion, namely, that Grand Lodge already contributes more largely to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution than to either of the Schools, or, for the matter of that, than to the two conjoined. True, but the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution is the offspring of Grand Lodge, the Schools of private brethren. Again, the Benevolent relieves Grand Lodge of much of the pressure on its funds it would otherwise experience. Grand Lodge would be called on to relieve those brethren who are elected to the Fund far more considerably than they are now, and if they are worthy enough to become annuitants they must certainly be worthy enough to receive relief from the Lodge of Benevolence. There is no limit to the number of applications that may be made to the said Lodge, the only provision being that a second must not be made till a year

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6. Election of twelve Past Masters to serve on the Lodge of Benevolence for the year ensuing.

7. Report of the Lodge of Benevolence for the last quarter, in which are recommendations for the following Grants, viz. :—

A Brother of the St. John's Lodge, No. 80, Sunderland	£50	0	0
A Brother of the St. Mary's Lodge, No. 707, Bridport	100	0	0
A Brother of the St. Edward's Lodge, No. 966, Leek	50	0	0
A Brother of the Alfred Lodge, No. 340, Oxford	75	0	0
The Widow of a Brother of the Prince Leopold, No. 1588, Stretford	75	0	0
The Widow of a Brother of the Doric Lodge, No. 933, London	50	0	0
The Widow of a Brother of the Segontium Lodge, No. 606, Carnarvon	50	0	0
A Brother of the Burdett Lodge, No. 1293, Hampton Court	100	0	0
A Brother of the New Concord Lodge, No. 813, London	150	0	0
The Widow of a Brother of the Franklin Lodge, No. 838, Boston, Lincoln	75	0	0
A Brother of the Lodge of Finsbury, No. 861, London	50	0	0
The Widow of a Brother of the Silurian Lodge, No. 471, Newport, Mon.	50	0	0
A Brother of the Mount Edgcumbe Lodge, No. 1446, London	200	0	0
A Brother of the Excelsior Lodge, No. 1042, Leeds	50	0	0

8. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

To the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England.

The Board of General Purposes feel it their duty to bring to the notice of Grand Lodge the fact that the Lodge of Benevolence have within the last eighteen months so increased their Grants that the total expenditure out of their Funds has been in excess of the Income.

At the present time, as will be seen by the subjoined statement of Grand Lodge Funds, the Benevolent Account has been overdrawn to the amount of £1,242 7s 8d. In addition to which an amount of about £1,570 will be required to meet the Grants to be confirmed by the next Lodge of Benevolence, and those by the Grand Lodge in December, while the amounts which will come in before the end of the year will not in all probability be more than sufficient to meet the grants which will be made in November and December.

The Board therefore recommend that £3,000 Consols be sold out from the accumulated balance of £50,016 10s 6d, now standing to the credit of the Fund of Benevolence, and the proceeds placed to the current account of that Fund.

(Signed) JOHN B. MONCKTON,
President.

FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON, W.C.
15th November 1881.

To the Report is subjoined a statement of the Grand Lodge Accounts at the last Meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Friday, the 11th day of November instant, shewing a Balance of £4,870 11s 1d to the credit of the Fund of General Purposes, less £1,242 7s 8d applied to cover an amount overdrawn on account of the Fund of Benevolence, leaving a balance in the Bank of England of £3,456 8s 5d, and in the hands of the Grand Secretary for Petty Cash £75, and for Servants' Wages £96 15s.

9. An application from a Body, styling itself "The Grand Lodge of New South Wales of Free and Accepted Masons," requesting their recognition by the United Grand Lodge of England as a regular Grand Lodge.

10. A REPORT of the "Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons," agreed to at a Special Meeting of the Governors and Subscribers on Wednesday, the 9th November 1881, will be submitted for the approval of Grand Lodge, at which Special Meeting it was resolved that certain alterations should be made in the Rules and Regulations of the Institution, subject to the approval of Grand.

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12. NOTICES OF MOTION.

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„ JOSEPH D. COL
„ JOHN CONSTABL
„ THOMAS CULL
„ CHARLES DAIRY
„ HENRY GARROD
„ CHARLES F. HO
„ WILLIAM MANN
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„ WILLIAM STEPH
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No. 1937.—The Addington Lodge, Ad
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1945.—The Cobar Lodge, Cobar,
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The "Freemason's Calendar

The working tools were given in each degree by Bro. C. G. Padel P.M. The W.M. then proceeded to invest his Officers, the address in each case being given by Bro, J. S. Cumberland P.M. The Installing Master gave the address from the West to the Worshipful Master, Brother J. S. Cumberland that to the Wardens, and the Installing Master the final charge to the brethren. The following is the list of Officers appointed: Brothers J. T. Seller Immediate P.M., James Kay S.W., M. Millington J.W., Rev. James Kay Chaplain, George Balmford P.M. Treasurer, C. G. Padel P.M. Sec., T. Humphries Assistant Secretary, A. T. B. Turner S.D., W. J. Girling J.D., T. B. Whytehead P.M. M.C., R. Walker Assist. M.C., J. S. Cumberland P.M. Preceptor, J. Davis Org., J. R. Jackson I.G., W. B. Dyson and Brown Stewards, P. Pearson Tyler. Bro. T. B. Whytehead presented to the Lodge, on behalf of Bro. A. M. Broadley P.M. P.D.P.G.M. Tunis and Malta, who is an honorary member of the Lodge, a rare French work, being a defence of Freemasonry against the Papal Bulls. At the same time he read a fraternal message from Bro. Broadley, stating that he had procured the book at Sfax, and conveying warmest greetings to the Lodge. Bro. Whytehead also read a warm letter of congratulation to the Lodge from Bro. Hughan, of Truro. Several other letters from prominent Yorkshire Masons were also read, apologising for non-attendance from various causes. On the motion of Bro. Cumberland, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Broadley for his gift, and to Bro. Hughan and other brethren for their fraternal aid and assistance since the Lodge had been founded. Bro. Whytehead was re-elected to the office of Charity Representative of the Lodge for the Provincial Association. The name of a candidate for initiation was proposed and seconded, and Lodge was closed amidst the hearty good wishes of the visitors and brethren. Amongst the Visitors present we noticed Bros. J. Todd P.M. 263, Rev. W. C. Lukis P.M. 837, W. Harrison P.M. 837, J. Barker P.M. 1102, S. Middleton P.M. 1760, F. Smith W.M. 837, H. Rymer P.M. 1337, J. S. Rymer S.W. 236, G. Kirby J.W. 236, A. M. White, J. T. Foster, W. Smith, J. Redfare, C. Anderson, H. C. Pickersgill, E. J. de Salis, W. H. Godby, and others. At six o'clock the brethren met at a banquet, served in excellent style by Bro. H. Churchill. The W.M. presided, and was supported by most of the brethren named above. The list of toasts was not long, but embraced most of the topics usually dealt with. The toast of the Provincial Grand Lodge was responded to by Bro. J. S. Cumberland P.M. P.P.G.S.W. The newly installed Master and the Installing Master paid one another the usual compliments. The J.W. responded for the Officers of the Lodge. Bro. Whytehead proposed The Sister Lodges, and Bro. M. Rooke W.M. of the York Lodge responded. Brother Balmford proposed the Visitors, and Bros. Rev. W. C. Lukis, of Ripon, and J. Barker, of Mirfield responded. Bro. Cumberland Provincial Charity Steward, made a capital speech in reply to the Masonic Charities, and a very pleasant evening was passed, several brethren contributing by their vocal efforts to the harmony of the night. The toast list itself was again a work of art, from an original mediæval design by Bro. Whytehead, each toast being accompanied by a quotation from Chaucer or some other quaint writer.

SHEPHERD'S BUSH LODGE, No. 1828.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge was held on Monday, 28th ult., at the Athenæum, Shepherd's Bush, on which occasion the following Officers and others were present:—Bros. A. B. Baker W.M., G. Harrison S.W., B. Pierpoint J.W., W. Game P.M. Treasurer, A. C. Alais P.M. Secretary, Lewis Bryett P.M., Richard Josey S.D., Peter Burton J.D., W. Williams I.G., Robert Schofield P.M. Tyler, W. Clarke G.P., J. Terry, J. Carter, S. H. Parkhouse hon. members. The Lodge having been advanced, Bro. Paul was examined, and proving himself worthy, he was raised to the sublime degree. The ballot was taken and resulted favourably on behalf of Mr. G. White. The other business before the Lodge was the installation of the W.M., and into that office Bro. G. Harrison was in due form inducted. Having appointed his Officers, and the ceremony of installation having been completed, the Lodge was closed, the brethren afterwards dining together under the presidency of the newly installed Master. At the conclusion of the banquet grace was said, and then the W.M. gave the toast of the Queen, coupling with it Prosperity to the Craft. This toast was duly honoured, as were also those of the Grand Master, the Pro Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the rest of the Grand Officers. With this latter was coupled the name of Bro. Clarke, who, in acknowledgment, tendered his thanks. He assured the company that it was with a great amount of pride and pleasure that he heard his name associated with the toast, more especially in the

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being ably assisted by Bro. E. White P.M., who acted as Director of Ceremonies, and otherwise supported the Installing Officer. The following were invested as Officers for the year:—Bros. Hammond S.W., Eastgate J.W., Shand I.P.M. Treasurer, Scott P.M. Secretary, Jones S.D., Lee J.D., Smith I.G., Hoare Organist, Janes Director of Ceremonies (by proxy), Hill Steward, Potter Tyler. The ceremony of installation having been completed, the report of the Audit Committee was submitted, and adopted. Bro. Scott, the Secretary, announced the receipt from Bro. Terry of a circular, asking for the support of the Lodge at the next Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. Bro. Turner P.M. said he should be pleased to act as Steward representing the City of Westminster Lodge, and his offer being accepted by the brethren, he thanked them, and in a forcible speech invited them to strive all they knew to make his list a good one. Bro. P.M. White proposed that the sum of ten guineas be voted from the funds of the Lodge to the Old Folks Institution, the amount to placed on the list of Bro. P.M. Turner, who, he was pleased to see, had undertaken the office of Steward; this being seconded was carried unanimously. It was mentioned by Bro. Turner, in announcing his decision to act for the Benevolent, that the founders of the Lodge had expressed a desire that the members should support the Girls' School until the Lodge had earned the qualification of Vice President, but inasmuch as he looked upon that Charity as being at the present time the best provided for, and as the Lodge was really not behindhand with their intended donations to it, he felt he was not doing wrong in acting now for the Old People—the Masonic Institution, he considered, which had the first claim on every Mason, and the one which at the present time required all the assistance its friends could give it. After the transaction of some other items of business the Lodge was closed, and the brethren proceeded to the banquet hall, where a most enjoyable repast was served. The following Past Masters were present during the meeting:—Bros. E. White, B. H. Swallow, B. Phillips, B. Turner, and E. J. Scott. The W.M. having proposed the toasts of the Queen and the Craft, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales and the Grand Officers, Bro. Shand assumed the gavel, and gave that of the W.M. The toast was one which was always well received in the City of Westminster Lodge, but more particularly was this the case on nights of installation. He trusted the brethren would give it a hearty reception that night, as by so doing they would show the newly-installed Master that he had the confidence and support of his Lodge. The W.M., after a song, replied. He begged to thank the brethren very heartily for the kind manner in which the toast of his health had been received. He felt very much the responsibility of the high office to which he had that evening been appointed, and thought it best to at once throw himself on the good nature of the brethren. He intended to do his best to imitate the work of the Past Masters, and trusted that if he should be spared for the next twelve months, he might leave the chair with as much *eclat* as had his predecessor that evening. In conclusion, he felt he could not do better than recommend to the brethren the Masonic sentiment—to be happy ourselves and communicate happiness. He then proposed the health of Bro. Shand I.P.M. The enthusiasm he had always shown throughout the time the Lodge had been in existence, in promoting its welfare, entitled him to the greatest regard from the members, while they could but one and all appreciate the ability he had shown that day in performing the various duties required of him. Before drinking the toast the W.M. had the greatest pleasure in presenting to Bro. Shand a Past Master's jewel as a reward for the way in which he had carried out the duties of the chair during the past year, and as a token of the appreciation of the brethren. The W.M. hoped he might live for many years to look upon it as a small recompense for the amount of work he had been called upon to perform in connection with the Lodge. The jewel, which was of very handsome design, bore, in addition to the arms of the Lodge, those of Bro. Shand, and on the back was engraved the following inscription:—

Presented by the City of Westminster Lodge, No. 1563, to Brother John Edward Shand P.M., as a token of fraternal regard, and in appreciation of his valuable services, and the excellent manner in which he discharged the duties of Worshipful Master.—21th November 1881.

Bro. Shand thanked the Worshipful Master for the sentiments he had expressed, and the brethren generally for the very cordial way in which they had received the toast. He thought he might safely say it was true what the Master had said as to his attention to the duties of the Lodge, as he had never been absent from one of its meetings since the time it had been established; neither had he ever been absent at the time of the opening of the Lodge. He felt he knew something of the City of Westminster; he was present at its consecration, having taken the lowest office in the Lodge. On that

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weekly meeting of this Lodge was
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Bro. McDonald, assisted by the breth
sections of the lecture. Bro. Watki
next, and the Lodge closed in due
were present:—Bros. Watkins S.
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Treasurer were received and passed, and votes of thanks were accorded to Comps. W. Chick and Jacob for their services as S.E. and Treasurer respectively. Companion Jacob was re-elected treasurer, and thanked the Comps. for the confidence placed in him for many years; he would again accept the office. The Officers appointed for the next year were invested as follows:—Comps. G. R. Crickmay P.G.H., Robinson J., Chick S.E., Hanno S.N., Sherren Sec., Atkins and Ings Assist. Secs., Jacob Treas., Arden Reg., Ratcliffe S.B., Waters St.B., Smith D.C., Long Janitor. There was much less business to transact than usual. The P.G. Chapter having closed, the All Souls Chapter closed at four. A banquet was then held at the Royal Hotel, provided by Comp. J. Rowe. The M.E. Grand Superintendent presided, and a very pleasant evening was spent.

ALFRED CHAPTER, No. 340.

THE Annual Festival of this Chapter was held at the Masonic Hall, Alfred-street, Oxford, on Tuesday, the 15th ult., when there were present Companions Walter Ballard M.E.Z., F. W. Ansell H., James Jenkin J., J. Jesse Hughes S.E., John Tomkins S.N., F. Ryman Hall P.S., and other Officers and Companions. After confirmation of the minutes, and the exaltation of several candidates, the installation of the three Principals for the coming year—Comps. F. W. Ansell, James Jenkin, and F. Ryman Hall—was ably carried out by Past M.E. Zerubbabel. Companion Bruton Director of Ceremonies, with the assistance of a Board of Installed Principals, including Companions Rev. H. Adair Pickard and E. P. Morrell. M.E. Companion Ansell continued Comps. J. J. Hughes and J. Tomkins in their respective chairs, and appointed and invested his other Officers as follows:—Thomas Eley P.S., H. G. W. Drinkwater and A. E. Lamborn A.S., W. R. Bowden Organist, W. Park and E. Townsend Stewards, G. Norwood J. It was announced in Chapter that a Provincial Royal Arch Chapter was to be formed for Oxfordshire, and that His Royal Highness the Duke of Albany, who had accepted the Superintendence of the District, would appoint an early day for his installation in Oxford.

The annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Leicestershire and Rutland will be holden at St. George's Hall, Hinckley, on Thursday next, the 8th inst., by command of the Right Worshipful the Prov. Grand Master Earl Ferrers. The W.M. and Officers of the Knights of Malta Lodge, No. 50, will open their Lodge at 3 o'clock, and the business thereof, including the Installation of the Worshipful Master for the ensuing year will be proceeded with, after which, at 4 o'clock, the Provincial Grand Lodge will be opened, and the usual business of the year transacted. A banquet will be served at the George Hotel, at 5 o'clock, tickets for which including dessert are fixed at six and sixpence each. To the agenda paper are attached abstracts of the several accounts for the past year, from which we learn that there is a balance of £99 1s 3d to the credit of the Province on its General Fund, and of £35 8s 9d on its Charity Fund, together £134 10s 0d. There are ten Lodges on the roll of the Province, shewing a total member of 379 brethren, of whom 44 subscribe to more than one Lodge, so that the actual number of subscriptions coming into Prov. Grand Lodge is 423. We hope to have the pleasure of fully reporting the doings of the brethren on Tuesday next in a future issue, and beg to offer our heartiest wishes for the success of the gathering.

The Lord Mayor presided on Friday last at the Annual Festival of the Emulation Lodge of Improvement. Previously the Lodge assembled to witness the working of the five sections of the second lecture, in which Bros. J. W. Jones, T. Truman, Tanqueray, J. H. Davidson, C. Lowther Kemp and S. W. Shaw took part, Bro. T. Fenn P.G.D. acting as W.M. More than 250 members and visitors were present. At the conclusion Lord Mayor Ellis proposed a vote of thanks to the working brethren, and congratulated the W.M. on having such apt pupils in acquiring a knowledge of the long and difficult ritual of the Order. Everything

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HAYMARKET.—At 7.45, PLOT AN

PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 7.
COLONEL.

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COMEDY.—At 7.30, SEEING FROG-

SAVOY.—At 8, MOCK TURTLE, and

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FROM THE VOICE

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In April 1777, twenty-six vessels dropped anchor in what is now know two thousand men—infantry, caval rendezvoused on a hill that overloo was under the command of General cipled of men. He was the Tory g a natural genius for such pursuits, fire-brand instead of a sword, and e a predatory war. In 1777 he burne Norwalk, and attempted to destro in 1779.

Wooster, with the limited force he could to protect Danbury from who disgraced his country's flag by

On a bright morning, soon afte

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pursuit. Approaching the old man closely, one of the pursuers shouted, "We'll have you, old daddy; we'll have you." "Not yet," shouted back the retreating son of Connecticut, who redoubled his speed. But a trooper gained on him, and he was just raising his sabre to strike, when luckily the cloth unrolled, and, fluttering like a streamer far behind, so frightened the pursuing horses that they could not again be brought within striking distance of the man of cloth. It was a new flag in the eyes of the troopers, and even the horses thought it the banner of a new kingdom in a new world, and all concluded it were wise to be cautious, and permitted the banner of cloth and its venerable bearer to escape.

I will not detain the reader by describing the capture and burning and sacking of Danbury by the British.

Wooster, who was then at New Haven, was soon informed of the enemy's movements, and he started for the front at the head of a few hundred undisciplined soldiers. They could not stand the enemy's fire, and fell back. While the gallant old Wooster was cheering them forward by infusing his own undaunted courage into them, a ball, deliberately fired, as it was believed, by a Tory who knew his person, struck him obliquely in the back, breaking the bone as it passed, and burying itself in his body. He was carried from the field on the sash he had worn in the battle, but the surgeon pronounced the wound fatal, and the grand old hero of many battles must die.

His wife, who had been summoned, arrived, but not until his brain was so affected that he could not recognize her, and he could only look upon the face he knew the best and loved the most, with the wild glare of delirium. 2nd May 1777, he died. Congress afterwards appropriated means to erect a monument over his grave, but the money was placed in unfaithful hands, and the monument was not built.

I cannot forbear, just here, to quote from one of the finest writers of his State, a paragraph or two in relation to Wooster: "Second to Putnam, and to Putnam alone, in the length, variety, and hardship of his martial labours. Exhausting his means in the public service, he only bequeathed poverty to his family, and oblivion to his remains. Unrewarded, unrecquited, in life, in death he received a monument that was never built, and an inscription that was never engraved.

"We cannot follow such a career, we cannot stand by such a grave, without renewing our consecration vows to Freedom. By what a long century of conflict; by what death struggles with earth's master races, the Celt, the Gaul, and the Saxon; by what weariness of spirit, what agony of soul, what squandering of blood, has her fair inheritance been purchased!

"Freedom, thy brow
Glorious in beauty though it be, is scarred
With tokens of old wars; thy massive limbs
Are strong with struggling. Power at thee
Has launched his bolts, and with his lightnings has smitten thee;
They could not quench the light thou hast from heaven.

O! not yet
Mayst thou unbrace thy corslet, nor lay by
Thy sword; not yet, O Freedom, close thy lids
In slumber, for thine enemy never sleeps,
And thou must watch and combat till the day
Of the new earth and heaven!"

A few years since, a distinguished American wrote in relation to Wooster: "He sleeps among a recreant people, for no monument rises above his ashes." His native State felt the merited rebuke, and it was determined to build a monument to his memory, at an expense of three thousand dollars, of which the Legislature appropriated fifteen hundred dollars—not the one-tenth of what he spent for his country—the Grand Lodge of Freemasons furnished one thousand, and the remaining five hundred was raised by the citizens of Danbury.

The sword which General Wooster caried in his last battle with the enemies of his country, together with his portrait and the sash he wore when he received his death wound, and on which he was carried from the field, are all deposited in Yale College. They were presented to that Institution by his grandson, Admiral Charles Wooster, of Chili, in 1837.

We have only room now for a brief description of the monument erected to the memory of this distinguished soldier and Freemason, at the dedication of which we had the honour of being present, 27th April 1854. The monument is forty feet high, the base eight feet square, and perfectly plain. The plinth is richly moulded, and bears the name, WOOSTER, in raised letters, with appropriate emblems. On the opposite side of the die and shaft are the emblems of Masonry,

Erected at Danbury, A.L. 5854.

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a Mason; it was probably in an
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Lodge in his native State. While
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FREEMASONI

WE regret, that through
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lishing them thus late.

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AND EAST Y

THE first Annual Communication
on the 15th instant, under the
(T.I.) It is but a short period sinc
to office, in a moveable Grand Mar
J. W. Woodall, of Scarborough. S
nounced his consecration of a new
it is our pleasing duty to give a re
for the appointment of Officers and
took place in the Masonic Hall, Yo
tended. The York Mark Lodge ha
their visitors at that hour, and soo
W. C. Lukis, assumed the gavel an
Officers being in their places:—B
Padel J.W., G. Garbutt M.O., W.
J.O., T. B. Whytehead Secretary
W. B. Dyson I.G., G. Balmford
James Meek P.M., J. Todd P.M
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Bro. T. B. Whytehead acting as S
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J. H. Rooke, of Scarborough, actin
absence of Bro. the Hon. W. T. Or
unable to be present, in consequenc

Certain preliminaries having bee
Master proceeded to appoint and
year, as follows:—

Bro. Hon. T. Orde Powlett
J.G.W. York T.I. -
Sir James Meek, P.M. York
T.I. - - - -
H. A. Williamson, P.M. 95 -
Geo. Balmford, P.M. York -
R. H. Peacock, P.M. 95 -
W. Peacock, P.M. 95 - -
Rev. W. Valentine, P.M.
York - - - -
J. Todd, P.M. York - -
J. M. Meek, P.M. 276 -
T. B. Whytehead, P.G.M.O.
P.M. York - - - -
J. S. Cumberland, W.M.
Elect York - - -
R. Y. Powley, P.M. 95 -
J. Marshall, W.M. 277 -
A. P. Wilsin, W.M. 281 -
S. Middleton, P.M. 95 -
C. Emerson, W.M. 95 -
C. G. Padel, J.W. York -
M. G. Collingwood, S.W.
276 - - - -
J. Redfare, York - -

The fees of honour and annual d
and a Committee was appointed to
which the Provincial Grand Ma
follows:—We meet to-day to ins

within the doors of our Lodges, whether they be Craft or Mark Lodges. Such then I take it is the part of a Provincial Grand Lodge—to help one another. And I believe we can best do so by following in the steps of the Grand Mark Lodge, which seems to supplement the work undertaken by the larger and wider organisation of the Craft. I need not recur to the causes which led to the formation of the Grand Mark Lodge. They are, or ought to be, well known to most of you who are present here to-day, and if any real opportunity affords the means of doing a good work without it interfering with older organisations, it will be the duty and, I trust, pleasure of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons to avail itself of the opening. With such a view the Grand Mark Lodge has instituted a Benevolent Fund for educational purposes. It seeks not to interfere with those great Charities which do such good work, but takes charge more especially of those children who are of too advanced an age to enter either of the Schools by paying the educational fees of children of poor Masons in the schools of the vicinity of the homes of their parents. Now that such excellent educational systems are in existence in every centre of population it seems to me that every effort should be made to utilize them, and to reserve the Masonic Charities for the most indigent. In most large towns schools can be found which provide an education suited for the children of professional men, to enable the son to follow in his father's business, and to train the daughter without removing her from the influence of her mother. I was glad to hear of a case from the lips of Bro. Tristram R.W. Prov. Grand M.M. of Northumberland and Durham, in which the son of a medical man had been enabled to complete his education, and take up his deceased father's practice by the aid of the Mark Benevolent Fund. For such cases there is at present no regular provision in our older Charities. I think I should now proceed to indicate what arrangements I would suggest for the organisation of our Provincial Grand Lodge. (The Prov. Grand Master then threw out some good hints as to the appointment of a Committee and its work.) Lastly, let me ask you to be moderate and economical in the expenditure connected with our meetings, more especially as regards the social gatherings after our meetings, ever bearing in mind that "better is a dinner of herbs where love is than a stalled ox and hatred therewith." Greetings having been given, the Provincial Grand Lodge was closed, and the Prov. Grand Master and his Officers retired. The York Lodge (T.I.) then resumed business, and proceeded to the election of Master, the unanimous vote of the members falling upon Bro. J. S. Cumberland S.W. Bro. T. B. Whytehead P.M. was also re-elected Treasurer. Eight candidates were proposed for advancement, and, after the usual formalities, the Lodge was closed. At six o'clock the brethren sat down to a substantial dinner in the banqueting-room of the Masonic Hall, after which a short list of toasts was duly honoured. The tariff was exceedingly moderate, and a general opinion was expressed that other Provincial gatherings might very properly be modelled on a similar scale, and thus unnecessary expense be avoided.

ROSICRUCIAN SOCIETY.

YORK COLLEGE.

THIS body held its quarterly meeting on the 26th ultimo, in the Masonic Rooms, Queen's Hotel, York, by permission of the W.M. and brethren of the Eboracum Lodge. The following members were present:—Fratres T. B. Whytehead IX Ch. Adept, J. S. Cumberland VII as Suffragan, T. W. Holmes VI Celebrant, J. C. Thompson I as 1st A., J. Todd I as 2nd A., C. R. Fry I as 3rd A., J. T. Atkinson I as 4th A., J. Oates I as G.T., A. T. B. Turner II Organist, and J. Redfare Acolyte. In consequence of the holding of the Prov. Priory of W. Yorkshire at Bradford on the same day, the West Riding Fratres were many of them unable to be present, and letters of apology were read from the following absentees:—Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett, J. W. Woodall, W. Lawton, C. L. Mason, W. Rowley, S. Middleton, C. S. Lane, W. Rowley, W. C. Lukis, T. J. Wilkinson, W. Paley, J. Maffey, R. W. Moore, M. Millington, and others. Successful ballots were taken for Bros. T. M. Barron and S. Wilson, both of the Marquis of Ripon Lodge, No. 1379. Frater J. C. Thompson read a deeply interesting paper, entitled "A few short Notes by a Mason in Egypt," in which he gave a short sketch of some of the discoveries made, and endeavoured to indicate the similarities between the ancient Egyptian faith and the teachings of Masonry. Frater T. B. Whytehead thanked Frater Thompson for his able paper, and referred to the study of Egyptology as one of the most interest-

The self-styled Grand Lodge had the assurance to apply to o for recognition as an independent

One of the warrants issued dur elapsed since the last meeting Lodge to meet at Brixton Hall, A the winter months. The want been felt, and the efforts of som supply the want have now prove will be known as the Brixton Lod designate being Bro. H. Lovegro Middlesex W.M., Bro. H. B. Mars and W. E. Farrington J.W. The Secretary, will take place early i

We have received a very pr almanack from Eugene Rimmel, of London, Brighton, Paris, Nic with some very well executed pi Belles of yore." As is custom emanating from this house, it i also have copy of the ordinary a which is this year adorned with only the flowers themselves bei types of the fairer sex of the se hemisphere. We understand at any of Mr. Rimmel's establ assortment of presents for Chris the specialities offered at the pre

At the meeting of the St. Amb No. 1891, on Monday, 5th Dec H. E. Frances, P.P.G.D. Surr work the ceremony of Installati ability of Bro. Frances a large This Lodge, lately inaugurated numbers. It meets on Monday ev Court Hotel, West Kensington.

Next year Ash Wednesday wi ruary, the day originally selecte the Prince of Wales M.W. G.M versary Festival of the R.M. Ben these circumstances a change h the Festival will take place on 1882. R.W. Bro. Colonel Lloyd the Western Division of South W to take the chair. We trust he support which all Presidents entitled to expect.

A NEW HALL FOR EALING.—We had of Bro. Delevante, S.W. of the Asaph inaugural banquet held on the 29th ult. new "Lyric Hall," Broadway, Ealing. The chair was taken by J. Armstron mented on his business-like conduc well lighted and ventilated structu offices and saloons, the one in front l purpose,—the exhibition and sale of pi with a spacious gallery at one end, an platform at the other. The banquet, w was accompanied by a very good Delevante, Bros. A. Thomas, Conne hall supplies the want always felt of such, viz. a place in which concer private, and even *political* meetings, c pervading the place. We hope Bro. was an especial treat, it being refreshi will be successful, both financially and

We have received from F. Amos and

MONDAY, 5th DECEMBER.

12—Fortitude and Old Cumberland, 129 Leadenhall-street
25—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
69—Unity, Inns of Court Hotel, Lincolns Inn Fields
73—Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
88—United Lodge of Prudence, Albion, Aldersgate-street
144—St. Luke, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
188—Joppa, Albion, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
256—Unions, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
1319—Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquess of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
1669—Royal Leopold, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
1670—Adelphi, 4 Adelphi Terrace, Strand
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
M.M.—Old Kent, Trocadero, Broad Street Buildings, E.C. at 6.30. (Instruction)

37—Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Church Institute, Bolton-le-Moors
53—Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath
61—Probity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
119—Sun, Square, and Compasses, Freemasons' Hall, College-st., Whitehaven.
133—Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham
154—Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
156—Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
236—York, Masonic Hall, York
264—Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
302—Hope, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
307—Prince Frederick, White Horse Hotel, Helsden Bridge
338—Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire
381—Harmony and Industry, Smalley's Hotel, Market street, Over Darwen
382—Royal Union, Chequers Hote , Uxbridge, at 8.30. (Instruction)
395—Guy, Crown Hotel, Leamington Priors
408—Three Graces, Private Rooms, Haworth
431—St. George, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street, N. Shields
441—Three Grand Principles, Red Lion Hotel, Petty Curry, Cambridge
467—Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
478—Churchhill, Masonic Hall, Oxford
482—St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Wretham Road, Handsworth, Staffordshire
597—St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead
613—Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport
622—St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
839—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
850—St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire
1009—Shakspeare, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
1015—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire
1050—Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester
1051—Rowley, Athenæum, Lancaster
1077—Witton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire
1108—Royal Wharfedale, Private Room, Boroughgate, Otley, Yorks
1124—St. Oswald, Wynnstay Arms Hotel, Oswestry
1180—Forward, Masonic Rooms, New Hall-street, Birmingham
1211—Goderich, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street, Leeds
1239—Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1302—De Warren, Masonic Hall, White Swan Hotel, Halifax.
1380—Skelmersdale, Queen's Hotel, Waterloo, Liverpool
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
1519—Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, Clayton-le-Moors, near Accrington
1542—Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Carlton-street, Castleford
1573—Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer-street, Swansea.
1575—Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
1578—Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd, South Wales
1676—St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
1798—Zion, Hulme Town Hall, Manchester.
R.A. 380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley
R.A. 874—Holmesdale, Royal Sussex Hotel, Tunbridge Wells
R.C.—Skelmersdale, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

TUESDAY, 8th DECEMBER.

7—Royal York of Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
9—Albion, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
18—Old Dundee, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
101—Temple, Ship and Turtle Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
172—Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
217—Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
733—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
765—St. James, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
869—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Powsail-road, Dalston at 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1257—Grosvenor, Freemasons' Hall, Gt. Queen-street, W.C.
1259—Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern, Commercial Road
1261—Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent-street, W
1298—Royal Standard, Club, Upper-street, Islington
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1365—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington
1383—Friends in Council, 33 Golden square
1397—Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
1428—Manor, Edmonton, 19 Leonard-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1558—Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone
1673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1685—Northumberland, Assembly Rooms,
1702—Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, St
1734—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bric
1779—Ferrers and Ivanhoe, Town Hall, A
1794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfi
1804—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant.
1847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton,
1918—St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Linsl
1960—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-stre
1995—Furness, Masonic Hall, Ulverston.
2002—Skiddaw, Lodge Room, Market-pla
2134—Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford.
2244—Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redca
2322—Waverley, Caledonia Inn, Ashton-u
2336—Square and Compass, Corn Exchan
2473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at
2488—St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amlwch, A
2587—St. Giles, Royal Oak Hotel, Cheadle
2750—Coleridge, Sandringham House, Cl
R.A. 203—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic
R.A. 296—Loyalty, Freemasons' Hall, So
R.A. 600—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, S
M.M. 11—Joppa, 55 Argyle-street, Birke
M.M. 161—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic

WEDNESDAY, 7t

Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodg
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, Lond
228—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 130
511—Zetland, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Str
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, De
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham,
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Bu
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Sout
862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-co
1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood G
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton F
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opp
1283—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, High
1321—Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swalw
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern,
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, A
1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward
1585—Royal Commemoration, Fox and H
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Str
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Str
1687—The Rothesay, Inns of Court Hotel,
1766—St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoredite
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Port
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-st
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great

74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street
125—Prince Edwin, White Hart Hotel,
128—Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bolton-s
210—Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hot
274—Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, New
290—Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, South
293—Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-st
326—Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-str
337—Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb,
363—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
387—Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate,
396—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Ha
417—Faith and Unanimity, Masonic Ha
428—Royal Navy, Royal Hotel, Ramsga
471—Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-s
594—Townshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpoo
606—Segontium, The Castle, Carnarvon
611—Marches, Old Rectory, Ludlow
625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
645—Humphrey Chetham, Freemasons'
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
674—Earl Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Ker
750—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Ru
838—Franklin, Peacock and Royal Hote
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Cant
992—St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower
1010—Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worships
1013—Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Live
1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland.
1083—Malling Abbey, Bear Inn, West M
1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-s
1091—Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, De
1167—Alnwick, Masonic Hall, Clayport-s
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
1274—Earl of Durham, Freemasons' Hal
1323—Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Windsor-str
1335—Lindsay, 20 King-street, Wigan.
1354—Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill
1367—Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sod
1404—West Lancashire, Commercial Hot
1431—St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihul
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hastings
1629—Marlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Bro
1645—Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Sla
1707—Sandbourne, Hotel, Bournemouth, Bosc
R.A. 61—Royal George, Masonic Hall, C
R.A. 99—Stamford, Corporation Inn, Bain
R.A. 477—Faith, 55 Argyle-street, Bir
M.M. 36—Euston, Hartington Hotel, Do

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1791—Creaton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, (Instruction)
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (In)
R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Inst)

35—Medina, 85 High-street, Cowes.
97—Palatine, Masonic Hall, Toward-road, Sunderland.
112—St. George, Masonic Hall, Fore-street Hill, Exeter
139—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
215—Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingden
216—Harmonic, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool.
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
333—Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston
339—Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Cumberland.
346—United Brethren, Royal Oak Inn, Clayton-le-Dale, near Blackburn
350—Charity, Grapes Inn, Stoneclough, near Manchester
369—Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Clitheroe
432—Abbey, Newdegate Arms, Nuneaton
456—Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
462—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
469—Hundred of Elloe, Masonic Rooms, London Road, Spalding.
477—Mersey, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead.
546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Caroline-street, Longton, Stafford.
732—Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.
739—Temperance, Masonic Room, New-street, Birmingham.
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
786—Croxteth United Service, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
945—Abbey, Abbey Council Chamber, Abingdon, Berks
971—Trafalgar, Private Room, Commercial-street, Batley
991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland
1035—Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool.
1055—Derby, Knowsley's Hotel, Cheetham, Lancashire.
1098—St. George, Private Room, Temperance Hotel, Tredegar, Mon.
1125—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Tiverton, Devon
1144—Milton, Commercial Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne.
1145—Equality, Red Lion Hotel, Accrington
1147—St. David, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool,
1201—Royd, Imperial Hotel, Malvern, Worcestershire.
1273—St. Michael, Free Church School-rooms, Sittingbourne.
1369—Bala, Plasgoch Hotel, Bala.
1416—Falcon, Masonic Hall, Castle Yard, Thirsk.
1429—Albert Edward Prince of Wales, MasonicHall, Newport, Mon.
1457—Bagshaw, Princes Hall, Princes-road, Buckhurst Hill
1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room, Dearn House, Lindley
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
1583—Corbet, Corbet Arms, Towyn.
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1697—Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot, near Manchester.
1782—Machen, Swan Hotel, Coleshill.
R.A. 163—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
R.A. 286—Strength, Green Man Hotel, Bacup.
R.A. 307—Good Intent, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
R.A. 337—Confidence, Commercial Inn, Uppermill
R.A. 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
M.M.—St. John's, Commercial Hotel, Bolton.
K.T.—Fearnley, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury

FRIDAY, 9th DECEMBER.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
92—Moira, Albion, Aldersgate-street
131—Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street
157—Bedford, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
177—Domatic, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Instruct.)
706—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 7.30. (Instruction)
834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction.
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C. at 7. (Instruction)
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
1201—Eclectic, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8. (In.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
R.A. 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd., N. Kensington, at 8. (In.)

36—Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's-street, Cardiff.
155—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1458—Aire and Calder, Private Rooms, Ouse-steet, Goole.
526—Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.
662—Dartmouth, Dartmouth Hotel, West Bromwich.
697—United, George Hotel Colchester.
815—Blair, Town Hall, Stretford-road, Hulme
1091—Harrogate and Claro, Masonic Rooms, Parliament-street, Harrogate
1087—Beaudesert, Assembly Rooms, Corn Exchange, Leighton Buzzard
1102—Mirfield, Assembly Rooms, Eastthorpe, Mirfield
1289—Rock, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry
1536—United Military, Masonic Hall, Plumstead.
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A. 406—De Sussex, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle

SATURDAY, 10th DECEMBER.

108—London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street
173—Phœnix, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
176—Caveac, Albion, Aldersgate Street
198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8. (Instruction)
1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Mare-street, Hackney, (Instruction)
1426—The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel
1612—West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
1671—Mizpah, Albion Hotel, Aldersgate-street
1391—Commercial, Freemasons Hall, Leicester

admitted, that in the almost
ruler of the Neptune Lodge, Bro.
ability which has so characterised
clusion of the practical work on th
to vote for a successor to Bro. Br
the choice fell unanimously upon
been exceedingly popular, and had
motion by the efficient manner i
duties of the minor offices throu
Isaac Wilcox P.M. was unanim
following brethren were electe
mittee, viz., Bro. Henry Povey
and Bro. Joseph Corbett. Bro.
in support of the formation
the London Rifle Brigade Lodge
Worshipful Master and Wardens.
P.M. Director of Ceremonies, the
each of the three Masonic Chariti
and highly eulogistic speech, Bro.
a jewel, bearing a suitable inscrip
on his retirement from the chair.
the brethren adjourned to the ban
banquet was served by Messrs. Ri
excellent style. The usual Loyal
duly honoured, Bro. Storr P.M. I
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the health of the retiring W.M
particular gratification to witness
Britton, he being the first of h
Lodge who had attained to the
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not so brilliant, yet feeling
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tion; but before doing so, he wish
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Officers. The W.M. next gave th
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Britton, Francis, and Philips. T
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following recitations:—"The Fre
"Shemus O'Brien" and "Hans
Francis; "Forgotten," by Bro.
Carl," by Bro. Mac Gregor, and t
Saved," by Bro. Winsett; "Th
Hubbard; "Nil Desperandum,"
Story," and "The Runaway Mu
Hopper acted as accompanyist.
last Thursday in January.

Royal Union Lodge of
meeting held on the 21st instant,
there were present fourteen bret
ceptor. Bro. Cotton took the chai
as his Officers:—Bros. F. Botley
Gray J.D., Mardon I.G., Duffin T
form, and the minutes of previou
after which Bro. C. Andrews P.
tracing board, in a very able an
of all present. The following
Coombes P.M. 382, Brown, and Ta
of honorary membership was conf
Sugg P.M. 452, C. E. Botley D.C
Botley was appointed W.M. fo
to-day was held after refreshmen
attending the mother Lodge, and

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Industry Lodge, No. 187.—The monthly meeting of this Lodge was held at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, on Tuesday the 22nd ult. Amongst those present being Bros. W. Woodfield Philp W.M., H. J. Johnson S.W., J. J. Taffs J.W., R. Allison I.P.M., W. Mann P.M. Treasurer, John Seex P.M. Secretary, J. G. Horsey S.D., G. W. Hook J.D., W. S. Page I.G., C. W. Noehmer P.M. D.C., W. H. Hook P.M., D. J. Robinson P.M., and a large attendance of lay members and Visitors. The Lodge was opened by the W.M. at 6.30 p.m., and after the confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting, Bro. G. F. Webster was passed to the second degree, and Mr. M. Cornock was regularly initiated into the secrets and mysteries of Ancient Freemasonry. The brethren then proceeded to the election of Worshipful Master, the ballot being unanimously in favour of Bro. H. J. Johnson S.W. The W.M. having congratulated the W.M. elect upon the choice of the brethren, Bro. Johnson in a few well chosen sentences expressed his appreciation of the honour which the Lodge had conferred upon him. Bro. W. Mann P.M. was again unanimously elected Treasurer, and Bro. Woodstock Tyler. Other business of a minor character having been transacted, Lodge was closed in due form, and the brethren adjourned to the Crown Room of the Freemasons' Tavern, where an excellent banquet was served. The cloth having been cleared, the usual toasts were drank and responded to, a capital programme of music having been provided under the direction of Bro. Seymour Smith. Miss Meta Russell, a very promising young soprano, sang "Wicket Gate," in good style; but in the Duets of No, Sir, and Fioravanti's "Singing Lesson," she proved herself an actress as well as a singer. Miss Kate Earle, who has a contralto voice of much richness, sang "Some Day," in highly finished manner, but we think that her second song—"A Bird in Hand"—was not a happy choice. Bro. C. A. White sang "Hail to thee, Albert" (with chorus), "Marian May," and the "Anchor's weighed," in a masterly manner, whilst Bro. Seymour Smith was as funny as ever in his musical extravaganzas. The proceedings were brought to a close with a new and very pretty part song by Brother Seymour Smith, entitled, "And now we'll say Good Night."

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No. 780.—A meeting was held on 25th November, at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge. Present:—Bros. Blasby P.M. W.M., F. Botley S.W., Goss P.M. J.W., C. E. Botley Secretary, Tucker Treasurer S.D., Maton J.D., Andrews P.M. Preceptor, S. Blasby I.G., E. H. Sugg P.M. Lodge being regularly opened, the minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and signed. The W.M. then rehearsed the ceremony of Installation, Bro. Tucker representing the W.M. elect. Bro. Tucker invested his Officers, and Brother Andrews delivered the usual charges to the Master and Wardens. Bro. Tucker then rehearsed the ceremony of the second degree, Brother Sugg candidate. Bro. F. Botley was elected W.M. for 2nd December.

Montefiore Lodge, No. 1017.—The regular meeting was held on 23rd ult., at the Masonic Rooms, Air-street, Regent-street. Bros. S. V. Abrahams W.M., G. T. Mann as S.W., Syer J.W., L. Jacobs Treasurer, E. P. Albert P.G.P. Secretary, N. P. Vallentin S.D., M. Leverton I.G., D. M. Davis Organist, P.M.'s Gronebaum, Pollitzer, J. Lararus. Visitors—Bros. Bitton 188, Solomons 185. Lodge was opened and the minutes were confirmed. Bro. Trickell was raised, and Bro. Walters was passed. A distressed Brother was relieved with the sum of two guineas. The resignation of two brethren was accepted, with regret. Lodge was then closed, and the brethren sat down to a very excellent supper, provided by Bro. Nichols.

United Brothers' Lodge, No. 1069.—The ceremony of installing Bro. Albert Wendover as W.M. of this Lodge for the ensuing year was performed at the Lodge room, Castle Hotel, Southsea, on Monday, 14th ultimo, by Bro. Mark E. Frost P.M. P.G. Treasurer Hants and Isle of Wight, in presence of a large number of the fraternity. The ceremony of installation was carried out with much impressiveness by Bro. Frost, after which the newly installed W.M. appointed and invested his Officers as follow:—Bros. James Gieve I.P.M., W. E. Atkins S.W., C. J. E. Mumby J.W., Rev. P. H. Good Chaplain, R. J. Rastrick Treasurer, H. Cook Secretary, F. H. de Rhoims S.D., W. Dupree J.D., E. Groves D.C., A. G. German I.G., J. Lobb and S. Mouck Stewards, J. Exell Tyler. The brethren afterwards sat down to a banquet provided in *récherché* style by Bro. H. Craven, of the Castle Hotel. The W.M. presided, and the usual Masonic and other toasts were honoured.

Langthorne Lodge, No. 1421.—The election meeting for W.M. of this Lodge was held at the Swan Hotel, Stratford, on Thursday evening last week, Bro. G. F. Dix W.M. presiding. The choice of the

of Bro. Dix's installation, when he offered Bro. Dix his hearty congrat which he had conducted the affairs office. It had afforded him much pl the past year, and he hoped the his steps would make as good a M The toast was drunk with full M expressing his thanks for the hear of his name had been received, said i thank them as W.M. of the Lodge. Masters and the members of the rendered during his year of office. he said he would do what he could fe and he had fulfilled that promise t what had passed from P.M. Taylor, been appreciated. He assured the the greatest interest in the Lodge, long as he sat on the left of the W the cordial manner with which th health. The W.M. then proposed of the Lodge," coupled with the nam Candick, and T. Taylor. Bro. H. next proposed the "Health of the that it gave him much pleasure in w End tradesman amongst them. T gentlemen seeking entrance into t want quantity, but quality. He had would prove a welcome addition to responded in suitable terms. The "The Masonic Institutions," "The Officers of the Lodge," and "The Ty of the Visitors, Bro. Wayland rem better working. The evening bein indulged in, and the brethren separ

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ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

LAST week we drew attention to the resolution which Bro. Raynham W. Stewart P.G.D. had announced his intention of submitting to Grand Lodge. The resolution provided that the annual grant by Grand Lodge to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution should be increased from £500 to £1,000 in respect of the Male Fund, and from £300 to £600 in that of the Widows' Fund, "such payments to be borne in equal proportion by the Funds of Benevolence and of Grand Purposes." We enumerated several reasons why, in our opinion, such increase would not only be expedient but just. We pointed out in the first place, that, even in the short space of seven years, the number of annuitants had increased from 120 to 155 Males, and 88 to 160 Females, the number of Widows in receipt of a moiety of their late husbands' annuities being about the same. There had, in consequence, been an increase in the amount paid away to the annuitants from £7,054 to £12,240, while the total expenditure was about £14,700 as against £9,050 in 1875. Per Contra, the Permanent Income had increased from £2,110 to £3,673, and the Festival of 1881 may be said to have yielded in round figures about double what it did seven years since. We then compared notes as between the current year and the year 1858, when Grand Lodge made its last addition of £100 each to its Grants to the respective Funds of the Institution, raising them to £500 in respect of the Old Men, and £300 in respect of the Old Women. Thus, for the long period of twenty-three years the grants of Grand Lodge had remained at the same figure, and yet in 1858 there were only forty-six Male, and twenty-five Female Annuitants, whereas there are now 155 and 160 respectively. In 1858 the total expenditure was £1,700, in 1881 it is £14,700. In 1858 the Permanent Income was £1,400, now it is £3,673; while, on the other hand, the subscriptions were £2,000 to the two Funds together, and now they are £15,000 in round figures. Then, too, the ratio of Permanent Income to Expenditure was as three to four, or 75 per cent., now it is only as one to four or 25 per cent.

The above is a *résumé* of the reasons we adduced in our article of last week in favour of Brother Raynham Stewart's motion, and without arrogating to ourselves too much, we think the views we then enunciated have not been without their effect on the members of Grand Lodge. It has been said that facts and figures may be made to prove anything, but there is no gainsaying the accuracy of the particular facts and figures we have given above. There are four and a half times as many annuitants as there were 23 years ago, and the sum they receive among them amounts in the aggregate to more then ten times as much. The permanent income is somewhat more than double what it then was, the subscriptions being sixfold. No wonder under these circumstances that Grand Lodge adopted the resolution, subject to one modification. Bro. Stewart's motion provided for the payment of the grants "in equal proportions by the Funds of Benevolence and of General Purposes." The resolution, as adopted, left the "additions to be borne by the I a very proper modification, co pressure on the resources of t pressure which, as our reade tated an inroad upon its accum extent than £3,000.

Ours, however, were not the Grand Lodge in its adoption, i Stewart's motion. It was poi Grand Lodge made its last in were in round figures only 60 now some 1800. Each Lodge *quid pro quo* for the amount pa it more than a matter of the si from this the immense increase the Lodges. Further, the vot tion represent a money value of received, so that it was no mor on the part of Grand Lodge to was made. However, there ar doing what is just and proper congratulated on having met t possible grace.

We may add that the repor meeting of the Governors and tion, on Wednesday, the 9th certain alterations in the R adopted—subject to the appr submitted and approved. T occasion to refer later on.

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CONSIDERABLE surpris Lodge, on Wednesday, election of Senior Vice-Preside lence was conducted, and alt moment wish to infer that the bert was unpopular, yet sympt tent were manifested. The fa paper for the December Qu Grand Lodge, of Bro. Lamb parently to contest the office w of itself subject of comment, a expressed among members of Bro. Nunn, and who respected office he has so ably filled of late in Grand Lodge would by their how he was appreciated. The of the Board was never conten of course give all concerned i having acted straightforwardly, in the plainly-expressed opini surprise had been sprung upon that some intimation ought t members of the Craft generally, them the opportunity of exerci

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Masons of England generally, will be able to form a pretty correct opinion of the popularity of the appointment now made. There is ample time for Bro. Lambert to show that his appointment was a suitable one, so far as the requirements of the office are concerned, although it was not made by the unanimous voice of Grand Lodge, and we hope he will avail himself of the opportunity, remembering that his re-appointment will rest entirely on his so doing. We cannot conclude without expressing our heartiest approval with the remarks of the Acting Grand Master in reference to Bro. Clabon, the retiring President, and we feel convinced that the thanks he so ably conveyed to that brother, and the remarks he made respecting his ability in his late office, are really the sentiments of the entire Craft, by whom Bro. Clabon will long be remembered as a worthy Mason, and one who most conscientiously carried out the trusts of the high office conferred upon him by the Grand Master. We can only regret that he has found it desirable to tender his resignation, and express a hope that he may long be spared to enjoy the well-earned respect of his brother Masons.

Obituary.

BRO. D. DRYSDALE P.M. No. 211.

IT is with a regret which will be shared by every member of St. Michael's Lodge, No. 211, and the large circle of friends and acquaintances to whom he was known, that we announce the death of our worthy and Worshipful Bro. Douglas Drysdale, twice Master of the Lodge with which he was associated, and for the long period of thirteen years—from 1866 to 1878—its zealous and indefatigable Secretary. Bro. Drysdale was elected a joining member of No. 211 as far back as 1846. In 1847 he filled the office of Inner Guard, and the year following that of Junior Warden. In 1849, he was installed Master, and was again chosen to serve in that capacity in 1864. He fulfilled the duties of Secretary, as we have said, from 1866 to 1878, and in the latter year tendered his resignation, not only of that office, but of his membership of the Lodge. So highly, however, were his services and ability appreciated that, when it was found he could not be prevailed upon to withdraw his intention of retiring from the Lodge, he was unanimously elected an honorary member, and Bro. W. W. Morgan, the Secretary *pro tem*, was requested to convey to him an intimation of this slight testimony to his worth, and to express a hope that whenever his engagements permitted he would kindly honour the Lodge with his presence. In 1869 a resolution was unanimously agreed to, to the effect "that the best thanks of this Lodge are due and hereby given to the Worshipful Bro. D. Drysdale P.M. for his valuable advice and assistance rendered to many successive W.M.'s, thereby contributing materially to the welfare and good report of the St. Michael's Lodge." At the time of his death Bro. Drysdale was the Senior Past Master and member of the St. Michael's Lodge, and his loss will be all the more deeply lamented from his association with it for 35 years. We will add that the death occurred, very suddenly, on Saturday, the 26th ultimo. He had spent the previous evening in a Lodge of Instruction—a fact which demonstrates the enduring interest he took in the Craft, and which fully justifies our statement that he may be said to have died in harness. On quitting the Lodge he returned home, supped and played cards with his wife, and had retired to his bedroom, when he was seized with an apoplectic fit, and never

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There were also about 700 brethren present. After the reading and confirmation of the minutes, Dr. Alfred Meadows P.M. No. 4, P.G.S. rose and said: It is my privilege, and I need scarcely add that the privilege carries with it a very great pleasure, to nominate H.R.H. the Prince of Wales for re-election as Grand Master for the ensuing year; and as I shall hope to have the honour of proposing H.R.H. at the next Quarterly Communication, I believe I shall best consult the wishes of Grand Lodge if I defer till then what I may have to say in support of this proposition. But I may perhaps be allowed to make this one remark, that apart from any special fitness which H.R.H. may possess for the office of Grand Master, I think that the way in which the duties of the high and responsible office have been discharged by H.R.H. in the past few years, since he ascended the Throne of the Royal Solomon, constitutes, if I may with all respect say so, a claim upon the gratitude of the Craft, which demands at least the recognition that is involved in this nomination. For this, among other reasons, therefore, I have very great pleasure in moving it. Sir Francis Burdett then rose and moved a vote of condolence to the widow and family of the late President Garfield. He said: In the name, and on behalf of H.R.H. our Grand Master, I now come before you to ask you to accede to and to pass a vote of condolence to the widow of the late General Garfield, President of the United States. We have all known and heard of him for a considerable length of time, and at the same time we know how he laboured, and how he successfully laboured, for the good of his own country. He stood there before all others, and before the whole world as a man respected by all, and beloved by all those of his countrymen. If he had not been a straightforward, honest, good man, and one of real genuine worth, he never would have been placed in that position by his fellow countrymen, and that was the highest position, and the highest honour they could confer on him in his own country. He was known throughout the world as an honest, straightforward man; he was respected and beloved by every power that had communication with the American Nation. He was at the same time kind, indulgent, and a very good husband; and moreover, we all know, and we have heard that he was among us, that he was a Mason, and, I believe, stood very high in the estimation of his brother Masons in America. We have not only received a great many of the American Masons here, and I believe they have been all very well pleased and satisfied with their reception; and whenever we go to America we always find ourselves hospitably and kindly received. Every brother who goes there is pressed to go again, and when American Masons are invited to this country they find themselves most hospitably and kindly received. I may here state, for the information of the brethren, that Bro. Garfield was initated on the 22nd November 1861, in the Magnolia Lodge in Ohio, and he was also exalted to the Royal Arch, in Chapter No. 23, Washington. Now we must look upon him as a brother, and a brother worthy to be honoured in every possible way. Therefore, I have, without trespassing upon your time, to propose, according to the words of His Royal Highness, "That this Grand Lodge agree to a vote of condolence to the widow and family of the late Brother General James Abram Garfield, President of the United States of America, who died on the 19th September last, of wounds received from the hands of an assassin." Lord Tenterden, Provincial Grand Master for Essex, said—As an honorary member of the Grand Lodge of Washington, I beg leave to second the motion. I have, at the same time, to call to your attention the fact that our late lamented Bro. Garfield was one of the principal members of the committee which organised that truly remarkable and fraternal reception given by the Freemasons of the United States to our Grand Master the Marquis of Ripon, at which I had the honour of being present, on the occasion of his diplomatic mission to Washington, in April 1871, and I have to testify to the earnest and active part he took in the Craft, and the respect in which he was held in it. The high estimation of his Masonic brethren was justified by his election as President, and has been confirmed by the universal sympathy elicited throughout the United States, and, indeed, the world, by his untimely death. The motion, on being put, was carried unanimously. The Rev. Spencer Stanhope suggested that the vote should be at once sent by telegram to America, so that it would reach all parts of America, according to American time, at the very hour that this Grand Lodge was sitting, viz., half-past seven. This was seconded by the Rev. R. J. Simpson P.G.C., and Bro. the Rev. J. E. Cox P.G.C. said the present time in America was twenty minutes past two o'clock in the afternoon. Sir F. Burdett said it was necessary that the vote should be first sent to the American Minister in London, as an act of courtesy which we were bound to pay him. Bros. Cox and Stanhope, however, suggested that it might be sent at once, but Sir F. Burdett said he had no doubt Grand Secretary would take the quickest means of forwarding the

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Master then conducted the election of the other Grand Officers, the following being the list: Right Hon. the Earl of Mar and Kellie G.M.; Sir M. R. Stewart of Greenock and Blackhall, Bart., P.G. Master, Colonel Sir Archibald C. Campbell of Blythswood, Bart., Depute Grand Master, R. F. Shaw-Stewart Substitute Grand Master, Right Hon. the Earl of Haddington Senior Grand Warden, Right Hon. the Earl of Breadalbane Junior Grand Warden, D. Murray Lyon Grand Secretary, David Kinnear Grand Cashier, Rev. James Barclay, A.M., and Rev. W. M. Tulloch, B.D., Grand Chaplains, Major John Crombie Senior Grand Deacon, the most Noble the Marquis of Tweeddale Junior Grand Deacon, Andrew Kerr Grand Architect, John S. Matheson Grand Jeweller, George Fisher Grand Bible Bearer, Major William Hills Grand Director of Ceremonies, Sir Molyneux H. Nepean, Bart., Grand Bard, James T. S. Elliot jun. of Wolfelee Grand Sword-Bearer, Carl Drechsler Hamilton Grand Director of Music, Robert Davidson Grand Organist, Captain Farquhar Macgillivray Grand Marshal, James Turner President of Grand Stewards, and James Crichton Vice-President.

Grand Lodge ordered that charters should be issued to these new Lodges—Robert Burns, St Leonard's, New South Wales, and St. Andrew's Military, Hamilton. They accepted from Brother Captain Charles Hunter a copy engraving of the Installation of the Prince of Wales as Grand Master Mason of England.

Grand Lodge then adjourned to the Great Hall, in order to celebrate the Festival of St. Andrew. There was a large attendance of members of Grand Lodge, and other members of the Order. The company numbered about 250, and comprised deputations from the following Lodges, headed by the under-mentioned brethren, being in most cases the Master of each:—Bros. Crighton, Mary's Chapel, No. 1; Bertie, Canongate Kilwinning, 2; Wm. M'Lean, St. John, Glasgow, 3 bis; Matheson, Canongate and Leith L. and C., 5; Mackay, Hamilton, 7; Wilson, Journeymen, 8; Smith, Dalkeith Kilwinning, 10; Dobie, St. John, Dunkeld, 14; Caddie, St. John, Falkirk, 16; Baird, Ancient, Stirling, 30; Hogg, St. John Selkirk, 32; Christie, St. Thomas, Arbroath, 40; Cranston, St. Cuthbert's, Kirkcudbright, 41; Rolland, Holyrood House, 44; Geddes, St. Machar, Aberdeen, 54; Allice, Allon, 69; Johnson, St. Abb, Eyemouth, 70; Dakers, St. Nicholas, Aberdeen, 93; Craig, St. James, Edinburgh, 97; Elliot, Jedburg, 104; Shepherd, St. Andrew, Aberdeen, 110; Clark, St. Stephens, Edinburgh, 145; Ronaldson, Edinburgh Defensive Band, 151; Robertson, R.A., Polloksbaws, 153; Falconer, Roman Eagle, 160; Cameron, St. John, Greenock, 175; H. Maclean, St. John, Carnwath, 214; M'Lean, Lochart St. John, 248; Dr. Falconer, Celtic, Edinburgh, 291; Hogg, St. Clair, Edinburgh, 349; Cairns, Caledonian, Edinburgh, 392; Jas. Smith, Rifle Lodge, Edinburgh, 405; Laing, St. Kentigern, Penicuik, 429; Pearson, St. Andrew, New Pitsligo, 518; Murray, St. Leonard, Loanhead, 580; Drysdale, N. B. Railway, 597; France, Rosslyn St. Clair, 606; Rev. W. W. Tulloch, The Princes, Glasgow, 607.

The chair was taken by the Grand Master, who was supported on the right by Bros. Sir Michael R. Shaw-Stewart, and Whyte-Melville, of Bennochy, Past G. Masters; J. M. Martin of Auchindennane, Rev. W. W. Tulloch, J. T. S. Elliot jun. of Wolfelee, and Dalrymple Duncan. On his left were Bros. Sir Archibald Campbell, R. F. Shaw-Stewart, Hector F. M'Lean of Carnwath, W. Mann, Rev. J. Barclay, Captain Macgillivray, and other Grand Officers. Apologies were intimated from Bros. the Earl of Haddington Senior Grand Warden, Earl of Breadaldane Junior Grand Warden, the Marquis of Tweeddale Junior Grand Deacon, Earl of Dalhousie, Lord Balfour of Burleigh, R. W. Cochran-Patrick, M.P., Provincial Grand Master of Ayrshire, Charles Dalrymple, M.P., Peter M'Lagan, M.P., J. Clark Forrest, J. Wolfe Murray, William Pearce, Sir Molyneux Nepean, Geo. Fisher, Captain G. Russell Colt of Gartsherrie, F. A. Barrow, Col. Macpherson 42nd Highlanders, &c.

After dinner, which was served by Bro. Kay, several toasts were given from the chair.

The Past Grand Master then proposed the health of "The Grand Master." It was, he said, a great pleasure to him to be the first one to propose the health of Brother the Earl of Mar and Kellie as Grand Master, and it had been a great honour and satisfaction to him that afternoon that he had had the pleasure of installing him. He was confident that the new Grand Master would discharge the duties of his office to the best of his ability, and that he would do justice to the Craft. They knew that he was an honourable, high-minded man, and they felt that he would do what he believed to be right, without fear and without favour. He trusted that during the reign of the present Grand Master there would be an inauguration or extension of those matters of benevolence which it was their duty, as well as their creed, to devise and carry into execution. He hoped he might say that now, at the end of those eight years during which he had held the office of Grand Master, he handed down the ritual which was handed down to him by his illustrious predecessors, and he hoped it would be transmitted in the same way—unimpaired

Committee had done in sending to politan district. There was some g had escaped scathless except one l front again. He mentioned that th ing the past year had been £4,390, so that the excess of income had factory state of affairs, and they w debt at that rate. The number o hoped it would go on at the same r the presence of Past Grand Master presided over the Grand Lodg interest in Freemasonry.

The Past Grand Master, in re Masters, said that every Mason, Past Grand Master Whyte-Melv stated that during the eight year there had been 127 charters gr Lodges had been reponed. The The debt of Grand Lodge in 1877 March 1877, it amounted to £11,(—so that £8,500 had been wiped o work of those eight years, and done to the care and energy of t mittee and members of Grand Lod could, and was now content to tak

Past Master Whyte-Melville als lowed, among which were—"Th Depute Grand Master," proposed Melville; "The Countess of Mar Campbell; "The Substitute Gra and "Lady Octavia Shaw-Stewar Lodges where then toasted, couple heading those, who replied, and appointment to his high office, and support. The concluding toa "The Provincial and District Gra and other Office-bearers of Gra Grand Master—who paid a high c for the manner in which he had d and replied for by Brother the Re of Grand Stewards," for which Br Memory of St. Clair of Rosslyn silence, the Grand Lodge was clos separated.

The programme was interspe brethren, and selections by the b the change of Grand Masters, co recited by that brother in the cou

COMMITTEE MEETING

THE December meeting of th Masonic Institution for B Freemasons' Hall, when there w (in the chair), S. Rosenthal, C C. F. Matier, W. H. Saunders, A Duff-Filer, W. Maple, F. Adlard, (Secretary). After the reading one purchase candidate was ord January, and authority was give for the cost of the enlargement penses of the Christmas Entertai School during the holidays. Bro Geo. Newton, of Barnsley, reques by him last year towards the for Preparatory School might be tr Fund. Authority was given for vest £1,000 in Metropolitan B Five candidates were placed on and outfits of £5 each were gra stitution.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—The blood be most essential that it should be thoro ences of winter display themselves. in a safe and satisfactory manner, r condition which alone can rightly Capricious appetite, weak digestions corrected by this potent medicine, wi mind in a sound body." Holloway's

P. Burgess, J. Kitchen, J. Braham, J. Reid, and W. W. Brand. Among the Visitors were Bros. T. Schmidt P.M. 127, Union Lodge, Margate, and P.P.G.J.W. Kent; Alderman John Smith P.M. 731 and of other Lodges in Derby, Bros. W. Davey 1512, T. Cox 1512, T. Ward W.M. 1815, J. Jackson 1815, Dr. J. Bedford, J. King P.M. 1269, W. R. Rossell P.M., and J. J. Brinton 1329. The minutes of the preceding meeting having been read and confirmed Bros. G. B. Ford, and G. H. W. Tear were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Then Brothers T. G. Craddock and T. S. E. Townsend were passed to the degree of Fellow Craft; upon which followed the initiation of Mr. J. W. Hartley, who had been proposed by the W.M. and seconded by Bro. W. Lloyd. The election of W.M. for the ensuing year was next proceeded with, the only candidate proposed being Bro. T. Thurston, the S.W., who was, amidst much acclamation, announced by the W.M. to have been unanimously chosen, and this intelligence was conveyed to him in appropriate terms. Bro. Thurston acknowledged the honour conferred in feeling language. Bro. H. Webb was once more elected as Treasurer, and Bros. G. Tear and A. C. Cox were appointed auditors. Routine business was then proceeded with, and after the W.M. had been upwards of three hours in the chair, the Lodge was closed in due form. The W.M. invited the brethren to partake of refreshments with him, in an adjoining room, whither he was followed by the brethren, who found an excellent repast, worthy of this renowned hotel, in readiness for them. On the cloth being removed, the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given. The Worshipful Master proposed the toast of the Visitors. He remarked that on all occasions the Lodge had been honoured by the presence of visitors. On that evening there were some distinguished members of Grand Lodge present, and others also who had "made their mark on the scroll of time." He could not forbear mentioning the name of Bro. Bedford, who had attained to threescore years and twelve, and was yet hale, hearty, and happy—"frosty" it was true, but also "kindly." That brother had been, during a long, varied, and useful life, a philosopher in the proper acceptation of the word. He had from time to time published many popular scientific books, chiefly on astronomy. More than a quarter of a century since he made statements in reference to the heavenly bodies which, being novel, were much criticised, and his assertions questioned. He had, however, lived to know that all he had asserted had been accepted; not only so, but in addition had been corroborated by authorities against whose decisions no one now dared to appeal. He, the W.M., was confident that all present would cordially welcome the presence of such a brother, and also would be gratified to see that time had touched so lightly on his shoulders, as he could still wield a facile pen and publish to the world facts concerning the starry heavens which only but few could appreciate or understand, although "their line is gone out through the earth, and their words to the end of the world." Having made reference to the other Visitors, the toast was pledged. Brother Dr. Bedford thanked the brethren for the fraternal manner they had received him, and the courtesy that had been bestowed on him; he proceeded at some length to give an account of his philosophic career, which had been of an ever-changing character. Bro. J. J. Brinton, having been called on, expressed the great pleasure he had experienced in being present on that evening. He had heard of the excellent working of the Royal Jubilee Lodge, and was anxious to be edified by what transpired therein. Having sat for three hours in their midst, he could assert, without any mental reservation, that on no previous occasion had he seen the work done better, or the ritual so ably, appropriately or eloquently adhered to and delivered. He could but have compassion on their respected Worshipful Master, for he merited it unreservedly. He himself had undergone no small amount of mental labour during his pilgrimage, but he was satisfied that at no time had a greater tension been put on his mind than had been put on the mind of their W.M. that evening. There were many young brethren around him. He would strenuously urge upon them to make themselves fully acquainted with the ritual to which they had listened a short time since, a ritual second only to inspiration itself; a ritual, albeit clothed in other language from that they heard from the pulpit, in the Senate, at the Bar. The source whence the inspiration was derived, as a matter of course, was concealed, but all those who had been enlightened knew, and fully appreciated the fountain whence it was imported. The speaker then alluded to the disadvantage under which he was placed at that moment in following the learned Doctor Bedford; were he to attempt to be egotistical he could find no utterance for words; he therefore hoped that what he had advised would be acted upon; he wished prosperity to the Royal Jubilee Lodge. Bros. Davey, Schmidt, and Smith also responded to the toast. Bro. F. Dunn P.M. then proposed the health of the W.M. in a neat and pithy speech, which was replied to in a similar manner. The Wor-

Shrimpton 1659, J. L. Asprey 53 P.M. 141, H. Von Joel 957, Grab G. V. Deluca 101, T. Webb 1657 5 C. Handley 475, W. Hatel 771, S.W. 1679, H. J. Thurgood 1585, H The Lodge was opened, and the m and confirmed. Bros. Clay, Shoob the third degree, and Bro. J. Ward Ransby and Price were, after bal into the Order, through the court P.M. Treasurer. All the ceremonies Hewit 128 (Scotland) was elected the Audit Committee was adopted flourishing condition. Bro. W. F. then presented to the Lodge, and the retiring W.M., who performed seventeen W.M.'s and P.M.'s. On the new Master was saluted ac appointment and investiture of Offi Bros. Kidman I.P.M., Drake S.W. P.M. Treasurer, W. Worrell P.M. S J.D., Ransby I.G., Brooks D.C., Ne Steward, Reinhardt Tyler. The app shewed that the W.M. had made Treasurer gave the concluding ad to listen to; he well merited the the Brethren and Visitors at the c W.M. on rising said it was one o had for a first duty that of present from the Lodge, for the able man the chair; he hoped for many wear it, and be with the Lodge in responded in suitable terms, expre gift, and for the kind expressions brethren was announced, and acce some time since presented to the Lo charity. Unfortunately, this san and it was proposed, seconded, a sum be returned to him, and an a sented to him from the Lodge fund by the brethren and their visit brethren, sixty-seven in number provided by Bro. E. H. Rand, that all. The W.M. briefly and appr Masonic toasts. Bro. Kidman the possession of the gavel to propos eloquent he might be, he could n ask them to drink the toast. The fied at having been placed in the he had received from the brethr duty as W.M.; he felt—what eve love is. He would do the best he and he thanked the brethren for W.M. then proposed the toast of t to see. He assured them that Fr could defy the attacks of the ou attributes of Masonry. He would of the Initiates, who, he was s quired of them when they knew E.A. song had been sung by Bro. the toast was responded to, and Visitors, who, he stated, were 23 were all pleased to see them. H No. 19, P.G.S.W. Middlesex, and respond. The latter Brother cl hospitality of the Lodge. His plauded. The W.M. then prop members had seen what they h services. Bro. Kidman had don Miller. These brethren in return pressing their acknowledgments, p be at the service of the Lodge. Officers. The S.W. they all kne a good working Mason, and would well as the Junior Officers, knew S.W. replied; Bro. J.W. followe present office; he hoped, with th to do all to conduce to the well in every respect second to no William's S.D., the Tyler's toast Leaman, Miller, and Edwards co

James Nicholls, M.D., P.M. 276 P.P.G.S.W. Secretary, F. P. Suthery S.D., A. C. Durrant J.D., H. Bowles Organist, Andrew Durrant P.M. 267 P.G. Treasurer D.C., A. G. Maskell I.G., Bros. Wood and Metcalfe Stewards, T. S. Sarel Tyler. A cordial vote of thanks was unanimously passed to Bro. Philbrick for his kindness in attending, and this was ordered to be entered on the minutes. The only other business was the election of a representative to the Essex Provincial Charity Committee, and on the motion of Bro. Lewin I.P.M., seconded by Bro. W. J. Upton S.W., the choice of the brethren unanimously fell upon the W.M. The Lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to the White Hart Hotel, where between 50 and 60 sat down to a sumptuous banquet, served in a manner which reflected great credit on the new management. After dinner the usual Masonic toasts were duly honoured, and some of the brethren present contributed vocal music to enliven the post-prandial proceedings. Among those present, either at Lodge or banquet, besides those already mentioned, were:—Bros. T. J. Ralling P.G. Sec., W. Richey, J. J. C. Turner, Henry Harper, W. S. Ling, John E. Wiseman, George Harvey, D. J. Wright, Henry E. Dehane, F. M. Williams, Fred. J. Wiseman, Wm. Pissey, J. M. Farr, G. Glasscock, J. Wray, W. V. Willson, R. Clowes, H. Everard, M. L. Sanders, R. Smith, W. Strutt, E. Gowers, J. Stanley, O. Thompson, A. Wolton, and the following members of No. 276:—Bros. J. P. Sarel, A. C. Veley, J. S. Brown, D. M. B. Wheeler, J. W. Hair, W. Metcalfe, W. Hart, C. Williams, F. Shee, John Taylor, J. Tomlinson, W. R. Fuller, and F. Durrant. Much regret was expressed that Bro. J. P. Lewin, the respected and popular I.P.M., was prevented attending the dinner by recent severe domestic affliction.

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 1071.

THE annual gathering of this Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Saltash, on Monday, the 5th instant. There was a large number of Past Masters present, amongst whom were Bros. J. Pearce W.M. (who very ably conducted the ceremony), R. Pearce, W. Foxwell, J. Rawling, J. R. Lord, J. B. Gover, J. H. Rogers, R. Cawsey, E. Aitken-Davies, J. Gidley, Rev. W. H. Clark, S. Goodman, J. Deeble, J. T. Brooking, B. Elliott, T. W. Sutton. Bro. E. Herring was installed as Worshipful Master, and after the customary ceremonies, he invested his Officers as follow:—Bros. J. Pearce I.P.M., E. C. Vosper S.W., T. W. Deeble J.W., Foxwell Treasurer, J. Rawling Secretary, W. H. L. Clark Chaplain, G. Burns S.D., E. R. Doney J.D., W. King I.G., J. Dillon D.C., H. Bowden S.S., R. C. Revel J.S., J. C. Kinsman Tyler. The brethren adjourned to the rooms attached to the Lodge for refreshment. The usual toasts were honoured, and the Visitors complimented the Immediate Past Master on the very able manner in which he had conducted the ceremony of installation. The dinner was held at Bro. Carpenter's, on Wednesday, the 7th inst., when all those present at the installation were cordially invited to attend.

ALBERT EDWARD LODGE, No. 1714.

THE installation meeting of this young, but flourishing Lodge, was held at the Duke of York Hotel, York Town, Surrey, on Wednesday, the 30th ult., when there were present Bros. Westall W.M. and W.M. elect, Hacker P.M. S.W. pro tem, Tozer J.W., Twort Treasurer, Lindars Secretary, Latham S.D., E. Nichols J.D., Pulley P.M. D.C.; P.M.'s Bros. Lendrim and Olds; also Bros. Nichols, Gregson, Ford, C. J. Nichols, Kelsey, Higerty, Leming, Bunce, Bunting, Price, Mills, Marrs, Payne, S. Nichols, Clement-George. Visitors—Bros. Moody P.M. 1046, Hickley P.M. W.M. 723, Pomeroy P.M. 723, Askham P.M. 1564, Cole P.M. 1424, Payne W.M. 1564, Dormor S.W. 340, Davis 414, Margrett 414, Creed 1101, Collins 1101, James 1101, Payne 681, Harrison 569, and others. Lodge having been opened in due form and order, the minutes of the last regular Lodge and Lodge of Emergency were read and confirmed, and the Lodge being advanced, the Worshipful Master handed his gavel to Brother Lendrim Immediate Past Master, and the Worshipful Master elect was presented for the second time by Brother Pulley P.M., for the benefit of installation. The usual questions having been answered in a satisfactory manner, and attention directed to the Ancient Charges, the Lodge was further advanced, and all below the degree of I.P.M. requested to retire, when a Board of Installed Masters was formed, and Bro. Westall duly installed in the chair for his second year of office. The brethren were then re-admitted, and the customary proclamations and salutes given, under the direction of the Director of Ceremonies. The addresses were delivered in a most impressive manner by the Installing Master, who then presented his

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A. Henochsberg P.S., G. T. Mann First Assistant, Brooke Second Assistant, Goddard Janitor. The resignation of two Companions was announced, and accepted with regret. The Chapter was then closed till January. The Companions sat down to a sumptuous banquet, provided by Bro. W. G. Jennings. The M.E.Z., whose ability as President was fully appreciated, proposed the usual Loyal and R.A. toasts. Companion L. Lazarus I.P.Z. rose to propose the health of the M.E.Z. Whatever duty Companion Gulliford undertook he carried out heartily; he had creditably passed the chair of one of the most influential Lodges, and his duties in the Chapter he had fulfilled to the entire satisfaction of the Companions. The M.E.Z., in replying, said he felt great diffidence in responding to the toast; he had tried to do his duty in the Arch, as in the Craft, and to-night he might say he felt rewarded. He begged to return them his sincere and heartfelt thanks. The M.E.Z. on again rising said, it was a pleasing thing for him to remark that change is necessary in every society; the infusion of new blood was most desirable. In welcoming one who had done good service in the Craft, he was assured their new Companion Smith would strive for the advancement of Royal Arch Masonry. Companion G. Smith, the new exaltee, very appropriately responded. Next came the toast of the M.E. Comp. L. Lazarus, who had faithfully performed every duty the Chapter required of him. They had had many good working M.E.Z.'s, but none had done their duties better, both in Chapter and at the banquet table, than that worthy Companion. The P.Z.'s jewel of the Chapter was then formally presented to Comp. Lazarus the Immediate Past Zerubbabel, who in eloquent terms responded to the toast. He had to thank them for their kind expressions. His aim had been for the welfare of the Chapter, and all he could do in the future for its benefit he would strive to accomplish. The M.E.Z. then proposed the toast of the Visitors, and said it must be a source of great pleasure for Comp. G. Smith, 189, to see his father exalted into R.A. Masonry. There were also present Comps. J. L. Mather, Earlswood and Eckstein. The toast of the P.Z.'s followed; the M.E.Z. had to thank them generally for their services, but to Companion W. Littaur his thanks were especially due for the manner he had installed him and the other Principals. Those who had heard him, fully appreciated him; and those who had not, he advised diligently to work so as to be qualified for a future occasion. Comp. Littaur eloquently responded, and then the toasts of the H., the J., and Junior Officers were given. The Janitor in due course was summoned, and the proceedings were closed. Comps. Eckstein, Davis, and Henoschberg contributed to the harmony.

UNITED STRENGTH CHAPTER, No. 228.

THE installation meeting took place on Tuesday, the 22nd ult., at the Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street. Present:—Comps. J. Hillhouse M.E.Z., James Terry P.Z. acting as H. (in the absence of Comp. J. While M.E.Z. elect, through illness), R. H. Halford J. (H. elect), C. K. Killick S.E. (J. elect), E. Davies S.N., Pearcy P.S., Timothy First Assistant, Dr. W. J. Hunter Second Assistant, Thomas Janitor; R. Griggs P.Z., Newton P.Z.; also Comps. G. H. Edis, Gibbs, T. Goode, J. Woodman, P. Woodman, Harley, Payne, A. Ross, Randall, Making, Lewis, Flaws. Chapter was duly opened, and the minutes of last Convocation were confirmed. The ballot was taken for Bro. S. W. Gyer, of the Finsbury Lodge, No. 861, which proved unanimous, and that brother was exalted into Royal Arch Masonry in a very excellent manner. The Installation of the Principals was then proceeded with, Comp. J. Hillhouse being installed as M.E.Z. pro tem, R. H. Halford H., C. J. Killick J., E. Davies S.E., R. Pearcy S.N., A. J. Timothy P.S., who appointed Comps. Dr. W. J. Hunter First, and A. W. Fonner Second Assistants. Comps. Stock and Simmonds were appointed Stewards, and Comp. Thomas Janitor. The business being ended, Chapter was closed, and the Companions adjourned to banquet. Grace having been said, the usual R.A. toasts were proposed and duly honoured. The health of the Exaltee was proposed by the M.E.Z., in a short speech, which was responded to Bro. Gyer, who thanked the Companions for having received him into their Chapter; he hoped that his conduct would be such as would be a credit to them. He trusted in due time he might make such progress as would enable him to attain the proud position of M.E.Z. Companion Terry next proposed the health of the M.E.Z., and expressed his regret that the M.E.Z. elect was ill, but trusted at the next convocation he should have the pleasure of seeing Comp. While occupying the position of Z.; he also complimented Comp. Hillhouse on the excellent manner in which he had discharged the duties of Z. He had great pleasure in presenting him with a P.Z.'s jewel, which had been unanimously voted by the

THE annual meeting of the Pro and Rutland was held in the S the banner of the Knights of Malta 8th inst., when Wor. Bro. George T England, presided. Provincial Gra due form, a letter was read from t Earl Ferrers, expressing his regret meeting, as also was one from Bro Warden, and other brethren. Th vince was called over, and it was The minutes were confirmed, and t General Purposes and of Charity w mer directed the attention of the Le dues, on which point, after some dis and also referred to the want of Masonic Hall, the discussion of whi pone for the present. The Trea report were both adopted, and the elected to the office of Prov. Grand T appointed as follow:—

Bro. Dr. Thomas Macaulay P.M. 1560 - - - - I
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Rev. S. W. Wigg Chaplain 1391 - - - -
Rev. John Bird 1560 - -
Robert Waite P.M. 279 -
Thomas Wright W.M. 1391
Samuel S. Partridge - -
W. S. Allen P.M. 779 -
J. Farndale W.M. 279 -
Samuel Weaver P.M. 1130 -
J. Young P.M. 523 - -
William Crow W.M. 50 -
Capt. W. Wade Wartnaby W.M. 1330 - - -
A. Chamberlain P.M. 1391 (Ro-
R. L. Gibson P.M. 1007 -
M. J. Walker S.W. 1265 -
J. O. Law W.M. 279 - -
S. A. Morris 279 - -
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J. Read P.M. 1265 - -
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E. H. Butler J.W. 1391 -
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T. Dunn Tylor 523 - -
J. Tauser Tyler 279 - -

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held its half-yearly communication at the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, W.C., on Tuesday last, the 6th inst., under the presidency of the Right Hon. Lord Henniker the M.W. Grand Master, when, the business being of great importance, an extremely large number of brethren belonging to the Mark degree, as well from the provinces as the metropolis, attended. The Installation of H.R.H. the Duke of Albany, K.G., as M.W. Past Grand Master, was also appointed for this occasion, and doubtless caused an increased gathering. The last communication of the Grand Lodge celebrated the "Silver Wedding" of the Order under its present constitution, and the meeting of the 6th formed a fitting pendant to the former most interesting event. All former arrangements for the reception and accommodation of the Grand Mark Lodge at its half-yearly communications are now of no avail, and so rapidly is the Order increasing that the resources of the Large Hall at Freemasons' Tavern, (formerly the place of assembly of the Craft Grand Lodge), and its spacious ante-rooms are now called into requisition. On this occasion the appearance of the Hall, when the brethren had assembled, and awaited the entrance of H.R.H. the newly elected P.G.M., was extremely pleasing to the eye, and from the diversity of colour in the badges, collars, and jewels worn by members of various rank and distinction in this Order the general effect surpassed even that of a similar gathering in the Craft.

At the appointed hour the procession of Grand Lodge entered the Hall, and the M.W. G.M.M. Bro. Lord Henniker at once proceeded to open the Grand Lodge. There were present the following Officers (past and present) in support of the Grand Master, viz.—

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The Report was received, and having been voted in accordance w was adopted. The Right Hon. I Grand Master for the ensuing year was then presented to the respect Stewards at the last Benevolent Fu evening's proceedings, eulogistic r the enthusiastic reception given t its meeting in Sheffield, remarks applauded. Grand Lodge was clo the brethren again assembled in M.W. G.M.M. presiding. After t usual Loyal toasts had been honou G.M. Bristol proposed the health niker, and in the course of his extremely admirable and forcible to their newly-installed and illustr cularly emphasised the good wishe perity, which had elicited so much Lodge. The Grand Master, havin pliment, proposed the Most His lordship said he considered to be highly gratified by the Past Grand Master by His Royal Albany. He was assured from the Royal Highness, who had unfortun early period of the evening, that he position he had assumed, and was ner in which he had been received that the illness of Bro. Portal and G.M.'s prevented him from asso toast. Nevertheless, he was assur with all honours as cordially as if

Wales as (Craft) Grand Master, His Royal Highness observed that the watchwords of the Order were Loyalty and Charity. He (Bro. Binckes) need say nothing as to the former, but he felt it incumbent on him to note that the Prince of Wales had himself set in respect of the latter a glorious example, which his brothers the Duke of Connaught and Prince Leopold had followed with the utmost readiness." Bro. F. Davison Grand Treasurer having proposed the health of the Visitors, Bro. John Bevan Prov. Grand Master Mark Mason for Westland, New Zealand, responded, thanking them for their cordial reception of him and his brother visitors, and expressing a hope that the great accession of strength they had received that evening would still further advance the interests of the Degree. The proceedings were enlivened throughout by the musical contributions of Bro. W. Ganz Past Grand Organist, who presided at the pianoforte, and Bros. Eve, Walls, and others.

THE TREFFRY MEMORIAL.

UNVEILING CEREMONY AT FOWEY.

THE memorial windows which have recently been added to the Church of St. Fimbar, Fowey, in memory of the Rev. Dr. Treffry, were unveiled on Wednesday, 30th ult., when a sermon was preached by the Rev. W. E. W. Barter, B.A., of Redruth. There are nine windows, one of which was contributed by the Masonic brethren. The work was entrusted to Messrs. Fouracre and Son, Stonehouse. Prior to the ceremonial, Dr. Davis, Bro. Emra Holmes, and others met at luncheon, and, in drinking "to the pious and revered memory of the late Dr. Treffry," Dr. Davis, the Chairman of the Memorial Committee, remarked that Dr. Treffry had frequently expressed a wish that those windows should be filled in, and, therefore, when the movement took some tangible form, it was decided by Bro. Emra Holmes, and himself, that the two-story windows should be those filled in to his memory. As Treasurer to the Fund, he was able to tell those present that there was somewhere about £148 or £150 in hand. The windows would cost about £140, but some little sum would be required to defray the cost of the lattice work, which would be put before the windows as protectors. The church, it may be stated, possesses many good features of window decoration, in addition to the memorial windows just introduced. For example, in the east window the arms of the Mother Church of Fowey—Tywardreath, whose patron saint is St. Andrew—are represented. These are the saltire, or cross of St. Andrew, and the *fleur-de-lis*. This window was placed in the church by the late Mr. Gibbs, of London, and represents the arms of the Cardinhams, who are supposed to have been the founders of the church in the tenth century; a ship at sea, the arms of the borough, and the arms of Warwick, the king maker, who was Lord High Admiral of England in the reign of Edward IV., and assisted the people to re-build their church in 1457, after the town had been burnt by the French. The window is of five lights, and symbolically represents the burial, baptism, resurrection, ascension, the prayer in Gethsemane, and the Lord's supper. The western window of this ancient church is by Heaton and Butler, London, and is supposed to be a very fine specimen of staining in glass. It is in memory of the late Mr. William Rashleigh, and the Hon. Mrs. Rashleigh, his wife. If any further reference was required in respect to the Treffy windows, it might be stated that Saint Patrick and Saint David are said by the oldest historians to have visited Cornwall about the fifth century in order to convert the heathen. They were followed by a large number of Irish and Welsh saints, depicted in the windows, really the representatives of the ancient British Church, which is said to have been in existence in England centuries before the time of Augustine. The windows are intended to show in that way the continuity of our Church from the earliest times. Prior to the commencement of the ceremonial, the following Freemasons, attired in full Masonic Craft clothing, by special dispensation from the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, Provincial Grand Master of Cornwall, proceeded to the church:—Bros. Dr. A. A. Davies W.M. 977, Fowey; Emra Holmes P.P.G.R. and P.P.G.D.C. Suffolk, G. Varcoe, H. W. Durrant, A. K. Stevens, A. S. Clunes, B. Parsons, F. B. Williams P.P.G.S.B., W. Tonkin P.P.G.S.B., A. P. Davis, R. Roach, T. Richards, W. Sweet, J. George, R. Toms, W. Phillips, J. Wellington, T. W. Beale P.P.G.T., J. H. Knight (St. Martins 510), and Tregaskis (St. Andrews). There was a large congregation. During the singing of the opening hymn, Dr. Davis, chairman of the Committee, and Mr. Emra Holmes, the Hon. Sec., proceeded to unveil the windows on one side of the Church—the windows on the other being uncovered simultaneously. The service was then proceeded with, the first lesson being read by the Rev. H. D. Nicholson, of Devonport, and the second by the Rev. A. Lawrence St. Ewe. A hymn commencing as follows was after-

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FROM THE VOICE

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multitude—that had an open promulgation of a doctrine in opposition to that faith been attempted, it probably would have led to violent disturbances in the state, produced anarchy and great evil, and possibly brought about revolution. The consequence, therefore, became inevitable, viz.: to confide only to a few of the most intelligent, the higher mysteries I have referred to, after they had been fully tried and proved under severe probation, and found worthy by their initiation in the lesser.

Symbols and allegories were the chief devices resorted to in order that not only the initates but also the multitude might be instructed thereby, and while the true intent and meaning were easily understood by those from whose eyes the veil had been removed, the masses comprehended them not, but *believed all* in which they were instructed.

To this day the same line of procedure prevails, and we have not far to go to perceive the realization and fruits thereof; I refer to the Catholic and Greek churches. All eastern nations, in fact, followed the self-same method of showing one thing to imitate others, and they styled it allegory. Some writers believe that when Abram went down into Egypt no idols were there. In the book of Exodus, as written by Moses, we find that Pharaoh used the name of the one GOD as if the sum of all the Egyptian religion was the reverence paid this acknowledged divinity. To corroborate the fact that in Moses' time, probably, only the belief in the one GOD existed in Egypt, all explanations seem to verify the same, and the earliest temples had not upon them the likeness of anything on earth or in heaven. Neither had they figures of gods, goddesses, nor worship of kings. The revelation which GOD had given to Ham, the alleged founder of Egypt, up to that time was apparently undisturbed.

It was, probably, only when the nation became depraved, and the desire for a visible deity manifested itself, that the idol-worship, or lesser mysteries, was instituted. The creature became more than the Creator, and as these forms of GOD's energy were innumerable, men gradually and imperceptibly lost the sense of UNITY.

The Sun, the glorious orb of day became to them a servant of GOD (good), and the visible God of the heavens. At high noon he was Ra, at night Atum, or as producer and fructifier of all life, he was Kleper.

And so throughout the whole system of later Egyptian cosmogony, theogony and theology, do we find the systems imbued with the self-same and other multitudinous allegories. There are writers, however who think the contrary, as to the epoch when this dual or triune theory was inaugurated.

Time will not permit me to discuss the question in a short article.

Baron Von Humboldt, in one of his profound works, uses the following language: "Knowledge of the natural characters of different regions of the world is an essential part of the history of the human race and of its culture."

Moses, who as the Bible informs us was "educated in all the learning of the Egyptians," conveys to us the idea that he not only was a priest of Heliopolis, and had been initiated in the then higher mysteries, but that he also was well and thoroughly aquainted with all the routine of civil as well as ecclesiastical Egyptian government.

We see throughout his whole career, from the night when he went forth out of Egypt as the leader of the Hebrews and the mixed multitude which accompanied them, that his thereafter government was a close imitation of the system which he had been educated and reared in.

Had even his followers been all Hebrews, they in the many years which had effluxed from the time Jacob went down to Egypt to reside while Joseph was ruler, had necessarily lost much if not all the traditions and faith of the house of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and had to a great extent, if not fully so, become imbued with those of the land of Goshen. The condition of slavery to which they had been reduced by the rulers who had forgotten Joseph would naturally, in that long period, produce the result.

Moses, as a leader desirous of establishing a new nation who should worship GOD in His unity, made that form of faith as the primary of his laws, embodying therein the original faith of the Egyptians, as founded by their alleged first priest, Ham, and as followed by Enoch and accepted by Abram.

There is not in the Decaloge one idea but is the counterpart—a paraphrase of the dogmas and ethics among the Egyptians long anterior to the time of Moses and Aaron.

If the language used and set forth be not the same, it is the essence of the laws of the early sages of the East with but slight modifications. The Book of Leviticus is an almost imitation of the laws used by the Egyptian priesthood. The Book of Deuteronomy is supposed to be an almost transcript of the laws of the land from which he, Moses, had departed. The Ark; Vail of the Sanctuary; Cherubim; Slaying of the Ram; New Year at the Autumnal Equinox; the various feasts, except that of the Paschal Lamb, unless Moses indeed ordained it in imitation of its use at Heliopolis, where the

in." "Who is the King of Glory Lord of Hosts, He is the King of G from the Egyptians, also ordained holydays." The new religion which that of the priesthood in which he ha very fullest extent the theory of have borrowed in all their varied re pre-existing anterior to his mission, a common rule of government. While valuable of the principles known to h his priest father-in-law, he as a wis constrained to place around his eccles as would for the then time, the forty people by gradual degrees to the wo at the same time restrain them fr worship known to them before the e

Yet, we find that said adoration w at the time of the Essenes, in wh St. John the Baptist and the Evang Saviour, seem to have been educate constructing the tabernacle in the the model for Solomon's Temple, N symbolism to its various parts. Fo Triune theory of Egypt, he divided thereby representing the three gre sea, and air. The two exterior part priests and the people, and symbol open to all people alike, while was the Holy of Holies, over no mortal except the High P especially dedicated to GOD, and plan of the said tabernacle was t mitation or counterpart of an E the third division, the holy of holies the High Priest entered only once dense cloud of incense which possibl congregation, and which duty, accor him to hold communication with Go from being heard. The Egyptian Hi same rule, and for the same purpos rized to pass behind the vail. T first constructed by Moses, copied Arch Masonry, represented, as I elements, but Moses transposed, Egyptian allegory. But it is not t system, which have been handed do alone be drawn. We owe to the H the Holy Royal Arch, and are ind use, viz., the point within the circle level; the pentalpha or five pointed the trowel; and in fact many othe deficient in those claims on humar even if the language be not precisely

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COMEDY.—At 7.30, SEEING FROU

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ST. JAMES'S.—At 8, THE CAPE M

1415—Campbell, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court
Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8

MONDAY, 12th DECEMBER.

45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
59—Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
90—St. John, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
198—Confidence, Anderton's Hotel,
222—St. Andrews, 101 Queen Victoria-street
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
957—Leigh, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1469—Marquess of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1571—Leopold, Gregorian Arms, Bermondsey
1606—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1610—Northern Bar, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road. (Inst).
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
R.A. 933—Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
R.C.—Holy Sanctuary, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square

40—Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
75—Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
104—St. John, Ashton House, Greek-street, Stockport
151—Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields
262—Salopian, the Lion Hotel, Shrewsbury
292—Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
296—Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
297—Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge, at 8.30. (Instruction)
411—Commercial, Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham
481—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
502—Rectitude, Town Hall, Rugby
587—Howe, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
589—Druids of Love and Liberality, Masonic Hall, Redruth
665—Montagne, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
721—Independence, Masonic Chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
797—Hanley, Hanley Hall, Dartmouth
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
893—Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook, Cornwall
949—Williamson, St. Stephen School, Monkwearmouth, Durham
1021—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Custom House Buildings, Barrow-in-Furness
1069—United Brothers, Castle Hotel, Southsea
1174—Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
1221—Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
1237—Enfield, Market-place, Enfield
1253—Travellers, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
1350—Fermor Hesketh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1436—Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1474—Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
1477—Sir Watkin, Masonic Hall, Mold
1592—Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
1611—Eboracum, Queen's Hotel, Micklegate, York
1618—Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea
1656—Wolsey, White Hart Hotel, Hampton Wick
1790—Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
R.A. 302—Charity, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
M.M. 171—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
K.T.—Jerusalem, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester

TUESDAY, 13th DECEMBER.

55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
96—Burlington, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate street
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall, W.C
198—Percy, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
211—St. Michael, Albion, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
228—United Strength, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, City
235—Nine Muses, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
548—Wellington, White Swan, Deptford
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
880—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
933—Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1196—Urban, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1367—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Brinkre-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington. (Instruction)
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich (Instruction)
1559—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1593—Royal Naval College, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1604—Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1614—Covent Garden, Ashley's Hotel, Covent Garden
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
1803—Cornhill, King's Head, Fenchurch-street
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30
R.A. 145—Prudent Brethren, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.C.—Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square

93—Social, 23 St. Giles Street, Norwich!
R.A. 991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Qu
M.M. 152—Dover and Cinque Ports, Royal Oal
R.C.—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

WEDNESDAY, 14th

Committee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institut
3—Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
11—Enoch, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
13—Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, William
15—Kent, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-s
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street,
147—Justice, White Swan, High-street, Dep
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-st
228—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crow
538—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dean S
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burde
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgat
863—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court
1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folga
1260—John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposit
1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbur
1305—St. Marylebone, Eyre Arms, St. John's
1306—St. John of Wapping, Moorgate Tavern
1321—Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swallow S
1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moo
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 5160
1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, M
1586—Upper Norwood, White Hart Hotel, Up
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street,
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street,
1677—Crusaders, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Vi
1694—Imperial, Cadogan Hotel, Sloane-stre
1766—St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoreditch
1791—Creaton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portob
1805—Bromley St. Leonard, 148 Bow-road, E
R.A. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air-stre
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Q
R.C.—Grand Metropolitan, Masonic Hall, 33

54—Hope, Spread Eagle Inn, Cheetham-st
146—Antiquity, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshaw
191—St. John, Knowsley Hotel, Haymarke
204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manch
225—St. Luke's, Coach and Horses Hotel,
281—Fortitude, Masonic Rooms, Athenæur
288—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
483—Sympathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Graves
567—Unity, Globe Hotel, Warwick
666—Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince
758—Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn, a
851—Worthing of Friendship, Steyne Hot
852—Zetland, Albert Hotel, New Bailey-st
854—Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, near
972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canter
1018—Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Sale
1031—Fletcher, Masonic Hall, New-street,
1090—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Church-st
1064—Borough, Bull Hotel, Burnley.
1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1101—Grey Friars, Masonic Hall, Reading
1209—Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
1248—Denison, Grand Hotel, Scarborough.
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at
1342—Walker, Hope and Anchor Inn, Byke
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill S
1398—Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Fu
1424—Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Bi
1434—Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Not
1503—Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twic
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, I
1520—Earl Shrewsbury, Public, Rooms, Ca
1547—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1582—Llanidloes, Trewythen Arms, Llanid
1638—Brownrigg, Sun Hotel, Kingston-on-
1643—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebbur
R.A. 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverp
R.A. 709—Invicta, Bank-street Hall, Ashfo
M.M. 56—Temperance, Masonic Hall, Tod
M.M. 174—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-st
M.M. 192—St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, Th

THURSDAY, 15t

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-st
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walt
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leaden
49—Gibon, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-s
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-stre
169—Temperance, White Swan, High-str
179—Manchester, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorg
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lea
813—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gr
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin'
1139—South Norwood, Public Hall, South
1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate,
1287—Great Northern, Freemasons' Hall,
1439—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington
1626—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Mas
1633—Cripplegate, Albion, Aldersgate-str
1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James

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K.T.—William de la More, Town Hall, Bootle.

FRIDAY, 16th DECEMBER.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
6—Friendship, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
201—Jordan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Instruct.)
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 Inst.)
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 7.30. (Instruction)
834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction.
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C. at 7. (Instruction)
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8. (In.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd., N. Kensington, at 8. (In.)
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
R.C.—Invicta, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square, W.C.

127—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
847—Noah's Ark, Wagon and Horses Hotel, Tipton
453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
516—Phœnix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
541—De Loraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
993—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Instruction)
1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
R.A. 403—Hertford, Shire Hall, Hertford.
R.A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield
R.A. 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5.30

SATURDAY, 17th DECEMBER.

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
1641—Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1732—King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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Joppa Lodge, No. 188.—The regular meeting was held on the 5th instant, at the Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street. Bros. R. Baker W.M., L. M. Myers S.W., J. Benjamin J.W., J. S. Lyon Treas., E. P. Albert P.G.P. Secretary, G. Dodson P.M. D.C., J. Davis Asst. D.C., P. E. Van Noorden Organist, Botibol and Wall Stewards; P.M.'s L. Alexander, O. Roberts, L. Lazarus, M. Alexander, A. G. Dodson, H. M. Levy, M. Hyams, S. Hickman. Visitors—W. Lister P.M. 145, J. Hughes S.W. 1816, G. B. Fletcher 180, R. Garrett 272, D. D. Henderson 1366, H. A. Stunt I.G. 1641, W. S. Lyon 185, I. P. Cohen P.M. 205, M. J. Emanuel P.M. 205, J. M. Myers 205, Lewis, H. P. Isaac 1693, and W. G. Jennings. After preliminaries, Bro. Coombe was raised to the third degree, the ceremony being performed perfectly and impressively. Bro. L. M. Myers S.W. was unanimously elected W.M. for ensuing year, J. S. Lyon Treasurer, and Woodstock P.M. Tyler. Five brethren were elected to serve on Committee of Board of Management, and eight on the Joppa Benevolent Fund. A sum of five guineas was voted towards presenting the retiring W.M. with a P.M.'s jewel, for the able manner in which he had discharged the duties of the chair. This will undoubtedly prove a nucleus for a testimonial worthy of Brother R. Baker's acceptance; it was liberally subscribed to by the brethren. Two candidates were proposed for initiation, and one for joining. The resignation of two brethren was accepted with regret, while a distressed brother was relieved with the sum of two guineas. The Lodge was then closed. This being an off-night, the brethren sat down to light refreshments. The W.M. proposed the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts; Bro. E. P. Albert P.G.P. responded for the Grand Officers. Bro. L. Alexander P.M. and President returned thanks for the toast of the Benevolent Fund; he stated that Bro. Cox had given the sum of two guineas, while in future the W.M. will be President of that fund. The W.M. said he had risen to give what he might say was the toast of the evening, that was the health of the W.M. elect. The Lodge might congratulate itself on its selection; Bro. Myers will be the right man in the right place. He had worked on every round of the ladder, and had reached the top. He (the W.M.) was sure he would perform the duties with credit to himself and satisfaction to the Lodge. Bro. Myers in reply thanked the W.M. for his kind expressions, and the brethren for the manner the toast had been received. He hoped on leaving the chair he might hear the same kind expressions; as far as laid in his power he would do all

elected Worshipful Master, and V
Treasurer. The day for installation
December.

Percy Lodge of Instructio
Jolly Farmers', on Saturday, the 26th I
W.M., G. Ferrar S.W., Wolf J.W., C. I
Fenner Secretary, F. Brasted S.D.
also Bros Trewinnard, Houghton, S
Moss, Forge, Fysh, J. Robinson, R. W
The usual formalities were complied
the second degree. Brother Gale
satisfactory manner, and was entrust
degree, and the ceremony of raising
a very careful manner. The W.M. v
Bro. Fenner, who rehearsed the
Forge acting as W.M. elect. Bro.
Lodge, 1365, and John Robinson, of
1525, were elected members.
On Saturday, the 3rd instant, prese
S.W., Glass J.W., Pearcy P.M.
Brasted S.D., Snare J.D., Houghto
Mullord, R. Defries, A. M. Marks, R.
C. Lorkin, H. Hall, Fysh, Gribbell
Killick jun., A. Ferrar, &c. Lodge w
read and confirmed. The ceremo
Bro. R. M. Jones being candidate. Br
of the lecture, assisted by the brethr
and Bro. H. Hall answered the usua
degree. Lodge opened in the thir
raising was rehearsed, the Traditi
Hall acting as candidate. Both cere
Bro. Ferrar. Lodge resumed, and B
the ensuing week. All business bei
and adjourned.

Royal Union Lodge of I
Monday, 5th inst., Bros. E. H. Sugg
Rowle J.W., C. E. Botley S.D., Cot
Tyler. After preliminaries, the cere
Bro. Taplin candidate. The questio
2nd degree were answered by Bro. T
Andrews P.M., with the assistance o
and second sections of the first le
elected W.M. for the next meeting.

Royal Alfred Lodge of I
meeting was held on Friday, the 2n
Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge. Bros.
S.W., Tucker Treasurer J.W., C. E.
Maton J.D., Sperring I.G. Past M
E. H. Sugg, Cummins, Jefferys, &c
form, and the minutes of last mee
Lodge was opened in the second an
rehearsed the ceremony of raising, w
Lodge was closed in the third and se
of initiation was then rehearsed, w
Bro. Goss was appointed W.M. for
closed.

West Middlesex Lodge of
On Thursday, 1st inst., at the Fes
Bros. W. Seward W.M., C. Bellert
Tucker Treasurer, J. Wells Secretary
J.D., C. O. Walter I.G.; Nicholson,
Porter. After preliminaries the W
initiation, Bro. Nicholson candidate.
third degree, and the W.W. rehears
Wells candidate. The Lodge was resu
son and Cotton, of Royal Union Lod
bers. Bro. Bellerby was elected W.M
the 15th inst. Lodge was closed in
On the 8th inst. Bros. J. Green W.
P.M. J.W., J. Wells Secretary, W.
J. J. Clarke I.G.; H. Stephens, T. S
rehearsed the ceremony of initiation,

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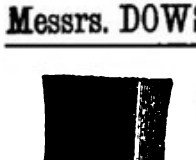
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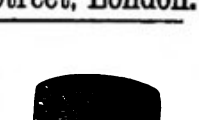
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THE SELF-STYLED GRAND LODGE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

AS might have been anticipated, United Grand Lodge has, at the instance of the Grand Registrar, declined to recognise the Body which, with an assurance that scarcely accords with Masonic principles, has assumed to itself the style and title of "The Grand Lodge of New South Wales of Free and Accepted Masons." Modesty is not the least among the Masonic virtues, and it might have been expected that a small minority of the Lodges in the Colony of New South Wales would not have gone out of their way and arrogated to themselves a title to which they must be well aware they have not the smallest right. We pass over the fact of their ignoring altogether the claims to respectful consideration to which the eighty and odd Lodges holding under the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, and Ireland are entitled. These are content to remain in allegiance to the Bodies from which they have sprung. They outnumber the malcontent Lodges in the ratio of about six and a half to one. In point of membership they are overwhelmingly superior, yet in the face of these indubitable facts these disturbers of Masonic harmony have not scrupled to meet together and organise themselves as an independent sovereign Grand Lodge. They have been applying right and left to the various Grand Lodges in other countries for recognition in their newly-assumed character, and in some quarters, on grounds which we shall not seriously concern ourselves about, their application has been successful. By Scotland, Ireland, and now by England, however, this application has been very properly refused, and as the Grand Lodges of these countries are the only ones really affected by the act of this irregular Grand Lodge of New South Wales, we shall look forward with some degree of interest to the steps that may next be taken by the Grand Lodges that have recognised it. Will they continue the recognition now?

The application to Grand Lodge on Wednesday last was refused, for the following reasons, as indicated by Grand Registrar. It had already been refused by the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland. The new body comprised only thirteen Lodges, whereas in the District Grand Lodges of New South Wales, under the English, Scotch, and Irish Constitutions, there were eighty-six Lodges. If, then, the application for recognition were entertained, these eighty-six Lodges would become irregular. In his opinion, moreover, the statement in the memorial as to the colony of New South Wales being unoccupied territory was not correct, and equally incorrect was the suggestion that United Grand Lodge should not reject the application on the grounds of the financial contributions of the Lodges in the colony to Grand Lodge—there being, as a matter of fact, no such contributions to Grand Lodge. We are not going to call in question the reasons assigned by Bro. McIntyre for the advice he tendered. His facts are accurate enough no doubt; but we think he would have better consulted the dignity of Grand Lodge, if he had based his advice on other and far stronger reasons. Had the question involved some nice man possessing average intellig of Masonic law, there might h setting up the course adopted b of Ireland and Scotland in de tions as an example to be follo order of things that those Gra interests at stake, should do Grand Registrar should not ha prominence he did. He shoul that the so-called Grand Lodg an irregular body, organised content brethren, the recog be tantamount to an abdi of the authority invested i pointed out that the establi in the presence of so vast a Lodges was, if not an insult to o might be disposed to say it was- members of those regular Lodg which held immediate sway Grand Lodge of England its organisation is in its turn an pointed out that even the faint the irregularity of which the pr had been guilty was a matter t entertained with any sense o Lodge. He should have the authority that attaches to promoters had set at defiance t our Craft. He might have gone the establishment of a so-called shire or Yorkshire would have b involved no more outrageous br the action of those New Sou might have added, also, that if nance were shown them, there ever an end to the integrity o Masonically, New South Wales i tory as London, with this dif Lodges of Ireland and Scotland h in it, whereas in London they of the Lodges, in imitation of th quarter of a century since b no longer, as it were, childre the years of discretion, and are enough to have a Grand Lodg sider it would be preferable to Craft in our Colony, with co various systems of work. We therefore, as an independent G sovereign rights and privileges, whom we are descended to recog We repeat, had the bulk of th made their application for recogn our United Grand Lodge woul in the case of Canada, and cases, under similar circumsta recognised the new Body, subje proper proviso that, if any of th

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recognition of a body consisting of only thirteen Lodges would stamp the others as irregular. But even here it would have been more satisfactory if he had pointed out that the small minority thus irregularly constituted into a Grand Lodge could not be regarded as representing the Masonic views of the colony with any greater show of reason than the historic tailors of Tooley-street, in years gone by, represented the people of England. He might further have argued that as the bulk of the seceders belonged originally to the Scotch and Irish Lodges, it would have been an act of disloyalty to the Irish and Scotch Grand Lodges to entertain the question of recognition, even in idea, for one single moment. Nor are we quite satisfied that this reason of Grand Registrar's, that to recognise the so-called Grand Lodge of New South Wales would convert the eighty-six other Lodges from regular into irregular organisations, will bear examination. The Lodges in Montreal, which hold under the Grand Lodge of England, are no more irregular now, that there is a Grand Lodge of Quebec, than they were when they were first warranted. We recognised the Grand Lodge of Canada on the understanding that such Lodges as preferred remaining on the roll of Grand Lodge should be at liberty to do so. We have expressed our willingness to recognise the Masonic independence of Quebec on the same terms.

Therefore, if the New South Wales Grand Lodge had been able to give as satisfactory reasons for their being recognised as Canada and Quebec, and the eighty-six Lodges had expressed a wish to remain as heretofore, in their original allegiance, it would have been quite competent—as far as our judgment goes—for England to have recognised New South Wales independence on the condition that all those of the aforesaid eighty-six Lodges which were on her register should remain there so long as they were desirous of remaining.

As to New South Wales being, Masonically speaking, an unoccupied territory, he must be a bold man who would adopt that view with eighty-six Lodges, many of them of long-standing, working regularly in accordance with the English, Scotch, and Irish Constitutions. Eighty-six Lodges are eighty-six irrefutable disproofs of the statement or suggestion, whatever may have been the sense in which it was made or intended. The North or South Pole, and the region round about, is an unoccupied territory in every sense, that of Masonry being included, but New South Wales answers not the description—except in so far as that the Grand Lodge of England may follow up its refusal to recognise its self-styled Grand Lodge, excommunicate its members, and forbid association with them on the part of her own Lodges. This will be equivalent to a declaration that the Colony is unoccupied, so far as she is concerned, by this irregular Masonic body.

The annual meeting of the St. Leonard Lodge, No. 1766, was held on Wednesday, at the Town Hall, Shoreditch, when Bro. C. F. Barham installed his successor, Bro. E. Benjamin. The meeting was a very good one, and the proceedings throughout were of a most harmonious character. Pressure on our space precludes the possibility of our inserting a full report in this issue, but we hope to do so next week.

Bro. Douglas R. Sherwill was appointed caterer to the Health Congress and Domestic Exhibition, held at the Royal Pavilion, and Corn Exchange, Brighton.

The meetings of the Crusaders Lodge of Instruction, No. 1677. will be adjourned until the second Thursday in

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this week, is one by Bro. H.
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by Grand Lodge, which had also acceded to Bro. Raynham W. Stewart's proposal to grant £1600 instead of £800 a year to the Institution. The Committee authorised Bro. Terry to send in a notice of dissent to the proposal of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway to take part of the land of the Institution at Croydon, as scheduled to their Bill, for next Session, to increase the railway accommodation at Croydon. It was also resolved to remove one male annuitant from the building at Croydon, who had rendered himself very objectionable to the other annuitants there. The Chairman was authorised to sign cheques, and it was announced that the New Year's Entertainment to the Old People would take place on the 4th of January. The Committee voted £20 towards the expenses of the Entertainment. One widow was granted half her late husband's annuity, and the Secretary was authorised to buy the furniture necessary for the enlarged Hall of the Institution, which is now complete. Fourteen male petitioners and nine widows were placed on the list for the election in May next, and the Committee then adjourned.

FUNERAL OF CAPT. SINCLAIR, AT SHOREHAM.

THE body of Alexander Sinclair was, on Wednesday, 7th instant, consigned to the grave in Old Shoreham Churchyard. The deceased was found dead in his bedroom, in an Hotel at Ramsgate, and the coroner, convinced that death was caused by apoplexy, did not deem it necessary to hold an inquest. Beyond this we do not care to dwell upon the melancholy event, but prefer to call to mind the life and good works of Captain Sinclair. Like many another who has made a name and position in the world, he could not boast of a great beginning. A Scotchman by birth, he came first to Shoreham as an able seaman. His excellent qualities, his knowledge of navigation, and his general capacity for every sort of work soon brought him to the fore. His rise was rapid from one post to another, until, in 1853 or 1854, he was appointed to the command of a ship owned at Shoreham. From that time he was for many years afloat, and proved himself one of the most able captains who ever sailed from England. His voyages were principally into the Mediterranean, and in many of them he was accompanied by Mrs Sinclair. The present writer, for the editorial "we" must for the moment be dropped, can say that, in the four years I have known Shoreham, I have never met with greater kindness than from Captain Sinclair. He was a man who could be ill spared, and will be long missed by all who knew him. The death took place at Ramsgate on Friday, and the body was removed from there to Shoreham. Long before the time fixed for the burial crowds had assembled in the old churchyard, and punctually at noon the funeral *cortege*, which had assembled at the residence of the deceased, in South Down Road, arrived at the gates. The procession was organised by Mr. Brown, of Lancing College, as follows:—The Tyler, with his sword; the Stewards, with white rods; the brethren, out of office, two and two; the Secretary, with a roll; the Treasurer, with his badge of office; the Senior and Junior Wardens, hand in hand; the Past Master, the Master; the Lodge to which the deceased brother belonged in following order; all the members had flowers or herbs in their hands:—The Tyler, the Stewards, Martial music (drums muffled and trumpets covered), the members of the Lodge, the Secretary and Treasurer, the Senior and Junior Wardens, the Past Master; the Holy Writings on the cushion, covered with black cloth, carried by the oldest member of the Lodge, the Master, choristers, singing an anthem; the clergyman, the body with the regalia placed thereon and two swords crossed, the chief mourners, assistant, the Stewards, and Tyler. The York Lodge was well represented, and led the procession, headed by Mr. W. Marchant and Mr. J. Curtis, the oldest P.M.'s present. In their ranks were Messrs. Eyles, Burrows, Paige, Grinberg, Anderson, Dalimore, Hughes, Ridge, C. Saunders, O. Weston, and many others who wished to pay a tribute of respect to their late brother. They were followed by the coffin, which was borne by the coastguards, and covered with the Union Jack The chief mourner was Mr. J. Sinclair, of Edinburgh (brother of the deceased). The Vicar (the Rev. Dr. Harris Smith), performed the duty in the church and at the grave. The service in the church was impressive, Mr. Rowell presided at the organ, and the choir rendered the opening hymn and the "Dead March" most excellently. The coffin bore the following inscription:—

ALEXANDER SINCLAIR,
Died December 2nd, 1881,
Aged 55 years.

Bro. C. J. Smith P. Prov. G.W. and I.P.M. of the Lodge, then

now following the example of the
the deceased in due form. Brethren
assembled this day reminds us of o
goeth to his long home, and the
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men once to die,"—that "There
that the dust must return to
activity of manhood We hop
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and warned not to set our hearts to
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even if we live not to see much
necessary that I should say much
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water; Purple for the earth, and Crimson or Scarlet for fire, signifying and typifying the ordeal through which the initiates in the mysteries passed. And as we emblazon the *Ox*, *Lion*, *Man* and *Eagle* on our banners, as "having been borne by the four principal tribes in the wilderness," so also can we see that Moses copied them from the Egyptians. We find that the Ox was adored in Egypt, and for why? Because the celestial Taurus, opening the new year, was the creative Bull as worshipped by the Hindoos and Japanese, breaking with his horn the egg out of which the world is born. Hence the bull Apis was worshipped by the Egyptians, and reproduced as a golden calf by Aaron, who but a short time previous, with his brother Moses and those whom they led out of Egypt, had seen that symbol as one of the types and allegories of Nature's GOD. As the Ox was the predominating figure of the Cherubim, so was he also the most universal symbol of the then known "so-named idolatry," and was frequently worshipped in a compound form. He was looked upon as the great father of Noah, and the ark was called *Ken Taurus*, "the stimulator of the Bull." He was worshipped with splendid rites in that season of the year when the sun particularly was in the constellation Taurus. In India, the bull was held in high estimation and veneration, and was honoured with diurnal worship in conjunction with the Linga or Phallus, as an emblem of justice and prolific power.

A bull was also the well known symbol of Bacchus, who in the Coptic hymn is styled "the deity with two horns, having the head of a bull." The children of Israel, or as then known, the Hebrews, while Moses was in the mountain, gathered themseves together in a quasi state of rebellion unto Aaron, who had previously been set apart as High Priest, and cried out, "Up, make us gods which shall go before us." And he fashioned the gold with a graving tool after he had made it a "molten calf," and they said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt." They had not forgotten the Apis of that land. To this day the bull is worshipped in the East; is fed with dainty care, and has his attendant priests, equalling the allegory and symbolism of centuries long past.

The Lion was another animal which entered into the religious system of the ancients, in the East as well as the West. In the former, by the Egyptians, in the latter, by the ancient Mexicans, as a most powerful divinity. And the same animal was emblematical of the sun in Persia and Tartary,—for a lion was emblazoned with the sun rising from his back, and used as the national banner of Persia. The sovereigns of that country have for many centuries preserved, as the peculiar arms or escutcheon thereof, the sign or figure of Sol in the constellation Leo, and the device which exhibits a lion couchant, and the sun rising at his back, has not only been sculptured on their palaces and embroidered upon their banners, but has also been converted into an order, which, in the form of gold and silver medals, has been given to those who have distinguished themselves against the enemies of their country. The Egyptian astronomers taught that the creation of the world took place at the precise period of time when the sun rose in Leo, which zodiacal sign was hence esteemed the peculiar habitation of the sun, and this belief gave an additional stimulus to the veneration which mankind entertained for the king of animals.

The Lion, even as far back as the days of Jacob, was considered royal. The blessing he gave Judah, "Thou art he whom thy brethren shall praise," &c. "Judah is a lion's whelp," &c., helps to the thought that the Lion of the Tribe of Judah is not forgotten by us as Masons, even to this present day. In the ambition which is ever the role of the warrior, the noble, or the monarch, do we find in what signification the Lion is held. Go through the books of heraldry and see how they have all used the royal beast for their armorial bearings, from the days of so-called barbarism up to the full dawn of civilization. The royal animal has been displayed rampant, couchant, cut in two, bound to a unicorn, and in every imaginable position, quartered, lozenged and sandwiched, to gratify the egotism of those who, by caprice or otherwise, consider themselves "lion-hearted," and entitled to display it to generations yet unborn.

In "Bryant's Plagues of Egypt," we find he observes in reference to this superstition, "as the chief increase of the Nile was when the sun was passing through Leo, the Egyptians made the lion the type of an inundation. All effusions of water were specified by this characteristic. And from hence has been the custom of making the water which proceeds from the cisterns and reservoirs, as well as spouts from the roofs of buildings, come through the mouth of a lion."

We find it so used at the present day, as can be seen in the escape water from the fountain at the north front of the United States Treasury.

The Eagle was sacred to the Sun in many countries, particularly in some parts of Egypt, Greece and Persia.

In our Scriptures the King of Babylon is termed an Eagle. It was

metamophoses of the sun, who, passing t
animals, was supposed to assume the
astronomical functions.

"People of Japan! your bull which
only the bull of the zodiac, which in for
—the age of creation—the vernal equi
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worshipped as the golden calf. This
Zoroaster, which, sacrificed in the sy
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swearing a solemn oath, three gods
in Genesis xxxi. 53, which says, "The
of Nabor, the GOD of their father,
swore by the fear of his father Isaac."
Supreme Being under the name of I A
not entirely to be rejected that Mos
mysteries of the Egyptian worship, w
istic views, after he had been instruct
say unto the children of Israel, "I A
unto Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as G
JEHOVAH was I not known to them."

Yet almost in the same breath
children of Israel, I am the LORD."

It is barely credible that a single m
gifted as Moses was, and assisted by
converted an entire nation, completel
to a totally novel interpretation of
many of the workings of the myst
in order to accomplish his purpose.

And while his life, from his depa
at a good ripe age, was devoted to t
an empire, he does not appear to h
unshaken in the new forms he had
forgotten the old.

The brazen serpent he set up i
protection from the snakes which
fully shows that he had retained t
brazen serpent hanging upon a cross,

It was a herculean task to mak
system of divine worship, and anta
which the people had been habituat
history of the new nation, that id
despite the rigid laws laid down agai
the time of Hezekiah, a very impure
The slavery, the conquests, and th
this.

From the theories of Moses, in cor
established as we now have it; the

that that Great Name, to all its awful brevity, hath brought unholy breeding it, but both bless rather the tongue that uses it. For me, I ask no higher office than to fling my spirit at His feet, and cry His name, GOD! through all eternity, and bless the day wherein I first beheld the Light of Masonry.

In conclusion, I would direct the kind attention of my dear Companions to the fact that we must not take the flattering unction to our souls that we are the only repositories of Freemasonry, Holy Royal Arch Masonry, or any exclusive portion of Masonry. Royal Arch Masonry, as alleged by Laurence Dermott in 1754, was not a new idea. He emasculated the Master Masons degree so as to form the new degree, as up to that time the Master Mason received it as the completion to the Third degree, where it really lawfully belonged. Archæologists in Masonry assert that the "Arch degree" was brought from Palestine by the Crusaders, and was used in Templar Masonry very long anterior to the new system under Dermott. And it seems to be well understood by those who have given the subject a careful consideration that the Royal Arch degree has assumed four different epochs so far as its relation and connection with modern Masonry is concerned. The founders of these sublime systems had history both from the Egyptians and Jews for their guides and predicates. And it will possibly surprise my Companions who read this when I say, that ere another year rolls round new developments may reach their ears in connection therewith.

A student in Chinese is burning the midnight taper and poring over Chinese chronicles of ancient date, which are disclosing the fact that the ancient Chinese, long anterior to Confucius, had Masonry, with the use of the very symbols we have in our rituals. They had the square, compass and level, it is said, even before the Egyptians, and for the same purposes as we as Speculative Masons use them, and, to this day point with pride to the fact that they knew the father of the sun.

Most Eminent Grand High Priest Marvin, of Minnesota, impressed me so forcibly in his remarks recently given to his Grand Chapter, that I take pleasure in closing this article, in endorsing his sentiments, feeling that my dear Companions will be pleased with them, and probably be benefited thereby. He said, "Many societies and orders have been formed in all ages which have had a precarious and ephemeral existence, whose names are even scarcely known, and have passed into oblivion because they were founded on selfish and corrupt principles. But such societies as the Ancient Craft and Capitular Brotherhood can never perish so long as they recognize the Divine Master and human brother in all they do and teach; admitting all within the fold, of whatever nation or people under the sun, who will sincerely yield assent to these two great truths; but to guard well the portals of our Lodge-rooms against the introduction of the selfish, the vile and the base, to insure a permanency that shall last as long as any institution which man may create."

This, my dear Companions, is but the echo of the sentiment I have always expressed, and naught is left for Capitular Masons to do but to at all times reflect that GOD is with us always, blessing Masonry, because it is based on His Holy Name, and many who will long survive me, will in their heart of hearts rejoice that they are numbered among the votaries who, in our sacred temples, are permitted to whisper His Most Holy Name, and bend their knees to Him in prayer. May peace be with you all. AMEN.

G.L. OF F. AND A. MASONS OF IRELAND.

AT the Stated Communication of Grand Lodge, held at Freemasons' Hall, Dublin, on Thursday, 1st inst., the R.W. Robert William Shekleton, Q.C., Deputy Grand Master in the chair, the following brethren were unanimously elected as the Grand Officers for 1882:—

Bro. His Grace the Most Noble the Duke of Abercorn, K.G. -	M.W.	Grand	Master
Most Hon. the Marquess of Headfort - - -	R.W.	„	Senior Warden
Lord Arthur Hill, M.P. -	„	„	Junior Warden
Robert Warren, D.L. - -	„	„	Treasurer
Right Hon. Earl of Bandon	„	„	Secretary
Rev. John J. Macsorley -	„	„	Chaplain
Rt. Hon. and Most Rev. Lord Plunket Bishop of Meath	„	„	„
Theophilus E. St. George -	W.	„	Senior Deacon
Geo. Moyers, LL.D., J.P. -	„	„	Junior Deacon
George A. Stephens, J.P. -	„	„	Supt. of Works
Harry Hodges - - -	„	„	Dir. of Ceremonies
John Thomas Banks, M.D. -	„	„	Steward
Jas. Creed Meredith, LL.D.	„	„	Sword Bearer
Charles Frederick Phillips -	„	„	Organist
W. J. C. Crawley, LL.D. -			

Provincial Brethren. At the mee
undoubtedly an unusual number of
result was that, in their anxiety to
struggle to get to the Scrutineers'
the weakest, or I might add, the
For myself I may say, that being o
and moreover of only moderate ph
what appeared to me unseemly viol
and though I reached the clothing
it till 6.55, while others who came
elbowing their way to the table, to
within a few minutes. It would
suggest a remedy for this state of
that attention has been drawn to it

I am, Dear Sir and Brother
Yours

R.M.B.I. AND O

To the Editor of the FRE

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I agree
of last week, in which you advoca
Stewart for doubling the grants
of the Royal Masonic Benevolen
slow to do anything of its own motio
fully adopts a good idea or sugge
its notice. If not at all times an
bly a bold and willing follower. I a
at the fact of its having unanimousl
The question now arises—Are the
undoubtedly, at a still greater disad
cold, with a small £300 between the
paid annually to the Female Fund
permanent income of the R.M.B.I.
£3,670 to £4,470, but that of the Gi
the Boys' School is in the worst pli
look to for certain not being more t
42 years since Grand Lodge arrange
of half-a-crown per initiate into a fixe
School, and, having regard to the f
children are maintained, clothed, a
nearly time it took upon itself to rec
the sum of £4,000 was voted by Gr
Life-boat Association, in commemo
Prince of Wales from India, the E
adopted this form of memorial in p
grant to our Institutions, because t
vain for support. Well, the n
tions are equally urgent, if n
the Benevolent is in receipt
Schools should have something
especially if it is borne in mind that
continued, each of them would have b
per annum.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother
Faithfully a

9th December 1881.

The annual meeting of the Yo
held on Monday next, at the
place, in that city. Bro. J. S
elect, and Bro. J. Todd P.M.
officer. We hope to give a rep
next issue.

The Robert Burns Lodge of
removed from the Union Tavern
to the North Pole, 387 Oxfo
Wardens street, where the

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279, Dumbleton 357, Finch 404 and 780, Kurm P.M. 570, Elgood 871, Ede 874, Breanski 890. Norbury 1118, Rushfield 1395, Dent 1506, Hughes 1556, Hubbard 1704, Smart Urban Lodge. The customary requirements in opening the Lodge having been satisfied, the ceremony of installing Bro. Auldjo as W.M. for the new year was carried out in accordance with ancient usage, and congratulations having been offered, and the Officers appointed and invested, Lodge was closed, and the brethren sat down to dinner. In due course, the usual list of toasts was honoured, that of the Grand Officers being acknowledged by Bro. Sandeman P.D.G. Master Bengal. Bro. Dr. Gooding P.G.S. replied for the Visitors. On Bro. Andrew I.P.M. devolved, of course, the pleasant duty of proposing the health of the W.M. In doing so, he spoke in terms of well-merited praise of the manner in which Bro. Auldjo, who was initiated in the Lodge, had fulfilled his duties heretofore, and he anticipated from his experience of Bro. Auldjo's zeal and ability, that his year of Mastership would prove to be a most successful one. After a brief but appropriate reply from the W.M., Bro. Gould gave the "Pious Memory of the Earl of Moira"—Marquis of Hastings. Bro. Gould, in the course of his speech, delineated the career of the distinguished nobleman and Mason, who, on a memorable occasion in the year 1813, had been described by the late Duke of Sussex G.M., as "the Friend of his Prince, of his Country, and of Man." He enumerated the great and important services he had rendered to his Sovereign as soldier and statesman, and what to the Lodge was necessarily far more interesting, his arduous and successful labours in behalf of Masonry. This, the toast of the evening, was drunk in solemn silence. We must not conclude this brief account without bestowing a word of praise on the musical arrangements, of which Bro. Lawler had the direction, and to which Miss Matilda Roby, Bro. Schartau, Bro. Lawler, and Mr. Trelawny Cobham most effectively contributed.

FALCON LODGE, No. 1416.

THE installation meeting of this Lodge took place on Thursday, the 8th December, in the Masonic Hall, Thirsk. The Lodge was opened at two p.m. by Bro. W. Hall W.M., and the minutes were confirmed. The chair was then taken by Bro. T. B. Whytehead P.M., who appointed Bro. the Rev. W. C. Lukis P.M. S.W., and Bro. J. S. Cumberland J.W., and proceeded to open the Lodge in the second degree. The W.M. elect, Bro. Charles Greensides, was then presented by the outgoing W.M., and the installation ceremony was proceeded with. The Lodge having been opened in the third degree the Master Masons retired, and a Board of Installed Masters was opened in full form, and Bro. Greensides was placed in the chair of K.S., saluted and greeted, and the Board closed. The usual salutes and greetings in the three degrees were given, and the working tools, &c., presented by the Installing Master. The appointment of Officers then took place, the addresses on investment being given by Bro. Rev. W. C. Lukis P.M. The final charges were given by the Installing Master, and Lodge was closed, with hearty good wishes. Amongst the Visitors present were Bros. G. Simpson W.M. 1611, R. S. Pulleser W.M. 1337, F. Smith W.M. 837, A. S. Davies 337, J. S. Iveson 837, F. Barroby 837, W. H. Conochie 837, J. Nettleton 1837. Amongst the members of the Lodge present were W. Coltman P.M., G. Ayre P.M., J. S. Walton P.M., Charles Elsly, J.P., J. H. Buchanan, M.D., &c. The following is a list of the Officers appointed:—W. Hall I.P.M., Reginald Bell, J.P., S.W., James Walton J.W., Rev. C. E. Camidge P.M. Chaplain, T. J. Wilkinson Treasurer, F. R. Hansell Secretary, Z. Wright S.D., H. Longford J.D., H. Smith M.C., J. T. Hansell Organist, A. W. Cass I.G., W. Coltman P.M. and H. Smith Stewards, C. Kipling Preceptor, J. S. Farmery Tyler. The brethren and their Visitors afterwards met at a splendid banquet at the Fleece Hotel, when the usual toasts were given and a pleasant evening passed.

ST. AMBROSE LODGE, No. 1891.

THE gold and the purple of Grand Officership that mustered in force at the above Lodge on the 12th inst., and the host of the Earl's Court Hotel, West Kensington, must have wished his hostelry had been built on the expanding principle, from the number of the brethren who assembled there to do honour to the Installation of Bro. D. F. Ramsay, M.D., P.P.G.W. Middx., when that worthy brother was placed in the chair of K.S. On this occasion the Board of Masters consisted of the following brethren:—Bros. Sir F. Burdett P.G.M. Middx., H. D. Sandeman P.D.G.M. Bengal, Giddy P.P.D.G.M. Griqualand, Rev. R. J. Simpson P.G. Chaplain honorary member,

of Bro. Mallet Jones. The three ceremony were well delivered by t
Somerville Burney G.D. The Officers
and the W.M. then, in the name of th
with a superb Grand Officer's regalia a
scribed for by the Officers of this Lodg
and with much feeling, Bro. Hall thank
present. The Lodge was then closed
(painted by Bro. H. E. Frances), the gi
in the Lodge, and was much admired.
Burdett returned thanks for the Gra
for the Visitors. A telling and most se
on behalf of the Charities, elicited a fi
The W.M., in proposing the Officers, re
Instruction formed at the house, unde
Frances, who advised them to avail t
Some excellent singing, by Bros. Quar
Mallet Jones, added much to the pleas

St. John's Lodge, No. 70.—At
6th inst., at the Huyshe Masonic Te
Griffen S.W. was unanimously elected
W. Bro. L. D. Westcott P.M. P.P.G.
and representative of the Lodge on th
Bros. J. B. Gover, L. D. Westcott, W.
appointed the Committee to represent
the Associated Lodges. It was also
the retiring W. Master, the day select
nesday, 28th instant, the banquet to
Bro. Watts's, Globe Hotel.

Percy Lodge of Instruction,
Farmers, Southgate-road, on Saturday
Bros. Wolf W.M., Glass S.W., Wee
Fenner Secretary, A. Ferrar S.D., Ca
Bros. Houghton, Stroud, Gribbell, Fys
man, Killick jun., and Wenborn. The
read and confirmed. Bro Wolf vacat
Fenner. Bro. Wolf answered the usu
was duly entrusted. Lodge opened
ceremony of passing was rehearsed.
was worked by Bro. Pearcy, assisted
man answered the usual questions l
was entrusted. Lodge advanced to t
mony of raising was rehearsed, Bro.
Lodge resumed to the first degree.
preside at the next meeting, after wh
journed.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Ins
9th December, at the Star and Garter
Bros. W. Goss (P.M.) W.M., Tucke
(P.M.) J.W., Blasby (P.M.) S.D., C
F. Botley I.G.; Past Master Bro.
Metcalfe. The Lodge was opened in
meeting were read and confirmed.
and third degrees, and resumed to se
the ceremony of passing. The quest
asked, and the Lodge having been
ceremony of raising was rehearsed.
was elected a member. Bro. Tuck
December, and the Hon. Secretary ga
at the next meeting, that the Lodge
the Christmas Holidays. The Lodge
ancient custom, and adjourned until

St. Peter's Lodge, No. 10
this Lodge was held in the Masoni
and was well attended. At the
brethren adjourned to the Blue Boar
supper was held, there being a plent
splendidly served by Mrs. Hickfor
W. Bros. D. J. Wright W.M., H
P.P.G.J.D., F. G. Green P.M. and S
P.M. P.P.G.J.W., E. Humphreys P
P.P.G.R., F. Freeman I.P.M.; Bros.

The event of the evening was, naturally, the toast of "Prosperity to the New Concord Lodge of Instruction," by Bro. Pierpoint, who, though evidently suffering from a sharp indisposition, stuck manfully to his duties, and complimented the Lodge on the character it had long since won for ability and zeal in the discharge of its important functions. Bro. Preceptor Cusworth, whose name was associated with the toast, and who has worked for some eight or nine years most assiduously and disinterestedly in his Preceptorial capacity, returned thanks. In doing so he laid especial stress on the warm sympathy shown by the mother Lodge in the welfare of her daughter. Bro. Cusworth may be justly proud of the reception he met with from the brethren he has so materially benefited. For the toast of the Visitors, Bro. W. W. Morgan Sec. 211 was called upon to reply, and he congratulated all present on the success of the evening, and the career of the Lodge in its corporate capacity. The brethren separated at a late hour, after spending a most enjoyable evening.

The Great City Lodge, No. 1426.—The monthly meeting of this Lodge was held on Saturday evening, 10th December, at the Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street. Bros. Charles Taylor W.M., Hamer P.M. as S.W., Keeble J.W., and the rest of the Officers, including Bros. Headon P.M. Treasurer, and Blackie P.M. Secretary. The minutes of the last Lodge were read and confirmed. Bros. John Williams Benn and Paul Johannes were respectively examined as to their proficiency, and the Lodge having been opened in the second degree, they were passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. Bro. Gwyn was then subjected to a preliminary examination, and the Lodge was opened in the third degree, when he was raised to the degree of M.M. The rest of the sitting of the Lodge was devoted to the consideration of objects of charity seeking benevolence; the first was that of a wife of a member of the Lodge, who had been in business in the City, in partnership with another gentleman, but had unfortunately lost his reason, and was now a hopeless and incurable lunatic in Colney Hatch Asylum. This case excited considerable commiseration, and a substantial sum was voted to this applicant from the Benevolent Fund of the Lodge. It was mentioned in reference to this case that at the marriage of this lady with the unfortunate member, in Paris, a marriage settlement was made, and a sum of money invested in the French Funds, but in consequence of a fiction in the French law this sum cannot be obtained only in the event of the applicant to the Lodge becoming a widow, which is only a possible event, as she may be survived by her lunatic husband. This state of things is looked upon as a great hardship, as she is in want of the money for her support. A petition has been agreed upon, to be presented to the Board of Benevolence. Another case was brought before the Lodge, of a member who had fallen down dead, leaving a wife, and daughter, and this will have to be taken into consideration at the next meeting of the Lodge. There being no further business the Lodge was closed and adjourned until the second Saturday in January.

Prince Leopold Lodge of Instruction, No. 1445.—At the regular weekly meeting on Wednesday 30th November, held at the Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, the chair was taken by Bro. W. H. Myers P.M., who was supported by Bros. J. Robson S.W., C. Robson J.W., Laroone S.D., C. Smith J.D., Kimbell I.G., Seymour-Clarke Secretary, also Bros. McDonald, Job, Ewen, G. H. Stephens, Haldane, Kingston, W. Batchelor 1178, and others. Lodge was opened in due form, and advanced to the second degree, when Bro. Partridge, W.M. 1445, was presented as W.M. elect, and Bro. Myers duly installed him into the chair of K.S., the ceremony being rendered in an excellent manner by the worthy Preceptor. Bro. Partridge then rehearsed the ceremony of initiation. Bro. McDonald worked the first and second sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. W. Batchelor 1178 was elected a member, and Bros. Kingston 1349, the host, and G. H. Stephens 1623 were elected Hon. Members. A vote of thanks was passed to Bro. Myers, for his excellent rendering of the Installation ceremony. This was briefly responded to. This ceremony is worked when there is a fifth Wednesday in the month.

At the weekly meeting held on 7th inst., Bro. C. Robson presided, Bros. Kimbell acting as S.W., Laroone J.W., McDonald J.D., Richardson S.D., J. Robson I.G., also Bros. C. Smith, Ewen, Partridge, W. H. Myers P.M. Preceptor, and Seymour-Clarke Secretary. After due formalities, the ceremony of initation was rehearsed by the W.M. Bro. McDonald worked the first, second, and third sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Kimbell was elected W.M for Wednesday 14th, and Lodge was closed in due form. The brethren then proceeded to ballot for a life subscribership in one of the Masonic Institutions, in accordance with the custom introduced into this Lodge of Instruction. As soon as the sum of £5 5s is in

liminaries, the W.M. rehearsed the cer
candidate. Bro. C. Andrews P.M.
tracing board. Bros. Walker 733, Par
1613 were elected members. The
sum of 20s to a distressed Brother.
monaly passed to Bro. Bellerby for
first time). Bro. T. Smith was appoin
and the Lodge was closed in due form
Thursday, 5th January.

Ebrington Lodge, No. 184
held at the Ebrington Masonic Tem
There were present at the Board of I
Stephens W.M., who, with the assista
and S. Jew P.M. Treasurer, installed
Worshipful Master. The other br
A. Letbbridge P.M., F. Littleton P.
P.M. 1255, J. R. Lord P.M. 1247,
B. Elliott P.M. 1247, W. J. Thomas
D. Knowles Worshipful Master 159,
1550, E. Aitkin-Davies P.M. 1099, L
usual business having been transacte
and invested as follows:—Bros. J. H.
S.W., R. Lose jun. J.W., S. Jew P.M
P.M. Secretary, Rev. J. P. Garland
James Lose J.D., I. Morriss D.C., H
I.G., W. H. Macey S. Steward, Jo
Bartlett P.M. Tyler. V.W. Bro. S.
accounts of the Lodge as being very
the Treasurer to say he always does
that the banquet should be held in t
January 1882.

Chapter of Harmony, No.
this Chapter, held at the Huyshe
following Officers were elected for
Companions Rev. W. Whittley Provin
year, D. Banks as H., W. H. Pike
and S.E., R. Hambly S.N., George
Janitor.

Eboracum Chapter, No. 16
was held at York, on Tuesday, the 6t
Officers, with the following result:-
C. G. Padel H., J. T. Seller J., J.
G. Simpson Treasurer, P. Pearson Ja

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DRURY LANE.—On Boxing Day, RO

COVENT GARDEN.—On Boxing D
BLUE, AND THE LITTLE OLD WO

STANDARD.—At 7.30, BETSY.

ADELPHI.—At 7.15, A LAD FROM T
TOO LATE TO MEND.

PRINCESS'S.—At 7, A PHOTOGRAP
OF LONDON.

GLOBE.—At 7.30, A HAPPY PAIR.
Night.)

GAIETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At
TINGTON AND HIS CAT.

STRAND.—At 7.15, PARADISE VIL

VAUDEVILLE.—At 7.30, MARRIA
WAY HOUSE, &c.

HAYMARKET.—At 7.45, PLOT AN

PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 7
COLONEL.

COMEDY.—At 7.30, SEEING FROU

SAVOY.—At 8, MOCK TURTLE, and

ST. JAMES'S.—At 8, THE CAPE M

OPERA COMIQUE.—At 7.45, QU
TOTO. (Last Night.)

CRITERION.—At 8, WITHERED
FAIRY.

ALHAMBRA.—At 7.45, BLACK CI

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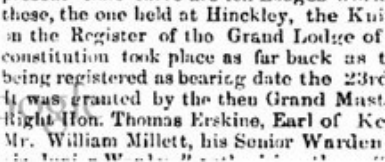
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of the brethren of this district to
Hinckley, under the presidency of the De
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past few years in connection with thi
Masonic Brotherhood, we find that its
Right Honourable the Earl Ferrer
office by the Grand Master in the
present time there are ten Lodges work
these, the one held at Hinckley, the Kni
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Mr. William Millett, his Senior Warden

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nection with the three Masonic Charitable Institutions. In proof of this, it is only necessary to give particulars of what has been done during the last seven years, from which it will be seen that a sum of £1,617 16s 6d has been subscribed by the Masons of Leicestershire and Rutland to the Charities of the Order, which shows that considerably over £5 has, on the average, been contributed by each Mason in the district during that period, a result reflecting the greatest credit on all concerned. The actual figures announced at the several Festivals were:—1875, Boys' School, £181 13s; 1876, Benevolent Institution, £109 16s, Boys' School, £12 10s; 1877, Benevolent, £15 8s, Boys' School, £400 18s 6d; 1878, Girls' School, £233 16s; 1879, Benevolent, £125 14s, Boys', £42; 1880, Girl's School £73 10s, Boys', £194 5s; 1881, Girl's School, £228 6s. Totals—Benevolent, £250 18s,; Girls' School, £535 12s; Boys' School, £831 6s 6d. Previous to the opening of Provincial Grand Lodge, at Hinckley, a meeting of the Knights of Malta Lodge, No. 50, already referred to, was held. At this the Worshipful Master for the ensuing year was installed, and the several Officers were invested. The following is a copy of the Report of the Provincial Grand Lodge Committee of General Purposes:—

"The Committee have to report that they have met and duly audited the Provincial Grand Treasurer's accounts. . . . Although, as will be seen from the Provincial Grand Registrar's report, Freemasonry in this Province during the last twelve months has not been characterised by the increase in numbers to which in previous years the Committee have had so much gratification in referring, the Provincial Grand Lodge, so far as its financial position is concerned, continues in the most satisfactory state, the balance now standing to its credit being £99 1s 3d, which is considerably in excess of the amount brought forward from last year. The present balance would have been still larger but for the fact that some of the private Lodges do not include in their annual returns, or pay the quarterage in respect of such of their members, as may happen to be in arrear with their Lodge subscriptions, although such members may not have resigned or been excluded, and as a misapprehension appears to exist on this point, the Committee desire the opinion of the Provincial Grand Lodge on the subject for the guidance of the Provincial Grand Officers and others whom it may concern.

"In Masonic matters generally, the Committee have to report that the past year has been comparatively quiet and uneventful.

An examination of the returns from the several Lodges shows that the steady increase of recent years has not, during the past twelve months, been maintained, a considerable diminution having taken place in the total number of subscribing members as compared with the returns for 1880. The latter, after making allowances for members subscribing to more than one Lodge, showed a total membership of 417, while at the present time the number has fallen to 389.

This decrease, however, the Committee do not regard as an indication of any lack of Masonic life and vigour in the Province, for from the Reports which have come to hand, and from general observation, the several Lodges were never in a more satisfactory and harmonious condition than at the present time.

With regard to two of the Country Lodges, the hope expressed in last year's report that the almost dormant condition into which they had fallen would soon cease has, in the case of one (No. 1007) received most gratifying fulfilment, the muster roll having, under the influence of its energetic W.M. Bro. General Burnaby, been nearly doubled; while as to the other (No. 1265), a smaller, though most useful, addition of active and energetic joining members from other Lodges which it has recently received will not fail to infuse fresh life and vigour into it, and under the rule of the present W.M., a distinguished Past Grand Officer of Norths and Hunts, and also with an expected considerable influx of new members, the Lodge should take a position in the United Province worthy of the county of which it is at present the sole representative.

The Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the directions given at a previous meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge, new Provincial Grand Lodge collars and jewels have been purchased to supply the place of the missing ones. The set having now been made complete, at considerable expense, it is hoped that in future greater care will be taken by Provincial Grand Officers in returning their collars and jewels of office to the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies. A careful observance of the bye-laws of the Provincial Grand Lodge on this subject is recommended, and ought to be most rigidly enforced.

In the Leicester Lodges attention has of late been directed to the inadequate accommodation of the Leicester Masonic Hall. At the meetings of the Hall Committee the subject has been discussed on several occasions, and various suggestions have been made, that most generally approved being the entire disposal of the present

fully concur.

(Signed)

Some amount of discussion followe
the question of Lodge quarterages re
It was urged that the same rule as
Lodge should guide Provincial Lodge
Provincial dues were of a different ch
tion was put before Provincial Grand
compulsory for the future for each Lo
member on its roll, whether his subsc
wise. The subject of the Leicester
was ordered to stand over.

The following is the Annual Report
mittee:—

"The Committee, in presenting the
first time for many years they have b
of the boy Roe, their candidate for th
Boys, in October last. Their Secreta
to the Province, and also borrowed
current votes belonging to Lodges a
amounted to no less than 1472, which
have easily returned the boy for w
hope that at the next election in Apr
but may take this opportunity of ex
brethren in the Province will continue
voting papers, directly they receive
Committee, and they regret that fron
were lost to the Province at the last
625 Boys' votes in debt, and at least
to make the candidate safe in April
strong and united action to carry on
may mention that they are working o
interchange with the Provinces of Wil
Wales, Derbyshire, and Lancashire.

The Committee do not forget that ir
late Bro. Weare will be eligible for
her election they now hold 364 votes,
her failure on the first occasion of her

The widow of the late Bro. Black,
applied to the Committee for her boy
dates for the Royal Masonic Institut
being instituted, they found with reg
the rules of the Institution; they tho
£5 5s for her immediate needs.

The Royal Masonic Benevolent In
Widows claims its turn for our suppo
Committee are glad to find that seve
to them of brethren willing to serve
have pleasure in recommending W
Crofts, of the Ferrers and Ivanhoe Lo
represent the Province, and they hav
placed on his list for the Aged Mason

The Committee further beg to stat
duly audited, and that a sum of £30 8
the coming year. The Committee ca
out expressing their deep sense of ol
W. Langley, for the very able mann
case of the boy Roe. For one small
of votes as were recorded for him
expenditure of time and amount of co
realised by those who have themselve
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(Signed)

17th November 1881.

Various other items of business ha
Grand Lodge was closed, as also wa
Lodge, and the brethren sat down to
of the D.P.G.M., who proposed the
gave that of the Provincial Grand
Ferrers, coupled with that of the Pas
F.R.H.S., &c. He felt that all must
prevented the attendance of the Pr
meeting that day, not that he was not
but because the Masons of the Provi
head. They could but feel the compl
the Province by allowing his name t
the district as he did. With regard
known in the Province to need an
sion; he was ever ready and able to c

called him to a sense of his duty, and shown him that he really neglected the work of his office, for he must admit he was not so well acquainted with the several members of the Province as Bro. Terry had led them to think he should be. At the last meeting of P.G. Lodge (at Loughborough) he had said he would visit every Lodge of the district, and although he had really carried out that promise, he felt he had hardly acquired that knowledge of the brethren which he should do. The Prov. G.J.W. replied for the other Officers. Bro. Toller next gave the Masonic Charities—he really looked upon this as the chief toast in a Masonic assembly. He referred to what the Province had done, and urged the members to support Bro. Crofts, as Steward for the Old People, pointing out that the district had hardly done as much for that Institution as he could have wished. Bro. Terry replied. He felt that the old adage, that gifts which were carelessly and prolifically strewn were less appreciated than those which required hard getting, might apply to the Masonic Institutions. The brethren of Leicestershire knew what it was to secure the election of a lad to the Boys' School, and the trouble it entailed made them remember that Institution, but as regarded the Old People's Institution, they had secured its benefits for one of their old friends, and that too without anything like the amount of exertion required in the other case; in consequence he felt they had not thought so much about the source from which the grant was derived. In any case they had hitherto been less attentive and less generous to the Institution he represented. Now that they had a Steward going up to represent them, he hoped this would be changed. Their Steward was a popular man, and he trusted would be generously supported throughout the district, his advocacy came rather late, but he hoped that would make no difference. Bro. Terry concluded by remarking that it was the fathers of Masonry—the men who had in their day done the work required of them, and who had made Masonry what it at present was—for whom he and Bro. Crofts were pleading. Bro. Crofts also replied, and then the Chairman proposed the health of the Visitors, to which Bro. W. W. Morgan jun. replied. The W.M. of the Knights of Malta Lodge, and the Worshipful Masters and Wardens of the other Lodges in the Province having each been honoured, the proceedings were brought to a conclusion.

MASONIC PRESENTATIONS AT PORTSMOUTH.

A meeting of the members of the Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar Lodge was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Portsmouth, on Wednesday evening, 7th inst., when the attendance of members was exceptionally large, it having been arranged that on this occasion presentations should be made to Bros. H. W. Townsend and A. Leon Emanuel, two of the principal founders of the Lodge. Amongst those present were Bros. H. W. Townsend I.P.M., T. Page S.W., J. Johns Acting J.W., H. Threadingham Treasurer, A. L. Emanuel Hon. Sec., Latham Cox S.D., J. L. Martyr J.D., Sam Knight D.C., J. McLeod I.G., G. Sylvester Organist, E. Haldane, H. Hyams, C. F. Parker 1298, A. Cudlipp, Colonel Hodson P.M. P.D.G.S.W. Madras, &c. The three degrees were worked, and after the usual business of the Lodge, Bro. A. L. Emanuel proposed that a letter of congratulation be forwarded to Bro. H.R.H. Prince Leopold on his betrothal. Bro. Martyr seconded, and it was carried unanimously. Bro. Threadingham, who occupied the chair, stated that he had to perform a task which amounted to a pleasurable duty. He should have shrunk from performing it but for two or three reasons, one was that their Worshipful Master (Lord Charles Beresford) was unavoidably absent from England, and he had been requested by letter to state his regret at his absence that night. He hoped the two brethren who were about to receive the testimonial which he had to present would not underestimate it because it should come from his hands rather than from one in a more exalted position. They were all aware why the presentation was to take place. He would not go into the details of the starting of the Lodge, but simply state that they were all greatly surprised at the suddenness with which it sprang into existence, and the support it received from members of all positions. From H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught down to the Entered Apprentice all had expressed their pleasure at the way in which the arrangements were carried out, H.R.H. even going so far as to say that he had not witnessed anything like it since the time when his brother was installed as Grand Master. The Lodge had started well, and had so far gone on well, and he could only hope that it would proceed as well in the future. The whole of the success was due to Bros. Townsend and Emanuel. Nothing could have surpassed the manner in which those brethren

help rendered by Bro. Page, he expressed a might gain the same esteem in the Craf joyed. Thanks were then accorded to Bro for their exertions in connection with Townsend's testimonial consisted of a mas Emanuel's of a silver cup and a collar. The The following inscription was engraved Bro. ——— by the founders and membe Saxe-Weimar Lodge, No. 1903, as a mark of his valuable services rendered in conn and constitution of the above Lodge. I 1881." The collar was of silver, gold, a same inscription, with the name and numb "A.L.E.," garter, shield, square, and com

PROVINCIAL GRAND LOD

A PROVINCIAL Grand Lodge of Eme day, 12th inst., in the banquet Brighton, to welcome all brethren of the A greater attendance at Provincial Gra known, the room being crowded, the atten hundred brethren. Bro. Sir Walter Wy Prov. Grand Master of Sussex, presided, companied by Bro. John Henderson Scott Master, and other influential members of t while among the brethren present was Addresses were given by the Provincia Wyndham Burrell, Bart., M.P., Bros. Dav Francis, and John Henderson Scott De The Prov. Grand Master welcomed the b Brighton Health Congress, and in a short b that he fully concurred with his brother, acknowledging the warm invitation given b York to their Masonic brethren. The me to many acquaintances ripening into fri Provincial Grand Chaplain trusted tha friendship, but for the purpose of le to scientific matters, and particularly tho their brethren. Bro. Francis, in an ad V. P. Freeman, Prov. Grand Secretary intelligence), reviewed the history of Fr Bro. John Henderson Scott gave a most history of the Brighton Royal Clarenc warmly applauded. The Mayor of Bright address. During the evening the musica out by Bros. E. Broadbridge, A. King H. S. Gates, J. B. Hannay, J. Large, and under the guidance of the talented Pro Roe, upon one of Alexandre's 22 stop and by Bro. J. B. Hannay, which added to t part of the ceremony. The introductory pen of Bro. E. Broadbridge, and was mu also sang the solos in the anthem, "C marked taste and expression. The Lo by the Prov. Grand Master, the brethre to their number with some difficulty, they had a champagne supper. The May gratulated upon the success of the meeti

His lordship held a large and i Long Parlour of the Mansion Hou purpose of organising a National P Property in Ireland. Among t Marquis of Hamilton P.G.S.W. I Headfort G.S.W. Ireland, Viscoun Folkestone, M.P., Alderman and S Sir F. W. Truscott, Alderman S &c. The preliminary steps having broke up after passing a unanim Lord Mayor Ellis.

Yesterday (Friday) was fixed Marquis of Hartington, M.P., of t

matter, and to inform you that Grand Officers have a clear right of precedence, as such, over all Provincial Grand Officers, whether in their own province or not.

This precedence has been invariably acknowledged and acted on, and has been the established usage and custom of the Craft for over 150 years, without protest or question; and in every case recorded of Great Masonic Ceremonials in the Provinces, the Official Records show that the Grand Officers of England, present and past, have always taken taken precedence of the Local Masonic Authorities, of whatever grades (other than that of Provincial Grand Master) they may have been.

The M.W. the Grand Master, as the Fountain of Masonic Honour under the English Constitution, has therefore declared that such is to be considered as being, and as having been from time immemorial, the status and precedence of the Grand Officers of England in relation to those of the respective Provinces, and I am now commanded by His Royal Highness to notify the same for your information and future guidance.

I have the honour to be,

R.W. Sir,

Your faithful Servant and Brother,

SHADWELL H. CLERKE, G.S

REVIEWS.

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WE are not in a position to congratulate the Calendar Committee of the Board of General Purposes on any fresh exhibition of that spirit of reform which led them to make sundry innovations in their mode of dealing with the Calendar issued under the authority of the Grand Master and for the benefit of the Charity Fund. We imagine they must have become somewhat alarmed at the success which attended the introduction, some time back, of much valuable information. It was a good idea, somewhat tardily adopted, in imitation of Bro. Kenning's "Cosmo," to distinguish the "Ancient" and "Modern" Lodges. It was an act of wisdom to mark the Lodges to which Centenary Warrants have been granted, while it was good to insert the dates of Constitution in the case of those Lodges that had formerly been held under the Grand Lodge of the "Ancients." The "Table of Grand Masters" was, as we remarked at the time, a most desirable addition. On the other hand, as we noticed last year, the insertion of the magic letters T.I. against Lodges Nos. 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15—all formerly "Ancient" Lodges—is an obvious absurdity. Bro. Hughan, who must be allowed to be no mean authority, has fixed the limits of this "Time Immemorial" in the "Cosmo," and why the Calendar Committee of the Board have gone out of their way to involve themselves in such ridicule passes all understanding. Again, we confess to being of a conservative mind—that is, we are desirous of conserving what is good, and abolishing, as far as possible, the evil. But our conservatism does not go the length of perpetuating error. Yet the Calendar Committee still continues to announce that the Lodges meet monthly, not in so many words, but on "1st Mon." "3rd Thurs." "last Fri.," which, if they have any meaning at all, must apply to every month in the year, not to the particular months in which the Lodges meet. Is it too much to ask that Grand Lodge Calendar Committee, with the information at its disposal, should do what Bro. Kenning, who is dependent on others for what they are pleased to furnish him with, has made a point of doing these two years? What is Sir J. B. Monckton, with his Town Clerical mind, about; what Sir Albert Woods (Garter), with his heraldic mind; what Bro. R. F. Gould, with his legal mind, that they countenance so noticeable and so terribly misleading an error? They are all men in whose eyes the strictest accuracy is an absolute necessity. We trust the Calendar Committee will have acquired between now and next November the courage necessary to make the desired change, and that they will not allow the fact of the "Cosmo" having been beforehand with them from making their Calendar as correct as it ought to be, if it is to be of any value to those who purchase it.

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548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.
862—Whittington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
1489—Marquess of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1537—St. Peter Westminster, Criterion, W.
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road. (Inst).
1603—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
R.A. 933—Doric, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 7. (Instruction)
M.M.—Old Kent, Trocadero, Broad Street Buildings, E.C. at 6.30. (Instruction)

77—Freedom, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend
236—York, Masonic Hall, York
331—Phœnix Public Room Truro
359—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton
382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge, at 8.30. (Instruction)
424—Borough, Half Moon Hotel, Gateshead
466—Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron, Northampton
622—St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
725—Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
925—Bedford Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
934—Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield.
985—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Holbeach.
1030—Egerton, George Hotel, Wellington Road, Heaton Norris, near Stockport
1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland.
1141—Mid Sussex, Assembly Rooms, Horsham.
1170—St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
1199—Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury.
1208—Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover.
1238—Gooch, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
1502—Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 32—Jerusalem, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
R.A. 139—Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
R.A. 345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn
R.A. 482—St. James, New Inn, Handsworth
R.A. 779—St. Augustine, Town Hall, Ashby-de-la-Zouch
M.M. 141—Skelmersdale, Pitt and Nelson Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne

TUESDAY, 20th DECEMBER.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
30—United Mariners, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
73—Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.
95—Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
162—Cadogan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
890—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at, 8 (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
1339—Stockwell, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, (Instruction)
1520—Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge, S.W.
1446—Mount Edgcumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich (Instruction)
1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
213—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich.
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
384—St. David, Masonic Rooms, Bangor.
402—Royal Sussex, George the Fourth, Nottingham
414—Union, Masonic Hall, Reading
418—Menturia, Mechanics' Institute, Hanley.
468—Light, Great Western Hotel, Birmingham
651—Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon.
667—Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1000—Tregullow, Masonic Rooms, St. Day, Scorrier, Cornwall.
1032—Callender, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
1089—De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness.
1113—Anglesea, Bull Hotel, Llangefni
1325—Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
1427—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle.
1470—Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable.
1473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6 (Instruction)
1534—Concord, George Hotel, Prestwich.
1551—Charity, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
1570—Prince Arthur, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool
1764—Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton.
R.A. 419—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.

WEDNESDAY, 21st DECEMBER.

Lodge of Benevolence, Freemasons' Hall, W.C., at 6.
174—Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
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178—Antiquity Royal Hotel, Wigan.
200—Old Globe, Private Rooms, Globe-street,
221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall
246—Royal Union, Freemasons Hall, Cheltenl
325—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-s
342—Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, 79 Cou
428—Sincerity, Angel Inn, Northwich, Cheah
451—Sutherland, Town Hall, Barslem
537—Zetland, 9 Hamilton-street, Birkenhead.
681—Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
592—Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirence
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at
633—Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Manche
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8.
683—Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Ne
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969—Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Work
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1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield, Yorks
1086—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Ki
1129—St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
1161—De Grey and Ripon, Brunswick Hotel, P
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
1246—Holte, Holte Hotel, Aston
1301—Brighouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-ro
1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Durham Hous
1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenæum, Lancast
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-stree
1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull
1634—Starkie, Railway Hotel, Ramsbottom
R.A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Ho
R.A. 591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylest

THURSDAY, 22nd

House Committee, Girls' School, Battersea Ris
3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Waltham
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, L
211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Re
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower T
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-co
1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate, Wes
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Ro
1428—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons'
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R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Sou

51—Angel, Three Cups, Colchester
78—Imperial George, Assheton Arms Hotel,
100—Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Great Y
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
348—St. John, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshawga
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street,
935—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-
1325—Stanley, 214 Gt. Homer-street, Liverpo
1459—Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, Hyde-roa
1505—Emulation, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, H
1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing
1626—Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, N
1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulw
R.A. 216—Sacred Delta, Masonic Hall, Liverp
R.A. 431—Ogle, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street,
R.A. 1088—Walton, Skelmersdale MasonicHa

FRIDAY, 23rd D

House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green
Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemaso
25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-stree
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall,
766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, U
780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Br
834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-ro
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-st
1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8.
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Pa
1345—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton,
R.A. 78—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, Lond
R.A. 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulb

453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Backhurst Hill
1303—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1621—Castle, Crown Hotel, Bridgnorth
1712—St. John, Freemasons Hall, Grainger S
General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall,
R.A. 680—Sefton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

SATURDAY, 24th

108—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Roa
[illegible]—East of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Mare
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-squ
S. ni Chapter of Instruction, Union

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re-elected Tyler. The ceremony of installation will be performed by Bro. J. Todd P.M., on Monday next, at four p.m., after which there will be a banquet, for which we understand there are a goodly number of acceptances.

Pomfret Lodge, No. 360.—A meeting was heldon Thursday, 1st instant, at the Masonic Buildings, Abington-street, Northampton George Ellard W.M., John Bingley S.W., F. Jairs J.W., B. Wilkins D.P.G.M. Treasurer, George Robinson P.M. Sec., J. J. Hart S.D., H. W. Parker acting J.D., J. T. Green P.M. D.C., J. Sadler I.G., J. U. Stanton P.M., E. Haynes Stewards. C. Dean, W. Kirby Tylers; P.M.'s Bros. M. A. Boeme, J. Kellett, R. Howes, &c. After preliminaries, Bro. R. C. Nunn was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. Bro. John Bingley was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year. The sum of five guineas was voted to a brother who is suffering from ill health.

Polish National Lodge, No. 534.—There was a numerously attended meeting of this Lodge at the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on Thursday, 8th instant, when the members met under the presidency of Dr. Corrie Jackson W.M., who was supported by Bros. Lancaster S.W., Smith J.W., Runtz S.D., Bieling J.D., Day I.G., Tongue D.C., and Davis Tyler. Lodge was opened in due form shortly after five o'clock. A ballot was taken for Dr. W. H. Pardoe, M.D. (who was proposed by Dr. Jackson W.M., seconded by Bro. Pass Secretary); this proved to be unanimous in favour of the candidate, who being in attendance, was duly initiated by the W.M., who acquitted himself equally as well as he had previously done in the ceremony of raising Bro. Jonah Nowakowski, son of the respected Treasurer. Both ceremonies were rendered by the W.M., who was ably assisted by his Officers, in a most impressive and correct manner. Ballot was taken for Bro. E. Bowley, Lebanon Lodge, No. 1326, Secretary British Empire Mutual Life Assurance Company, who was proposed as a joining member by Bro. J. J. Runtz S.D., seconded by Bro. George R. Foster; this likewise proved to be unanimous. After the Committee, which consisted of the W.M., Treasurer, and Secretary, had handed in their report as to the purchase of new furniture, and some formal business had been transacted, Lodge was closed, and the brethren retired to the banquetting room. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. The health of the Initiate was proposed, and responded to by him in a few well-chosen terms. The brethren separated and departed for home in good time. There were several visitors present, who stated they had passed a most enjoyable evening.

Wellington Lodge, No. 548.—The monthly meeting of this Lodge took place on Wednesday evening, 13th inst., under the gavel of the W.M. Bro. S. P. Catterson. There was a good muster of the brethren, with the following visitors: — Bros. Magnus Obren P.A.G.D.C. England, Dr. V. Jagielski I.P.M. Polish National, 534; B. P. Holditch and H. Cooper, Old Concord, 172; W. Eaton, Southwark, 689; J. Woollacott, Peckham, 869; J. Buckland, Welchpool, 998; H. J. Tallantire, Blackheath, 1320; Thomas Nunn, Chisleburst, 1531. Bro. T. E. Must› was passed to the second degree. W. Fieldson S.W. was duly appointed W.M. elect, and received the congratulations of the brethren. Bro. J. J. West was again elected to the post of Treasurer, and Bro. Goddard to that of Tyler. After the naming of the brethren for the Audit and Benevolent Fund Committees, one of the most pleasant and enjoyable scenes took place that ever characterised the proceedings of the Wellington Lodge. Bro. E. J. B. Bumstead has been its Secretary for twenty years, and so well has he discharged his duties that it was thought the time had arrived when his valuable services, his unwearied labours, and self devotion should receive some recognition. A committee was formed, and although only members of the Lodge were permitted to subscribe, a sum was soon collected large enough to purchase a splendid silver tea and coffee service. This was accompanied with an address, elegantly engrossed by Bro. Nunn, of Ironmonger-lane, framed and mounted with much taste and beauty by Bro. Saegartt, who is an old and very much respected P.M. of the Lodge. Bro. Wakefield P.M., who preceded Bro. Bumstead in the chair, over twenty years ago, addressed the brethren at some length, tracing the history of the Lodge and detailing the labours of the Secretary, who through good and ill report had worked steadily on, with the result they now saw—of being a strong, healthy, and happy family. The brethren were taken by surprise by Bro. Wakefield's speech, which though homely was to the purpose and from the heart. The W.M. made the presentation in a very kind and pithy speech. Bro. Bumstead was evidently overcome, and his manner the tone of his voice conveyed more than

at the next meeting. Lodge was th

Dalhousie Lodge of Instr
Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pow
13th inst. Present—Bros. Wardell
Glass S.D., Catling J.D., T. Clark I.
Preceptor; also Bros. Jones, Robin
Job, Edwards, Nash, F. W. Jones,
form, and the minutes of the pre
firmed. Bro. Dignam was interroga
opened in the second degree and
degree of Fellow Craft. Bro. Ch
tracing board, and the W.M. worked
assisted by the brethren. Lodge
and regularly closed to the first.
second sections of the lecture. Br
the ensuing week.

Friars Lodge of Instruct
weekly meeting took place at Bro. P
Town, on Tuesday last. Bro. How
S.W., Willoughby J.W., Johnson S
Smith acting Preceptor, Ives acting
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The ceremony of passing was rehe
candidate. Bro. S. Perritt, St. Andr
a member of this Lodge of Instruct
W.M. for the ensuing week.

Eboracum Lodge, No. 1611
Lodge took place at York, on Monda
usually large attendance of breth
Simpson) occupied the chair, and wa
I.P.M., T. B. Whytehead P.M., C
P. G. Padel P.M. Secretary, J. S.
M. Millington J.W., and a full m
Amongst the latter were brethren f
Leeds, Gainsborough, and other pla
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Mennell was introduced, and initiat
performed by the W.M. Bro. Why
behalf of Bro. W. J. Hughan P.G.D
Apollo Lodge, Oxford. Bro. J. S.
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Lake (*Freemason*), an old Masonic T
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behalf of Bro. W. W. Morgan (*Free*
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Wales as Grand Master in 1875. F
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