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## UNSECTARIAN FREEMASONRY.

IT was undoubtedly a sound forethought on the part of those who founded the modern system of Freemasonry which induced them to exclude all discussions of a religious, political or controversial character from its gatherings; if it had not been so we question whether Speculative Masonry would have existed so long as it has done; while we are convinced it would never have attained its present high position as a power for good in the world. As Freemasonry is constituted it is possible for all creeds, all parties, all nationalities, and all classes of the community to meet on terms of equality under its banner, and nowhere can we find another Institution which confers so many privileges upon its members, or allows so much freedom of thought and action among those who pledge adherence to it; indeed, the world does not contain another so beneficent in its aims, or so cosmopolitan in character. Masons can, and do, enjoy themselves among themselves, and if they choose to place a barrier around their doings, so as to keep away those who have not regularly sought a participation in their mysteries, they are not wholly selfish in their actions. While they strive to help all who need it within their mystic circle, they do not forget there are others outside, who have claims equally pressing, if not equally deserving of recognition. It is but natural Freemasons should consider that those within the Order have the first claim on their sympathy, although, as far as possible, they practise charity to the world at large, and if the Order does not attempt the relief of all distress, and the redress of all grievances, it is because it is impossible for its members to do more than a share, although we are justified in saying it already accomplishes more than would fall to its lot, provided an equitable distribution were possible. We do not, however, wish it to be thought we begrudge what is done for those outside Freemasonry, or that we wish to boast of the little that has been accomplished; on the contrary, we regret it does not lie within the power of Freemasonry to do more, and such is the feeling of all who are associated with us by the ties of Brotherhood.

It will perhaps be considered we are wandering very wide of our subject in thus referring to the social side of Freemasonry, and to its benevolent action on behalf of those outside its ranks; but these are two points on which Freemasons are frequently assailed, and to which reference is often made by those who attempt to prove that they do not act up to their professions. There are some who see in every good deed or kindly action an unworthy motive; who will argue that any help rendered by Freemasonry to those outside its circle is done to secure either political, parochial, or other influence; and who will attempt to trace in every preferment or appointment the silent influence of Freemasonry. We ought

perhaps to be proud of the power thus ascribed to the Order with which we are associated, but as a rule the power is only accredited with having worked for evil, for it does not concern our adversaries to discover how much of the good that takes place around them might with equal justice be ascribed to the power of Freemasonry. They can only see things in the light they desire them to appear in, and that light is not favourable either to Freemasonry or its adherents, and hence it is we hear so little of Freemasonry's work for the good of humanity, as compared with its propensity for evil, from those who find a pleasure in criticising the Order. They appear to think it only necessary to bring in the name of Freemasonry to at once account for anything which has not gone quite right, either in public or private affairs; the simple expression, "Oh, he was mixed up with the Freemasons," accompanied with a sly kind of look, being sufficient to account for almost anything that could happen to a man, or to any underhand transaction ascribed to a public body. That such criticism is both unjust and uncalled for those within the Order best know, and it also rests with them, to a very great extent, to prove its injustice and to check its continuance.

Freemasonry is wholly unsectarian; it is allied to no political or religious class, nor is it associated with any particular section of the community to the exclusion of others; and in the maintenance of this principle, and its practice throughout the Craft lies the best answer to the accusations of those who argue that its influence is used to benefit its members or advance the interest of those associated with them.

Members of the Order need to pay particular attention to this matter at the present time, for there seems to be a growing tendency, even within the Craft, to divide Freemasonry into sections or classes. We cannot believe the authorities are acting wisely in giving their approval to this system, and we do not think it will be long before they find out their mistake. We question the wisdom of granting warrants for Lodges which are to be exclusive, open only to men of a certain trade or profession, just as we do the formation of Lodges of a marked parochial or class tendency. It certainly is not acting up to the teachings of Freemasonry to say that no man shall become a member of a given Lodge unless he belong to some particular trade or profession; on the contrary, it is inviting criticism from those who do not agree with us, and the past has amply proved how severe such comments may become, and what really strong arguments may be used in support of them. Another very objectionable feature becomes manifest where a Lodge is wholly, or nearly so, comprised of the Vestrymen, or other officials of a town or parish. Here we would offer a word of advice to some who we consider err under this head. A Mason may be a Churchwarden, Town Councillor or Vestryman, but

that does not make him entitled to be addressed in open Lodge or in the banquet-room as Bro. Churchwarden This, Bro. Town Councillor That, or Bro. Vestryman So-and-so. It may show that the speaker has a knowledge of matters outside of his Lodge, but it proves he has not yet made himself master of the lessons to be learnt within it, and it lays the whole Craft open to attacks from those who desire to assail its members. Only within the last few days has the evil of this laxity among Freemasons been again made manifest; a prominent man of the day considers the existence of a "parish official's Lodge" as sufficient evidence of cliquism and underhand dealing to merit particular attention at his hands. No doubt he is wrong in thus accusing Masonry, but if the brethren in question have been as unwise in their remarks as some with whom we have come into contact, we cannot say he has made a groundless charge. We do not know sufficient of the merits of this particular case to give an opinion, but we are inclined to say that the brethren assailed have laid themselves open to attack, otherwise it would never have been known how much this Lodge was actually associated with those at the head of parish affairs.

Similar arguments might be used in other directions, but they would all have one termination, and the climax cannot be too forcibly impressed on all around us: if Freemasonry is to maintain its dignity and its high position, it must be kept aloof from all matters outside its actual teachings. Freemasonry is good if kept within due bounds, but it can soon create ill feeling and distrust if its votaries go beyond. It is a splendid base on which to build up a system of business, political, or public ethics, but it must be used for foundation only; it must be kept out of sight, and only serve as a sound bottom on which to erect a superstructure which is open to view by the world. It has made a name as an unsectarian organisation, and to continue that good name it must stand aloof from class or faction.

### EMERITUS MEMBERSHIP.

**M**ASONRY is *sui generis*. Existing before any of the kindred associations which have sprung up around it, it does not look to them for examples, nor copy their customs and laws. It does nothing because some other organisation does it, and this is not because it arrogates to itself superior virtues, but for its own reasons and purposes it is what it is, and if it were otherwise it would not be Freemasonry. Other societies have many admirable customs, laws, and usages which serve their purposes, but no one of them exists for the sole purpose of cultivating the fraternal virtues. Men are not made Masons that they may benefit themselves, but others, while the mutual benefit idea dominates elsewhere. We invest a dollar in a mutual benefit organisation in order that we may have a right to certain privileges which it confers upon its members, as for instance a sick or a funeral benefit, but no one invests a dollar in Masonry with the expectation that it will return a dividend in kind. It is true that every initiate feels he is entering upon a new relation towards those who are taking him by the hand as a brother, and that the tie between them will become stronger and, perhaps, as an incident by that bond, he may desire personal benefits, but mercenary or selfish motives must not actuate him. On the contrary, he must be prepared to affirm that he seeks admission from no other motive than a desire for knowledge and a sincere wish of being serviceable to his fellow creatures.

As a necessary incident to every association which is compelled by the terms of the compact existing between the membership to compensate them in a certain contingency, the obligation to contribute the necessary funds exists, as a fundamental condition, upon which the whole structure is based. There is no such compact in Masonry. No one ever stood in such an attitude to it as to entitle him to make demand upon its funds for a stipulated sum

of money or a benefit which has a fixed value. What it extends is simply a matter of grace and not demandable as a right. And it is for this reason that we approach, in our governing bodies, the whole subject of enforced financial contributions, with so much reluctance. To many the idea of enforced payments seems contrary to the whole spirit of Freemasonry, and no subject has been debated with so much anxious solicitude as this, lest though some misadventure in the enactment of a law Masonic injustice should be done to some one.

In every human organization there are some, as the English phrase it, who are fallen into decay. We all know that, with the exception of a very few who acquire wealth, the struggle for a bare maintenance grows harder as the years creep on and additional burdens are accumulated as our capacity to earn decreases. The young men who come in and replace the older brethren in the government of the Craft are not always considerate of the delinquent who fails to make his stated settlement with the Secretary, and because at their time of life, when they have but light loads to carry, they do not miss the "few dollars" required to meet the Lodge assessment, are scarcely inclined to stop and consider that other pockets are not so well lined as their own, or the greater number of claims to be satisfied out of a pocket whose outlet is as large as its inlet. There are but few men who care to admit, even to the most intimate of their associates, that they are beginning to feel that their sight is not so keen or their step as elastic as it once was, and still harder is it to make the admission that it is not so easy to replenish an empty wallet, and hence it is that men when the years begin to lay a heavy hand upon them shrink from confessing their embarrassment to the Lodge, and permit the first or second instalment of dues to go unpaid, with the hope that times will be better before the maturity of another, and the payment can then be made without taking it from more pressing demands upon their resources. Alas! it is a hope destined, in the vast majority of instances, never to be realised, for it is not the times which are out of joint, but the man himself. The truth has not yet dawned upon him that his ability to earn wages has diminished.

The writer has seen it stated somewhere, and it seems to coincide with his own experience, that less than ten years embraces the average term of active membership in the Lodge of Masons. There are probably more who actively participate in Lodge affairs less than five years than there are who continue longer than that period. After ten years but very little of the original material remains to do service, and so it is that our Lodges are constantly undergoing a renewing process. Many of our initiates slough off by a natural sort of process, just as a wound cleanses itself, and they are hopelessly lost, without however the Craft being the loser by their departure, the deposit of the fee being the only good thing they ever did, or ever were capable of doing for Masonry, simply because their hearts were not attuned to the Masonic song and per consequence they did not value it, and thus it happened that neither the Lodge nor themselves lost anything when they stepped down and out.

To do good for the mere sake of doing good is but a poor financial investment, and unless a man finds some other compensation in the act besides a return in money, he has, so far as he himself is concerned, thrown away his investment, but to the man who finds that all of life is not made up in adding to one's temporal possessions, and there are higher and more satisfying pleasures, and that amongst them comes a joy which no man knows but him who has experienced it—a joy akin to rapture, which comes and permeates a man all through, when he has done a kind act to one from whom he expects no reciprocation. Unless a man has the capacity for enjoying such pleasures, he has no capacity for Masonry, and it is to him simply a deceit, neither he nor it gains by his initiation, and it is well that he makes no long tarrying amongst us—five years is quite enough for mutual endurance.

And there is another class who find their way into our Lodges, in considerable numbers, who are not really bad fellows, in their way, for they open their own pockets and give liberally, and would vote more out of other people's pockets if they could. While they remain they are good company, but they soon get tired of well doing, and depart hence to be seen no more. Peace to their ashes!

But the backbone of Masonry is neither of the ephemeral or gushing quality. Look over the roll of any Lodge and see who are they who have worked, not played, in Masonry

for a period of ten years. The per centage is not large compared with the whole number who have *passed through* the Lodge during that period, but the work they have done has been stamped indelibly upon the history of that Lodge; it is what they have made it, good, bad or indifferent, with the probabilities greatly in their favour that they are entitled to claim all of the first-named quality which the Lodge possesses. Now it is because of this last and best class of Masons that it becomes so difficult to justly frame our financial regulations. To the Craft at large it is a matter of indifference, so that it does not shock its own sense of justice in the matter, what regulations are established or how rigorously they are made to apply to members who do not esteem their Masonic obligations, for such men are going out by the usual route, which may be denominated the non-payment-of-dues line, with all reasonable despatch, regardless of any rule which may be put in force. The only thing to be considered is the mode of the operation. And this brings us to a consideration of the real problem of the dues question. How can we make a law which will facilitate the departure of an undesirable class, and which will not thrust out a meritorious one, for the same offence—that is, failure to pay dues?

There will be none found to deny that it is a sound principle of Masonic equity that the Craftman who has wrought his task in the quarry is entitled to his reward, and there ought to be as little doubt that the drones in our hive should be as promptly and effectually stung out. In practice we reward each alike if they are so unfortunate as to be poor and proud. The effect of enforced contributions to the support of the Lodge is to place upon the shoulders of the old and infirm a weight equal to that which the young and vigorous sustain. The Craftsman who has wrought his full task gains no easement from toil, but must go on with a never ceasing round of labour, instead of receiving the reward due to a well-spent life in this as well as the Celestial Lodge. Our practices do not equal, we fear, our professions.

In making our laws we ought to seek to accomplish two radically opposite effects: 1. Those who cannot pay should be gotten rid of by the shortest and most effective methods, and, 2. We should exempt from the burden of Lodge taxation those who by reason of the impairments of age or other causes find the grasshopper (dues) a burden too grievous for them to bear. In advocating this we are met by a class of Masons who are always shouting, as if they believed it a very Shibboleth, "Ye shall have but one manner of law; ye shall not lean to the side of the poor, nor honour the person of the great, but shall impartially judge your neighbour," and who prate about privileged classes in Masonry, arguing that if I pay my dues every other member should pay his. It is not right he should enjoy all the benefits I do and not pay the same as I do. This is good society law, and where a system of mutual benefits exists it is strict equity, but it is not Masonry, for there is a command which runs through the entire woof and warp of Masonry: "If thy brother be waxen poor and fallen into decay with thee, then thou shalt relieve him, though he be a stranger and transient person, that he may live with thee."

In the consideration of the matter of Lodge support there seems too frequently to be overlooked the vast difference between ability to contribute and the neglect to do so, and willingness to contribute and inability to do so. "One manner of law" does not apply to both cases, for they are radically different. The first is a cause for discipline, while the latter is a misfortune to excite our sympathy.

In Mississippi the laws of the Grand Lodge and Chapter are substantially as follows: Every member pays an annual contribution of such amount as may from time to time be determined by a resolution to that effect, but when once fixed the amount of such contribution shall not be altered to take effect during the current Masonic year. The annual contribution of members shall be paid at the stated meeting at which the Officers are elected and prior to the election. The Secretary on or before the day of election must notify every member of the amount of his dues, and request payment; and should any member allow his dues to remain unpaid on the day of election, he shall not have the right to vote or hold office. The Secretary shall notify such delinquent to appear at a regular meeting, within ninety days after such notification, to show cause why his dues

have not been paid, and if he still refuses or neglects to pay, he may be suspended. Such suspension is absolute, and while it continues all the Masonic rights and privileges of the member are abrogated, and no dues are charged against him. A member so suspended shall be e-instated upon payment of dues which had accrued at the time of his suspension. Any non-affiliated Mason who neglects or refuses to contribute annually an amount equal to the ordinary dues, is not entitled to, nor permitted to receive the rights, benefits and privileges of Masonry, that is to say: The right to visit and associate with the members; the right to ask and demand relief and pecuniary aid for himself or his family; the right to move or join in Masonic processions, and in the Lodge to Masonic burial. Any Mason unable to contribute may be released from so doing, and while bodies are strictly enjoined to exact payment from all whose circumstances do not excuse them from this duty, they are to remember that, "If thy brother be waxen poor and fallen into decay with thee, then thou shalt relieve him though he be a stranger and a transient person, that he may live with thee."

These regulations have been found in practice to work exceedingly well, with a single broad exception, and it is just upon this point that all like regulations fail. They require the brother delinquent to appear and "show cause." From this there is no exception, for there is "one manner of law" for all. It is true, if the brother is unable to contribute, he may be excused, and indeed it is the duty of the body to excuse him, still he must humble himself by appearing and showing "cause" why this should be done. The writer does not wish to be understood that in Mississippi this appearance is generally exacted in person, for on the contrary he believes this feature of the law is more honoured in the breach than in the observance, still it is the cold, unrelenting steel of the law which can be made to cut into the quick. For the hardened sinner who will not pay, it is capital punishment, and it is capital fun to the live members to carry it into execution, but in the case of those brethren "who have waxen old and are poor" Masonry wants a better law.

The question of life membership, while strenuously advocated by some, seems to have some strong objectors to it, and moreover meets only the case of the well-to-do brethren who can at one time pay in the one hundred or more dollars fee, and it is an aristocratic arrangement which does not harmonize entirely with the fraternal idea which places all Masons upon an equality in the Lodge. At any rate it does not meet with general favour and is not likely to become prevalent, and in some jurisdictions is forbidden.

There would seem to be no real objection to the adoption of Emeritus membership, by our Lodges and other bodies, which would exempt the brethren entitled thereto from the payment of further contributions, for surely there, as well as elsewhere, those who have served out their time as active workers ought to receive the honourable recognition to which their services entitle them. In the army and naval service of all countries honorary retirement is recognized by law, and churches and colleges thus reward those who have passed beyond the period of hard work. Instead of humiliating venerable brethren by compelling them to ask from year to year a remission of dues, as is now almost universally done, it would place them in the attitude of receiving wages for labour already performed, and doubtless many a brother who has fallen into decay would claim a place in the Lodge as a reward of merit, to which his rank as one of the Emeriti would entitle him, who now suffers his name to be stricken from the roll rather than present himself as a suppliant for clemency. Is there a valid objection to the establishment of an Emeriti in every Lodge, to whom we can proudly turn and say, these are the men who laid the foundations upon which this Lodge stands, firmly and surely planted by them upon the rock of Masonic truth. They are its fathers, and as such we venerate and honour them. Better so, even at the loss of a few dollars, than that we should call the blush of shame to our faces as we behold a venerable man carried to his grave unwept, unhonoured and unsung Masonically, because forsooth he had not the few paltry dollars with which to purchase a Masonic burial. Brethren, there are still some things practised by Masons which are not Masonry, and the suspension for the non-payment of dues of indigent brethren, in their old age, is one of them.—*Voice of Masonry.*



## LABOUR AND REFRESHMENT.

**T**HE Labour of Freemasonry is actual, and so the Refreshment should be actual. Does any one doubt the actuality of the Labour? He might in an exceptional Lodge, where no one takes any interest in its progress or proceedings, where the Officers and a handful of members meet only to open and close; but that, fortunately, is not the condition of the average Lodge, where work, and often hard work, is the order of the evening. How often, Brethren, have you seen a W.M. at Labour, in entering, passing or raising a Mason! And have you not observed all of his powers of mind and body engaged in the work—perhaps the perspiration standing in beads on his forehead, his memory and power of expression taxed to their uttermost, and his anxiety to do his work correctly and forcibly evident to every beholder? And his Officers, do they not share in his Labour? Yet will any one say, this is not real Labour? If it be real, so should the Refreshment be real—if the Lodge can afford to have it so. Sometimes it cannot afford to have it anything else than real. At the same time it should be remembered, that every Lodge should conduct its finances upon business principles; and yet how often do we find that organised bodies of men conduct their monetary affairs upon principles the reverse of reasonable. It is always a sound rule of policy to earn your money before you spend it, and hence no Lodge has the right to run in debt, or trench on its permanent fund, for the purpose of supplementing Labour with Refreshment. Captain John Smith laid it down as a rule in the Government of his Virginia Colony, that those who would not work should not eat. In like manner every Masonic body is not only justified, but required, by the dictates of Masonic wisdom, to have Masonic Labour to precede Masonic Refreshment.

But what shall be the character of the Refreshment? There is a wide range of choice among eatables and potables. There are crackers and cheese on the one hand, and terrapin and quail-on-toast on the other. There is ice-water at one extreme, and champagne at the other. Which shall be chosen? It is not necessary to say to the Lodge which has but twenty dollars to expend not to indulge in terrapin and champagne, nor to the Lodge with two hundred dollars too much in its treasury that crackers and cheese are the Refreshment for it. But we may say to all, *be temperate*. A Lodge with but twenty dollars to spend might intemperately indulge in certain inexpensive potables, while the Lodge with two hundred dollars to spend might be constrained to be temperate in the employment of expensive wines. The golden rule of moderation is laid down by Freemasonry itself, in its authorized charges. We will quote from two of them. The W.M., in his charge at opening (see "Ahiman Rezon," p 99), says: "Let our recreations be innocent, and pursued with moderation; and never let us suffer irregular indulgences to expose our character to derision and contempt." Again, in the Wor. Master's charge to the Junior Warden, at installation, this language is used: "Carefully observe that none of the Craft be suffered to convert the purposes of Refreshment into intemperance and excess." It will thus be seen that Freemasonry, by its very genius, and expressly in its formal charges, seeks to conserve and promote the highest and best interests of all its members, and especially cautions them that they should govern themselves while at refreshment, no less than while at labour.

The Craft affords no excuse to, and offers none for, any Brother who trespasses against the plain teachings of the Fraternity. Just as it requires of every Master of a Lodge that before his installation he shall agree "strictly to obey the moral law," so it expects every individual member to obey the same moral law. Freemasonry is a system of morality, and the Mason who is not moral is recreant alike to his duty and his self-assumed obligations. So the Mason who indulges overmuch in eating or drinking, thereby undermining his constitution, sapping his powers of mind and body, and it may be eventually perilling his hopes for happiness hereafter, is not only a foolish Mason, but is a foresworn Mason. He has broken the law of the Craft, he has transgressed against the Masonic obligations he assumed and the charges he assented to.

Especially is it requisite that Masters of Lodges should be exemplars to their members, by their faithful performance of all Masonic duties, and hence it is important that

the Brethren in their choice of Masters should select not only those who can demean themselves well at Labour, but also at Refreshment, never "converting the purposes of Refreshment into intemperance and excess."

In this connection it is appropriate to remark, that Labour and Refreshment, jointly, should not occupy so much time in any Masonic body as to keep a Brother from his family until "an early hour in the morning." And Brethren when they leave the Lodge should not then go elsewhere, and have the time thus spent "charged up" at home against the Lodge. It is not fair to the Lodge, and it is not fair to themselves. It brings reproach upon Masonry, and it alienates our wives and daughters from all possibility of sympathy with the Fraternity. If Lodges would devote more attention to the purposes of the proper observance of the laws of Refreshment, they would conserve their own best interests, advantage their individual members, and make Masonic precept and practice in this regard fully to agree. —*Keystone*.

## MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF PETITIONS OF DEVONSHIRE.

**A** MEETING of the Committee of Petitions of the Prov. Grand Lodge of Devonshire was held at the Hyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth, on Monday afternoon, the 30th ult. There was a goodly number of the representatives of the Lodges in the Province. The Hon. Secretary (Bro. J. B. Gover) reported:—Since the last meeting of the Committee, in August, there have been two elections, viz., Boys' and Girls', and the number of votes received bear favourable comparison with former years, there being an increase of 81 Boys and 11 Girls, and this notwithstanding a loss of 40 votes by the death of Bro. Goedtschalk. The increase in Boys is largely owing to the kindness of W. Bro. H. Horton. From an error in the Secretary's Office, there was an accumulation of some forty votes, and having placed them in my hands your London representative was enabled to obtain the votes which were used for the Province. An increase in the Girls' votes was attributable to the exertions of W. Bro. the Rev. T. W. Lemon, who lately acted as Steward for this Institution. The extra exertions being made in all parts of the Province for the annual meeting of the Boys' Institution, when our esteemed P.G.M. (Lord Ebrington, M.P.) will preside, will doubtless increase our voting powers in that direction, but much still remains to be done by the representatives of the Lodges, whose aim it should be to see that none of the votes in their Lodges and neighbourhood are lost, either by being given outside the Province or sent too late to be of service. The 739 votes received in October were used by your liberal representative in payment of debts. The Province now owe somewhat over a thousand votes, and it is confidently expected that after the April and May elections we shall not only be clear of debt but have a good balance in our favour. From circumstances, which need no allusion, the credit of the Province is not what it was some years since, but when we are clear from all liabilities, and have a balance in our favour, we hope to gain our former proud position, when the credit of Devon was second to no Province in England. The Secretary then read a letter which he had received from Bro. the Rev. Wm. Whitley P.M. P.P.G.S.W. P.G.D. England, the London representative for the Province, who regretted being unable to attend the meeting, on account of its being held on a Monday. Bro. Whitley reported that he used the votes received in October last towards paying off the debts of the Province, and expressed a hope that the Province would be quite free from debt after the elections in April and May next. He trusted that all the brethren in the Province would send him their votes to enable him to do this. The Committee then considered two petitions for relief, from brethren of Lodges 1099 and 1847, and granted £5 to each, with a recommendation for further relief to Provincial Grand Lodge. Bros. W. G. Rogers P.G.D. England D.P.G.M., the Rev. W. Whitley, and J. B. Gover were unanimously re-elected Chairman, London Representative, and Secretary respectively. A meeting of the General Purposes and Finance Committees of the Devon Educational Fund was afterwards held. It was reported that the amount of money received during the past year amounted to £302. The balance on the year's working was £128, bringing the total balance up to £730 11s. It was decided to hold the annual meeting, for the election of two candidates, at the Temple on Tuesday, 3rd April.

The Onslow Lodge, No. 2234, was consecrated on Tuesday, 24th ult., at the Constitutional Hall, Guildford, by the Provincial Grand Master of Surrey, the R.W. Bro. General J. Studholme Brownrigg, C.B. After the ceremony of consecration, Bro. George Payne P.M. P.P.G.D.C. Surrey was installed by Bro. Frederick West D.P.G.M. of Surrey, as the first W.M. The following are the Officers for the year:—Bros. J. Ball P.M. 1564 S.W., S. George P.M. 813 J.W., E. Miles 2101 S.D., G. Burrell J.D., G. B. Cockredge I.G., Councillor E. H. Hitchcock Treasurer, and T. Dodd W.M. 2101 Secretary. At the conclusion of the Lodge business, the brethren dined at the White Hart Hotel.

**FUNERALS** properly carried out and personally attended in London and Country, by Bro. G. A. SUTTON, 17 Newcastle Street, Strand, W.C. Monuments erected. Valuations made.

## INSTALLATION MEETINGS, &amp;c.

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## LODGE OF ANTIQUITY, No. 20.

THE annual meeting was held on the 18th ult., at the Sun Hotel, Chatham, when Bro. George Church was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year. The following are the Officers appointed:—Bros. Clibbon S.W., Cobham J.W., Wiggins S.D., McDonnell J.D., Collins I.G., Price Dir. of Cers., Skinner Organist, Orum Tyler.

## PROBITY LODGE, No. 61.

THE brethren celebrated their annual festival at the Freemasons Hall, Halifax, on the 22nd ult. The meeting possessed special interest, it being the commencement of the 150th or third jubilee year of the Lodge. The Lodge had the presence and support of the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master, Thomas W. Tew, J.P., with his Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and a goodly array of Past and Present Provincial Grand Officers. The installation ceremony was admirably conducted by Bro. George Buckley jun., assisted by Bros. Booth, Whiteley, and Balme. The following brethren were invested:—Bros. Major Conor I.P.M., Crossley S.W., William Cash J.W., Evans, B.A., LL.B., Chaplain, Davis Treasurer, Wright Secretary, Buckley S.D., Horton J.D., Patchett I.G., Emmott D.C., Pinns Assistant Secretary, Charles Pole Almoner, Sykes Organist, Dobson, Smith and Kerr Stewards, Sagar Tyler. The W.M. then requested the Provincial Grand Master to present, in the name of the Lodge, a P.M.'s jewel to the I.P.M., bearing the following inscription:—

“Presented to W. Bro. Major Cecil Conor P.M., by the members of the Lodge of Probity, No. 61, as a mark of their respect and esteem. 23rd January 1888.”

The brethren then celebrated the Festival of St. John the Evangelist. The sister Lodges of the town were largely represented. A very pleasant evening was spent, and the usual toasts were honoured.

## FAITHFUL LODGE, No. 85.

THE annual festival was held at the Swan Hotel, Harleston, on the 23rd ult., when Bro. John Aldons jun. was installed as Worshipful Master of the Lodge for the ensuing year. The installation ceremony was well performed by Bro. F. A. Crisp. After the installation the Worshipful Master invested his Officers for the year, as follows:—Bros. Knights S.W., Durrant J.W., Calver Treasurer, Carman Secretary, Buckingham jun. S.D., Buckingham sen. J.D., Durrant I.G., Harper Tyler. Hearty good wishes having been tendered by the visiting brethren, the Lodge was closed in due and ancient form. The banquet was subsequently served in the market-room of the hotel, Bro. T. E. Bond W.M. presiding.

## MOUNT SINAI LODGE, No. 121.

THE brethren of this Lodge celebrated the festival of St. John, at Penzance, on the 18th ult. Bro. Wellington Dale (ex-Mayor of Penzance) was installed W.M. The W.M. invested his Officers, as follows:—Bros. Simpson I.P.M., Major Ross S.W., Mockridge J.W., Read Treasurer, Branwell jun. Secretary, Tregarthen jun. S.D., Shakerley J.D., Quick I.G., Dunn D.C., White jun. Org., Cornish and Dale Stewards, Reynolds Tyler.

## ANTIEN UNION, No. 203.

THE annual installation in connection with the above Lodge, which is considerably over a hundred years old, took place on Tuesday, the 19th ult., in the Masonic Temple, Hope Street, Liverpool, in the presence of a goodly assemblage. The W.M., Bro. Galloway, who has filled the chair for two years, at the opening of the Lodge was well supported by the Past Master and Officers. The visitors included Bros. Lunt 1086, Bargery 1756, Smythe 2114, Bushell 1756, Brotherton 241, Guile 1325, Callow, Chatham 1356, Gow 823, Round 1609, Maddox 823, Rawsthorne Secretary 1182, Farghen 2042, &c. Bros. Rowson and James presented Bro. G. R. Ashton for installation, and the task was successfully performed by the retiring W.M., assisted by Bro. Hounsell. Bro. Ashton afterwards invested his Officers for the ensuing year, as follows:—Bros. Galloway I.P.M., Donnelly S.W., Wood J.W., Bromley Treasurer (by proxy), Baker Secretary, Clough S.D., Ashton J.D., Clarke I.G., M'Ewen and Tester Stewards, Alston D.C., Ball Tyler. A banquet followed.

## HOPE AND UNITY LODGE, No. 214.

THE installation meeting was held at Brentwood on Thursday, 26th ult., when Bro. H. Gamble Hobson was installed as W.M., the ceremony being ably performed by the out-going W.M. Brother Page. The Officers of the year were invested, as follows:—Bros. Goode S.W., Morant J.W., Rev. W. Quennell Chaplain, Cooper Treasurer, Frank Landon Secretary, Wallis S.D., Quennell J.D., Brown D.C., Sargent I.G., Mallett Tyler. The brethren afterwards dined together, and during the evening a choice selection of music was performed by Bros. Brown, Morant, Schartau, Sargent, and Master Humm. It was hoped that the P.G.M. would have been present, but at the last moment Lord Brooke wired that he was unavoidably prevented.

## TRUE LOVE AND UNITY LODGE, No. 248.

THE annual meeting took place at Brixham, on the 20th ult., when Bro. Alfred Kendrick was installed by his immediate predecessor, Bro. the Rev. R. B. Elrington, assisted by Bro. C. Atkins, and supported by a Board of Installed Masters. The W.M. invested the following as his Officers:—Bros. Elrington I.P.M., Wheaton S.W., James J.W., Gregory Treasurer, Cranford Secretary, May S.D.,

Brown J.D., Hayman I.G., Atkins D.C., Rev. E. P. Hood Chaplain, Maredon Steward, Day Organist. Bro. Atherton was re-elected as the representative of the Lodge on the Committee of Petitions. In the evening the brethren dined together in the large hall of the Lodge.

## AMPHIBIOUS LODGE, No. 258.

AT a meeting of the brethren, at Heckmondwike, Bro. A. Macaulay was presented with a Past Master's jewel and collar, in recognition of his having served the office of Worshipful Master for two years in succession. The presentation was made by Bro. Thomas Mitcheson W.M. The jewel bore the inscription:

“Presented to Bro. A. Macaulay by the members of the Amphibious Lodge of Freemasons, Heckmondwike, as a mark of their esteem, on his retiring from the Master's chair after occupying it two years in succession.”

## PHILANTHROPIC LODGE, No. 304.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge took place on the 25th ult., at Leeds, when there was a large muster of brethren from this and the adjacent Provinces. Bro. Brownfoot W.M., who assumed the gavel for the last time, was able to welcome not only a large number of brethren, but a goodly number of Past and Present Provincial Officers. Amongst those who signed the attendance book were Dr. Smyth Grand Chaplain of England, R. Hudson P.G.S.B. of England, H. Smith D.P.G.M. West Yorks, H. Green Prov. G. Sec., C. L. Mason P.P.G. Treasurer, W. F. Smithson P.P.G.D. and Chairman of the Charity Committee, Craig P.P.G.D., Bedford P.P.G.D., Oates P.P.G.A.D.C., Tudor Trevor W.M. 2069, Cheesman W.M. 516, Johnson W.M. 1001, W. T. Carter W.M. 1012, H. Columbine W.M. 1221, and about fifty others. Bro. José Rickard was presented for installation, and duly obligated, after which Bro. Chas. Blagbro, principal tenor of the Leeds Parish Church, sang, as he alone knows how, the appropriate excerpt from Mendelssohn's “St. Paul”—“Be thou faithful unto death.” A Board of Installed Masters having been constituted, the ceremony of installation was continued and completed by Bro. Brownfoot, in a manner which provoked the admiration of all who heard him. It should also be mentioned that Bro. Hill P.M. rendered valuable and efficient aid as D.C. Brother Rickard, the newly-installed W.M., then invested his Officers, as follows:—Bros. Brownfoot I.P.M., Hewson S.W., Cockerlyn J.W., Rev. T. Greenburg (Prov. G. Chap.) Chaplain, Mason (P.P.G. Treas.) Treasurer, Norminton Secretary, Lawson S.D., Booth J.D., Townsend P.P.G.O. Organist, Tomlinson P.M. D.C., Croysdale I.G., Butler and Backhouse Stewards, Barrand Tyler. Bro. Mason was elected Charity Steward, and Bros. Craig and Hewson to represent the Lodge on the Committee of the Local Relief Fund. Bro. H. Smith D.P.G.M., in a few well-chosen sentences, expressed the gratification he felt at being present on this occasion, and his admiration at the admirable manner in which the work had been performed, alluding particularly to the share taken by Bros. Brownfoot and Hill. Hearty good wishes having been exchanged, an adjournment was made to the banqueting hall, where the Festival of St. John was celebrated with great éclat, Bro. Rickard presiding. In the course of the evening Bro. Blagbro and other musical brethren displayed their talent, to the great enjoyment of the large company present. It is satisfactory to state that this old and popular Lodge is in a most desirable condition, both financially and numerically.

## SOUTH SAXON LODGE, No. 311.

THE annual installation took place at Lewes, on the 18th ult. The brethren met at the Masonic Hall, the attendance being very numerous. Bro. S. Peters (Brighton) was duly installed as W.M. for the year ensuing. The ceremony was performed by the retiring W.M., Bro. G. Holman, and the addresses were delivered by Bros. Tanner and Every. The Officers were invested, as follows:—Bros. Stone S.W., Broad J.W., Crosskey Treasurer, Lloyd Secretary, Russell jun. Dir. of Cers., W. Stone S.D., Bull J.D., Peters I.G., Hall Tyler. The retiring Worshipful Master, Bro. Holman, was unanimously voted a Past Master's jewel, and in returning thanks presented the Lodge with a handsome new silk banner, for use at the Provincial gatherings, the gift of Mrs. G. Holman. The banquet took place at the White Hart Hotel, and was provided in an admirable style by Mrs. G. Holman.

## BROTHERLY LOVE LODGE, No. 329.

THE annual festival took place on the 25th ult., at the Three Choughs Hotel, Yeovil, when there was a fair attendance of brethren, the visitors including Bros. Rev. W. Mortimer Heath Past Grand Chaplain of England, G. Masters 1168, Rewsey 437, Leach 437, and J. Bowsey 437. Bro. Gillard was installed in the chair as W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony being performed by Bro. R. C. Else. The following brethren were appointed Officers:—Bros. Baskett I.P.M., Stanton S.W., Raymond J.W., Edgar Treasurer, Whitby Secretary, Marsh S.D., Rodden J.D., Cox Chaplain, Damon D.C., Milborne Organist, Hook I.G., Gaylard and Brook Stewards, Edwards Tyler. The brethren afterwards sat down to a banquet, provided in excellent style by Bro. Sharland.

## PHOENIX LODGE OF HONOUR AND PRUDENCE, No. 331.

THE brethren mustered in strong force at the Masonic Hall, ruro on Thursday afternoon, the 19th ult., to instal Bro. J. Rogers as W.M. for the ensuing twelve months. Under ordinary circumstances the meeting would have been held on the previous Monday, but as the brethren this year decided to hold their banquet in the supper-room at the Public-buildings, an apartment adjoining the Lodge-room, a dispensation was obtained to alter the day, and the result was pre-eminently satisfactory. The work of installation was ably conducted by Bro. J. H. Ferris. The W.M. appointed and invested his Officers, as follows:—Bros. J. Julian I.P.M., Lake S.W., Teague J.W., Rev. F. E.

Gardiner Chap., Hawken Treasurer, Ferris Secretary, Chilcott Assist Secretary, Revell S.D., Whitley J.D., Hockin I.G., Newby D.C., Kilminster Org., Chelley and Lean Stds., Allen Tyler. Bro. Julian was appointed Steward of the C.M.A. and B.F. At the conclusion of the business the brethren adjourned to the banqueting-room.

#### PEACE AND HARMONY LODGE, No. 359.

THE brethren of this Lodge celebrated their Festival on the 16th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Southampton, when Bro. C. S. Dusautoy was installed in the chair in succession to Bro. Edward Brown, the ceremony being performed by Bro. G. Cross, in a manner which gained for him warm commendation. Apologies for non-attendance were announced from Bros. Le Feuvre, J. Harris W.M. 76, and G. Tilling W.M. 394. The W.M. elect had the privilege of being presented for installation by his father, by whom he was also initiated about 17 years ago. The following Officers were appointed:—Bros. Brown I.P.M., Blackman S.W., Jenvey J.W., Weston Secretary, Baker S.D., Dacombe J.D., Cross D.C., Hardie Organist, Griffiths I.G., Rogers and Kingman Stewards, and Vare and Biggs Tylers. On the proposition of Bros. Adams and Dasautoy a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Brown for the efficient and hospitable manner in which he had fulfilled his duties during the year, this deserved compliment being coupled with a decision to present him at the next meeting with a Past Master's jewel. The installation banquet was supplied in first-class style by Bro. Dartnall, and both here and in open Lodge incidental allusion was made to the death of Bro. George Dunlop, by which event three Lodges in Southampton have been placed in mourning. The new Worshipful Master presided, and his health was cordially proposed by the I.P.M. The usual Masonic toasts were also honoured.

#### ST. DAVID'S LODGE, No. 384.

THE installation meeting took place at Bangor, on the 17th ult., when no fewer than forty of the brethren attended. This year the W.M. elect was Bro. T. E. Harris, one of the most popular Freemasons in Wales. The Rev. J. Morgan, M.A., W.M. of the Lodge, conducted the proceedings. The usual formal business having been transacted, Mr. W. Thornton Jones was balloted for, elected, and initiated. The report of the audit committee was read and approved. Bro. Colonel Henry Platt, the installing Master, entered the Lodge room, and was received with the customary honours. He proceeded to install Bro. T. Harris as W.M., which he performed in a highly efficient manner. The newly-elected W.M. appointed his Officers, as follow:—Bros. the Rev. J. Morgan I.P.M., Mills S.W., Dougall J.W., Hughes Treasurer, Wynn Williams Secretary, Gots S.D., Evans J.D., Thomas Organist, Langford Jones I.G., Griffith S.S., Stubbington Tyler. It may be mentioned that this is Bro. Wynn Williams's tenth year as Secretary. The banquet was held at the Castle Hotel, the W.M. presiding, and the vice-chair occupied by the S.W. The Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, the D.P.G.M. responding to the toast of the P.G.M., Lord Harlech, and Officers of the Grand Lodge present and past. The health of the Worshipful Master was proposed by Bro. the Rev. J. Morgan, and acknowledged by the W.M., who proposed the health of the Installing Master. Bro. Pritchard (Mayor of Bangor) responded to the toast of the Past Masters, and the toast of the visiting brethren was coupled with the name of Bro. Hardman, W.M. of the Segontium Lodge. The S.W. (Bro. Mills) responded to the toast of the Officers of the Lodge. During the evening songs were rendered by Bros. Rowland, Munro, Hughes, Mills, W. A. Hughes, Langford Jones, and George Owen; the accompanying being Bro. Thomas.

#### SUTHERLAND LODGE OF UNITY, No. 460.

THE installation meeting took place on the 27th ult. at the Lodge room in the Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyne. The following are the Officers:—Bros. Mountford W.M., Smith I.P.M., Skerrett S.W., Bodley J.W., Croydon Treasurer, Snape Secretary, Edwards Organist, Bonser S.D., Dowling J.D., Viggars I.G., Harrison Steward, Hancock Tyler. The usual banquet followed.

#### LODGE OF HARMONY, No. 580.

THIS Lodge, one of the oldest in the Province, celebrated its anniversary on the 25th ult., at the Wheatsheaf, Burscough Street, Ormskirk, when Bro. Alfred Waterhouse was installed Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. The Lodge of Harmony has had its present charter between thirty and forty years, but as No. 403 it dates back about eighty years ago. The Lodge has naturally passed through many vicissitudes, and although in point of numbers it may at one time have been stronger, there probably was never a period more favourable for working it up into a prominent position amongst its contemporaries than at present. For forty-five years the meetings of the Lodge have been held at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, where there is a handsome and spacious room, specially designed and erected for Masonic assemblies; and in this place, which was elaborately decorated and set out for the occasion, the proceedings took place. Bro. James Thomas, the retiring Worshipful Master, opened the Lodge. The visiting brethren included Bros. W. Goodacre Past Grand Sword Bearer of England and Prov. Grand Secretary, J. M. King P.M. 823, Edward Hartnell 1264, A. E. Smith 477, G. W. Jeukinson 1505, John Orritt 1407, and others. The Worshipful Master elect, Bro. Waterhouse, was presented by Bros. W. Fisher P.M. and Richd. Walker P.M. Dr. of Cers., and the ceremony was efficiently performed by Bro. James Thomas. Bro. Waterhouse invested his Officers, as follow:—James Thomas I.P.M., T. W. M. Horsburgh S.W., Henry Lighthouse J.W., John Bolton Secretary, R. Walker P.M. Treasurer and Dir. of Cers., Arthur J. Brooks S.D., W. Ripley J.D., F. F. Young I.G., W. Martindale Tyler. Subsequently the brethren sat down to dinner, served under the supervision of the host, Bro. R. Taylor.

#### CONCORD LODGE, No. 632.

THE annual meeting was held at Trowbridge, on Tuesday, the 31st ult. The brethren and visitors assembled at 1:30 in goodly numbers, and a considerable amount of enthusiasm was manifested; this may be accounted for by the popularity of the W.M. elect, Bro. G. L. Palmer, and that this was the first regular meeting in the Masonic Hall since its enlargement, its proportions being now of a handsome character. The W.M. Bro. F. Kelland occupied the chair, and opened the proceedings, there being a numerous company present. Bro. W. J. Mann presented the annual report, which was of a satisfactory character, and in his capacity of Steward of Wiltshire for the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, made an appeal on behalf of that Institution, which will celebrate its Centenary this year. The Lodge unanimously voted a sum of 30 guineas towards this excellent Charity. Assisted by a Board of Past Masters, Bro. F. Kelland then, in a very able and satisfactory manner, installed the W.M. elect, Bro. Palmer, into the chair for the ensuing year. The W.M. then proceeded to invest his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Pocock S.W., Applegate J.W., Mann Treasurer, Hill Permanent Secretary, Selfe Assistant Secretary, Brown S.D., Chaplain J.D., Bishop D.C., Cox Organist, White I.G., Bailey Tyler. The charge to the W.M. was delivered by Bro. Sir Gabriel Goldney D.P.G.M., in his usual impressive manner, and that to the Officers by Bro. Kelland. The musical portion of the ceremony was supplied by Bro. Millington, who presided at the mustel organ. The brethren, to the number of 60 or 70, including Bro. Goldney, and most of the distinguished Visitors, afterwards dined together at the George Hotel, Miss Hewitt catering in a satisfactory manner. A very enjoyable time was spent, under the presidency of the new W.M. Bro. Palmer.

#### SCARSDADE LODGE, No. 684.

THE anniversary meeting was held at the Masonic Hall, Saltergate, Chesterfield, on Wednesday, the 25th ult., when Bro. T. Wilkinson was duly installed into the Master's chair by Bro. Jendwine. The following brethren were afterwards invested:—Bros. Thomas Shipton S.W., Windle J.W., Knowles S.D., Arthur Milner D.C., Norman Biggin Organist, Chamberlain I.G., Turner and Bennett Stewards, Smith Tyler. Past Masters Hewitt, Jendwine, Rooth, White, Jones, also Bros. Barnes, Armstrong, Rangeley, Boag, and Briggs. The attendance was smaller than usual, no doubt owing to the prevailing epidemic of illness in the neighbourhood, to recent bereavements in the families of some of the brethren, and to other entertainments on the same evening, but one of the most agreeable re-unions in the history of the Craft in Chesterfield was thoroughly enjoyed.

#### UNITED LODGE, No. 697.

THE monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, the 25th ult., and there was an unusually large attendance of members and visitors, it having been understood that a testimonial (which had been subscribed for by the members) was to be presented to Bro. Thomas Rix in recognition of his long and valuable services to the Lodge as its Secretary. In making the presentation, the Worshipful Master (Bro. G. Pung Hazell) referred to the long and valuable services which Bro. Rix had rendered to the Lodge, and his love and zeal for Freemasonry in general. He alluded to the fact that Bro. Rix had twice passed the chair, and that for a space of nearly 20 years he had filled the office of Secretary, without receiving any fee or reward, beyond a mere verbal recognition of his services. During the whole of that long period he had only been absent twice, and it occurred to one of the oldest Past Masters (Bro. T. Eustace) that such devotion to Freemasonry, and such faithful service to the Lodge, was deserving of more than verbal acknowledgment, and a subscription was started for the purpose of presenting Bro. Rix with a substantial mark of their appreciation of his labours. The members of the Lodge most readily contributed towards the fund, and he now had the pleasure of asking Bro. Rix's acceptance of a marble time-piece and an illuminated address, "in grateful recognition of his long, valued, and efficient services as Secretary." Bro. Rix, in response, thanked the Worshipful Master for the way in which he had spoken of his services, which he said were rendered without the hope or expectation of reward. The duties of Secretary of such a Lodge as that, numbering as it did between 80 and 90 members, were no light matter; and had it not been for the valuable assistance he always received from his friend the P.G. Secretary, Bro. Ralling, he should never have been able to cope with the difficulties which often presented themselves. However, so long as he had health and strength, and so long as it was the wish of the brethren, he should be happy to continue in the office which he had filled, he hoped to the satisfaction of all, for so many years. He thanked the brethren from the bottom of his heart for their very handsome testimonial, which he should always prize very highly, and which would be handed as an heirloom to his children. The clock, a massive black marble time-piece, was supplied by Bro. Hildyard, of Colchester; and the address, which was very beautifully illuminated, was the work of Mr. O. Ralling, of Exeter, formerly of Colchester.

#### BOSCAWEN LODGE, No. 699.

ON Monday, the 23rd ult., the brethren celebrated their annual festival. The W.M. elect, Bro. N. Pascoe, was installed by Bro. Charles Kent. The Worshipful Master appointed his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Kent I.P.M., Grose S.W., Hall J.W., Rev. G. L. Church Chaplain, Bennett Treasurer, Rapson Secretary, Borlase S.D., Mannell J.D., Tyack I.G., Hocking and Rogers Stewards, Lean Tyler, Bray Assistant Tyler. Bro. Kent was elected Steward for the C.M.A. and B.F. Lodge having been closed, the brethren adjourned to the banqueting-room, where a first-class dinner was provided by Bro. Hocking.



## LINDSEY LODGE, No. 712.

THE installation meeting was held at Louth, on the 27th ultimo. The newly-installed Master, Brother John Norfolk, invested the following brethren:—Smith I.P.M., Rev. W. H. Mills S.W., Parker J.W., Munday Chaplain, Shephard S.D., Matthews J.D., Griffin D.C., Porter Organist, Mawer Secretary. In the evening the brethren dined together at the Masons' Arms Hotel.

## CRAVEN LODGE, No. 810.

THE members celebrated the festival of St. John in their Lodge Room, at the Devonshire Hotel, Skipton, on Friday, 27th ult. Bro. Throup was the Installing Master, assisted by Bros. Davis and Lee. Brother Thomas Varley was installed W.M., and afterwards invested the following Officers:—Bros. Anderton S.W., Henry Waddington J.W., Major Robinson Treasurer, Ackernley Secretary, Peden S.D., Clayton J.D., and Exton I.G. The banquet was held in the Devonshire Hotel, where there were present several members from the neighbouring Lodges, including the Royal Yorkshire (Keighley) and the Castlebergh (Settle).

## LEWIS LODGE, No. 872.

THE members of this Lodge held their annual meeting in the Freemasons' Hall, Duke Street, Whitehaven, on Monday, the 16th ultimo. There was a good attendance; the Lodge was opened by Brother T. Brakenridge W.M., when, on the confirmation of the minutes of the former Lodge, Brother Field was presented and installed. He invested the following Officers:—Brothers Moffat S.W., Muir J.W., Anderson Chaplain, Spittall Treasurer (for the seventeenth time), Atkinson Secretary, B. Taylor S.D., D. Taylor J.D., Storey Organist, Shepherd D.C., Pattinson I.G., J. Kerr Farquharson and Johnston Stewards, Sewell Tyler. The ceremony of installation was performed in a very perfect manner by the retiring W.M., Brother Brakenridge, who was ably assisted by Brothers T. Glessel and H. Burns P.P.G.O., and a unanimous vote of thanks was passed to them for their services, to be recorded. The following Past Masters and brethren signed:—Thomas Atkinson, Hogdson, Clarke, Fisher, Dr. J. Pirie, Studholme, Thompson, Starkey, Meageen, Mitchell, Eden, Saunders, Wilson, Bromley, Roll, Matthews, Ward, R. Ward, Hartley, and others. The usual business of the Lodge having been disposed of, the newly-installed Master invited all present to adjourn with him to Brother Roll's, Black Lion Hotel, King Street, where an excellent banquet was served.

## PRIORY LODGE, No. 1000.

ON Thursday, the 26th ult., the installation meeting was held, at the Middleton Hotel, Southend. The Worshipful Master (Bro. J. F. Harrington) occupied the chair, and there was a large attendance of brethren. The ceremony of installing the W.M. elect (Bro. C. Floyd) was impressively performed by Bro. Merritt, and the W.M. afterwards invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Glasscock S.W., Bridgeland J.W., Rev. T. W. Herbert Chaplain, Wood Treasurer, Lucking Secretary, Hood S.D., Thomas J.D., Vanderford I.G., Barrett D.C., Bowmaker Organist, Cook and Heath Stewards, Martin Tyler. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Installing Master; twenty guineas were voted to the Charities; and a Past Master's jewel was presented to the I.P.M. After Lodge the brethren sat down to a *récherché* banquet, served by Brother Pritchard.

## GREY FRIARS LODGE, No. 1101.

A MEETING was held at the Masonic Hall, Reading, on the 11th ult. Bros. Creed W.M., Ravenscroft I.P.M., Slaughter S.W., Greenaway J.W., Stransom Treasurer, Ridley Secretary, Hukins S.D., Sparrow J.D., Margrett P.M. acting as D.C., Sherwin Organist, Brown I.G., Stewart, Smallwood and Hadder Stewards, P.M.'s Welch, Blackwell, and Hawkes. Visitors:—Clifton Davy J.D. 1566, Martin W.M. 414, Colebrook 727 Melbourne (Australia), Margrett 493, Gadd 1247. The Lodge was opened, and the minutes of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed. The ballot was taken for the following candidates for initiation:—Messrs. Frederick Clitherow, Margrett, James Dymore Brown jun., William Byron Biddles, Edward Henry Salmon, and Edwin John Lewis; all were approved. Messrs. Margrett and Brown were then admitted and initiated into the mysteries and privileges of Antient Freemasonry, the ceremony being performed in each case by the W.M., while the charge was given by the I.P.M. On Bro. Ravenscroft taking his seat at the opening of the Lodge, he was invested by the W.M. with a handsome I.P.M.'s collar, of the revised pattern, a gift from the W.M. to the Lodge. The labours of the evening being ended, the Lodge was closed according to antient form, and adjourned.

## JOPPA LODGE, No. 1114.

THE members of this Lodge met in the Lodge-room, at the Corn Hall, Tottenham, on the 18th ult., when the installation of Bro. Oliver Hudson as W.M. for the ensuing year took place. The ceremony was performed by Bro. M. B. Bircham, who was assisted by Brother Grammett. The newly-elected W.M. invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Carson S.W., George Smith J.W., Watson Treasurer, Atkinson Secretary, Goddard S.D., Bowles J.D., Carson I.G., Sheringham and Overman Stewards, Waterson Tyler. At the close of the business the brethren adjourned to the Crown Hotel, where the annual banquet had been provided by Bro. William Harvey, the chair being taken by the newly-elected W.M., and the vice-chair by the S.W. The company included Visitors from the following Lodges, viz:—Sincerity, Norwich; Sondes, East Dereham; Philanthropic, King's Lynn; and Suffield, North Walsham. The usual Masonic and other toasts were given.

## LANGTHORNE LODGE, No. 1421.

THE installation meeting was held on Thursday evening, the 26th ult., at the Angel Hotel, Ilford, and was followed by the customary banquet.

## ALEXANDRA LODGE, No. 1511.

THE installation meeting took place on the 16th ult., at Hornsea; it went off successfully, and an unusual number of prominent members of the Craft attended to witness the interesting ceremony. The installation ceremony was admirably performed by B.os. George Milner and G. D. Shackles. The following are the new Officers:—Bros. Wells W.M., Allen I.P.M., Gaskell S.W., Haigh J.W., Elsom Chaplain, Shackles Treasurer, Laking Secretary, Milner Organist, Tripp S.D., Carter J.D., Webb D.C., Heslop Almoner, Holme Steward, Miskin I.G., Garton Tyler. A banquet was held subsequently at the Mere Hotel.

## EARL OF SHREWSBURY LODGE, No. 1520.

ON Wednesday, the 25th ult., the members celebrated the feast of St. John, at the Lodge Room, Local Board Offices, Cannock. Bro. J. L. Gibbons duly installed the W.M. elect, Bro. Evans, who afterwards invested the following as his Officers for the year:—Peter Sharp I.P.M., Bros. Simpson S.W., Heape J.W., Green Treasurer, Stead Secretary, Smith S.D., Gilroy J.D., Cope D.C., Foxton Organist, Blower I.G., Brownell and Ryle Stewards, Edward Coombes Tyler.

## CENTURION LODGE, No. 1718.

AT a Lodge held at the Inns of Court Hotel, W.C., on Wednesday, the 25th ult., Bro. Major M. Hancock W.M., the Rev. A. D. Clarke was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, and he subsequently appointed Bros. Major T. Tully S.W., Lieut. T. S. Jay J.W., Lieut. Colonel Wilde S.D., Captain G. E. Hammond J.D., Captain W. B. Baggallay I.G.

## ST. OSYTH'S PRIORY LODGE, No. 2063.

AT the supper which followed the usual meeting on Friday evening, the 20th ultimo, at the Royal Hotel, Clacton-on-Sea, the sum of £3 3s was collected and given to the widow of the man Addis, whose death took place so suddenly on the Thursday preceding.

## CASTLEBERG LODGE, No. 2091.

ON the 26th ult., the brethren of this Lodge assembled to install the Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, and also to celebrate the festival of St. John. At the Lodge, which was attended by a goodly muster of the members, reinforced by visitors from Skipton, Keighley, Haworth, &c. Brother Thomas Braysshaw was installed as Worshipful Master, the ceremony being impressively performed by Brother Procter I.P.M., assisted by Brothers Throup and Lee.

## PRINCE EDWARD LODGE, No. 2109.

THE installation festival took place on Thursday, 19th instant, at the Conservative Club, Heaton Moor. Bro. J. H. Wells was installed W.M. by Bro. Goodacre, assisted by Bro. T. F. Hopewell. A large number of Past Masters and brethren were present. At the banquet which followed about one hundred ladies and brethren attended, and after the loyal and customary toasts had been drunk, the W.M., in the name of the brethren presented the Immediate Past Master (Bro. Webster) with a handsome Past Master's jewel.

## BROWNLOW LODGE, No. 2131.

THE Festival of St. John was celebrated at Ellesmere, by the members, on Monday, 23rd ult., when Bro. Walter John Ogg was installed Worshipful Master. The brethren met in the handsome Lodge-room at the Town Hall, at 4.15 p.m., when there was a goodly array of brethren present. Several letters of apology for non-attendance were read. The Worshipful Master elect was presented by Bro. Townsend, and the ceremony of installation was performed in a very impressive manner by Bro. Akeroyd, the retiring W.M., assisted by P.M.'s Crump, Parsons and Townsend. After the ceremony the Worshipful Master invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Akeroyd I.P.M., Salter S.W., Giles J.W., Lawrence Treasurer, Rev. H. K. Southwell Secretary, Sheraton S.D., Child J.D., Captain Armitage I.G., Swann Tyler. Routine business having been transacted, the brethren adjourned to the Bridgwater Hotel, where an excellent banquet was served by Mrs. Lawrence.

## STAR LODGE, No. 219 S.C.

THE annual visitation of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Glasgow to this Lodge was made on Monday, the 23rd ult. The Provincial Grand deputation was headed by Brother W. J. Easton D.P.G.M. The R.W.M., Brother George D. Miller, was supported on the dais by the following R.W.M.'s, who were accompanied by deputations from their respective Lodges, viz:—Brothers Latimer 116, R. M'Donald 128, S. Macleir 275, D. Crofts P.M. 413, W. Campbell 441, Brown 592, M. Anderson 465, G. C. H. M'Naught 556, W. Sivewright 571, &c. A pleasant evening was afterwards spent in harmony, the usual loyal and patriotic toasts being given and honoured.

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UPON WHICH OCCASION

**SIR GEORGE ELLIOT, Bart., M.P.,**

R.W. PROV. G.M. SOUTH WALES (EAST DIVISION),

has been pleased to signify his intention of Presiding.

**BRETHREN** are earnestly invited to accept the office of Stewards upon this occasion, and they will greatly oblige by forwarding their names and Masonic rank, as soon as convenient, to the Secretary, who will gladly give any information required, and supply them with the necessary circulars, &c.

It is fraternally hoped that upon this occasion, owing to the large number of applicants and the few vacancies, Brethren will use their influence to obtain donations towards the funds of the Institution, which were never more needed than at the present time. Expenditure in Annuities alone £15,000. Permanent income only £3,600.

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**OLUF HAXTHAUSEN P.M. No. 35,**

Who is a Candidate for election to the benefits of the Institution. Bro. Haxthausen was initiated into Freemasonry nearly 40 years ago; has been W.M. of Medina Lodge, No. 35, Cowes, of which he is still a Subscribing Member; he was for many years the Consular Agent of France for the Isle of Wight, and was in prosperous circumstances; but owing to depression in trade and domestic afflictions he has been reduced to utter destitution, and being old and very infirm he is incapacitated from seeking any employment. His application is supported by the Charities' Committee of the Province of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, and is strongly recommended by the following Brethren.

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**ALICE VASEY,**

WIDOW OF THE LATE BRO. SAMUEL VASEY.

Bro. Samuel Vasey was a ship's provision merchant, at Wapping, 1848-1880, where he was unsuccessful in business, and died shortly after, leaving his widow quite without means. He was initiated in the Yorborough Lodge, No. 554, in 1851; W.M. 1860; subscribed 12 years. Joined Unity Lodge, No. 183, in 1866; W.M. 1869; subscribed 12 years. P.Z. of Yorborough Chapter. Self and wife Life Subscribers R.M.I.B.

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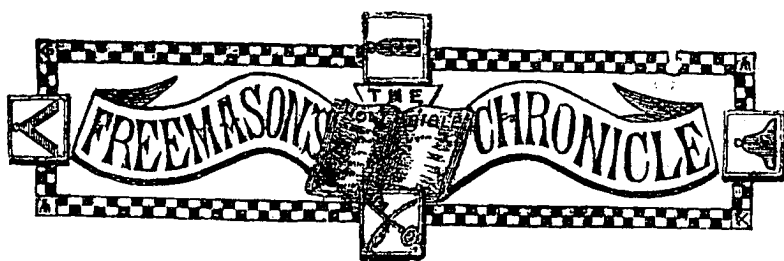
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A P.M. and P.Z., now forming a COLLECTION, would be greatly obliged if any brethren would kindly forward him a spare copy of their Lodge or Chapter Summons.

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**AN "OPEN" MASONIC BANQUET AND INSTALLATION.**

[BY AGRICKLER.]

**N**O. I have not joined the Freemasons, and you need not sign yourselves mine "fraternally" when you write. Neither am I going to divulge any of the secrets of that ancient and honourable Craft, for the simple reason that I know of none that are not patent to all the world on this side of the Atlantic. But I have (by invitation) partaken of a Masonic banquet, and afterwards honoured with my presence the installation of the "Worshipful Master," and a number of minor officers down to the "Tyler." They reverse the order of things in this country, for I am told that in England they proceed to the installation first, and afterwards have the banquet. This is in accordance with the English marriage law, which enacts that the "solemn service" shall take place before the wedding feast, humorously called "breakfast" at noon. But bless you! every man present was as sober as a judge after the banquet; indeed I felt rather more so. For it was not a "banquet of wine." There were oysters without Chablis, chicken without champagne, cheese without crusted port, and coffee without Cognac. The venerable editor of the local paper, by birth an Englishman, but long since naturalised in this country, told me next morning that he had been unable to sleep all night. Perhaps he was troubled how to compress the fearful amount of copy required to describe all the events of the evening into half a column or thereabouts, being all the room he could spare; but he said it was indigestion! I do not wonder at it. Perhaps I should have suffered the same myself, but that I took care to put a good stiff glass of grog on top of the Masonic banquet before I went to rest.

The banquet took place at the Town Hall, and the installation at the Masonic Lodge, which was close at hand. The time appointed, seven p.m., found between two and three hundred persons assembled at the Town Hall, and as the Freemasons belonging to the Lodge number but sixty odd, there must have been a great many outsiders, like myself. Of these the greater part were ladies, and when we sat down to table there were not only enough of the fair sex to form a sandwich for every man, but there were some over and above that might have been utilised as wall flowers or ornaments—only, of course, they were not. The amateur waiters were all members of the Fraternity, but I noticed that they did not put on their aprons until their work was done, which was a pity, as they might have found them useful, the aprons being composed of linen glass cloth, such as is used for rubbing and polishing glasses—but I forgot, there were no glasses used!

"Anything in reason," said the Lord Mayor's butler (in *Punch*) to the guest who asked for a glass of beer. "but beer at the Mansion House!!" Anything in reason, say I, but coffee (or tea), and nothing else, at a Masonic banquet! Well, the longer we live the more we have to learn, and so you will find when you come to my years. I need not further describe the banquet, the fare being



similar to what I have already described in the wedding feasts, only there were no Japanese napkins provided for the purpose of wrapping up and carrying away what we could not eat. Supper being ended we all adjourned to the Masonic Lodge, which was fitted up, I presume, in the usual manner. Close to the entrance, and immediately facing the throne of the Worshipful Master, was a small dais with a seat for the Senior Warden, on each side of which was a massive-looking pillar or pedestal. Putting my hand lightly on one of these when passing through a somewhat narrow space, I came very near enacting the part of Samson at Gaza. The pillar, poised on the very edge of the platform, reeled from its base, and would have fallen, bringing destruction as it fell, but for my admirable presence of mind. I seized the tottering column and held it in my firm embrace, as I would have supported a nice young lady in a fainting fit, and so prevented the threatened catastrophe. Placing it back in position, and somewhat farther from the edge, I took my seat, with Masons to right of me, Masons to left of me, Masons in front of me, and so on—but ladies (bless their dear hearts), who were not Masons, everywhere besides. For I (as an outsider) was the guest of the evening, and down on the programme for a speech! The Worshipful Master, who alone wore his hat, then opened the proceedings by striking a blow with the mallet to call for silence and attention. He then read what he had to say, slowly and deliberately, from a book, and the installation of Officers was carried out, I presume in the usual way, each one being invested with a collar and conducted to his place. And then followed the speech-making, inappropriately called "toasts" on the programme. Of these there were six, and mine fortunately came the last. If I had not witnessed the fearful bungling of those who preceded me, I should hardly have had courage to make an extempore speech, and had written down all I intended to say, a great portion of which was inappropriate to the novel aspect which Masonry presented to me when the time for reading it arrived, my subject being "Masonry, as seen from the outside." The Episcopalian and Methodist clergymen, both brothers of the Order, preceded me. The Methodist had to show the "Relation of Masonry to Christianity," and managed it better than I expected, his argument being based on the assumption that the same upright and level conduct was required to make a good Mason and make a good Christian. The Episcopalian's subject was "Charities of Masonry," and he candidly confessed that "Charities," in the ordinary sense of the term, the local Masons had none, but (said he), "Here are the Methodist and Episcopalian ministers at loggerheads in the pulpit, and seldom agreeing in anything outside of it, but as Freemasons we are sworn brothers." This was very neatly put, and said more in favour of Masonry than anything else I heard during the evening. "The Lights of Masonry" was the subject entrusted to a venerable layman, old enough to know better than make such an absurd exhibition of himself. A man of first-class position, inhabiting the grandest house, driving the finest horses, and probably enjoying the largest income in Willoughby. I was curious to know what he would say about the "lights" of Masonry, and fully expected that he would quote John Ruskin, whose works, by the bye, I have never read. But, alas! the speaker left us still more than ever in the dark. The greater part of his speech, which was insufferably long and tedious, was made up of preface and apology, and he wound up by telling us that the Bible was the only true light of Masonry, without showing what possible connection there can be between the two. The oratory of a Methodist class leader is not, one would think, calculated to make any favourable impression on an audience composed of men of the world and philosophers. But it had a capital effect on me. When it came to my turn I arose to my feet like a giant refreshed with new wine, and not waiting to draw the carefully prepared MS. from my pocket, plunged at once into the marrow of my subject, as if temporarily gifted with the spontaneity of the Grand Old Man. "Worshipful Master, ladies, and gentlemen," I began, "not liking to trust my untried powers of public speaking to the inspiration of the moment, I had prepared a written answer to the question proposed to me, intending to read it to you this evening, but have found since I have been in your company that the aspect of Freemasonry, as it appears to outsiders in England, does not apply to this country at all. I feel something like the cabman in *Punch*, when discharging his passenger, who handed him the legal fare and not a sixpence over. The cabman grumbled, of course. 'And what do you think your fare is?' inquired the gentleman, pompously. 'Well,' said Cabby, 'I should not have ventured the observation if you had not asked me, but I think him a mean humbug—there!' and away he drove. I should not have ventured to give you my opinion of Freemasonry if you had not asked me, but having been asked, shall give it without fear, favour, or affection. After enjoying your hospitality, and after the very eloquent addresses and lucid explanation we have heard this evening, it would be extremely rude of me to tell you that you are a parcel of mean humbugs. From my point of view certainly not—indeed, the very reverse. But you ask me for the opinion of the public, and I am bound to give it you truly and honestly. In England, where the lights of Masonry are hidden under a bushel, and jealously guarded—where wives and daughters are always excluded, not only from its mysteries, but from its social gatherings—where a Masonic banquet, with its accompanying wines, sometimes costs the neophyte in Masonry enough to buy a new dress or bonnet for his wife, there is a general impression that the rites of Masonry are used merely as a stalking-horse for conviviality and dissipation. We do not hesitate to say that Masonry is nothing but humbug. I should not have ventured to tell you so, if you had not asked me." An American audience is not usually a very demonstrative one, but my impudent sallies were received with roars of laughter. If I had read the prepared speech it would have fallen flat, for its principal argument was based on the supposed exclusion of the fair sex. An American Mrs. Caudle goes to the banquet with her husband, partakes of the same beverage, and is satisfied that he gets nothing else on the sly. She is present at the solemn ceremony of his installation, sees her favourite minister seated beside the

Worshipful Master, and might easily fancy herself seated in her favourite church, but for a comic glee which immediately succeeded the prosing of the venerable class leader, and a comic song by one of the Fraternity which immediately preceded the benediction. And then she goes home snugly tucked under Mr. Caudle's arm, and probably helps him to a glass of whisky hot before retiring behind the curtain. On the liquor question, these people are the most outrageous hypocrites I ever met with or heard of. Most of them keep the "accursed thing" in house, and although they seldom, if ever, offer it to a guest, if the guest knows the proper sign and password he can generally get it if he wants it!

WILLOUGHBY OHIO.

*From the Bristol Mercury.*

## MARK MASONRY.

### SUSSEX LODGE, No. 75.

THE installation meeting was held on Wednesday, 26th ult., in the Royal Pavilion, Brighton. The W.M., Bro. R. B. Y. Powell presided. The distinguished visitors included Bros. C. F. Matier P.G.W. Assistant Grand Secretary, R. Berridge P.G.M.O. G.D.C.; and G. P. Festa P.A.G.D.C. Two brethren having been advanced, the balance sheet was read and passed, the latter showing the Lodge to be in a flourishing condition. Bro. Abell was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year. The following Officers were appointed:—Bros. Powell I.P.M., Ridge S.W., Henderson J.W., Harrison M.O., Downard S.O., Parsons J.O., Rev. W. A. Tooth Chaplain, Lockyer Treasurer, Hill Registrar of Marks, Backwell Secretary, Solomon S.D., Higham J.D., Belcher D.C., Willard Organist, Bullock I.G., Lamette and Histed Stewards, Hughes Tyler. The Lodge having been duly closed the brethren adjourned to the Pavilion Hotel, where they sat down to a banquet, served up in admirable style by Bro. Daniel, whose catering gave universal satisfaction. Bro. Abell presided. The customary Loyal toasts and those of the Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge having been given from the chair, Bro. Lockyer proposed the Worshipful Master. Bro. Abell had displayed such zeal in Masonry that he felt the Royal Sussex Lodge was fortunate in securing him as their W.M., and he heartily wished him a prosperous year of office. The W.M., in responding, gave a brief résumé of the history of the Lodge, and its resuscitation by the kindly efforts of Bro. Lockyer. The Lodge was now the largest in the Province, and was financially strong. He, however, expressed regret that the various Lodges in the Province received such scant courtesy and attention to business details from the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons. He thanked the brethren for their confidence in electing him as their W.M., and said he would spare no pains to make the Lodge a thorough success. He appealed to them to support him as their Steward to the Mark Benevolent Fund, and gave interesting particulars as to the disposal of the annual sums collected. The Visitors, the Past Masters, and the Officers having been given from the chair, the programme was closed with the Tyler's toast. The various speeches were agreeably interspersed with songs, rendered by Bros. Willard, Cole, and Alsted, and a recitation by Bro. Buckwell.

### CORNUBIAN LODGE, No. 87.

THE annual meeting was held on the 17th ult., at Hayle, when Bro. J. C. Barrow was installed W.M. by Bro. Baker. Brother Williams was invested as I.P.M., and the W.M. appointed as his Officers Bros. George Williams S.W., Thomas J.W., Rowe M.O., Read S.O., Rowe J.O., Baker Chaplain, Osborn Treasurer, Veal S.D., Boase J.D., Rowe Registrar of Marks, Weller Organist, Jackson I.G., Bray Tyler. The brethren afterwards dined in the new dining-rooms.

### HENRY LODGE, No. 216.

THE annual installation meeting of this Lodge was held on Wednesday, 18th ultimo. The Lodge was opened by Bro. George Dalrymple, supported by the Officers and members, when the minutes were read and confirmed, and three candidates were balloted for, and advanced to the degree. Bro. Dr. James I. Lace was presented by Bro. Craig, and duly installed in the chair. The following were invested as Officers:—Bros. James Harper I.P.M., Routledge S.W., Dickson J.W., Craig M.O., Lowden S.O., Harvey J.O., William Swain Registrar, Dalrymple Secretary, Cross S.D., Hartley J.D., Wakefield I.G., Gordon Tyler. With the other general business transacted, the Lodge was duly closed, and the brethren dined together.

During the Mastership of Brother James March considerable improvements have been effected, both as regards ventilation and the general comfort of the brethren, in the interior of the commodious Lodge-room in connection with the Masonic Hall, at Richmond, Yorkshire, so generously presented to the Freemasons by the late Earl of Zetland. A well-executed device has been artistically arranged at the eastern end of the Hall, and the work has been executed in a meritorious manner, at once stamping it as a first-class work of art. Brother Thomas Chapman Denham is the Worshipful Master of 123 for the ensuing year.

At the monthly meeting of the members of the Parrett and Axe Lodge, No. 814, held at the Town Hall, Crewkerne, on Tuesday evening, the 24th ult., Bro. A. Hart S.W. was elected W.M. for the ensuing year, and Bro. Tompsett Treasurer.

## ROYAL ARCH.

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## SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

**T**HE Quarterly Convocation of the Supreme Grand Chapter was held on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall, London, under the presidency of Comp. Lt.-Col. R. Townley Caldwell, M.A., Grand Superintendent Cambridgeshire, as Grand Z. Thos. Fenn, P. Pres. Com. General Purposes as H., James Glaisher as J., Col. Shadwell H. Clerke S.E., Ralph Gooding, M.D., as S.N., Major John Sampson Peirce as Prin. Soj., Rev. Thomas Cartwright Smyth, D.D., 1st Assist. Soj., George Cooper 2nd Assist. Soj., Frank Richardson D. of C., Felix Sumner Knyvett Sword Br., Edgar Baylis 2nd Standard Br., John Lawrence Mather 3rd Std. Br., Witham M. Bywater 4th Standard Br., Edwin Matthew Lott (Mus. Doc.) as Org., A. A. Pendlebury Assist. Scribe E., &c. The minutes of the last Convocation having been confirmed, the report of the Committee of General Purposes was received, and the various recommendations contained in the report were duly brought before the Companions, who signified their approval of them. After other business had been transacted, the Grand Chapter was closed.

## CONSECRATION OF THE SIR GEORGE ELLIOT CHAPTER.

**O**N Tuesday afternoon, the 24th ultimo, the consecration of the Sir George Elliot Chapter took place at the Masonic Hall, Working Street, Cardiff. The Most Excellent the Prov. Grand Superintendent, the Rev. Dr. Walters, presided, and amongst those present were—Captain Homfray J., S. Cooper H., Whittington S.E., G. Thomas M.E.Z. 36, John Hazel, Davies, Key, Naunton Davies, Fabian, Isaac Thomas, Carey Thomas, David Williams, J. H. Taylor, J. Munday, Pickford, T. Jones, H. P. Roberts, S. D. Churchill, Richards, J. Saunders, R. Williams and J. R. Wood. The ceremony of consecration was performed by the M.E. Grand Superintendent, assisted by Companion Captain G. Homfray, Companion S. Cooper, and Companion the Rev. Dr. Walters, after which the installation of the Principals of the Sir George Elliot Chapter took place, as follows: T. Matthews M.E.Z., W. Shackell H., and H. White J. The other Officers were invested and appointed, as follows:—Hussey S.E., Williams S.N., Munday Treasurer, Varzopolo P.S., Evans 1st A.S., Carey Thomas 2nd A.S., Williams Steward, Rees Steward, and Jenkins Janitor. The Companions adjourned to the Royal Hotel, where the installation banquet was held.

## ZETLAND CHAPTER, No. 236.

**T**HE regular Convocation of this Chapter was held on Wednesday, the 25th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Duncombe-place, York, when there were present Companions Rymer M.E.Z. (Lord Mayor of York), Kirby H., Garbutt J., Todd P.Z. Treasurer, Rooke P.Z., Buckle, B.A., P.Z., Rogerson M.E.Z. 1435, Purnell S.E., McGachou S.N., Border P.S. (Sheriff of York), Carter 1st A.S., Brogden 2nd A.S., Hodgson Organist, Hopton D.C., Watkinson Steward, Calvett Janitor, Fairbairn, Grimshaw, Cattell, Palliser, Waistell, Ward, Linley, Livesey, Lee, Draper, Wilson, Biscomb, Hey and Brysom.

## GROVE CHAPTER, No. 410.

**T**HE installation meeting of this Chapter was held on the 28th ult., at the Swan Hotel, Leatherhead. Comp. Lister M.E.Z. was unavoidably absent, but he had provided a most efficient substitute in the person of Comp. Withers P.Z., Prov. Asst. G.S.E. Middx., who greatly gratified the members of the Chapter by his obliging assistance in the work before them. Bros. H. J. F. Dumas and H. C. S. Dumas, sons of Comp. Dumas P.Z. P.P.G.S.B. England, and Provincial Grand J. Surrey, having been duly elected by ballot, were exalted in a most impressive manner. Comp. Haydon P.Z. was again installed as 1st Principal. The installation of H. was deferred, in consequence of the absence of Comp. Williams P.A.G.S. Eng., and P.G.J. Surrey. Comp. Andrews was installed as J. The investment of Officers followed. A sum of two guineas was voted to the Greenwood Memorial Fund. Comp. Chapeaurouge, of the Prince of Wales Chapter, was present as a visitor, and notice was given that he would be proposed as a joining member of this Chapter at the next meeting. The Companions afterwards dined together, under the genial presidency of Comp. Dumas P.Z.

## TENBY LODGE, No. 1117.

**O**N Monday last the annual meeting was held at the Masonic rooms, South Parade, Tenby. Bro. Joseph Henry Thomas, was installed W.M. for the ensuing year. He invested his Officers, as follows:—Bros. Lewis P.M., Brockham S.W., Allen J.W., Lock P.M. Treasurer, Morgan Chaplain, Leach Secretary, Wade S.D., Bancroft J.D., Wood I.G., Hughes D.C., Rees Steward, Remfrey Steward, Sales Organist, and Pratt Tyler. The Lodge having been closed, the brethren adjourned to the Royal Gate House Hotel, where a sumptuous banquet had been prepared, under the direction of Mrs. Bright, the manageress.

## Obituary.

## BRO. GRIFFITHS SMITH, P.G.A.D.C.

**T**HE death of Brother Griffiths Smith was announced last week. Brother Smith was initiated in the Emulation Lodge, No. 21, in which Lodge he filled the chair, and represented it on the Board of Grand Stewards. He joined the Fitzroy Lodge in 1870, and filled the chair there in 1875. He was exalted to the Royal Arch degree in Cyrus Chapter, No. 21, on 28th January 1868, and acted as First Principal in 1875. In 1884 he received the collar of Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies, and a few days later was appointed 3rd Grand Standard Bearer of Supreme Grand Chapter. He was a member of the Board of General Purposes, and one of its Finance Committee from 1872 to 1875; he was a Vice-President of the Colonial Board for several years, and was also elected member of the Board of Benevolence. He was a Vice-Patron of the Girls' School, and had served ten Stewardships on its behalf; a Life Governor of the Boys' School and the Benevolent Institution. Brother Griffiths Smith had also done excellent service on the Committees of the respective Institutions.

## BRO. WILLIAM OLLIS.

**T**HE funeral of the late Bro. William Ollis, of Stoke, took place at the Plymouth Cemetery, on 27th ult., and was attended by a number of friends and acquaintances of the deceased. The coffin bore the inscription:—"William Ollis, died 23rd January 1888. Aged 62 years." There were some handsome wreaths. The deceased gentleman was a P.M. of Sincerity Craft Lodge, 189; P.P.G.S.D.; P.M. of Sincerity Mark; P.W.C.N. in the Ark Mariners; and at the time of his decease held the office of H. in Sincerity Royal Arch Chapter.

## BRO. JAMES SMITH.

On the 31st ult., the remains of the late Bro. James Smith, Kirkdale Lodge, 1756, were interred at Anfield Cemetery. Deceased, who had been for several years a member, was very highly respected. The service was conducted by Bro. Dr. Hyde, Chaplain 1086. A number of wreaths were placed on the coffin, supplemented by one of exquisite beauty from the brethren of the Kirkdale Lodge.

## MASONIC RECEPTION TO THE EARL OF CARNARVON.

**T**HE Earl of Carnarvon Lodge, No. 2124 (E.C.), accorded their name-father an enthusiastic reception at the Collingwood Town Hall, Victoria, on Saturday, the 11th December. The Worshipful Master, Bro. James Page, summoned his Lodge to meet at noon. A large number of visitors from other Lodges were present by invitation. The Grand Lodge of Victoria was represented by its principal Officers in full regalia, although Bro. Sir. W. J. Clarke, Bart., the Provincial Grand Master, was unavoidably absent. The Past Masters of the Lodge conducted their illustrious visitor, the Right Honourable the Earl of Carnarvon, 1ro G.M. of England, to the body of the Lodge, and to a seat of honour at the right of the W.M., who on behalf of his Lodge accorded their distinguished guest a hearty greeting. Past Master Bro. Bailey delivered an able and appropriate address, at the same time presenting the Earl, on behalf of the Lodge, with a superbly finished album as a souvenir of his visit. The album contained a beautifully engrossed address, views of the Collingwood Town Hall, and of other subjects of interest in the city and colony, together with photos of the Master, Officers, and Members of the Lodge. The Earl of Carnarvon expressed his very high gratification at the splendid reception and appropriate presentation. The brethren adjourned "from labour to refreshment" in a larger Hall. The banquet not being restricted to Masons, the Mayor and a large number of representative men sat down to a sumptuous repast. After the usual loyal toasts and the singing of the National Anthem, the health of the distinguished guest was proposed by the W.M. in a short but hearty speech, and drunk with much enthusiasm. The Earl of Carnarvon responded in a terse, measured, statesmanlike speech. He spoke of the wonderful progress their city had made. If "fifty years of Europe were better than a cycle of Cathay," then, said the Earl, ten years of Victoria were equal to fifty years of Europe. But, besides the interest of a general kind which he took in this great country, there was to him a still more agreeable feature of his visit, namely, the many old friendships revived and the new ones formed. When he returned to England, he would tell how Masonry flourished in this new land. The lesson of Masonry was a very high and noble one. Knowledge, however deep or recondite, was to be translated into practical helpfulness and beneficence, and he was glad to see the lesson was understood and acted upon in this city and colony. He would return deeply grateful for the kindness he received. Other speakers were Sir Henry Wrenfordley, the Hon. W. H. Roberts, M.L.C., Mr. W. G. Field, M.L.A., the Rev. E. A. Thomas, and representatives of other Lodges. While the Earl of Carnarvon was withdrawing, before the close of the banquet, "Auld Lang Syne" was sung by the company, all standing up, and thus the gratifying affair came to an end.

## THE THEATRES, &amp;c.

**Olympic.**—That most stirring drama "The Ticket of Leave Man" has once more been presented, this time at the theatre where it was originally produced, and where it secured such golden opinions. The present revival would add fresh laurels to the writer of this excellent piece were he here to receive them, but, alas, Tom Taylor has passed away. The reception accorded the present revival was most hearty, people laughing over the queer sayings of good old Mrs. Willoughby, and wondering at the rascality of James Dalton. With a finished actor for Dalton we are sure to have an exciting time in the principal scene of the piece—the Bill Broker's office; and in the present case the representative of the part was, perhaps, the best that has ever taken it in hand. The management were lucky in securing the services of Mr. E. S. Willard to impersonate the Tiger. This gentleman's make up in "the scene" was a masterpiece, while his acting was both powerful and grand. Mr. Willard's disguise as the old city gentleman was most complete, and we no longer wonder how the detective was hoodwinked. Mr. Yorke Stevens, as Hawkshaw, gave us another piece of good acting, his disguise being perfect. Mr. Henry Neville once more impersonates the Lancashire lad—Bob Brierley—and fully maintains his usual lightheartedness. Clever Mrs. Stevens was if anything more amusing than ever as Mrs. Willoughby. Mr. Julian Cross made an acceptable Melter Moss, while Mr. S. Calhaem was equally well fitted for Mr. Gibson. A sympathetic heroine was found in Miss Florence West as May Edwards, and we congratulate this young lady on the rapid progress she is making in her profession. Miss Helen Leyton was a vivacious Sam, while the comic element was fairly sustained by Mr. E. Smedly Yates and Miss Bealy. We may add that everything augurs well for another successful run.

**Alhambra.**—The latest effort in the way of spectacular ballet at this popular place of amusement, "Enchantment," which was produced in December last, may be recognised as having fairly "caught on." The four tableaux into which the work is sub-divided are worked out in such a spirited manner that even the proverbial grumbler is silenced, and his stereotyped exclamation of "Give me the old days of Her Majesty's" goes for nothing. Signorina Bessone never appeared to us to better advantage than on the night of our last visit, while her supporters, Mdles. Cormani, Gneroschi, Marie, and Miss M. Thurgate displayed a vigorous, but honourable, rivalry that could have but one result, and that eminently a successful one. The scenery represents some of the most artistic work ever undertaken by the talented gentlemen the management have secured, viz.: Messrs. Julian Hicks and Henry Watkin. Alias have supplied the dresses, and the arrangement of colours has been most happily worked out. No ballet in the present day is considered complete without electric and lime-light effects, and here again the management have shown no stinted hand. We congratulate Signor Casati on the ability he has displayed in the general arrangements; while M. Jacobi's music surpasses, if anything, his most successful previous efforts. The evening's programme throughout was quite up to the standard of this attractive centre of amusement.

Over one hundred performances of "The Old Guard" have now been given, and judging from the way in which the piece is nightly received the work will for some time yet to come be popular. The piece is one of the best that has been seen at the Avenue for some long time; this the artists have not been slow to recognise. All work well and earnestly, and with a result that the house is crowded nightly. We trust this state of things may continue. On Thursday, in consequence of the indisposition of Miss Phyllis Broughton, the part of Follow-the-Drum was carefully played by Miss Nelly Woodford.

Saturday, the 11th inst., has been appointed for the Private View of the Spring Exhibition of the 19th Century Art Society, at the Conduit Street Galleries, and the Exhibition will open to the public on Monday, the 13th inst.

*Holloway's Almanac and Family Friend.* Published by Thomas Holloway, 78 New Oxford Street, London, W.

This handy little work, published by the well-known patent medicine vendor, contains much useful information that is likely to prove interesting and instructive to its readers. A special feature is the language of flowers. There are, in addition, full particulars for gardening for each month; valuable facts and lists of winners of the principal races for years past. At the end is a short account of the Holloway Sanatorium, with illustrations. The description of the building is perfect, and from it we learn that there is accommodation for one hundred and fifty males and one hundred and fifty females. Illustrations of the Holloway College are also given; one shows Her Majesty the Queen in the Chapel, at the opening ceremony, in 1886. Apart from a really useful almanac, Mr. Holloway has supplied some interesting reading for his patrons.

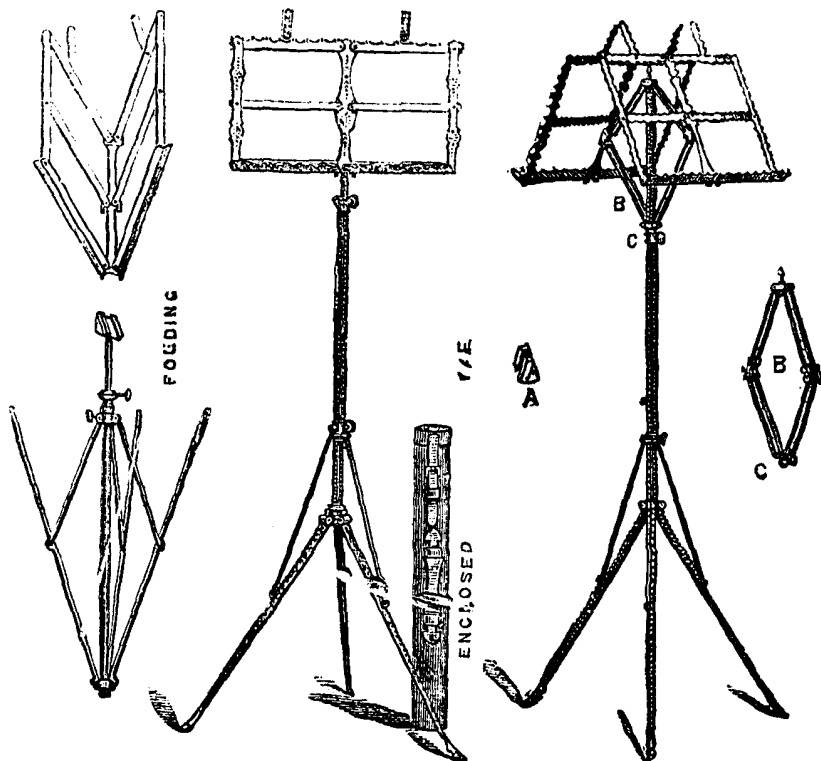
**West Middlesex Lodge of Instruction, No. 1612.**—On Thursday, the 19th ult., at the Public Hall, Ealing Dean, W. Present:—Bros. Wright W.M., Kasner P.M. S.W., Simpson J.W., Gabb Secretary, Gasson S.D., Herbert J.D., Parsons I.G., Acworth P.M., Squire, Wells, Quinion, Reynolds, and Gray. Visitors—Bros. Harper, Johnson, Field, and Cocks 2163. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Squire candidate. Lodge was called off; on resuming Bro. Kasner was elected to the chair for next meeting, officers in rotation. Bro. Acworth P.M. was elected Treasurer, Bro. Gabb was re-elected Secretary, and was thanked for past services. Bros. Harper and Parsons were appointed to audit accounts for past session. No further Masonic business offering, Lodge was closed in due form and adjourned.

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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 Meetings, &c., as we have decided to insert only those that are verified by the Officers of the several Lodges.

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## SATURDAY, 4th FEBRUARY.

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4  
 142—St. Thomas, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street  
 178—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8 (In)  
 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)  
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)  
 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 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, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7 (Instruction)  
 1949—Brixton, Brixton Hall, Acre Lane, Brixton  
 2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In.)  
 Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8  
 R.A. 173—Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 R.C. 67—Studholme, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square  
 1453—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manchester  
 1466—Eora Ecclesia, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton  
 M.M. 14—Prince Edward's, Station Hotel, Stansfield, Todmorden

## MONDAY, 6th FEBRUARY.

12—Fortitude and Old Cumberland, 129 Leadenhall-street  
 22—Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 25—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 45—Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., Finsbury, E.C., at 7 (In)  
 69—Unity, Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's Inn Fields  
 83—United Lodge of Prudence, Albion, Aldersgate-street  
 144—St. Luke, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.  
 174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Railway Place, Fenchurch Street at 7. (In)  
 180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)  
 188—Joppa, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.  
 256—Unions, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)  
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, at 8. (Instruction)  
 975—Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham Road Station, at 7.30. (Inst.)  
 1227—Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., at 8. (Instruction)  
 1319—Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 1425—Hyde Park, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Gardens, at 8 (In)  
 1445—Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7 (Inst.)  
 1489—Marquess of Ripon, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park, at 7.30 (In)  
 1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)  
 1585—Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, High Street, Putney, at 8. (In)  
 1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 8. (Inst.)  
 1623—West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, King Street, Smithfield, at 7 (In.)  
 1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road  
 1669—Royal Leopold, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.  
 1693—Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)  
 1707—Eleonor, Seven Sisters Hotel, Page Green, Tottenham, S. (Inst)  
 1853—Caxton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 1891—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)  
 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich. (Instruction)  
 1996—Priory Lodge of Acton, Royal Oak Assembly Hall, High Street, Acton  
 2020—St. Botolph's, The Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C.  
 2021—Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, Criterion, W., at 8. (Inst.)  
 R.A. 1196—Urban, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 R.A. 1615—Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square

37—Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Church Institute, Bolton-le-Moors  
 53—Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath  
 113—Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Preston.  
 119—Sun, Square, and Compasses, Freemasons' Hall, College-st., Whitehaven  
 123—Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham  
 151—Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield  
 156—Harmony, Hayshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth  
 199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover  
 236—York, Masonic Hall, York  
 248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon, at 7. (Inst)  
 251—Loyal, Masonic Hall, Castle-street, Barnstaple  
 338—Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire  
 381—Harmony and Industry, Smalley's Hotel, Market street, Over Darwen  
 382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)  
 385—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—Churchill, Masonic Hall, Oxford  
 482—St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Wretham Road, Handsworth, Staffordshire  
 529—Semper Fidelis, Crown Hotel, Worcester  
 597—St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead  
 622—St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne  
 623—Everton, Masonic Hall, Live pool, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 850—St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire  
 928—Friendship, Masonic Hall, Petersfield  
 1009—Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester  
 1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire  
 1050—Gundolph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester  
 1051—Rowley, Athenaeum, Lancaster  
 1077—Wilton, 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.  
 1261—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.  
 1302—De Warren, Masonic Hall, White Swan Hotel, Halifax  
 1380—Skelmersdale, Queen's Hotel, Waterloo, Liverpool  
 1434—Nottinghamshire, Masonic Hall, Nottingham  
 1443—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1519—Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, Clayton-le-Moors, near Accrington  
 1573—Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Ower-street, Swansea  
 1578—Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd, South Wales  
 1676—St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle  
 1799—Zion, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Manchester  
 R.A. 312—Britannia, Masonic Hall, John Street, West Cliff, Whitby  
 R.A. 380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley  
 M.M. 12—Minerva, Masonic Hall, Dagger Lane, Hull  
 R.C. —Skelmersdale, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

## TUESDAY, 7th FEBRUARY.

Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, at 1  
 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, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria Street, S.W., at 8 (Inst).  
 166—Union, Criterion, W.  
 172—Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 188—Joppa, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 212—Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High Street, Camden Town, at 8. (Inst).  
 217—Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.  
 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)  
 763—Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tavern, Clifton Road, Maida Hill, at 8 (Instruction)  
 765—St. James, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark  
 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 830—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at 8 (Instruction)  
 861—Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)  
 1041—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Alma Road, Wandsworth (Instruction)  
 1259—Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern, Commercial Road  
 1261—Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent-street, W  
 1321—Emblematic, Red Lion, York Street, St. James's Square, S.W., at 8 (In.)  
 1340—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 1360—Royal Arthur, Rock Tavern, Battersea Park Road, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington  
 1397—Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley  
 1446—Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Road, S.W., at 8. (Inst.)  
 1471—Islington, Champion, Aldersgate Street, at 7. (Instruction)  
 1472—Henley, Three Crowns, Woolwich  
 1540—Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High Street, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow  
 1693—Kingsland, Old Cock Tavern, Highbury-road, Islington  
 1695—New Finsbury Park, Horsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8. (Inst)  
 1839—Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, Queen Street, E.C., at 7. (In.)  
 1949—Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich Road, East Brixton, at 8 (Instruction)  
 Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, White Hart, Cannon Street, at 8.30  
 R.A. 169—Temperance, White Swan Tavern, Deptford  
 R.A. 704—Camden, the Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 8. (Inst.)  
 R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)  
 R.A. 1642—Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, W., at 8. (Inst.)  
 M.M. 355—Royal Savoy, The Criterion, W.

70—St. John, Hayshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth  
 103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.  
 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 (Instruction)  
 265—Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley  
 364—Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath.  
 393—St. David, Masons' Hall, The Parade, Berwick  
 463—East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, at 7.45. (Inst.)  
 493—Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester  
 558—Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone.  
 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.  
 685—Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Westgate-road, Newcastle  
 702—Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, Strand, Gloucestershire  
 731—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay.  
 794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield  
 804—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant.  
 847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon.  
 913—St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Lincolne, Lyighton Buzzard  
 960—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.  
 974—Pentalpha, New Masonic Hall, Darley Street, Bradford  
 995—Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston  
 1002—Skiddaw, Lodge Room, Market Place, Cockermouth  
 1134—Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford  
 1161—De Grey and Ripon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
 1244—Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar  
 1322—Waveley, Caledonian Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne  
 1336—Square and Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham  
 1473—Bootle, 116 Berry-street, Bootle, at 8 (Instruction)  
 1488—St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amble, Anglessea  
 1638—Browarigg, Alexandra Hotel, Park Road, Norbiton, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1674—Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Bank Buildings, Sussex Street, Rye;  
 1750—Coleridge, Sandringham House, Cleveland.  
 1970—Hadrian, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields  
 1993—Wolsley, Masonic Hall, Town Hall Buildings, King Street, Manchester  
 2134—Swan of Avon, Union Club, Stratford-on-Avon  
 2446—Surbiton, Spread Eagle Coffee Tavern, Surbiton. (Instruction)  
 R.A. 203—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.  
 R.A. 600—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford  
 R.A. 631—Scarsdale, Masonic Hall, Chesterfield  
 R.A. 784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal  
 R.A. 938—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, New Street Birmingham  
 R.A. 1138—Devon, Masonic Hall, Devon Square, Newton Abbey  
 R.A. 1611—Eboracum, Masonic Hall, St. Saviourgate, York  
 M.M. 69—United Service, Assembly Rooms, Brompton, Chesham.  
 M.M. 161—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool

## WEDNESDAY, 8th FEBRUARY.

Committee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, Freemasons' Hall, at 3  
 3—Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 3—Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, at 9. (Instruction)  
 11—Enoch, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 13—Waterloo, Union Masonic Hall, William Street, Walswich  
 15—Ken, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 30—United Mariners', The Lugard, Peckham, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 72—Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)  
 73—Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High Street, Borough, at 8. (Inst)  
 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College Street, Lymington  
 193—Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall Street, at 7. (Instruction)  
 223—United Strength, The Hope, Stanhope Street, Regent's Park, at 8 (In)  
 538—La Tolerance, Portland Hotel, Great Portland Street, at 8. (Inst)  
 720—Panmure, Balfour Hotel, Balfour, at 7. (Instruction)  
 741—Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street  
 78—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Barlett Road, E.  
 813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N. (Instruction)  
 832—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's Court, Fleet Street, at 8. (Instruc.)  
 902—Burgeyne, Goose and Gander, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Instruc.)  
 1263—John Harvey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 1395—Lodge of St. John, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate, E.  
 1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 519 Old Kent Road, at 8. (Instruc.)  
 1424—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mure Street, Hackney, at 8. (Inst.)  
 1534—St. Martin's-le-Grand, Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, E.C.  
 1586—Upper Norwood, White Hart Hotel, Upper Norwood  
 1691—Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1904—Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st., S.W., at 7.30 (In)  
 1932—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30. (Inst.)  
 1951—Londesborough, Beresley Arms, John Street, May Fair, at 8. (Inst)  
 1994—Imperial, Cadogan Hotel, Sloane Street, Chelsea  
 1713—Centurion, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct  
 1940—Montague Guest, Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's Inn Fields  
 1922—Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell Road, S.E., at 8. (In)  
 1933—Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)

R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air Street, Regent Street, at 8. (Inst.)  
 R.A. 720—Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Inst.)  
 R.A. 857—St. Mark, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.  
 R.A. 932—Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 M.M. (T.I.)—Old Kent, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, E.C.  
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 R.C. 1—Grand Metropolitan, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square

54—Hope, Spread Eagle Inn, Cheetham Street, Rochdale  
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 686—Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince Town, Dartmoor  
 758—Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 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  
 1101—Grey Friars, Masonic Hall, Reading  
 1209—Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate  
 1248—Denison, Masonic Hall, Scarborough  
 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  
 1424—Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Chatham

1434—Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Nottingham  
 1503—Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham  
 1611—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull. (Instruction)  
 1620—Earl Shrewsbury, Public Rooms, Cannock, Stafford  
 1547—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.

1582—Llanidloes, Trewythen Arms, Llanidloes  
 1640—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebburn-on-Tyne.  
 1692—Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent  
 2046—Robinson, Masonic Room, Maidstone, Kent

R.A. 20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham  
 R.A. 62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Piccadilly, Manchester  
 R.A. 280—St. Wulstan, Masonic Hall, 95 High Street, Worcester  
 R.A. 290—Prosperity, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield  
 R.A. 298—Unity, 23 Ann Street, Rochdale  
 R.A. 333—Royal Preston, Preston  
 R.A. 350—Meribah, Grapes Inn, Stoneclough, near Manchester  
 R.A. 533—Warren, Freemasons' Hall, Congleton, Cheshire  
 R.A. 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

#### THURSDAY, 9th FEBRUARY.

19—Royal Athelstan, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street  
 27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8. (Instruction)

91—Regularity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

144—St. Luke, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 7.30. (Instruction)

147—Justice, Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford, at 8. (Instruction)

206—Friendship, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.

238—Pilgrim, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

263—Bank of England, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street, E.C.

436—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8. (Inst.)

534—Polish National, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

557—Canonbury, Albion, Aldersgate-street

704—Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305 High Holborn, at 7. (Instruction)

749—Belgrave, The Clarence, Aldersgate Street, E.C. (Instruction)

754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8. (Instruction)

880—Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.

879—Southwark, Southwark Park Tavern

879—Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Warndon St., Rotherhithe New Rd. (In)

1076—Capper, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.

1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Staingate, Westminster-bridge, at 8. (Inst.)

1216—Macdonald, Head Quarters 1st Surrey Rifles, Camberwell

1278—Burdett Coatts, Swan Tavern, Betanul Green Road, E., at 8. (Instruction)

1306—St. John, Three Crowns Tavern, Mile End Road, E. (Instruction)

1339—Stockwell, Masons' Tavern, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 7.30. (Instruction)

1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-road, Paddington

1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 8.30. (Inst.)

1471—Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury

1558—Duke of Connaught, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.

1563—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8. (In)

1571—Leopold, Austin's Hotel, 7 London Street, E.C., at 7.30. (Instruction)

1598—Ley Spring, Red Lion, Leytonstone

1599—Skelmersdale, Masons' Hall Tavern, Basinghall-street, E.C.

1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tavern, Liverpool Road (corner of Theberton Street) N., at 8. (Instruction)

1612—West Middlesex, Public Hall, Ealing Dean, at 7.45. (Instruction)

1614—Covent Garden, Criterion, W., at 8. (Instruction)

1622—Rose, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camberwell. (Instruction)

1625—Tredgar, Wellington Arms, Wellington Road, Bow, E., at 7.30. (In.)

1673—Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C., at 5.30. (Instruction)

1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9. (Inst.)

1708—Plucknett, Bald Faced Stag, East Finchley

1744—Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London Street, W., at 8. (Instruction)

1791—Creton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

1791—Creton, Wheatshen Tavern, Goldhawk Road, Shepherds Bush. (Inst.)

1804—Coburn, Vestry Hall, Bow

1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 7.30. (Instruction)

1987—Strand, The Criterion, Piccadilly

R.A. 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney

R.A. 763—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8. (In.)

R.A. 1471—North London, Northampton House, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8. (Instruction)

M.M. 86—Samson and Lion, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C.

K.T. 117—New Temple, Inner Temple, London

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, St. Paul

203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool. (Instruction)

216—Harmonie, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool

249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)

333—Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston

338—Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Cumberland

469—Hundred of Elloe, Masonic Rooms, London Road, Spalding.

477—Mersey, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead.

546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Canon's Street, E. 1500, Salford

732—Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton

739—Temperance, Masonic Room, New-street, Birmingham

784—Wellington, Masonic Rooms, Park Street, Deal

786—Croxeth United Service, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

945—Abbey, Abbey Council Chamber, Abingdon, Berks

991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland  
 1035—Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkcaldy, Liverpool  
 1055—Derby, Masonic Rooms, Balford Street, Bury New Road, Manchester  
 1093—St. George, Private Room, Temperance Hotel, Tredgar, Mon.  
 1144—Milton, Commercial Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne  
 1147—Equality, Red Lion Hotel, Accrington  
 1147—St. David, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.  
 1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
 1204—Roid, Imperial Hotel, Milver, 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.  
 1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1533—Corbet, Corbet Arms, Towyn  
 1697—Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot near Manchester  
 1782—Machen, Swan Hotel, Colehill  
 1892—Wallington, King's Arms Hotel, Carshalton. (Instruction)  
 1915—Graystone, Forester's Hall, Whitstable  
 R.A. 51—Patriotic, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester  
 R.A. 254—Trinity, Castle Inn, Coventry  
 R.A. 275—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield  
 R.A. 464—Hwlford, Masonic Hall, Hazerford, West  
 R.A. 723—Panmure, Masonic Hall, Barrack Road, Aldershot  
 K.T. 21—Salamanca, Masonic Hall, Halifax

#### FRIDAY, 10th FEBRUARY.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7

25—Robert Burns, Portland Arms Hotel, Great Portland Street, W., at 8. (In)

33—Britannic, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

134—Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street

157—Bedford, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

167—St. John's, York and Albany Hotel, Regent's Park, N.W., at 8. (Inst.)

177—Domestic, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.

507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Inst.)

765—St. James, Princess Victoria Tavern, Rotherhithe, at 8. (Instruction)

766—William Preston, St. Andrew's Tavern, George St., Baker St., at 8. (In)

780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8. (Instruction)

834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith. (Instruction)

1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)

1135—Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7.30. (Instruction)

1201—Eclectic, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

1228—Beaumont, Green Man, Leytonstone. (Instruction)

1293—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8. (In)

1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)

1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington. (Instruction)

1442—E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, at 8. (Instruction)

2009—Earl of Mornington, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C.

2030—The Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)

R.A.—Panmure C. of Improvement, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Camberwell

R.A. 6—Friendship, Willis's Rooms, King Street, St. James's

R.A. 10—Westminster and Keystone, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

R.A. 78—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London Street, Greenwich. (Inst.)

R.A. 95—Eastern Star C. of Improvement, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall Street

R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8. (Improvement)

R.A. 890—Hornsey, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Square, Paddington, W. (Improvement)

M.M.—Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, E.C. (Instruction)

M.M. 355—Royal Savoy, The Moor, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30. (In)

R.C. 3—Mount Calvary, 33 Golden Square, W.

36—Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's Street, Cardiff

155—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

453—Chigwell, Public Hall, Station Road, Loughton, at 7.30. (Instruction)

458—Aire and Calder, Private Rooms, Ouse Street, Goole

526—Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton

662—Dartmouth, Dartmouth Hotel, West Bromwich

815—Blair, Town Hall, Stretford-road, Hulme

916—Hartington, Burlington Hotel, Eastbourne

1001—Harrogate and Claro, Masonic Rooms, Parliament Street, Harrogate

1087—Beaumont, Assembly Rooms, Corn Exchange, Loughborough Bazaar

1121—Wear Valley, Masonic Hall, Bishop Auckland

1289—Rock, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry

General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham, at 8

R.A. 81—Royal York, Private Rooms, Doric Place, Woodbridge

R.A. 406—De Sussex, Masonic Hall, Maple Street, Newcastle

#### SATURDAY, 11th FEBRUARY.

108—London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street

173—Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8. (In)

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8. (Instruction)

1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross Road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)

1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8. (Instruction)

1328—Granite, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7. (Instruction)

1426—The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel

1446—Mount Edgecombe, Bridge House Hotel, Battersea

1534—Loyalty and Charity, Star and Garter, Kaw Bridge

1607—Loyalty, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street

1612—West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing

1634—Eccleson, Crown and Anchor, 79 Bury Street, S.W., at 7. (Inst)

1671—Mizpah, Albion Hotel, Aldersgate-street

1743—Perseverance, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street

1839—Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

1964—Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel, E.C.

2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In)

Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air Street, Regent Street, W., at 8

M.M. 234—Brixton, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.

1990—Hamp-hire L. of Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, Landport, Portsmouth

2069—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds

R.A. 811—Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton

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