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THE ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

A GOOD reputation is a valuable acquisition to any man or body of men, but unfortunately it will not serve the same purpose as a good meal to the family of its possessor, and it may sometimes prove an expensive luxury to those who have an exceptionally large number dependent on them. The Royal Masonic Institution for Girls is somewhat in this dilemma—it has the reputation of having achieved more than either of the other Masonic Institutions, or indeed of any charitable fund of the world, by securing something like £50,000 for its Centenary celebration, which occurred two years back, and now appears to be lacking support for its current Festival, in consequence of the great efforts then made. We are not surprised at this result, indeed we more than once predicted such would be the case; but let the past take care of itself in this respect—we have the present need and present calls of the Institution to deal with, and we hope the Craft will ere long show that the supreme effort made in 1888 did not wholly cripple the charitable instincts of its members towards this most deserving Institution. Last year it was nothing more than reasonable to expect that the great success of the Centenary celebration would have a considerable effect on the Festival results, but two years is almost long enough for the Craft to turn round in, and make up for the prolific harvest it brought forth for the great event of 1888. We think there are few who will not now join in our wish that this, the oldest of the Institutions of the Craft, will speedily regain its old flow of supporters, and that we shall soon cease to hear that the Lodges have not yet had time to recover from the Centenary Festival, which we believe is an answer frequently made use of lately to those who have solicited support for the Festival of the current year.

The Centenary celebration was, without doubt, a brilliant success, but successes are not always self supporting, and the case of the Girls' School is a prominent example in this respect. After the splendid result of the 1888 gathering there were loud clamours for large extensions of the good work being carried on, and most liberal responses were made to the requests by those who have the management of the Charity, but the responsibility of the Craft did not cease when they subscribed the funds necessary for the extensions, for in this instance extension of benefits meant continued increase of liability, and it is the increased annual liability that has to be met, not out of the large total subscribed in 1888, but by fresh donations this year, next year, and year by year afterwards. It should only be necessary to forcibly impress this on the minds of those who worked to ensure the success of the 1888 Festival to secure them as active workers for the similar gathering of this and future years. It may be hard to expect

increased subscriptions from those who did exceptionally well two years back, but it is very certain the success of that period caused additional responsibilities to be undertaken, and as a consequence special appeals must be addressed, not only to the Craft as a whole, but particularly to those who started the good work, and by whose exertions an increase of benefits was brought about.

The Festival of the current year will take place on the 20th May, under the Presidency of Col. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., Past Grand Warden of England, and Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex. So far, we are afraid we must describe the outlook as very discouraging. At present there are only 218 Stewards on the list, a number 60 or more short of the average of past years, and a number which it will be found very difficult to make up during the three weeks which will elapse before the Festival takes place. In comparison with last year the roll of Stewards already stands out well, but last year was such an exceptional one in connection with this Institution—the announcement at the Festival being only £5,354—that we must not dare to compare the present with it. The repetition of such a result as was achieved at the Festival last year would be little short of a calamity, and even if the total received then is doubled next month the Institution will still find itself in a difficult position, as even the increased amount would not nearly provide for the current expenses of the year, and it would cause considerable regret if the reserve of the Charity had to be encroached upon year after year to make good the difference between income and expenditure.

There are at the present time 264 Girls receiving the benefits of the Institution, the election to be held to-day providing for the filling of all vacancies that have occurred since the last election, through children having completed their term at the School, and other causes. Of this large family of 264 twenty were permanently taken on last year as one of the results of the Centenary Festival, so that it will be readily understood what a difference that success made in the responsibilities of the Institution, while we must not forget that a considerable proportion of the extra subscriptions received on that occasion were absorbed in the new building and enlargement schemes which were put forward as a part of the Centenary programme, and which are now being completed. If we look at the matter from every point we fear that the success and the good reputation achieved by this Charity in 1888 will not only prove very expensive luxuries, but may even go far to lead the Institution into difficulties. Under such conditions we have no hesitation in asking the Craft to weigh carefully the position in which they have placed the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and the members of the Order having satisfied their own minds on the point will have little difficulty in agreeing with us that something special must now be done to bring things up to the level that existed prior

to the enthusiasm which attended the great event in the history of the Institution, of which so much has been said, and which seems likely to have a somewhat different result than was originally anticipated.

The Province of Middlesex, of which the respected Chairman for next month's Festival is the head, is what we may describe as a good all round district. It is seldom backward in working for the cause of Masonic benevolence, and usually sends up some good amounts year by year to aid the funds of the three Institutions, but it is hardly one of those districts from which to expect anything like an exceptional return—nothing, for instance, like the splendid totals that have been secured in years gone by from Lancashire, Yorkshire, Kent and other busy centres of Masonic work—while as regards other Provinces we do not think there is one that is likely to come forward with anything approaching a "grand" total. Local influences are at work in most of the districts that used to do the lion's share of raising money for the Annual Festivals of the central Charities, and these local funds will not only continue to make themselves felt, but their work at home will increase year by year, to the certain detriment of the London Institutions. In another part of our present issue we give some details of what is being done in North and East Yorkshire, where a local Educational Fund is of recent formation. The second annual Festival of this Fund is announced to be held next month, and we are told that last year's gatherings realised £1054 14s 11d. It would be wrong to say this amount was subscribed to the local Fund of the Province at the expense of the Central Charities, but to a considerable extent that is the case; we do not complain, because we consider that in many respects a local charity can do better than one far away, and the cosmopolitan character of which necessitates that it should be all things to all classes of the community, but the continued and very rapid growth of these outside Masonic charity funds will soon make itself felt on the London Institutions, the supporters of which will have to do something ere long beyond passively recognising the increased rivalry which is being created throughout the country. There is not much fear, we imagine, that the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls will wholly lose the support of those districts where local Funds are in existence, but the financial aid sent to London is very likely to fall off year by year, as the home Charities grow, and we may have to face—and that too at no distant date—a very different state of affairs than what exists now. Some of the larger Provinces, that already have handsome Charity Funds of their own, also possess a large number of votes in perpetuity for the London Institutions, and if they choose to transfer their financial support to local charities, who will have to find the money to keep up the accommodation which will be demanded in return for these perpetual votes? This, however, is a subject hardly necessary to discuss in connection with the Festival of the current year. We only refer to it as a possible solution of our surmise that no exceptionally large totals will be forthcoming from outlying districts at the Festival to be held next month.

If, then, we must not look for any large totals we must base our hopes on a large number of small ones, and, as we have shown above, it seems the Institution is not likely to have even this consolation, so that, after all, we must repeat that the outlook appears discouraging. It is not, however, yet too late to make up the quantity if we cannot make up the quality of past years, and we have great pleasure in joining in the appeal that is being made by the officials of the Institution, both for new Stewards and increased support for older ones. A noble work is being quietly and unostentatiously carried on at the Institution's School, at Battersea, and an incalculable amount of good is resulting from the efforts there made on behalf of the orphan daughters of the Craft.

Such being the case we can fearlessly appeal to our readers to do what lies in their power to relieve the Institution of its present troubles, by helping to bring about a satisfactory Festival, and afterwards using their best efforts among their friends to ensure adequate subscriptions year by year to continue the work.

REFORM AT THE BOYS' SCHOOL.

WE publish in our correspondence column Bro. Hobbs's ultimatum in regard to our criticism on the accounts prepared by him for the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and while we accept his decision not to enter into further controversy through the medium of our pages as evidence that he is wholly unable to maintain the position he has taken up, we venture to remind him and those for whom he is acting, that any unpleasantness that has arisen is entirely of their own seeking. At the outset we stated our comments were called for in consequence of certain remarks made in the outside press of the country. We did not then know who supplied the paragraphs for publication, neither do we now know, but from inquiries made we think it safe to say they emanated from the Accountant or the Provisional Committee. In those paragraphs it was stated "the average cost per boy, per annum, has been reduced to £39 5s, or a saving of £11 11s per boy per annum. An expression of opinion as to whether the accounts are now fully and properly rendered to the public, is solicited by the Committee." In face of this latter paragraph we consider we were justified in calling attention to certain discrepancies that exist in the accounts, and we are surprised that the Provisional Committee, having publicly invited criticism have not got the courage to answer it. We can bring quite as much dignity to bear upon the subject as Bro. Hobbs, and if he refuses to admit his mistakes now, we have very little doubt but that a proper balance sheet at the 31st December will prove them, not only to us and those who think as we do, but also to that section of the Craft who do not think it fair to criticise accounts publicly offered for criticism merely because fulsome flattery is out of the question.

A DEAD BRANCH.

STATELY and beautiful is the forest tree, clothed with foliage, which with its emerald crown stands out against the azure of the skies. Wisdom and strength are typified by the trunk, and beauty by the limbs, with their leafage dancing in the air.

A tree is a thing of life. It has its heart, and its life-blood. It breathes the air of heaven through its foliage. It is refreshed by heaven's sunshine and rain. Its roots search the earth for food and cling to it for support. It is almost human; the ancients believed it to be divine. Little wonder that trees were deified in primitive times by the uninstructed children of nature, for they are miracles of power and glory.

There have been tree-worshippers as there have been sun-worshippers. Both sun and tree are the handiwork of the Divine Architect, but only the handiwork; they are created, not the Creator. We admire, without worshipping them, saying only, "the hand that made them is divine."

But where shall we look for perfection? The mountain has its scarred side, the river its turbid flow, the tree its dead branch.

A dead branch! How it mars the symmetry of a tree, how it impairs its strength, how it dulls its beauty! Dead, but not buried, it stretches its gaunt, powerless arm into space, a ghost of itself. No leaves wave from it. No sap flows through it. If the wind sways it, it groans. It is fit only to be burned.

The Masonic Fraternity is a vigorous mountain pine, which for centuries has withstood the blasts of many a storm. It points to heaven, the station of the Grand Architect. It overshadows the earth, where its Lodges are gathered. It is ever green, and as deathless as truth.

But the Masonic Fraternity is not perfect. Like the earth it once had its Eden, but now mourns its loss. We lost a Grand Master—one of a famous triad. We lost a

Word. We have our dead branch—yea, our dead branches, which mar the beauty and glory of the Acacia Craft. The expelled Mason is a dead branch. O! how dead! He has been lopped off from the trunk, but still he is a branch, a broken, discarded branch. His place is vacant, in every probability for ever, and he is laid low; but he is not buried. He cumbers the ground. He is a Mason still, though a degraded one. He has seen "the Light which none but Craftsmen ever saw," and has partaken of the fruit of the tree of knowledge. He is a Mason for ever, but an expelled Mason now—a dead branch.

Yet this branch did not die in a night. The sap of the parent trunk gradually ceased to flow through it, because it despised its life-giving power. The expelled Mason is a development. He develops downward. He gravitates earthward instead of rising heavenward. He becomes a walking ghost, in the Masonic word but not of it. He is alive as a man and yet dead to the Craft.

The suspended Mason is a dead branch. He is suspended as it were between earth and heaven. He dances unnaturally in the air. He exercises none of the functions of a Freemason. The Craft is alive in all of its activities, ministering pleasure, entertainment, instruction, assistance and brotherly love to all of its worthy initiates, while he is dead to the Fraternity, by his own fault placed for the time being beyond its pale. He is suspended from the parent trunk, but not irrevocably cut off from it. It is possible that the sap may again flow through this branch and revive it—a consummation devoutly to be wished.

The absentee Mason is a dead branch. He may be dead for only a month, a year, or a series of years; but as long as he is absent he is virtually dead to the Craft. The presence of our names on the roll of membership signifies little—it is our presence in the Lodge which tells. Without this we are practically suspended—for the time being dead. The Craft gains nothing from our existence. Such an one is entitled to be a verdure-clad branch of the grand old parent trunk, but instead of that he is self-stripped of foliage, and in danger of becoming perpetually a dead branch.

The anti-Mason who was once a member of the Craft is the deadest of all dead branches. He is an anomaly. He *should* be a Son of Light, but he *is* a demon of darkness. Whence this hideous transformation? Self-ostracised, he is a Masonic suicide. Having slain himself, Masonically, he seeks to destroy the Craft. But can a dead branch strike down the living parent trunk? Can darkness banish light? Can falsehood overcome truth? Can a creature destroy his creator?

Beautiful in the golden sunlight, all over this world of ours, arise the Masonic Temples of the Craft, which are at once the home and the symbol of the Brotherhood. Yet they are material and temporary, while it is spiritual and eternal. They are composed of stones that perish, while it is composed of living stones, which shall endure for ever.

How shall we prevent the accumulation of dead branches upon the living trunk of Masonry? By continually communicating to them the life-giving sap; by instructing them in the work, and with the letter, the spirit of Freemasonry; by requiring every candidate to be proficient before advancement; by teaching them to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the best literature of the Craft; by giving them something to do in the Lodge; by making every Lodge-meeting interesting; by infusing accuracy, impressiveness and spirit into the rendition of the work of all the degrees.

If there are *many* dead branches, there must be *some* deadness in the trunk. Look to this, Brethren. Be alert, every one of you, to exemplify the living Mason, and a living Masonry, and thus do *your* part to banish from the Craft even the semblance of a dead branch.—*Keystone.*

The Provincial Grand Lodge of the Province of Middlesex will hold its annual meeting at Enfield, on the 14th of June.

On Wednesday, the 16th instant, the installation meeting in connection with the Earl of Chester Mark Lodge, No. 196, took place at the Masonic Chambers, Eastgate Row, Chester, when Bro. W. H. Finchett was invested as W.M. for the ensuing year. The ceremony was ably performed by Bro. R. C. Edwards P.M.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

THE Quarterly General Court of the Governors and Subscribers was held in the Large Hall, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on Friday, the 25th inst. After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and confirmed, and minutes of the several Committee meetings had been read for information, the Secretary officially reported the death of Bro. Raynham W. Stewart Past Grand Deacon, one of the Trustees of the Institution. Upon proposition duly made and seconded, a vote of condolence was ordered to be sent to the representatives of Bro. Stewart, after which Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Provincial Grand Master Hampshire and Isle of Wight was elected as Trustee to fill the vacancy. Bro. George Plucknett was re-elected Treasurer for the year ensuing. Twelve brethren not being Life Governors were elected as members of the General Committee to represent the Life and Annual Subscribers. Bro. W. Masters's notice of motion on behalf of the Sanitary Sub-Committee:—

That a Sum not exceeding £3,000 be expended in erecting Class-Rooms, and altering Dining Hall so that one Kitchen may be sufficient for the whole Establishment.

was agreed to. The Election was then proceeded with, and the result of the polling will be found in another column.

Obituary.

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BRO. CHARLES DEANE.

THE funeral of Bro. Charles Deane took place on 11th inst., in the St. Giles' churchyard, Northampton. The deceased was Tyler of all the Lodges in Northampton, and the following brethren attended to pay a last tribute of respect to his memory:—Bros. H. A. Robinson, G. Butcher, J. T. Green, J. J. Hart, H. Brown, A. Cockerill, J. Snow, T. Emery, G. L. Mitchell, Brook Sampson, E. B. Fletcher, J. Currall, J. Clayson, J. Jeffrey, H. Hodges, H. V. Tebbutt, W. Goldney, J. S. Arthurs, C. Cooke, J. Barber, S. Frisby, S. C. Beel, W. D. Gibbins and C. Cooke jun. A handsome wreath was sent by the brethren, with an inscription on a card "From the Freemasons of Northampton, with the deepest sympathy."

MASONIC SERVICE AT SOUTHPORT.

IN aid of the building fund of the Church of St. Simon and St. Jude, High Park, Southport, the foundation-stone of which was laid with Masonic ceremonial by Bro. the Earl of Lathom, on the 19th October last, a Masonic service was held on Sunday afternoon, the 20th inst., in Holy Trinity Church, Southport. About 150 brethren, wearing Craft clothing, marched from the schools to the church, preceded by the banners of the three Southport Lodges, and followed by the choir, the clergy who brought up the rear being Bros. the Revs. C. Hesketh Knowlys, C. S. Hope P.P.G.C., J. S. Gardner P.P.G.C., W. H. Marsden, and F. R. Pearson. The service was full choral, with processional and recessional hymns, and the anthem "Remember now thy Creator." The Rev. F. R. Pearson preached from Isaiah xxviii. 16, "Behold I lay in Zion a precious corner stone, a sure foundation." In the course of an earnest appeal for funds towards the erection of the new church, he reminded the Masons present of their heritage of duty to build temples of two kinds, and besought the crowded congregation to cultivate the Christian love that must compel unity. A liberal offertory was received.

The second annual Festival of the Educational Fund for the Province of North and East Yorkshire will be held at Hull, by invitation of the Humber Lodge, on Wednesday, the 28th May. The object of the fund is to educate the children of deceased or necessitous Freemasons of the Province who are unable to obtain or until they obtain admission to the Masonic Schools. Although the fund has not been in existence a year, five children have already been adopted, and are being educated in the locality of their homes. Last year's Festival realised £1054 14s 11d. The Earl of Zetland, Provincial Grand Master, Deputy Provincial Grand Master Brother the Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett, and Bro. J. W. Woodall Past Grand Treasurer England, are among those who are at the head of the movement.

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NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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CONSECRATION OF THE WIGAN LODGE,
No. 2326.

DURING the past few years Masonry has made rapid progress in the town and district, and on Saturday, the 12th inst., the consecration of this Lodge took place in the Masonic Hall, King Street, Wigan. The petitioners were: Bros. W. E. M. Tomlinson 1335 P.P.G.W., M. W. Peace 1335 P.P.G.W., R. A. Ffarington 1335 P.P.G.W., J. D. Murray 1335 P.P.G.D.C., Ralph Betley 1335 Prov. Asst. G. Sec., G. L. Campbell 1335 P.P.G. Organist, Walter Simpson 1335, Henry Ackerley 1335, Jno. Browne 1335, Walter Tomlinson 1335, R. P. White J.W. 1335, Wm. Taberner 1335, Wm. Rogers 1335. The Provincial Grand Master, Lord Lathom, was expected to perform the interesting ceremony, but owing to his absence with his daughter in Madeira, he deputed Bro. W. Goodacre Provincial Grand Secretary to act as Consecrating Master. The Officers selected to assist him were:—Bros. S. G. Sinclair P.P.G.W. as S.W., L. R. Rowbottom P.P.G.W. as J.W., T. B. Spencer Grand Chaplain England as Chaplain, Ralph Betley Prov. G. Assistant Sec. Secretary, J. D. Murray P.P.G.D.C. as D.C., J. N. Patterson P.G.D.D.C. as I.G., J. W. Potter as Organist. The ceremony of consecration was most ably performed by Bro. Goodacre, and the oration was admirably delivered by Bro. Spencer. A large number of brethren from the district attended to witness the ceremony. After the ceremony of consecration Bro. W. E. M. Tomlinson, M.P., was installed as first Master of the Wigan Lodge, and appointed his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Walter Simpson S.W., Henry Ackerley J.W., John Browne Treasurer, William Taberner Secretary, Walter Tomlinson S.D., Ralph Betley J.D., J. D. Murray D.C., R. P. White I.G., G. L. Campbell Organist, Anthony Swalwell Tyler. Subsequently the invited guests assembled at the Wigan Conservative Club, when an excellent banquet was served. During its progress the Wigan Old Borough Reed Band played several selections of music. The usual toasts were honoured, those of the Worshipful Master and the Mayor of Wigan being most heartily received. The proceedings were also further enlivened by the singing of the Cambrian Quartette party from Liverpool. The petitioners have been waiting since September last to have the Lodge consecrated, which, though not the Century Lodge, was the hundredth Lodge consecrated in the Province.

CONSECRATION OF THE WEST LANCASHIRE
CENTURY LODGE, No. 2349

THE consecration of this Lodge took place on the 15th inst., at the Imperial Hotel, Blackpool, the consecrating Officer being Bro. S. G. Sinclair P.P.G.W., who was assisted by Bros. E. H. Cookson Prov. G.S.W. as S.W., W. B. Richardson Prov. G.J.W. as J.W., Rev. J. Kirby Turner Prov. G.C. as Chaplain, W. Goodacre P.G.S.B. (Eng.) Provincial Grand Secretary, J. D. Murray P.P.G.D.C. as D.C., and John Slyman P.P.G.D. After the imposing ceremony of consecration, Bro. E. H. Cookson, ex-Mayor of Liverpool, installed Bro. the Rev. S. Y. B. Bradshaw P.P.G.C. Northumberland and East Yorkshire as the first W.M. of the Century Lodge, and the following were the official appointments:—Bros. John Bickerstaffe S.W., James Fish J.W., James Hayes Treasurer, Thomas Forrester Secretary, William Hall Hampson S.D., William R. Brandwood J.D., George Bonny D.C., Nathaniel Parkinson Organist, William Henry Dean I.G., James Lord and Henry Schofield Stewards. About 60 brethren subsequently dined at the Imperial Hotel, under the superintendence of Bro. Crewe, the manager.

UNION WATERLOO LODGE, No. 13.

ON Tuesday, the 15th inst., the members entertained their friends at a *conversazione* in the Freemasons' Hall, Mount Pleasant, Woolwich. There were nearly 200 present, and excellent arrangements having been made for their delectation, the evening was spent very pleasantly. The proceedings opened at eight with a concert, a quartette consisting of Mr. Jenner, Bros. Walker, Roberts, and Bidgood playing the overture from "La Chevalier Breton." Songs followed, capitally sung, by Misses Logan, Skinner, Bros. Skinner, Deans, Anson, McQueen, and the choir of the Lodge, under the direction of Mr. B. Hancock, who also played the accompaniments. The choir acquitted themselves so well that their piece, "The Miners' Chorus," was re-demanded. Mr. Jenner's cornet solo, "For ever and for ever," was one of the features of the concert, and elicited a hearty encore, for which Mr. Jenner responded with "The Better Land." Bro. Walker played a romance on the violoncello in fine style, and Bro. Bidgood contributed a solo on the violin. Bro. Hayes recited "The Lifeboat." After the concert there was a dance, Bros. Deans and Reynolds acting efficiently as M.C.'s, and the quartette already referred to supplying the music. During the dancing a smoking concert was held in the lower hall. The W.M., Bro. H. Grice, and the members of the Union Waterloo Lodge generally, may be congratulated on a very successful soiree.

EMULATION LODGE, No. 299.

ON Wednesday evening, the 16th inst., the brethren gave a ball, or what they euphuistically termed a "Soiree Dansante," at the Victoria Assembly Rooms, Dartford. The arrangements, which were admirably carried out, were made by a Committee, composed as follows:—Bros. T. Jenkins W.M., C. Hind S.W., F. Barton J.W., W. J. Light P.M., J. Brock P.M., G. D. Mears P.M., W. Greig P.M. Treasurer, Wills P.M. Secretary. Bros. Hind and Roile, with Messrs. North, undertook the decoration of the hall, which was very tastefully adorned with bunting, Chinese lanterns, &c. When the guests, to the number of between 70 and 80, arrived, the Lodge was

set out in the usual manner for a meeting, and the emblems, &c., of the Craft having been removed, dancing was indulged in. Prominent in the decorations of the walls were the photographs of the Prince of Wales Grand Master of England, and Lord Amhurst Provincial Grand Master of Kent. Refreshments were supplied by Host Startup, of the Bull Hotel, in his usual satisfactory manner. Bro. W. J. Light acted as M.C., and dancing was kept up until four o'clock, to the strains of a band supplied by Mr. E. P. Burt, Bexley Heath.

STAFFORDSHIRE KNOT LODGE, No. 726.

THE installation of the W.M. for the ensuing year took place at the Swan Hotel, Stafford, on Wednesday, the 16th inst. The installation ceremony was very ably performed by the retiring W.M., Bro. E. J. Mousley, in the presence of Lieut.-Col. Bindley D.P.G.M., and a large number of members of the Lodge and visiting brethren. The newly-installed W.M., Bro. Frederick Taylor, appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Edward J. Mousley I.P.M., Thomas Masters S.W., Dr. Taylor J.W., the Rev. A. H. Talbot, M.A., Chaplain, Nicholas Joyce Treasurer, Walter G. Taylor Secretary, C. John Nevitt S.D., George Wormal J.D., James T. Marson D.C., Arthur Noel Newling Organist, John E. Evans I.G., Thomas Bennett and Wm. Hall Stewards, J. J. Tomlinson Tyler. The installation banquet followed. Among those present, in addition to the D.P.G.M. and the W.M. and his Officers, were the following visiting brethren: Bros. the Rev. Dr. Gordon Doughty, T. Evans, Heape, Ryle, Battery, Hackett, G. Gee, C. Gee, J. J. Perkins, Gadman, Gribble, Willmore, Wheway, W. E. Allen, Barker, J. Mottram, F. Woolley, J. Woodridge, W. D. Batkin, and E. J. Mousley. After dinner, the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. Col. Bindley, in responding to the toast of his health and of the Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge, proposed by Bro. Joyce, expressed his great satisfaction with the way in which the business of the Lodge had been transacted, and of the admirable manner in which the duties of Installing Master had been performed by Bro. Mousley. In responding to the toast of the Visitors, Dr. Gordon so far complimented the Lodge as to say that he had not seen better working for 30 years; London could not excel it. Dr. Willmore and Bros. Evans and Ryle also responded. Among the other toasts the health of the W.M. was very cordially honoured. It should be stated that during the course of the anniversary proceedings Bro. W. D. Batkin was presented with a Past Master's jewel, and was highly complimented on his many services to the Lodge and the Craft generally.

WORTHING LODGE OF FRIENDSHIP, No. 851.

THE annual installation meeting was held at the Steyne Hotel, Worthing, on the 15th inst. The Lodge was opened by the W.M. Bro. E. Cooksey, who was supported by his Officers. There was a large number of visitors present. The chief business of the meeting was the installation of Bro. W. H. Sawle as W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony being ably performed by the retiring W.M., Bro. E. Cooksey. The charges were given by Bros. L. W. Paynter, C. Cook, and W. Paine. The following Officers were appointed, and those present were invested with the insignia of their respective offices, viz.:—Bros. E. Cooksey I.P.M., A. B. Cortis S.W., Rev. P. Crick J.W., C. W. Jemmett P.M. Secretary, W. Skindle P.M. Treasurer, R. Piper S.D., A. Shelley J.D., L. W. Paynter P.M. D.C., E. Morgan I.G., and E. Butcher Tyler. Brother C. W. Jemmett was appointed Charities' Steward. The W.M., on behalf of the Lodge, presented Bro. E. Cooksey, who had occupied the post of W.M. for the last two years, with a Past Master's jewel, in appreciation of the admirable manner in which he had carried out his duties. The Lodge having been formally closed, the brethren sat down to an excellent banquet. The newly-elected W.M. Brother W. H. Sawle presided. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, Bro. C. Cook P.M. P.P.G. Superintendent of Works responding on behalf of the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge Present and Past. Bro. E. Cooksey I.P.M., in proposing the W.M., spoke in high terms of the excellent manner in which Bro. W. H. Sawle had carried out the duties of the various offices which had been entrusted to him, and anticipated a successful year to the Lodge under his guidance. Bro. W. H. Sawle, who was cordially received on rising to respond, expressed his sense of the high honour conferred upon him, and said he would do his utmost to follow in the steps of Bro. Cooksey, of whom they were all proud. Bro. C. Cook, in proposing the Installing Master, also spoke in the highest terms of the indefatigable and truly Masonic manner in which Bro. Cooksey had advanced the interests and the working of the Lodge. Brother Cooksey suitably acknowledged the toast, and said he would continue his best efforts on behalf of the Lodge. Bro. Piper, in a very humorous but telling speech, proposed the Past Masters, to which Bro. Paine responded. Bro. W. Gill acknowledged the Visitors—given from the chair. Bro. Lyne proposed the Wardens and Officers of the Lodge, to which Bros. A. B. Cortis and the Rev. P. Crick replied. The latter submitted the Masonic Charities, which Bro. E. Cooksey acknowledged. During the evening a pleasing programme of vocal music was admirably sustained by Miss Minnie Freeman, Miss Edith Welling, Bros. W. N. Roe P.P.G.O., G. Cole P.P.G.O., C. W. Jemmett P.M., Chas. Paine P.M., and Mr. Argyle Galloway; the duties of accompanist being admirably carried out by Bro. W. N. Roe.

SYKES LODGE, No. 1040.

THE installation of the W.M. elect (Bro. Thomas Bell) was most impressively performed on Wednesday, the 16th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Driffield, by Bro. John Dunn P.M. P.P.G.P. At the close of the ceremony the W.M. invested the following as his Officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. W. Highmoor I.P.M., W. Overend S.W., Thomas Dixon J.W., James Bordass Treasurer, John Miles White Lecture Master, Rev. T. W. Puchas, M.A., Chaplain, Joseph Kirby

Secretary, William Foster S.D., W. R. Watson J.D., R. Smith I.G., G. H. Potts D.C., James Elgey Almoner, John Tate Organist, John Holtby Steward, W. Fenton, C. J. Neale and M. Gage Assistant Stewards, R. Featherstone Tyler. Among the visiting brethren were Colonel R. G. Smith P.P.G.S.W. North and East Yorkshire, W. H. Rose W.M. 660, T. Foley W.M. 294, J. W. Barton W.M. 250, J. Mackaill P.M. 57, J. W. Tindall S.W. 1601, J. Edgar S.W. 294, J. R. Stringer P.G.O.

LEWISES LODGE, No. 1209.

THE installation meeting was held at the Lodge Room, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate, on Wednesday the 16th inst., when a large number of brethren were present. The ceremony of installation was most impressively performed by Bro. W. A. Valon, who was highly complimented by the Grand Officers present, after which the newly-installed Master (Bro. E. Wotton) proceeded to appoint his Officers, as follow:—Bros. G. J. Dunn S.W., H. West J.W., W. Marcolyn Treasurer, C. Godsmark S.D., G. Chapman J.D., F. Newton I.G., G. Baldwin and J. Rowe Stewards, W. Larkin Organist, G. Wellen D.C., A. G. Harvey A.D.C. The brethren then adjourned to a banquet, which was served in a most recherché style by Bro. Roach. The remainder of the evening was enlivened by the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts, interspersed with music and singing by those present.

WOLSEY LODGE, No. 1656.

THE election meeting was held on Monday, the 14th inst., at the Greyhound Hotel, Hampton Court. Bro. R. Drummond W.M., presided. Bro. Raymond Thrupp the Deputy Prov. G.M., honoured the Lodge with a visit. Bro. Miles was raised to the degree of M.M., and Bro. Figg was raised to the degree of F.C., the W.M. performing both ceremonies. Bro. Dare S.W., P.M. of the Richmond Lodge, was elected W.M., and Bro. Featherstone was unanimously re-elected Treasurer. The W.M. having accepted the office of Steward to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, on the occasion of Sir Francis Burdett Provincial Grand Master, taking the chair, the sum of five guineas was voted towards his list. The labours of the Lodge being ended, the brethren banquetted, Bro. Mella providing an excellently served repast. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. Bro. Walls recited, and songs were sung by Bros. Raymond Thrupp, Frank Figg, T. Grant and J. Smith. Bro. Figg also presided at the piano.

PLUCKNETT LODGE, No. 1708.

AN emergency meeting took place at the Bald Faced Stag, East Finchley, on Wednesday night, the 16th instant. Bro. J. E. Overed W.M. occupied the chair of K.S. The business before the Lodge was to raise Bro. Bell to the third degree. This was done in a masterly manner by the W.M. The occasion was also made use of for holding the annual supper of the Plucknett Lodge of Instruction. About 25 brethren sat down to supper after the Lodge had been closed. The W.M. Bro. Overed presided, and the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given from the chair and heartily responded to by the brethren.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S LODGE, No. 1941.

ON Tuesday evening, the 15th inst., the anniversary meeting was held at the Shrewsbury Hotel, Rugely, when Bro. William Foggo was installed W.M. by Bro. Watson Foggo. The W.M. appointed and invested his Officer, as follow:—Bros. W. Foggo I.P.M., William Hanford S.W., John Hackett J.W., the Rev. R. M. Grier Chaplain, John Robinson Treasurer, C. W. Bullivant Secretary, George Buttery Charity Steward, George Geo D.C., Geo. Lawrence S.D., Edward L. W. Johns J.D., Walter Webster I.G., Clark Salmon Organist, Richard Holtom Assistant Organist, William Dicken, Wm. Coltman, C. N. Gilbert, and Herbert A. Woodroffe Stewards, John Robinson Almoner, and Thomas Turner Tyler. A banquet took place during the evening.

ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 2025.

THE annual meeting was held on the 22nd inst., at the Sincerity Masonic Temple, St. George's Hall, Stonehouse, to instal Bro. Alfred R. Debnam, the W.M. elect, in the chair of K.S. Lodge St. George is the only Masonic Lodge in the Three Towns, or, more correctly speaking, in the West of England, founded on strictly temperance principles; and although only consecrated six years, it has met with remarkable success—in fact, the Lodge can fairly claim to be in the foremost rank. The members have subscribed liberally to the Charities, and the Treasurer, on the present occasion, presented a highly satisfactory balance-sheet, there being a good surplus in hand. Bro. A. R. Debnam is well known and highly respected in the Three Towns. He received the sympathy of the brethren on appearing in the Lodge-room with his arm in a sling—having broken his elbow and dislocated his shoulder on Easter Monday. The ceremony of installation was most ably performed by the retiring W.M., Bro. Francis Crouch. The Board of Installed Masters having been closed, the W.M. invested the following brethren as his Officers for the year ensuing:—Bros. Francis Crouch I.P.M., Henry Reynolds S.W., C. F. Matthison J.W., James Harvey Chaplain, F. Hooper Treasurer, James Gifford Secretary, Henry Coleman S.D., T. J. Cole J.D., R. Brickwood I.G., J. E. Weale D.C., J. H. Bannerman A.D.C., W. H. Lang Organist, E. Aslat Assistant Organist, T. P. Fall Senior Steward, F. M. Somerville, S. E. Cole, W. T. Bone, and A. Honey Assistant Stewards, and James Gidley Tyler. The ceremony of installation was rendered all the more impressive by excellent singing, which was introduced under the direction of Bro. W. H. Lang Organist. Bro. Bone presented the Lodge with a heavy maul, for which he was duly thanked. Bro. Griffin was re-appointed representative of the Lodge on the Committee of Petitions, and also

Charity Steward. The brethren afterwards adjourned to the refectory, where an enjoyable hour was spent. The annual dinner of the Lodge will be held next month.

HAMMERSMITH LODGE, No. 2090.

THE installation meeting took place at the Vestry Hall, Hammersmith, on the 10th inst. Bro. Arthur Williams having concluded a very successful year of office, Bro. F. Mauder was installed in his stead, the ceremony being performed in an able manner by the outgoing W.M. The report of the audit committee was received, in which they highly praised the able manner in which the funds had been administered by the Treasurer, Bro. H. Room, and Bro. A. J. Barclay the Secretary. After the business of the Lodge was concluded, the Brethren adjourned to a banquet at the Brook Green Hotel. Amongst the visitors present were Bros. G. Gardner W.M. 2309, W. H. Hobbs W.M. 858, R. Mark W.M. 192, R. Pierpoint P.M. 1828, J. A. Sims P.M. 834, and R. F. Shrubsole 1611.

CONSTANCE LODGE, No. 2135.

THE members celebrated their annual festival in the Masonic Hall, Consett, on the 16th inst. Upwards of sixty brethren and visitors from the surrounding Lodges were in attendance. The ceremony of installing Bro. Nathan Elsdon S.W. as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year was performed by Bro. W. Brotherhood W.M. Afterwards the W.M. invested the following members of the Lodge:—Bros. Henry Provell S.W., G. I. Christopher J.W., G. T. Hyder Secretary, T. D. Dryden Organist, George Dryden Tyler, A. Brodie Almoner, W. I. Mackay S.D., W. Smith J.D., J. Parker I.G., J. Coulthard and Ed. Wylam Stewards, Chas. Stephenson Treasurer, G. R. Saunders Chaplain, W. Logan member of Charities Committee; and A. Brodie and T. L. Gledstone Auditors. The Festival of St. John the Evangelist was commemorated by a dinner in the banqueting-room by about seventy brethren. Bro. N. Elsdon W.M. occupied the chair. During the evening Bro. W. Brotherhood I.P.M. was presented with a gold medallion for his services to the Lodge during the past year.

RYE LODGE, No. 2272.

THE last meeting of the season of this Lodge was held on Wednesday, the 9th inst., at the Public Hall, Rye-lane, Peckham. There were present Bros. F. Dunn W.M., W. Cock S.W., G. P. Nightingale J.W., G. S. Mansell Treasurer, J. W. Dewsnap I.P.M. and Secretary, P. G. Philips S.D., W. Castledine J.D., W. T. Warner D.C., T. G. Collier I.G., W. R. Dunn and R. Bridger Stewards, E. Pottit Organist, T. M. Wright, W. S. Proe, S. F. Smith, T. Johnston, F. Hussey, W. Monks and others; and visitors, Bros. Thomas Grammant P.M. 1559, H. Wintle 140, W. Bacon 2024, C. H. Stone J.D. 507, and the Rev. S. Edge 47. The Lodge having been opened in due form, the W.M. impressively passed Bro. Swinford F. Smith, after which the brethren proceeded to the election of W.M. for the ensuing year, when Bro. Dr. W. Cock J.W. was unanimously chosen, and Bro. Mansell was re-elected Treasurer. After transacting some formal business, the brethren sat down to an excellent dinner, under the presidency of the W.M. One noteworthy incident occurred, which speaks highly for the charitable feelings of the Lodge, which is only in its second year. Bro. Cock intimated that he was acting as Steward for the Masonic Girls' Institution for another Lodge, and made an appeal to those present to assist him. Although many members were absent, he had the gratification of announcing that over £35 was subscribed that evening, which swells his list to nearly £150.

Merchants' Lodge of Instruction, No. 241.—The annual supper was held on Tuesday evening, the 15th inst., at the Feathers Hotel, Clayton-Square, Liverpool. Bro. J. Brotherton P.M. 241 the Preceptor occupied the chair, and Bro. M'Lachlan W.M. 241 the vice-chair, supported by Bros. E. Sherwood P.M. 786, W. Marwood W.M. 786 (Secretary), and C. Kok-Alblas jun. 241 (Treasurer). A hearty vote of thanks, with best wishes for his health and happiness, was passed to Bro. Brotherton for his untiring energy and zeal in instructing the brethren during the past and previous years. The thanks of the brethren were accorded to Bro. A. E. Povey the retiring Treasurer for his invaluable services during the past year, with every hope that Bro. Kok-Alblas jun. would discharge the duties as efficiently; also to Bro. W. Marwood, the Secretary for regular attendance to his duties. The brethren were much pleased with Bro. George F. Howard's catering, and they spent a pleasant evening, the well-rendered vocal and instrumental programme, contributed by Bro. A. B. Ewart Organist 241 and several of the brethren, helping to make the annual meeting all the more enjoyable.

Everton Lodge of Instruction, No. 823.—The annual meeting of the members of this Lodge of Instruction took place on Monday, the 14th instant, at the Masonic Hall, Hope Street, Liverpool; when a considerable number of the "mystic tie" were in attendance. The chair was occupied by Bro. R. W. Gow, and after the preliminary business was gone through, the following Officers were appointed for the ensuing year:—Bros. R. W. Gow Preceptor, R. T. Britten Deputy Preceptor, T. C. Millington Treasurer, and Oates Secretary. The brethren afterwards sat down to a banquet, provided by Brother Carey, when the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were gone through. A pleasant feature of the evening's proceedings was the presentation of a jewel to Bro. John M. King P.M., on his retiring from the office of Preceptor, which he has held for some time. The presentation was made by Bro. Britten P.M., who, on behalf of the members, assured Bro. King of their gratitude to him for his past services, and of their sincere regard for him as a true and trusted leader. A number of songs and recitations by the brethren brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

Covont Garden Lodge of Instruction, No. 1614.—At a recent meeting of the members of this Lodge of Instruction it was proposed by Bro. Brindley Preceptor, seconded by Bro. Greenway Deputy Preceptor, and carried unanimously, that a testimonial be presented to Bro. George Reynolds I.P.M. No. 1614, as a mark of their esteem for his untiring exertions as their Secretary and Treasurer, for a period of upwards of seven years, and who, by his zeal and ability, has raised this Lodge of Instruction from very small beginnings to one of the largest and most important in London. For the purpose of carrying this resolution into effect, a Committee has been formed, with a view to making this testimonial something worthy of Bro. George Reynolds' acceptance. The presentation will be made at the annual supper, to be held on Thursday, the 1st May. Brethren who may be desirous to assist are informed their subscriptions will be thankfully received by any member of the Committee, or by Bro. F. M. Noakes, Hon. Sec., Evershot Road, Tollington Park, N.

At the Criterion, Piccadilly, W., on the 17th inst. Bros. G. H. Foan W.M., F. Baxton S.W., C. Rotter J.W., W. Brindley Preceptor, J. Greenway Deputy Preceptor, G. Reynolds Treasurer and Secretary, W. Hoggins S.D., J. D. Graham J.D., J. Woodward I.G., T. C. Weeks Tyler, A. C. Bennett, W. Groves, W. C. Cox, R. C. Cursons, H. F. Dassen, W. Hancock, S. Moss, C. W. Frommholz, A. Cogliati, G. A. Bergholz, James Rowe, G. A. Reynolds, J. Gluckstein, R. Kirk, and J. Woodward. After preliminaries, the Preceptor worked the first section of the third lecture, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of raising. Lodge was resumed, when Bros. G. W. Coe 879, W. E. Hoy 879, and A. C. Bennett 1987, were elected members. Bro. F. Buxton S.W. was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and appointed his Officers in rotation, announcing his intention of working the first and second degrees. Nothing further offering, the Lodge was closed and adjourned.

Langton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1673.—On Thursday, the 20th April, at the White Hart Tavern, Abchurch Lane, E.C. Present:—Bros. Marshall Preceptor, Dent W.M., Besant S.W., De Paiva J.W., Mapleton Secretary, Harpour S.D., Hall J.D., Godfrey I.G.; Bros. Knight, E. Mansell, Woodroffe, Hobbs, Lea-Smith, Burne, C. Webb, Seton, Williams, and Gordon Smith; Visitors:—Bros. Stenning and Barnes. Lodge was opened, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Seton candidate. Bro. Lea-Smith gave the explanation of the second tracing board. The Lodge was closed in the second degree. Bro. S.W. was elected W.M. for the next meeting. Bro. Besant gave notice that the ceremony of raising would be rehearsed. Afterwards Bros. Stenning and Barnes were elected members of the Lodge, and a vote of thanks to the W.M. was carried for the manner in which he had filled the chair for the first time in the Lodge. Lodge was then closed.

To any one not within the mystic circle, the groups of capital letters, P.G.J.D., P.P.G.M.O., and so on, following the names of the gentlemen who took part in the installation proceedings of the Hotspur Lodge of Mark Masons, at Alnwick, on Wednesday, 16th inst., must be as unintelligible as reading the dictionary was uninteresting to the poor country lass, who waded through its hard words in the belief that it was a new novel. How long Masonry has existed in Alnwick must be left to a Huban or a Logan to determine. An enthusiastic brother of the Craft once averred that it flourished there when its pride and glory, the princely castle of the Percy's, first raised its head. Anyhow, a Lodge seems to have been held there so far back as the year 1701. So says Mr. Logan in his history of local Masonry. If the records of this old Lodge exist, they would throw some light on the working of the Craft, and perchance tell us something of the men who flourished on the Alp during the reign of Queen Anne. But it is to be feared that they have gone the way of the old wings of many other Lodges. In a schedule of the jewels, furniture and books belonging to the Marquess of Granby Lodge in 1775, mention is made of a large oak box, containing papers and many others things relating to Masonry. Four years ago, when Mr. Logan made an inventory of the goods of that Lodge, he was unable to identify a single article, save one little book, Hutchinson's "Spirit of Masonry," whose dog-eared, dilapidated condition had apparently saved it from the common fate. Box, jewels, seals, copper-plates, prints of the Dedication, and a view of Solomon's Temple, and other movables, representing the goods and chattles of the ancient and honourable fraternity of the Free and Accepted, all had disappeared. Even the pair of fastain drawers, probably worn by Sir Cuthbert Sharp himself, had been spirited away, and not a leg remained of the mahogany chairs on which erstwhile sat the Master and the Senior and Junior Wardens. Quart, pint, and gill measures, thirty-seven drinking glasses, with the emblems of Masonry on them, had been swept away as ruthlessly as the bean box had been torn from its pedestal. We shall be glad if the publicity thus given to the missing property should be the means of leading to its recovery.—*Newcastle Journal.*

On the 16th inst. a presentation was made to Brother Francis Bennett, proprietor of the Lion Hotel, Belper, on the occasion of his leaving the town. The present took the form of a massive clock and vases, together with an illuminated address. Bro. H. Strutt, J.P., made the presentation

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PROV. GRAND CHAPTER OF SUSSEX.

THE annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Chapter of Sussex was held in the Music Room, Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on the 16th inst., the chief feature of the business being the installation of Comp. Lieutenant-General C. W. Randolph as Grand Superintendent. The Provincial Grand Chapter was opened by the Installing Officer Comp. Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke Scribe E., acting Grand Superintendent, assisted by Comps. Rev. H. M. Davey Prov. G.H. P.Z. 38, and Joseph Farncombe Prov. G.J. P.Z. 311. The minutes of the last annual meeting having been read and confirmed, the roll of Chapters was called, each being represented. The Installing Officer having examined the patent of the Grand Superintendent Designate, expressed the regret that owing to the death of the late M.E. Comps. Sir Walter Burrell and Gerard Ford, he was present that afternoon to instal, for the third time, a Grand Superintendent. The choice of the M.E. Grand Z. His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales had fallen upon the M.E. Comp. Lieutenant-General C. W. Randolph, and he (the Installing Officer) believed the selection was one which would be conducive to the best interests of the Province. The Grand Superintendent having been duly installed and invested, addressed the Companions. He thanked them for their cordial support, and was grateful to His Royal Highness for placing him in the chair. When he reflected that he was following such Companions as Sir Walter Burrell, John Henderson Scott, and Gerard Ford he felt that he had an uphill task before him. He was deeply sensible of the responsibility of the high station, and wished to assure the Companions of the Province that he would do his utmost to promote the welfare of the Chapters in Sussex. The Grand Superintendent then appointed the other Principals and Officers as follow, those present being invested with the insignia of their respective offices:—

Comp. Lt.-Col. Lord A. Lennox P.Z. 38	H.
Bransby Roberts, M.D., P.Z. 916	J.
V. P. Freeman P.Z. 311	.. S.E.
H. E. Price, M.D., P.Z. 1466	.. S.N.
J. M. Reed P.Z. 732	.. Treasurer
R. Pidcock P.Z. 916	.. Registrar
T. C. Woodman P.Z. 271	.. P. Soj.
H. Kent P.Z. 315	.. 1st Assistant Soj.
T. H. Crouch P.Z. 732	.. 2nd Assistant Soj.
W. H. Russell P.Z. 40	.. Sword Bearer
G. E. Chapman P.Z. 311	.. Standard Bearer
Mortimer Hancock P.Z. 1466	.. Dir. of Cers.
A. King, Mus. Doc., P.Z. 271	.. Organist
W. H. Barrett Z. 38	.. } Stewards
T. Hardy P.Z. 811	.. }
H. H. Hughes	.. Janitor

The Chapter having been closed, the Companions adjourned to the banqueting-room, where they sat down to an excellent banquet served up in an elegant style by Comp. J. Sayers. The Grand Superintendent presided. The customary Royal Arch toasts were duly honoured. A very pleasing programme of vocal music was sustained by Miss Minnie Freeman, Miss Maud Bond, and Mr. C. T. West, under the direction of Comp. Alfred King Prov. G.O.

ST. ANNE'S CHAPTER, No. 970.

THIS Chapter held its annual convocation in the Masonic Hall, Looe, on Tuesday, the 15th inst., when the following Companions were installed and invested:—Comps. R. Edgcumbe Z., J. G. Henwood H., J. P. Lillcrapp J., Isaac Dawe Treasurer, T. Cook S.E., Edwin Oliver S.N., V. J. Maddock P.S., S. H. Hare 1st A.S., H. Shapcott 2nd A.S., J. Oliver Janitor. The ceremony of installation was ably conducted by Comp. Tonkin P.P.D.C. P.Z. 1151, assisted by Comps. White, Dawe, Harding, Hill, and Crossman. The Companions afterwards dined together at Comp. T. Cook's Ship Hotel.

Five candidates were initiated by the W.M. Bro. J. T. Bailey P.P.G.S. at the first meeting of the Mistle Lodge, No. 2339, held at the White Hart Hotel, Manningtree on the 8th inst.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Teachings of Experience.—The united testimony of thousands, extending over more than fifty years, most strongly recommends these Pills as the best purifiers, the mildest aperients, and the surest restoratives. They never prove delusive, or give merely temporary relief, but attack all ailments of the stomach, lungs, heart, head, and bowels in the only safe and legitimate way, by depurating the blood, and so eradicating those impurities which are the source and constituent of almost every disease. Their medicinal efficacy is wonderful in renovating enfeebled constitutions. Their action embraces all that is desirable in a household medicine. They expel every noxious and effete matter; and thus the strength is nurtured and the energies sustained.

MARK MASONRY.

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MERIDIAN LODGE, No. 78.

BRO. H. P. Vivian W.M. presided over the yearly meeting, which was held at the Masonic Hall, Redruth, on Monday, 21st inst. Bro. W. Wales jun. W.M. elect was impressively installed by Bro. E. M. Cook, assisted by Bro. Joseph Sarah. The W.M. invested the following as his Officers:—Bros. H. P. Vivian I.P.M., F. Hitchens S.W., W. R. Erskine J.W., R. Rodda Secretary, E. M. Cooks Treasurer, H. Downing M.O., A. Carkeek S.O., Henry Opie J.O., John Carkeek S.D., W. Johns J.D., E. M. Abbott I.G., I. Polkihorn Tyler. At the conclusion of the business supper was partaken of by the brethren, Bro. W. Wales jun. presiding, and Bro. Rev. W. R. Erskine occupying the vice-chair. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given and a very pleasant evening was spent.

HOTSPUR LODGE, No. 135.

ON Wednesday afternoon, the 16th instant, the installation meeting was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Alwicks. The W.M. Bro. A. S. Cockburn presided. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. C. B. Reed and the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge were received in due form by the brethren. The ceremony of installing Bro. A. J. Main as W.M. was then proceeded with. Dr. Main having been presented by Bro. A. S. Cockburn W.M., the ceremony of installing him in the chair was impressively performed by Bro. R. B. Reed. The W.M. proceeded to invest his Officers, as follow:—Bros. A. S. Cockburn I.P.M., M. Armstrong S.W., W. Bell J.W., C. E. Moore M.O., Thomas Lough S.O., R. S. Holt J.O., J. J. Horsley P.M. Treasurer, W. Weston Registrar of Marks, Thomas Horne S.D., James Ferguson P.M. J.D., George Simpson P.M. D.C., C. Flintoff Organist, H. G. Wilkin I.G., W. Walters Tyler. The Lodge was afterwards closed. In the evening the annual festival took place at the White Swan Hotel.

CONSTANTINE LODGE, No. 145.

ON Wednesday, the 16th inst., Lord Henniker, as Provincial Grand Master of the Mark Masons of East Anglia (which comprises the counties of Essex, Suffolk, Norfolk, and Cambridgeshire) visited Colchester for the purpose of being present at the installation meeting of this Lodge. His Lordship reached Colchester from Thornham Hall, Eye, by the 4.38 train, and was met at Colchester station by Bros. Welch and Bailey P.M.'s of the Constantine Lodge, and by them escorted to the Lodge-room, where his lordship was met by the Rev. C. J. Martyn D.P.G.M., and Bro. N. Tracy the P.G. Secretary. A large number of brethren were present in the Lodge, and Lord Henniker and his Deputy, were received with the honours due to their exalted rank. The principal business of the meeting was the installation of Bro. William Sowman S.W., as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, which ceremony was ably performed by Bro. Tracy, and as ably assisted by Bro. J. P. Lewin Treasurer of the Constantine Lodge. The Officers for the year were invested, as under:—Geo. A. Eustace I.P.M., R. D. Poppleton S.W., Arthur H. Bowles J.W., the Rev. W. Morgan Jones M.O., H. J. Skingley S.O., John J. C. Turner J.O., the Rev. E. H. Crate Chaplain, J. P. Lewin Treasurer, T. J. Ralling Secretary, Thos. Rix Registrar, J. G. Renshaw S.D., S. D. C. Ablitt J.D., Joseph Ashdown D.C., Tarlo Lee Organist, Harris Hills I.G., T. J. Grant and Harry Becker Stewards, Munson and Wright Tylers. At the conclusion of the Lodge business, the Worshipful Master proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Lord Henniker for his kindness in honouring the Lodge by a visit. The motion was seconded by the Treasurer of the Lodge Bro. Lewin, and carried by acclamation. Lord Henniker, in responding, thanked the Brethren for their hearty reception. He was glad to have the opportunity of visiting the Constantine Lodge, which he was happy to know was one of the strongest and best worked in his Province, and he congratulated the Installing Masters upon the ability they had displayed in conducting the ceremony of the day. He was glad to be supported by his dear old friend Bro. Martyn, and said that their joint aim was to do all they could to promote the good of Mark Masonry in East Anglia. Thanks were also accorded to Bro. the Rev. C. J. Martyn for his attendance, and to the Installing Masters for the able manner in which they had carried out their work. Before the Lodge was closed Bro. A. J. H. Ward (Town Clerk of Harwich) presented a petition, for the recommendation of the Lodge, for the formation of a Mark Lodge at Harwich. This having been signed by the W.M. and principal Officers, Lord Henniker attached his signature, saying he should have great pleasure in recommending the petition to the favourable consideration of the M.W.G.M. Subsequently between 40 and 50 brethren dined together at the George Hotel, under the presidency of the W.M., who was supported by Lord Henniker, the Rev. C. J. Martyn, Bro. Tracy, and other distinguished brethren. In proposing Lord Henniker's health, the W.M. alluded to the fact that it was mainly through the good offices of his Lordship that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales had joined this branch of Freemasonry, and was now their Grand Master. In responding, Lord Henniker said that, being a resident in the Eastern Counties, he had, he supposed, passed through Colchester thousands of times, but had only been in the town on two occasions—in 1884, when he held his Provincial Grand Lodge, and on the present occasion. All he could say was that these two visits had been very agreeable ones, and he should always look back on them with great pleasure. At the time that he had the honour of occupying the post of Grand Master of this degree it progressed by leaps and bounds, and although at the present time they had fallen upon quieter times, still he was happy to know that the Mark degree was flourishing, and nowhere more than his Province of East Anglia. He had been particularly pleased that a new Mark Lodge at Harwich had been brought forward to-day, and he trusted that if H.R.H. was pleased to

grant a warrant, the promoters of the Lodge would invite himself and Bro. Martyn to its inauguration. His Lordship then alluded to the erection of the new Mark Masons' Hall in London, contiguous to Freemasons' Hall—in fact, under the same roof; and concluded by acknowledging the great assistance he received in ruling the Province from Bro. Martyn his Deputy, and Bro. Tracy the P.G. Secretary. His Lordship shortly afterwards left the Lodge, amidst the hearty plaudits of the Brethren, and proceeded by the 7.50 train to town.

ST. AUSTELL LODGE, No. 275.

THE annual meeting and Festival was held on Tuesday, the 15th inst., at the Masonic Hall, St. Austell. Bro. W. Isaac Watts S.W., was installed as W.M. by Bro. Mason, assisted by a Board of Installed Masters, consisting of Bros. C. Truscott P.P.G.S.W., J. W. Higman, P.P.G.J.W., R. Parson P.P.G.M.O., J. de Cressy Treffry P.G. Reg., W. J. Tredinnick P.G.S.O., Edwin Venning 357, S. Trehane W.M. 35. The W.M. invested the following brethren as his officers:—Bros. W. J. Tredinnick I.P.M., J. O. Job S.W., J. McTurk J.W., W. Boxhall M.O., S. Truscott S.O., C. H. Whetter J.O., W. Mason Treas., W. Richards Reg. of M. and Sec., J. G. Blight S.D., J. Snowden Smith J.D., W. H. Lake D.C. and I.G., W. Real Tyler. The brethren afterwards dined at Bro. Luke's White Hart Hotel.

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REFORM AT THE BOYS' SCHOOL.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I have read the criticism contained in your issue of the 19th inst. No one is more fully aware of the misleading effects of the discussion of figures and accounts, apart from the books and documents upon which such figures and accounts are based, than myself. I am therefore compelled to decline to enter into further controversy through the medium of your journal.

I am directed to inform you that the books and accounts will be placed upon the table at the Quarterly Court, on Friday next. This will afford any one the opportunity of proving or disproving the accuracy of your assertions.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

EDWD. HOBBS, F.C.A.

11 Old Jewry Chambers, London.

22nd April 1890.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Benevolence was held on Wednesday evening, at Freemasons' Hall. Brother Robert Grey, President of the Board, presided, and Bros. James Brett Senior Vice-President, and C. A. Cotterbrune Junior Vice-President, occupied the chairs assigned to those Offices. The other brethren present were:—Bros. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke G. Secretary, A. A. Pondlebury A.G. Secretary, W. Dodd, and W. H. Leo (representing Grand Secretary's Office), G. B. Chapman, B. Wilkins, D. D. Mercer, H. Garrod, L. C. Haslip, C. Dairy, J. B. Griove, W. P. Brown, E. Shedd, Rev. J. Studholme Brownrigg, J. Bunker, T. W. Whitmarsh, G. A. Cundy, W. H. Perryman, T. E. Dobson, A. J. Vanderlyn, J. J. Thomas, T. R. S. Champion, C. W. Baker, W. Adams, John A. McQueen, W. Russell, G. Graveley, H. Massey, F. Wood, G. E. Hamilton, E. G. Hooper, C. H. Webb, H. Mayer, Dehane, F. C. McQueen, J. G. Horsey, T. Weeks, W. Burton, T. S. Hellier, C. H. R. Tijou, G. P. Gillard, C. E. Barnett, W. T. Pink, J. Boulton, T. T. Willecox, S. T. White, R. Forster, V. Wing, T. H. Thompson, G. P. Minett, C. N. McIntyre North, J. Mander, W. Wingham, J. J. Berry, H. Lyon, F. M. Bilby, S. H. Goldschmidt, W. C. Canton, G. M. Thompson, N. Salmon, L. Bryett, L. J. Salmon, H. F. Gilbert, and H. Sadler G. Tyler. The brethren first confirmed recommendations made to the Grand Master at the March meeting, to the amount of £250. The new list comprised the names of 41 applicants. In the course of a sitting lasting nearly four hours, 37 of these were relieved with a total sum of £795, composed of two recommendations to the Grand Lodge of £75 each; two recommendations to the Grand Master of £40 each; and seven of £30 each; 10 grants of £20 each; one of £15; 13 of £10 each; and two of £5 each. The remainder were dismissed.

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AT A QUARTERLY GENERAL COURT OF THE GOVERNORS AND SUBSCRIBERS, held in the Large Hall of the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on Friday, the 25th day of April 1890,

W. Bro. RICHARD EVE, Patron, Past Grand Treasurer, in the Chair,
A Ballot took place for the ELECTION OF THIRTY BOYS from an approved List of sixty-eight Candidates, the following being declared

SUCCESSFUL.

No. on Poll	No. on List		Votes
1	49	Thomas, Lionel A. F. ...	3254
2	29	Spain, William Augustine ...	2847
3	18	Harrison, William John ...	2711
4	42	Pownall, Henry Charles ...	2639
5	23	Cooper, Frederick E. W. ...	2562
6	68	Cotes, Ernest Charles ...	2552
7	30	Thompson, Hugh Hanley ...	2517
8	37	Besly, John Francis ...	2510
9	9	Browne, Arthur Thomas ...	2487
10	43	Bartholomew, Herbert Cecil ...	2445
11	36	Andrews, William Mitchell ...	2422
12	3	Clarke, Alfred William ...	2374
13	6	Wilkinson, George ...	2337
14	4	Jarman, Edward George ...	2265
15	5	Pratt, Stanley E. R. ...	2251
16	55	Heyworth, Harold ...	2219
17	19	Peters, Charles Wilfrid ...	2185
18	13	Bloomfield, Walter W. ...	2178
19	58	Leeming, Charles Irvine ...	2120
20	53	Gillbee, Edgar Samuel ...	2114
21	52	Moore, Benjamin ...	2095
22	32	Mountford, Ernest C. G. ...	2074
23	38	Tyson, Percy Kilburn ...	2067
24	47	Dickens, Ralph Oldacre ...	2022
25	10	Whale, Ernest Edward ...	2007
26	63	Burrows, Harold ...	1978
27	21	Eastment, Reginald George ...	1974
28	24	Stanley, Hereward ...	1946
29	31	Appleby, Edmund B. W. ...	1932
30	27	Brereton, Herbert Walter ...	1905

Lists of Candidates (successful and unsuccessful), with full particulars of polling, &c., may be had on application. Votes of unsuccessful Candidates will be carried to the credit of those qualified for election in October next.

By order,

FREDERICK BINCKES, (P.G. Std., P.G. Sword B., V.-Pat.), Secretary.
OFFICE—6 Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.
25th April 1890.

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ON WEDNESDAY, 2ND JULY 1890,

UNDER THE PRESIDENCY OF THE

Right Honourable LORD GEORGE HAMILTON, M.P.
FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY.

R.W. Grand Senior Warder, P.M. 2012, V.-President of the Institution.

Locality and other particulars will be announced in due course.

The services of Brethren as Stewards representing Lodges, or Provinces, are—under exceptional circumstances—most earnestly solicited, and will be gratefully acknowledged.

By Order,

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Bro. E. LUXMORE MARSHALL, P.M. 235.

Brethren willing to act as Stewards on the above important occasion will greatly oblige by sending in their names as early as convenient.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

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Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

To the Patrons, Vice-Patrons, Vice-Presidents, and Life Governors of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

BRETHREN desirous of assisting and supporting Bro. GORDON SMITH (M.A.), P.G.S. Eng., P.M. 14 and 2041, Member of the Board of General Purposes, &c., &c., in his Candidature for the Secretaryship of the Institution, are requested to kindly send their names to Bro. EUGENE MONTREUIS, P.M. 14, 2060, 2243, P.G.S., G. Sword B. Eng., &c., &c., Hon. Sec. to the Committee.
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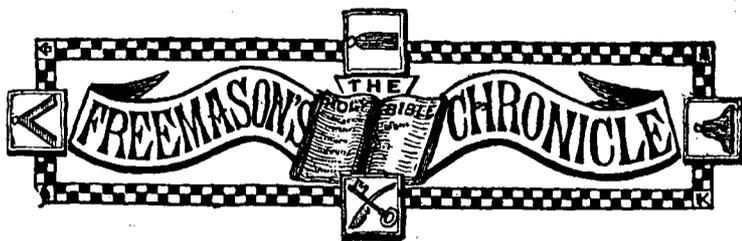
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SATURDAY, 26TH APRIL 1890.

PROV. G. LODGE OF W. YORKSHIRE.

THE annual meeting of this Provincial Grand Lodge was held in the Cutlers' Hall, Sheffield, on Wednesday, 16th inst., at 2.15 p.m., under the banner of the Britannia Lodge, No. 139. There were present:—Bros. Thomas William Tew, J.P., Past G.D. of England, Prov. G. Master; Henry Smith Past G.D. of England, Deputy P.G. Master; Wm. Harrop P.G.S.W., John Henry Burrows P.G.J.W., Edward Armitage, J.P., Jonas Craven, Wm. Henry Brittain, J.P., Simeon Hayes, Benj. Broughton, John Wordsworth, Lieut.-Col. J. E. Bingham, Robert Arnison, Rev. J. J. Needham, M.A., and Rev. J. Gilmore, M.A., George Brooke, P.P.G. Wardens; Rev. J. Rosser, B.A., P. as Prov. G. Warden, Rev. Vaniah Odom, B.A., P.G. Warden, John Leach P.G. Treasurer, James Henry Gratton, F. M. Tindall, and Henry Oxley P.P.G. Treasurers; Chas. M. Wilson P.G. Registrar, John C. Malcolm, Alfred W. Stanfield, J.P., and Joseph Binney P.P.G. Registrars; Herbert G. E. Green P.G. Secretary, W. F. Smithson P.P.G.S.D., W. C. Lupton P. as P.G.S.D.; George A. Cubley, and Fredk. Cleaves P.G. Junior Deacons; Robert Craig, Joseph Lowenthal, John Foster, Francis D. Walker, J. R. Dore, and John E. Wordsworth P.P.G. Deacons; William Watson P.G. Superintendent of Works; G. W. Hawksley, Charles Gott, John Shaw, Thos. W. Roome, and James Lawton P.P.G. Superintendents of Works; J. R. Welsman P.G. Dir. of Cers., John Dyson Deputy P.G. D. of C., William Fitton P.G.A.D.C.; L. W. Roddewig, Thomas Collinson, Samuel Slack, Alfred Stephenson, and Joseph W. Monckman P.P.G. Directors of Ceremonies; John James Rutherford P.G. Sword Bearer; H. J. Garnett and T. Bateman Fox P.P.G. Sword Bearers; John H. Rayner, and Alfred Stott P.G. Standard Bearers; Henry Arnold as P.G. Organist; J. Needham Pickering, John Wm. Phillips, Arthur Simonson, William Ash, and Max Blume P.P.G. Organists; Joseph Matthewman Provincial G. Assistant Secretary, Richard Cliffe P.G. Pursuivant, Frederick Whiteley P. as P.G. Assistant Pursuivant; Thomas Crossley, Thomas Barber, and John Richardson P.P.G. Pursuivants; J. B. Wostinholm, W. F. Tomlinson, J. B. Knight, W. Ridgard Massie, John Shoesmith, and Thomas Riley P.G. Stewards; Samuel Barrand P.G. Tyler, Thomas Leighton P.G. Assistant Tyler. Also Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, acting Wardens, and brethren from Lodges 61, 139, 149, 154, 208, 242, 264, 265, 275, 289, 290, 296, 302, 304, 306, 307, 337, 380, 387, 439, 448, 495, 521, 600, 652, 750, 810, 827, 837, 904, 910, 971, 974, 1001, 1018, 1019, 1034, 1042, 1102, 1108, 1211, 1214, 1221, 1239, 1283, 1301, 1302, 1311, 1462, 1513, 1514, 1522, 1542, 1545, 1648, 1779, 1783, 2035, 2069, 2091, 2259, 2261, 2263, 2268, 2321, 2330. The visitors present were:—Bros. Rev. F. V. Bussell D.P.G.M. Notts, F. R. W. Hedges Secretary R.M.I.G., W. Gadsby P.P.G.O. Derbyshire, F. Korb 1706, J. F. Forth 1435, G. H. Parke P.M. 1021, J. Thompson 74, Wm. Boden P.P.G.W. Derbyshire, Geo. Chapman P.P.G.D. Notts., J. M. McLeod 113 P.P.G. Standard Bearer Derbyshire. The Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Thomas William Tew, J.P., the D.P.G.M., Brother Henry Smith, and the Provincial Grand Officers entered at half-past two o'clock, and the Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form; solemn prayer was offered, and a portion of the Holy Scripture read by the Provincial Grand Chaplains. The P.G. Master, the D.P.G.M., and several distinguished visitors were saluted according to antient custom, and then the roll of Lodges and the roll of Present and Past Provincial Grand Officers were called. The minutes of the meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge,

holden at Huddersfield, on Wednesday, the 16th October 1889, were presented. It was moved by Bro. T. Bateman Fox P.M., and seconded by Bro. R. Arnison, "That the minutes be taken as read, and confirmed." This was carried. The Provincial Grand Master then delivered the following address:—

Brethren,—At our Autumn Meeting in 1889, at Huddersfield, I had to decide between two places for the Assembly of this Provincial Grand Lodge for its Annual Meeting for the current year. After much thought, and considering the growing importance in numbers of these Meetings and matters for our deliberation, I decided to accept the invitation to visit Sheffield. Our obligations are due to Bro. Edward Tozer, the present W.M. of Britannia Lodge, No. 139, J.P., late Mayor, and Past Master Cutler of Sheffield, for the cordial welcome with which he and his brethren have greeted Prov. Grand Lodge, and for the provision of this handsome hall for the purpose of this gathering. The previous occasion on which Prov. Grand Lodge met here was on 14th April 1886, under the Banner of Britannia, the premier Lodge in Sheffield, and the second on the roll in the Province. Time was when Britannia headed the Lodges in the number of members on its roll. During the past year, the returns show 14 resignations, some having gone to other Lodges, and three deaths. Bro. William Brewin Alderson, of H.M. Probate Court, Wakefield, passed away on 14th March last. He was a Past Provincial Grand Deacon and Past Assistant Secretary. By his arduous and unwearied labours, extending over many years, he rendered most important services to the Craft, and his name will be long remembered amongst us as that of a true and faithful brother. It is a matter of satisfaction to feel that the other five Lodges in Sheffield, having amongst them 240 members, are progressing satisfactorily; headed by Bro. Hayes, they have already six names as Stewards at this year's Charity Festivals. We thank them heartily for their renewed liberality in promoting the welfare of our three great Institutions. The state of the Province shows progression over the previous year. The returns to the 31st December give 3531 members, of whom 1044 are Worshipful Masters and Past Masters. There have been initiated 305 Masons into our 75 Lodges, whilst 125 have resigned or retired; 56 have died, 58 have been excluded, and 164 yet remain in arrears, being 74 fewer members under this head than was the case last year, and leaving us an increase of 90 members and 40 Past Masters. With regard to Provincial Grand Lodge Funds, we had at our bankers, at Leeds, £1020 on 31st March, and the quarterages show an increase of £16, the highest amount ever reached in West Yorkshire. It is satisfactory also to notice that all the Lodges have made their returns up to 31st December, and, with one or two exceptions, these returns were both more accurate and more prompt than has previously been the case. The readiness on the part of Lodges to comply with our laws and regulations is highly appreciated by myself and my Deputy. The Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge desire to thank all Worshipful Masters for bringing about this improved state of affairs. May we hope that with a continuance of industrial prosperity, and the settlement of strikes, which disorganize the trade of the Empire, and injure every workman engaged therein, we may look forward to the time, and that at no very distant date, when, like the two Lancashires, we also shall consecrate our one hundredth Lodge in West Yorkshire, and continue to show a loyal united and powerful Province in the roll of Grand Lodge of England. We welcome here to-day the Lodge of Saint Laurence, No. 2330, consecrated at Padsey on the 17th December 1889. It has endowed its W. Master's chair by subscription, with £10 10s, to the forthcoming 92nd Boys' School Annual Festival. I have much pleasure in formally acquainting this Prov. Grand Lodge, after its expression of opinion, on 16th October last year, against a retiring pension of so large a sum as £350 a year to the Secretary of the R.M.I. for Boys, that although it was carried by a small majority, at the Quarterly Court, on the 25th October 1889, it was not placed upon the agenda paper for confirmation at the Quarterly General Court, held in London on the 31st January 1890, and that the other notices, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7, having various modifications thereto, were either rejected, negatived, or withdrawn. As the pension principle was not generally approved, the Provisional Management Committee recommended a scheme by which a sum of £2500 should be raised by subscriptions, by the payment of which, to the Secretary, the R.M.I. for Boys becomes free from all liability on this account for ever. This scheme was taken up and unanimously adopted at a special meeting of our Charity Committee, held at Leeds on the 21st December 1889, and it was agreed that the sum of two hundred guineas should be raised in support of this fund by voluntary contributions of the West Yorkshire Lodges. I am pleased to inform you that this money has been subscribed, and on the 17th March was handed over to Bro. Joseph D. Langton, Hon. Sec. of the Provisional Management Committee. Of the other Provinces some have already voted their quotas from their funds, whilst others are raising the amount by subscription. The £2500 will be paid over to Bro. Binckes on the 30th June next, when he will retire from the office of Secretary, after his 29 years' service. The recommendations of the Report of the Committee of Investigation will have then been achieved, and we can look forward and hope that these Schools will regain their popularity and carry out the work of education under the new staff to the satisfaction of the Craft. For this generous support of the scheme, and for your prompt response to the circular sent out by myself and my Deputy, we offer our warmest thanks. To the Charity Committee for their co-operation in this scheme the obligations of this Provincial Grand Lodge are also largely due. Personally, what you have done is the greatest compliment you could offer to the occupant of this chair, and I consider it to be one of the highest marks of loyalty and devotion which a Provincial Grand Master could receive from his brethren. The 31st annual report of our Charity Committee tells us that we subscribed in 1889, to the three Charities, £1609. Our contributions for 1890 are already £1360, but we must not forget that there are 75 W. Yorkshire recipients

of the benefits of these Charities. At the Festival of the Aged Freemasons and Widows Annuity Fund, when the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of London had hoped to have presided, £13,096 was announced, the West Yorkshire contribution being £552. Our total contributions to the three Charities since 1870 amount to £40,000. It having been resolved by the Building Committee that the windows shall form a characteristic feature in the Centenary Hall of the Girls' School, we, with other Provinces, are invited to fill a light with coloured glass, representing our distinctive coat of arms, and I venture to hope that this Lodge will vote the sum required for that purpose, notice to propose which appears on the agenda paper. The library at Wakefield is rapidly progressing, a valuable collection of rare and costly Masonic books having recently been added. A report of the books and manuscripts will be presented by the Librarian to this Prov. Grand Lodge. As a consequence of the formation of a good and comprehensive library, Masonic Literary Societies have been formed, and lectures have been given at Wakefield, Bradford, Thorne, and other towns, by such excellent Lecturers as Bros. Speth, Whythead, Ramsden, Riley, and others. I desire in every way to encourage these lectures, and to obtain your co-operation for this purpose, and I most sincerely thank Bros. Matthewman, Watson, Monkman, and others for their labours in this direction. And now, the onerous part of my duty to-day will shortly commence, viz.:—to distribute the honours amongst the 1044 Past Masters of this Province. I have done my best with the few collars at my disposal, there being so much merit deserving recognition. With, I hope, the utmost impartiality, I have selected for these compliments brethren as widely scattered as possible, and I trust that those who are recipients of even Stewards' Badges may consider them as of equal value with those of Wardens'. We have amongst us to-day the V.W. the Rev. T. V. Bussell Deputy Prov. Grand Master for Notts, also Bro. Colonel Wemyss P.M., who has just enlisted under our banner by joining Lodge Probity, No. 61; as well as Bro. F. R. W. Hedges, the Secretary of the R.M.I. for Girls. To these and other Visitors we offer a cordial Masonic welcome. I thank you for the salutation you have accorded to me and my Deputy to-day, and the very kind reception you have given to the Officers of this Prov. Grand Lodge, and for the splendid arrangements made for our reception and accommodation, and may God preserve the Craft.

Bro. W. F. Smithson P.M. 1211, Chairman of the West Yorkshire Charity Committee, presented and read the annual report, and moved its adoption and confirmation. This was seconded by Bro. T. Bateman Fox, Vice-Chairman, and carried unanimously. Bro. A. W. Stanfield, J.P., P.P.G.R., presented and read the report of the Sub-Committee appointed by Provincial Grand Lodge at Leeds, on Wednesday, 10th April 1889, in relation to the Masonic Boys' School Inquiry, and moved that it be received and adopted. This was seconded by Bro. Binney, and carried unanimously. Bro. John Leach P.M. 61 Provincial Grand Treasurer, then presented a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Province for the year ending 31st March, and pointed out that whilst the balance in favour of the Province at the commencement of the year was £993 13s 8d, it now amounted to £1019 19s 4d. Brother Leach's balance sheet was received most favourably, and, on the motion of Bro. C. M. Wilson Provincial Grand Registrar, was unanimously accepted. Bro. Wm. Watson P.M. 2069 Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works, presented the inventory of the property and regalia of Provincial Grand Lodge, and reported its condition to be satisfactory. This, on the motion of the Provincial Grand Master, was unanimously adopted. Bro. Watson then presented his report as Hon. Librarian of the Province, accompanying which was a printed tabulated list of the donations, &c., to the Provincial Grand Lodge Library. He also moved that a grant of £10 be made to the Library fund. This was seconded by Bro. J. R. Doré, and carried *unanimously*. The Provincial Grand Master then moved:— "That this Provincial Grand Lodge accept the invitation of the Building Committee to place the Coat of Arms of this Province, with an inscription, in one of the stained windows of the Centenary Hall of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, at a cost of £13." This was supported by Bro. F. R. W. Hedges, Secretary of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and carried unanimously. The election of Treasurer then took place. Bro. John Leach, the retiring Treasurer, briefly, but very pleasantly, proposed as his successor Bro. Thomas Harrison P.M. 296. This was seconded by Bro. Harold Thomas W.M. 296; supported by Bro. H. T. Garnett P.M., and carried unanimously. On being invested the new Treasurer returned thanks to the Brethren for this mark of their confidence. The Provincial Grand Master then appointed and invested his Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year, as follow:—

Bro. Edward Tozer, J.P., W.M. 139	...	Senior Warden
Thos. Crossley P.M. 1311	...	Junior Warden
Rev. J. H. Evans, M.A., C. 2039	...	Chaplain
Rev. B. Mayou, M.A., Chap. 974	...	
Thos. Harrison P.M. 296	...	Treasurer
Harold Thomas W.M. 296	...	Registrar

Herbert G. E. Green P.M. 1019 ...	Secretary
J. B. Wostinholm P.M. 1239 ...	} Senior Deacons
Wm. Henry Jessop P.M. 521 ...	
J. Blackburn Knight P.M. 302 ...	} Junior Deacons
Wm. Ridgard Massie P.M. 1513 ...	
Wm. Greaves P.M. 289 ...	Supt. of Works
H. T. E. Holmes P.M. 2263 ...	Dir. of Cers.
W. F. Tomlinson P.M. 304 ...	Deputy Dir. of Cers.
Thos. Lang P.M. 1102 ...	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
G. H. Locking P.M. 910 ...	Sword Bearer
Thos. Riley P.M. 600 ...	} Standard Bearers
John Throup P.M. 2091 ...	
Geo. Carbert Sec. 495 ...	Organist
J. Mattheyman P.M. 1019 ...	Assist. Secretary
Robert H. Armitage P.M. 275 ...	Pursuivant
John Shoemsmith P.M. 1786 ...	Assistant Pursuivant
John Hunt P.M. 139 ...	} Stewards
Jos. Thos. Walker P.M. 1001 ...	
Arthur Tupman P.M. 837 ...	
Fred Rand P.M. 242 ...	
Robert Thompson P.M. 1042 ...	
Joseph Wilson P.M. 1034 ...	
Samuel Barrand Tyler 304 ...	Tyler
Thomas Leighton Tyler 139 ...	Assistant Tyler

Petitions for relief were presented by Bro. W. F. Smithson, and the following grants were made:—to Bro. John Burton £10, to Mrs. Woodcock £15, to Mrs. Sarah Carter £15. To carry the two last, Bye-law 42 was suspended by resolution, in accordance with Bye-law 27. Mrs. Carter's grant was conditional upon her non-election as an annuitant. Bro. Colonel Wemyss P.M. 2127 thanked the brethren for their cordial greeting, and expressed his pleasure at being present at so large and influential a gathering of West Yorkshire Freemasons. Bro. George Clay W.M. 208, the Mayor of Dewsbury, also returned thanks, as did Bro. Rev. F. V. Bussell, M.A., Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Notts. The latter took the opportunity of advocating the cause of Bro. J. M. McLeod P.M. 113 as a candidate for Secretary to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, in the room of Bro. Binckes, the present Secretary, who retires on 30th June next. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. Henry Smith, in kindly and sympathetic terms, proposed the confirmation of the resolution passed at the Charity Committee Meeting at Wakefield, on Saturday, 16th inst., that the balance in excess of 200 guineas raised by the West Yorkshire Lodges for the Binckes Indemnity Fund be allotted as follows:—£10 towards a Printing Press for the Boys' School, £10 towards a latho for the Carpenter's Shop, £5 towards the Games Fund, and the rest to defray the expenses incurred in postage, printing, &c., whilst collecting the money. This was seconded by Bro. W. H. Britton, and carried unanimously. Invitations were announced for the meetings of Provincial Grand Lodge from No. 448, Halifax, for the October meeting, and from Lodge 290, Huddersfield, for April 1891. Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed in due form and with solemn prayer, at 4.15 p.m. Dinner was served in the Masonic Hall, Surrey Street Sheffield, at 4.45 p.m., when 130 brethren sat down, the Provincial Grand Master occupying the chair.

PROV. G. LODGE OF WARWICKSHIRE.

ON the 21st instant a Provincial Grand Lodge was held under the banner of the Fletcher Lodge, No. 1031, at the Masonic Hall. The Fletcher Lodge was opened in the three degrees by Bro. W. Tidmarsh W.M., after which the Provincial Grand Master (Lord Leigh), Bro. J. T. Collins (Deputy Provincial Grand Master), and the Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge were received. The report of the Warwickshire Masonic Benevolent and Pupils' Aid Fund was presented and approved; after which the Provincial Grand Chaplain (the Rev. W. H. Richards) delivered an address. Several grants were made, including one of £5 5s to the Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society; and at the closing of the Lodge the brethren dined together.

On Friday, the 11th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Harrogate, Bro. G. Thompson S.W. was installed as Worshipful Master of the Harrogate and Claro Lodge for the ensuing year. Bro. Thomas Lawrence I.P.M. acted as Installing Master, and Bro. T. A. Marsh P.M. as Director of Ceremonies.

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THE THEATRES, &c.

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Lyric.—It is not often that it falls to our lot to enjoy a visit to the theatre so much as we did on the occasion of our recent attendance at this house. Here everything has been done to make an audience comfortable; the electric light helps to keep the building cool, while the attendants are most civil. But what is more to the point, the really charming and tuneful comedy opera, entitled "The Red Hussar," by Messrs. H. P. Stephens and Edward Solomon, has been worked into such a success that it bids fair to remain in the bill for some very long time to come. The reason of this success is not difficult to find. Mr. Stephens has written a story that is at once bright, interesting, and amusing, while Mr. Solomon has put this to such melodious and catchy music that it cannot fail to draw all London. And this is not all. Whether the author is responsible for all the fun that is occasioned by Mr. Arthur Williams as Corporal Bandy we cannot say, but it certainly must be recorded that the part is brimming over with fun and merriment. When we say that Bandy is even more comical than was Lurcher in "Dorothy" our readers will be able to judge of the amusement that is caused by Mr. Arthur Williams. The other artistes are in all respects admirable. Miss Marie Tempest is just suited to the part of Kitty Carroll, and sings and acts in her best style. Mr. Ben Davis has also a part in which he can do himself justice. His admirable voice is heard to perfection as Ralph Rodney, while his acting goes a long way towards making the part a success. Mr. Alec Marsh is also well suited as Sir Harry Leighton, while Mr. George Madie is most amusing as Sir Middlesex Mashem. Miss Florence Dysart scores an emphatic success in the part of Barbara Bellasys, and good service is also rendered by Mr. John Le Hay as Private Smith, Miss Maud Holland as Daisy, and Miss Adelaide Newton as Mrs. Magpie. We must not forget to mention the graceful and pretty dance given by Miss Birdie Irving in the second act. In conclusion, we may say that M. Ivan Caryll conducts a most capable orchestra, thus adding the last, if not the least item towards bringing about the success that has been achieved by "The Red Hussar."

Adelphi.—The revival of J. B. Buckstone's drama, "The Green Bushes," was welcomed by a full audience last Saturday. It is interesting to note that after many long years of travel in all parts of the world the play should at last return to its home, and be acted by artistes who have won fame in modern dramas. The situations of Buckstone's great drama are in most respects different to the liking of present playgoers, and it will be worth while to notice how they are accepted. It would, indeed, be strange to see the hero of a present day melodrama killed in the second act, as is the case in the present piece, but our fathers greatly appreciated this situation, and it remains to be seen in what way the present generation will regard it. No pains have been spared to make the revival a success, and the company Messrs. Gatti have chosen do all they can for the piece. Miss Mary Rorke, although not so successful in the character of Miami as we should have liked, fully made up for any shortcomings by acting splendidly in the last act, when she appears as Madame St. Aubert. Her earnestness and pathos is admirable, and no doubt she will improve on her earlier scenes. Mr. Frank Cooper plays the part of Connor O'Kennedy well, while George has a good representative in Mr. W. L. Abingdon. Mr. J. D. Beveridge is naturally a first rate Wild Murtoch, but the success of the evening was achieved by Messrs. J. L. Shine and Lionel Rignold, with Miss Kate James, in the parts of Master Grinnidge, Jack Gong, and Nelly O'Neil respectively. Miss Clara Jecks was vivacious as Tigertail, while Miss Ada Ferrar did well as Geraldine. Elaborate scenery has been painted by Bruce Smith, and the production does credit to Mr. William Sydney. The audience on Saturday was appreciative, if not enthusiastic, so that we may hope that "The Green Bushes" will enjoy a successful run.

The large concert room at the Plymouth Masonic Hall was filled on the 18th inst., when a most successful smoking concert, in continuation of the series, was given under the presidency of Bro. J. Kinton Bond. It was admittedly the best concert of the series. This fact justifies the adoption of the idea, originated by the chairman, and put into effect for the first time last night, of commencing the concerts sufficiently early to admit of their being closed at 10.30, to be followed by a supper. From the commencement to the finish the proceedings went on spiritedly, and were thoroughly enjoyed. The following gentlemen, who at the close were heartily thanked, kindly gave their services:—Bros. H. J. Barter, R. Blight, W. Greenlaw, W. Lavers, S. Pearce, John Buchan, W. Biscombe, Dashper, and P. H. Stephens, and Messrs. Bertie Woods and C. Mutton (clarinet). Mr. W. W. Willoughby played the accompaniments on the piano, and a band was in attendance under the direction of Bro. H. E. Lidiard. The evening's entertainment closed with three hearty cheers for the chairman.

THE FIFTEEN SECTIONS

WILL BE WORKED

At the Israel Lodge of Instruction, held at the Rising Sun, Globe Road, Mile End, on Sunday evening, 27th inst., at 6 p.m. precisely. Bro. S. Danzager J.W. 205 will preside, supported by Bros. Da Costa W.M. 1349 S.W., J. Danzager W.S. 205 J.W., W. Richardson S.W. 174 I.P.M. First Lecture—Bros. A. Cohen, Jacobs, Abraham, C. H. Cohen, B. Da Costa, J. Danzager, Richardson. Second Lecture—Bros. P. H. Cohen, Oxley, Isaacs, Masto, Stewart. Third Lecture—Bros. Marks, A. Da Costa, Simmons.

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, 26th April.

Quarterly Gen. Court Girls' School, Freemasons' Tavern, at 12

1706 Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1871 Gostling-Murray, Town Hall, Hounslow
R.A. 1329 Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, S.E.
309 Prince George, Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood
1293 Burdett, Mitre, Hotel, Hampton Court
1462 Wharnclyffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone
1464 Erasmus Wilson, Pier Hotel, Greenhithe
1965 Enates, Parish Rooms, Bromley, Kent
2048 Henry Lovander, Station Hotel, Harrow
R.C. Stanhope, Queen Hotel, Chester

Monday, 28th April.

4 Royal Somerset House and Inverness, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

26 Castle Lodge of Harmony, Willis's Rooms, W.
28 Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1616 Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden Square, W.
48 Industry, 34 Denmark Street, Gateshead
61 Probity, Freemasons' Hall, Halifax
62 Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
148 Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
264 Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
408 Three Graces, Private Rooms, Haworth
433 Hope, Swan Hotel, Brightlingsea
467 Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
613 Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport
999 Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1177 Tenby, Tenby, Pembroke
1542 Legillum, Masonic Hall, Castleford
1575 Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
1894 Herschell, Masonic Rooms, Slough
R.A. 189 Sincerity, St. George's Hall, E. Stonehouse
R.A. 210 Faith, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton
R.A. 241 Friendship, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 310 Ution, Freemasons' Hall, Carlisle
R.A. 321 Faith, Crowe Arms Hotel, Crewe
R.A. 331 Loyal Cornubian, Masonic Hall, Truro
R.A. 827 St. John, Masonic Temple, Dewsbury
R.A. 1205 Elliott, 1 Caroline Place, E. Stonehouse
R.A. 1222 Inkerman, M.H., Weston-Super-Mare

Tuesday, 29th April.

141 Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
160 True Friendship, Old Ship Inn, Rochford
299 Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
310 Union, Freemasons' Hall, Carlisle
357 Apollo University, Masonic Hall, Oxford
573 Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen
624 Abbey, Masonic Hall, Burton-on-Trent
877 Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helen's, Lancashire
986 Hoskoth, Grapes Inn, Croston
1214 Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Batley
1312 St. Mary, White Hart Hotel, Bocking
1343 St. John's, King's Arms, Grays
1358 Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton
1470 Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans
1566 Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead
1636 St. Cecilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
R.A. 418 Staffordshire Knot, F.M.H., Hanley
R.A. 624 Abbey, Masonic Rooms, Burton-on-Trent
R.A. 721 Grosvenor, Masonic Chambers, Chester

Wednesday, 30th April.

Grand Festival, Freemasons' Hall, W.C., at 6
898 Temperance in the East, 6 Newby Place, Poplar
R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond
86 Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescott, Lancaster
163 Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
258 Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
277 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham
304 Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Leeds
330 Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley
439 Scientific, Masonic Rooms, Bingley
580 Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
617 United, George Hotel, Colchester
755 St. Tudno, Freemasons' Hall, Llandudno
910 St. Oswald, M.H., Ropergate, Pontefract
996 Sondes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk
1083 Townley Parker, Brunswick Hotel, Manchester
1119 St. Bode, Mechanics' Institute, Jarrow
1218 Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Manchester
1219 Strangways, Masonic Rooms, Manchester
1233 Ryburn, Central Building, Sowerby Bridge
1953 Prudence and Industry, George Hotel, Somerset
R.A. 236 Zetland, M.H., Duncombe Street, York
R.A. 329 Brotherly Love, Choughs Hotel, Yeovil
M.M. Howe, Masonic Hall, New St., Birmingham
M.M. 24 Roberts, Masonic Rooms, Rochester
K.T. Alpess, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

Thursday, 1st May.

27 Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
45 Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.
231 St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
551 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney
1155 Excelsior, Sidney Arms, Lewisham Road
1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury
1361 United Service, Greyhound, Richmond
1445 Prince Leopold, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate
1539 Surrey Masonic Hall, Masonic Hall, S.E.
1721 Kuisir-i-Hind, Regent Masonic Hall, W.
1765 Trinity College, 61 Weymouth Street
1790 Old England, M.H., New Thornton Heath
1950 Scuthgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate
R.A. 9 Moriab, The Albion, Aldergate Street
R.A. 171 Sincerity, Chos. Cheese, Crutched Friars
R.A. 1607 Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
21 Newcastle-on-Tyne, F.M.H., Newcastle
31 United Indutrious, Mas. Rooms, Canterbury

38 Union, Council Chamber, Chichester
41 Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Bath
59 Knights of Malta, George Hotel, Hinckley
116 Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne
123 Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorks
208 Three Grand Principles, M.H., Dewsbury
249 Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
251 Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry
266 Napthali, Masonic Hall, Hoywood
269 Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
275 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield
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317 Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
337 Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth

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348 United Brethren, Royal Oak, Clayton-le-Dale
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446 Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire
449 Cecil, Sun Hotel, Hitchin
456 Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
462 Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Hotel, Accrington
509 Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham
539 St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall
636 Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
637 Portland, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent
659 Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blythe
792 Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Great Grimby
913 Pattison, Lord Raglan Tavern, Plumstead
976 Royal Clarence, Blue Ball, Bruton, Somerset
1006 Priory, Middleton Hotel, Southend
1012 Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, Bury
1088 Royal Edward, Commercial Inn, Stalybridge
1125 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Tiverton, Devon
1164 Elliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall
1231 Savile, Royal Hotel, Eiland
1282 Ancholme, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire
1284 Brent, Globe Hotel, Topsham, Devonshire
1304 Olive Union, M.H., Horncastle, Lincolnshire
1379 Marquess of Ripon, Masonic Hall, Darlington
1394 Equity, Alford Chambers, Widnes
1473 Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lancashire
1500 Walpole, Hell Hotel, Norwich
1504 Red Rose of Lanc., Starkie's Arms, Padliham
1513 Friendly, King's Head Hotel, Barnsley
1576 Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
1587 St. Giles, Royal Oak, Cheshire
1594 Cedowain, Rooms, Newtown, Montgomery
1639 Walling Street, Cock Hotel, Stony Stratford
1770 Vale of White Horse, Savings Bank, Farington
1807 Loyal Wye, Builth, Breconshire
1829 Burrell, George Hotel, Shoreham
2050 St. Trinians, M.H., Loch Parade, Douglas
2350 Corinthian, Bird-in-the-Hand Hotel, Hindley
R.A. 187 Charity, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
R.A. 302 Charity, New Masonic Hall, Bradford
R.A. 325 St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Salford
R.A. 496 Mount Edgecombe, Mas. Rooms, St. Austell
R.A. 537 Howe, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
R.A. 758 Bridgwater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn
R.A. 1235 Phoenix of St. Ann, Court Hotel, Buxton
R.A. 1393 Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
M.M. 10 Cheltenham and Keystone, M.H., Cholt.
M.M. 21 Howe, George Hotel, Melton Mowbray
M.M. 53 Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

Friday, 2nd May.

706 Florence Nightingale, M.H., Woolwich
1815 Penze, Thicket Hotel, Akeley
2076 Quatuor Coronati, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
2233 Old Westminster, 68 Regent Street, W.
R.A. 3 Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 8 British, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

44 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
81 Doric, Private Rooms, Woodbridge, Suffolk
127 Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
219 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Toimorden
242 St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster
306 Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall Street, Leeds
401 Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slairburn
442 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Peterborough
460 Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield
566 St. Germain, M.H., the Crescent, Selby
574 Loyal Berkshire of Hope, White Hart, Newbury
652 Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth
709 Invicta, Bank Street Hall, Ashford
837 De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
839 Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester
1034 Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill
1098 Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1333 Abelsstan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick
1387 Chorlton, Masonic Rooms, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
1528 Fort, M.H., Newquay, Cornwall
1597 Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham
1561 Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Morecambe
1648 Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
1664 Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, Gosforth
1725 Douglas, College Gateway, Middlesbrough
R.A. 214 Hope & Unity, White Hart, Romford
R.A. 271 Lennox, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
R.A. 359 Peace, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton
K.T. Loyal Volunteers, Queen's Arms Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne

Saturday, 3rd May.

General Committee Boys' School, F.M.H., 1
112 St. Thomas, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.
119 Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham
453 Clugwell, Forest Hotel, Chingford
1223 Amherst, Amherst Arms Hotel, Rivochead
1453 Truth, Wheatshaf Hotel, Manchester
1466 Nova Ecclesia, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton
1567 Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham
1929 Mozart, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon
2148 Walsingham, M.H., Walsingham, Kent
2295 Pegasus, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend, Kent
2331 Ravenscroft, Red Lion Hotel, High Barnet

INSTRUCTION.

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Saturday, 26th April.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7'30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8
193 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8
1289 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7'30
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8

Monday, 28th April.

22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7'30
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8
41 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., 7
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7
180 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 7
248 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon, 7
332 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
543 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8
724 Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
933 Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, 8
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7'30
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8
1330 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6'30
1425 Hyde Park, Porchester Hot, Cleveland Gdns., 8
1445 Prince Leopold, 292 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall Canterbury, 8
1489 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 7'30
1507 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 7'30
1585 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney, 8
1603 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8'30
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8
1743 Perseverance, Deacon's Tavern, Walbrook, 7
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8
2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The Criterion, W., 8

Tuesday, 29th April.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7
65 Prosperity, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., 7
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7
177 Domatic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7'30
188 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, 8
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
463 East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, 7'45
551 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7'30
763 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 7'30
860 Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Dalston, 8
861 Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle St., 7
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8
1321 Emblematic, Mona Hotel, Henrietta St., W.C., 8
1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex
1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7'30
1446 Mount Edgecombe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7'30
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St., 8
1633 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N., 8
1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent, East Brixton, 8
2146 Sarbiton, Maple Hall, Sarbiton
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6'30
R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Fin-bury Pavement, E.C., 8

Wednesday, 30th April.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Bartsbury, 8
30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7'30
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 7
228 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
533 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7
751 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav, Burdett Rd., 7'30
813 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Rd., 8
862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8
902 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8'30
1085 Hartington, M.H., Gower Street, Derby
1260 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney
1475 Peckham, 518 Old Kent Road, 8
1511 Alexandra, Horsea, Hull
1601 Ravensbourne, George, Lewisham, 8
1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7'30
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7'30
1681 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8
1791 Cretton, Wheatshaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8
1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8
1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7'30
2206 Hendon, Welsh Harp, London, 8
R.A. 177 Domatic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
R.A. 720 Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, E.C., 7
R.A. 933 Doric, 292 Whitechapel Road, E., 7'30
M.M. Loyal Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., 8

Thursday, 1st May.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7'30
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.
435 Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8
704 Camden, 305 High Holborn, 7
754 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8
879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New Road
1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1153 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7'30
1278 Burdett Courts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8
1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wembleton, 7'30
1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6'30

1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8
 1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7
 1590 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse, Liverpool Road, N., 8
 1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7-45
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8
 1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
 1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7-30
 1673 Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 5-30
 1677 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, 9
 1744 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8
 1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7-30
 1906 Priory, Constitutional Club, Acton
 R.A. 753 Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, 8
 R.A. 1471 North London, Northampton House, Canonbury, 8
 M.M. 199 Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Dalston, 8

Friday, 2nd May.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 8
 General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
 167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park, 8
 453 Chigwell, Pub. Ha, Station Rd., Loughton, 7-30
 507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7-30
 749 Belgrave, Harp Tavern, Jermyn Street, W., 8
 765 St. James, Princess Victoria, Rotherhithe, 8
 766 William Preston, St. Andrew's Tav, Baker St., 8
 780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 8
 834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
 1056 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7
 1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7-30
 1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8
 1298 Royal Standard, Builders' Arms, Canonbury, 8
 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, 7-30
 1391 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8
 1393 Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
 1642 E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8
 1901 Solwyn, Montpellier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8

2030 Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, S.W., 7-30
 R.A. General Chapter, M.H., Birmingham, 5-30
 R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 8
 R.A. 890 Hornsey, Porchester, Cleveland Sq., W.
 R.A. 1275 Star, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
 R.A. 1339 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 8
 M.M. Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall
 M.M. 355 Royal Savoy, 15 Finsbury Pavement, 7-30

Saturday, 3rd May.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7-30
 179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
 198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav, Southgate Rd., N.E. 8
 1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7
 1238 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
 1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8
 1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Fimlico, 7
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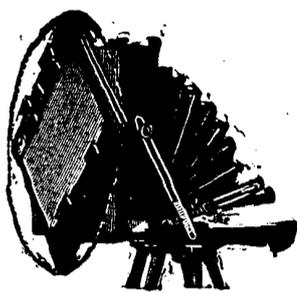
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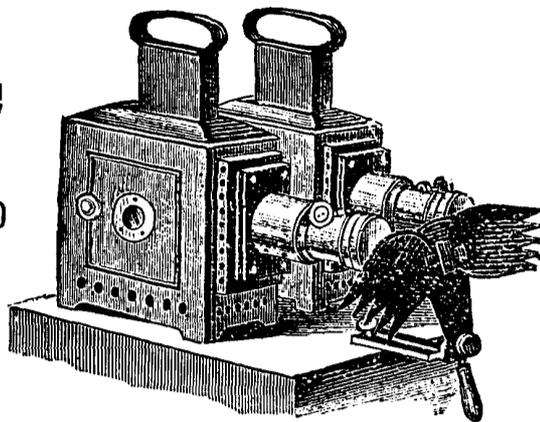
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