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GRAND LODGE, NEXT WEEK.

THE Quarterly Communication of United Grand Lodge, to be held on Wednesday next, will doubtless prove of sufficient interest to attract a large number of Craftsmen, and we anticipate not only a numerous attendance, but a cheerful unanimity in the principal business to be transacted. It is not often the Craft has notice of a recommendation from the Most Worshipful Grand Master in reference to the work to be considered, but on this occasion there are two such recommendations, both of them well timed, and each of them of such general and Masonic interest as to call forth a full and enthusiastic adoption. In the first case the Prince of Wales proposes to confer the rank of Past Grand Master of England upon his brother, His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, who was appointed Senior Grand Warden of England in 1877, has been Provincial Grand Master of Sussex since 1886, and District Grand Master of Bombay since 1887. The honour which the Prince of Wales now proposes to bestow on the Duke of Connaught is intended to commemorate the safe return of that Prince from the East Indies, after completion of his term of service there as Commander-in-Chief of the Bombay Army. But even if there was no particular call for the appointment at the present moment, we are convinced the recommendation of the Grand Master would be heartily agreed to, as the Duke of Connaught has always been a popular member of the Craft, and one who is recognised as having taken a considerable share in making the Order as popular and prosperous as it is at present. As it is, however, the members of the Craft will gladly avail themselves of the opportunity of showing their pleasure at the safe return of their Royal Brother, and the honour being a permanent one, it will remain as a lasting expression of good will, not the least pleasing, we hope, of the many the Duke of Connaught has already, or is yet to receive.

The second recommendation of the Grand Master, unfortunately, takes us to a much less pleasurable occurrence than that to which we have just referred, and it forcibly reminds one of the apparent inseparable association of misfortune and suffering with the joy and rejoicings of every-day life. The Grand Master suggests that a sum of one hundred guineas shall be voted from the funds of Grand Lodge, and added to the national subscription now being raised in aid of the families of those who perished in the wreck of H.M.S. *Serpent*. There is not a member among us who can look back on this disaster with any other feeling than one of pain, and we imagine the only point on which the representatives of the Craft who will assemble in Grand Lodge next Wednesday are likely to offer the slightest disagreement with the suggestion of the Grand Master is, as to the amount to be voted from the funds to assist in the truly

National work of relieving the distress caused by the misfortune. If the Craft does not give more in actual cash than is proposed by the Prince of Wales, the friends and relatives of the men who were lost may rest assured that a host of sympathy is felt by the Freemasons of England, which is but poorly represented by a monetary payment of one hundred guineas, although that amount may go far towards the formation of a fund which shall make some efficient provision for those who are suffering from the loss of their relatives, and although sympathy may not be of much practical use to them in this hour of trial, it cannot fail but to relieve in some slight degree the heavy suffering which must be prevalent in our midst as a consequence of the severe loss of life which happened on the occasion of the wreck.

Passing on to the next business to be brought before Grand Lodge we come to the items regularly to be found in the work of the last Communication of the year. A Grand Master for the ensuing twelve months has to be nominated, a new Grand Treasurer has to be proposed, and the various officers of the Board of Benevolence have to be elected. Familiarity breeds contempt, we are told, and yet we venture to predict that the oft-repeated merits of the Prince of Wales, as a fit and proper nomination for the office of Grand Master of England, which will be recounted next week, will by no means lead to contempt, or aught but rejoicing from the leaders of the Craft who will listen to them. The members of the Masonic Order know how much they have to thank the Prince of Wales for when regarding him as their Grand Master, and the unanimity with which he has regularly been selected as the head of English Freemasonry is not only a proof of the loyalty of his followers, but also an expression of their thankfulness that so distinguished a personage should do them the honour to fill the appointment. Whether we regard the Prince of Wales as the chosen head of the thousands of Freemasons to be found in this country, or as a mere puppet in the hands of the leaders of the Craft,—as he is described by the heads of the Romish Church,—there can be no question as to the thorough sincerity of the men who regularly re-elect him to preside over the destinies of the Order. This fact alone would seem to prove the absurdity of the position taken up by our Catholic detractors, for if the Prince of Wales is the mere tool they would have us believe, there must be a very strong body of conspirators at work, or it would hardly be possible to secure his regular and unanimous re-election year by year, much less to cajole him into the belief that the expressions of his followers were sincere; whereas, if what the priesthood says be true, it is mere humbug. We have no doubt as to the course Grand Lodge will take next week in regard to the nomination of a new chief. The Prince of Wales will be enthusiastically proposed, and, in due course, as enthusiastically re-elected.

The proposition for a Brother to fill the office of

Grand Treasurer is at present a matter of doubt. There is one distinguished Mason—Bro. George Everett—whose name is certain to be submitted, but whether his will be the only nomination time alone can prove. Bro. Everett has a very strong body of supporters, so strong indeed as to fully justify the hope that he will be allowed to go to the poll alone, if it be correct to describe an unopposed election as an absolute polling. But on this point it is yet early to make a reliable forecast. We should very much like to hear Bro. Everett alone proposed for this distinguished position, not only because it would be paying an especial compliment to a worthy Brother, but because we think that in many ways he has claims on the Craft which should secure for him special recognition at the hands of its members. If, however, there be any other nominations, then we can but express the wish that the contest will be conducted on truly Masonic lines, and that in the end the election will be carried through with the same good feeling as has marked the contests of past years.

In regard to the other matters to be brought before Grand Lodge, we would refer our readers to the copy of the Agenda which appears in another part of our present issue. There is nothing of particular importance, or which calls for special comment, unless we may offer a friendly word of warning to the heads of the Order to beware how they accept too many portraits of living dignitaries of the Craft, lest some day they find themselves in the awkward predicament of being unable to refuse, when they wish to do so, on account of past precedents. We have no objection to the adornment of the walls of Grand Lodge premises with portraits of distinguished Craftsmen, but in such matters it is generally found more desirable to make the portraits mementoes of departed worthies, rather than create jealousies among living ones by hanging representations of the few who have power or influence enough at headquarters to secure a favourable reception.

BIOGRAPHY OF BRO. JOHN ENTICK.

JOHN ENTICK (1703?-1773), Schoolmaster and Author, residing at St. Dunstan's, Stepney, was probably born about 1703. According to the Address, December 1770, prefixed to his new Latin and English Dictionary, 1771, he was ten years at College, and must have commenced teaching about 1720. His first publication, the "Speculum Latinum," was in 1728. "To make Latin neither tedious nor obscure," on a system tried by him, with success, when it was his lot to be perplexed with a very dull boy. In this work he made known that he was ready to print the "Evidences of Christianity from the great Huetius, Eusebius," &c., if encouraged; and in 1729, he styled himself, on its title-page, Student of Divinity. In 1736 he issued a proposal, which fell through, to print "Chancer," in two vols. folio, with explanatory notes; and there and thenceforth he put M.A. after his name, though there is no evidence where he obtained his degree. In 1754 he published his "Phaedri," with accounts and notes. In 1755, he agreed with Shebbear and Jonathan Scott to write for their anti-ministerial paper, "The Monitor," appearing every Saturday, at a salary of £200 a year; and his attacks on the Government, in Nos. 358, 360, 373, 378 and 380, caused his house to be entered and his papers seized, under a general warrant, in November 1762. He sued the authorities for illegal seizure over this, claiming £2000 damages, and obtained a verdict for £300 in 1765. He published in 1755 a "New Naval History," with lives and portraits, dedicated to Admiral Vernon. He married a widow in 1760, losing her the same year; and in 1763 he published a "General History of the Late War." In 1764 he issued his "Spelling Dictionary," each edition of which comprised twenty thousand copies. In 1766 he brought out an edition of Maitland's "Survey of London," with additions. In 1771 appeared his New Latin and English Dictionary, and an English Grammar; and he is likewise credited with a Ready Reckoner, some pamphlets on Free-

masonry, and a share both in the new "Week's Preparation," and the new "Whole Duty of Man." Altogether, as his own address (*supra*) puts it, he was engaged for a half century, either as Tutor, Schoolmaster, Writer, or Corrector of the Press, labouring incessantly, chiefly for Dilly. He died at Stepney (where he was buried) on the 22nd May 1773, being about seventy years of age. He left a large work in four vols., "The Present State of the British Empire," helped by other hands, nearly ready, which was brought out in 1774. In 1776 appeared a new edition of his "Survey and History of London," with his portrait, from a picture, by Burgess, in clerical dress, as frontispiece; and Crackelt and others have edited his Dictionaries repeatedly, down to 1836. In "Lyson's Environs," by error, his name is printed Entinck.

"Howell's State Trials," xix. col. 1027, et seq.; "Entick's Latin Dictionary," 1771; "Gigoux's Child's Best Instructor," 5th ed.; "Watt's Bibl. Brit."; "Lyson's Environs of London" (1795 edition), iii. 437, 457; "Bromley's Catalogue"; "Nichols's Illustr. Lit.," v. 803; "Lady's Magazine," 1763, O.H.—*National Biographical Dictionary*.

DO SOMETHING FOR MASONRY.

There is no society on the face of the earth that will flourish unless the members thereof take a lively interest in it, and seek to advance its well-being by well directed effort. How long would our political parties, our church organizations, or any other society last, if the individual members thereof were half-hearted and took little or no interest in them beyond routine duty? A certain amount of enthusiasm is needed, and the sublime principles of Freemasonry are of such a nature as call for the exercise of the better part of man's nature in doing good to others, and in himself leading a good, a true, and useful life, and being a true and upright Mason. Masonry expands the mind, and strengthens the desire found within the breast of man to lead a life of moral rectitude, keeping ever before him the fact that he is, at all times, under the sleepless eye of the great Architect of the Universe. Let each individual Mason take an interest in the society, and do something for its benefit. Especially let the life of every Brother be such that will teach impressive lessons of honesty, purity, and brotherly love to those still outside its pale.—*Keystone*.

At the monthly meeting of the Earl of Leicester Lodge, held on the evening of the 12th inst., Bro. A. Goddard W.M. presiding, Bro. George S. Andrews was duly invested by the W.M. as Organist to the Lodge, and Bro. F. S. Palmer and G. S. Andrews were presented with their certificates. A most interesting paper on "The Early History of Masonry" was read by the W.M., and was listened to with much attention by the brethren present.

Obituary.

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It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of W. Bro. A. Ferguson McGill P.M. Zetland 1311 (Leeds), and P.P.G.D. West Yorkshire, which occurred on Friday, the 21st inst. It was a sad circumstance that Bro. McGill's death occurred during the installation proceedings of his Lodge, his death taking place just about the time he should have been proposing the health of the Immediate Past and Installing Master. His death will cause a serious blank amongst the Leeds Freemasons, by whom he was universally respected. The deceased gentleman was for a long time connected with the Leeds General Infirmary, at first as resident medical officer, and afterwards as honorary assistant-surgeon. He was also an honorary surgeon at the Leeds Dispensary, and carried on his duties there with the greatest enthusiasm and energy. Bro. McGill's reputation as an operating surgeon was not confined to Leeds, but extended to London and America. He had had a brilliant career, and at the time of his death was a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, and Professor of Anatomy, and Professor of Surgery, at the Yorkshire College. The news of Bro. McGill's death will be received with sincere regret.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY OF NEW YORK.

[The Grand Lodge of New York has a library containing many valuable works, well arranged and made easily accessible by the Grand Librarian, Bro. Herman G. Carter, whose fitness for the responsible position has been amply tested. We copy the following from a report recently presented by Bro. Carter to the Grand Lodge.—Ed.]

AN important feature in the progress of the Institution in this Jurisdiction at the present day is the advantage which the Craft possesses in ready access to its large and increasing collection of Masonic and miscellaneous books in the Grand Lodge Library. Increased interest and a larger attendance by the Craft fully demonstrate what an important factor the library is to the Masonic student in becoming well versed in Masonic and current literature.

There is a great and constant desire on the part of the Craft for Masonic literature of the past and present. Knowledge is of the first importance to the Mason, and the dissemination of Masonic literature among the Fraternity should be encouraged, and the more that it is brought before the minds of the brethren, its value will be increased, and the Institution become ennobled and elevated. Without our Masonic literature we could not unfold the real object of our Fraternity, and could not develop the sublime teachings contained in the emblems, which speak volumes to the searcher after Masonic light.

"Man's books are but man's alphabet—
Beyond and on his lessons lie."

The Grand Lodge Library is a subject worthy of the consideration of the Grand Lodge. Constant additions by donations and purchase should be made, so that we may have a collection of works that will be even a greater honour to this Grand Jurisdiction.

It should be the aim of the Fraternity to impress upon the minds of its neophytes that they should study Masonic history, jurisprudence, and the meaning of its symbolism. There are books published on every branch, rite, doctrine and theory of Freemasonry, and this vast mass of literature is stored with imperishable truths, beautiful sentiments, poetry and history, and every brother can find something to interest and edify and become well equipped in Masonic lore.

In this age, to carry on our system of instruction, we resort to the art of printing in its most improved form, and the instrumentality to accomplish this is the literature of Freemasonry through the medium of the Grand Lodge Library. By far the greater portion of the moral and intellectual teaching of the Craft is of a nature that the whole world may read, and it is in the books of brethren, eminent for their skill and learning, that the profoundest truths contained in those teachings can be best studied and mastered.

The number of works of the Grand Lodge Library should be increased by bequests, and by donations similar to those that have been made to libraries in all parts of our land and in Europe.

On 3rd January 1885, the Reading Room was formally opened to the Fraternity. It is admitted that it is an acknowledged necessity, and of great advantage in connection with the Grand Lodge Library. With the exception of holidays and Sundays, it is open daily, afternoons from 3:30 to 5:30, and evenings from 7 to 10:30.

The number of visitors has steadily and materially increased during the past year, and the large increase in the number of readers that regularly avail themselves of the opportunity to consult the many literary treasures contained therein is a matter for sincere congratulation.

In addition to the Masonic publications, the tables and files are kept fully supplied with the standard periodicals and newspapers of the English-speaking world. In a word, the Reading Room has kept pace with the era of progress and success in all the branches of Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction.—*The Freemason's Repository*.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Rheumatism and gout.—These purifying and soothing remedies demand the earnest attention of all persons liable to gout, sciatica, or other painful affections of the muscles, nerves or joints. The Ointment should be applied after the affected parts have been patiently fomented with hot water, when the unguent should be diligently rubbed upon the adjacent skin, unless the friction should cause pain. Holloway's Pills should be simultaneously taken to reduce inflammation and to purify the blood. This treatment abates the violence, and lessens the frequency of gout, rheumatism, and all spasmodic diseases, which spring from hereditary predisposition, or from any accidental weakness of constitution. This Ointment checks the local mischief. The Pills restore the vital powers.

MONSIGNOR MUNRO ON FREEMASONRY.

AT recent Sunday evening services the Right Rev. Monsignor Munro has preached to crowded congregations, in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Great Clyde Street, Manchester, the subject of his discourse being the recent Encyclical of His Holiness Leo XIII. in regard to the movements of the Masonic fraternity in Italy. Speaking first on the unity of the Church, he said, that the Catholic Church by the Divine power would preserve the integrity of the Faith to the end of time. The Divine Power was seen in the beautiful harmony of its system. As the centre of unity it bound together all nations and all peoples. Founded and provided for by the Son of God Himself, by the commission "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it," the stability and perpetuity of the Church was guaranteed. There was the natural law which could be reached by man, simply by the exercise of his reason. But Almighty God had given us something more than this. He had lifted us above things that were natural to everlasting principles—principles independent of matter, independent of the visible faculties of man. Revelation was the way by which God was pleased to manifest His will to man with regard to our relations to Himself and our relations towards each other. Man had for centuries been fighting against Him, in spite of the promise of desolation to all nations that abandon the law of God. It had been so from the beginning, even in the first two hundred years of the Christian Church's existence. The successors of Peter in these two centuries had all won martyrs' crowns. The Popes had ever been subjected to cowardly assault from without. They had to defend the poor from the oppression of the nobles, and the law of the divine sanctity of marriage. But from wherever the attack, the guiding spirit would remain always unaltered. Dealing with the subject of Freemasonry the right rev. preacher gave a short sketch of its origin and development into perhaps one of the most perfect organisations in the world. At first a holy association, the atheist and anarchist in the last century had found their way within its ranks. What it had become on the Continent and in America it was liable to become in this country—the means of propagating atheism. They were bound by the most awful oaths to promote each others' interests, which was the essence of Freemasonry, yet while the organisation contained tens of thousands upon tens of thousands, the inner circle, which directed the whole system was composed of only a few. Their aim was the overthrow of all individual Governments and States, that they might be the dictators. Professor Hoffman, of Vienna, the conductor of a Masonic Journal, had recently issued a circular in which he sneered at the "superstition" in relation to Our Lord Jesus Christ, as being the means by which the priests had drawn mankind into their nets, besides the influence which the fear of eternal punishment exercised over weak minds. The name of God had been expunged from the ritual of the Grand Orient, the most powerful branch of the Order on the Continent. Their real object was the undermining of Christianity, but to disarm the hostility of England and other countries such extremities had not been resorted to by all branches of the Order, though their constitution was practically the same, and though H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was the Grand Master of all Freemasonry in England. The right rev. preacher then read a number of recent additions to the statutes of the Order, which apportioned the most awful pains and penalties to those who violated them.

KNIGHTS OF MALTA AT PLYMOUTH.

A MEETING of the Priory of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta, for the Province of Devonshire was held on Monday afternoon by order of the V.E. Provincial Prior the Rev. Dr. T. W. Lemon, at the Sincerity Masonic Temple, Stonehouse, under the banner of Loyal Brunswick Priory, "for the purpose of conferring the degree of Knight Hospitaller of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta on such Knights as might present themselves." The Provincial Prior presided, and was supported by E. Sir Knights John Dupre E.P. of Loyal Brunswick P.P.G. Marsh. as Captain-General, P. B. Clemens P.E.P. Royal Sussex P.G. Marsh. as Lieutenant-General, Vincent Bird P.E.P. Royal Veterans P.P.G. Con. as First-Lieutenant, R. Pengelly P.E.P. Royal Veterans P.G. Reg. as Second-Lieutenant, E. Aitken-Davies P.E.P. Royal Veterans P.P.G. Const. and Guard of the National Grand Priory as Prelate, J. B. Gover P.E.P. Royal Veterans P.P.G. Const. as Mareschal, Captain G. Strobe-Lowe Holy Cross P.G. Sub-Mars. as Hospitaller, W. Frank Westcott P.E.P. Holy Cross P.P.G.M. as Admiral, George R. Barrett P.E.P. Royal Veterans P.P.G. Const. as Conservator, J. R. Lord P.E.P. Royal Veterans P.G.W.R. as Baillie, George Dunsterville Loyal Brunswick P.G.H. as Turkepolier, John Leonard Loyal Brunswick P.G. Chamb. as Chancellor, W. H. Dillon Royal Veterans P.G.A.D.C. as Treas., J. R. Wilson Loyal Brunswick as Captain of the Guard, Frank R. Thomas Loyal Brunswick as Guard of A., J. M. Hifley P.E.P. Royal Veterans P.P.G. Const. as Guard of R., and James Hifley P.G. Guard as Guard. The P.G. Priory having been opened in due form, the following Sir Knights were duly installed as Knights of Malta:—J. Kinton Bond Royal Veterans, Sholto Henry Hare Loyal Brunswick, John Wallis Royal Veterans, A. J. Verdi Loyal Brunswick, A. Trout Loyal Brunswick, J. Holland Loyal Brunswick, Fredk. A. Gray Rougemont, E. Aslat Loyal Brunswick, and J. W. Cornish Royal Veterans. The P.G. Priory was closed, and the Sir Knights adjourned to the Masonic Club, where they were joined by Sir Knight E. Binding, of Royal Veterans. A capital dinner was well served up by the Steward (Bro. Harvey), and a pleasant evening was spent.

The Great City Lodge of Instruction meets at the Masons' Hall Tavern, Basinghall Street, E.C., every Thursday, at 6:30 p.m. Brethren are cordially invited.

THE GOOD IN MASONRY.

An Oration by Bro. F. A. Moore before the Grand Lodge F. and A. M. of Oregon, 30th June 1890.

WHAT wonderful changes have been wrought in Oregon during the few short years since this Grand Lodge was organised! Then the great North-west was but little known. The distance across the dusty plains could be counted by the graves of loved ones who had fallen a prey to the dread cholera, or who had been stricken down by the ruthless hand of the red savage. Then, when the last good-byes had been spoken to the dear ones at home, and the plodding ox team had been started toward the setting sun—

Where rolls the Oregon, and hears no sound
Save his own dashings,

the emigrant began to realise the distance that separated this fair land from that which he had called home.

Upon arriving here after the toilsome journey, he first built a dwelling for himself and family, then the school-house and church, and then the Masonic Lodge.

Forty years have passed, and that little Masonic germ, transplanted in this State with such care, has grown to giant proportions and its branches furnish cooling shade to the weary all over this broad land. Freemasonry has, since the early settlement, been one of the potent factors in the development of civilisation here. Our fair State has kept pace with her sister States in the increased settlement and cultivation of our fertile valleys and wooded hills, in the amazing increase of wealth, and in the development of our natural resources.

While this rapid improvement and wonderful development have been made in our State, Masonry has kept pace with, if she has not outstripped all, in the progress she has made by increasing her membership, and in spreading her influence for good. As one wave overlaps another on the ocean beach to mark the approach of the incoming tide, so each year has carried the "high water mark" of Masonry further against the shore of ignorance and bigoted opposition.

On such occasions as these, it is proper to note the object and purpose of our Order, and to mark its progress and effect upon civilization.

Man, in all ages, has desired companionship. He was created a social being, and obeying the law of his creation, he has mingled with his fellow man, and his morals have been improved or injured by such contact. If he associates with the vicious, immoral or licentious, his life will be like theirs, and his power to do injury will be in proportion to his influence. If his associations have been with the good, the pure and the true, his life will reflect the character of such, and his power to do good will be unlimited. Freemasonry, realising the necessity of such association and companionship, has been established among men to meet this demand of his nature; and as individual effort is strengthened by association in every branch of industry, so has our noble Order been strengthened and built up by the individual factors of this body, and its influence for good is just in proportion to its aggregate morality and intelligence. Any association which secures and holds the intelligence of mankind must have some equivalent to give in exchange for the time and means spent in acquiring a knowledge of its operations and effects upon mankind.

The fact that the young men join an Order does not prove it to be of material benefit; but the fact that men now old and grey attend our meetings, and that their interest has not abated, but rather increased in the thirty or forty years of their membership, tends to prove that Masonry offers them some equivalent in exchange for the effort made and expense incurred in attending the meetings of our Lodges.

What does Freemasonry, as an association, offer, and what inducements does it present that can appeal to the intelligence of a thinking people?

Our purpose shall be to present, in a general way, some of the grand principles that underlie this social fabric.

Man has, by nature, a reverential desire to worship the Supreme Being, and also a desire to help, aid and assist his fellow man; and in obeying these natural desires his greatest happiness is attained.

Freemasonry has been founded upon these two great fundamental principles: the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

The first great truth our Order teaches, and the one every Mason recognizes, is, that God is the Supreme Architect of the Universe, the Creator of all things; not the unknown force of nature, nor the unknowable of science, but the personal Deity of the Holy Bible.

This Book of Books is the chief "cornerstone" of our Institution. To it the novitiate's attention is first directed. To it Masons in all ages have turned, and found words of counsel and cheer; and from its sacred pages we derive instruction for our guidance, and learn that the Creator rewards His believing followers, not only in this life, but in the world to come. We teach no religious dogma, and require no religious test; yet a belief in the existence of the Supreme Being is a prerequisite to participation in our rites. The object is to inculcate a desire for truth, of which God Himself is the only symbol. No Mason can deny this proposition and live up to the teachings of the Craft. The whole Masonic superstructure rests upon this solid foundation. Eliminate from our Order this Grand proposition, and the whole fabric must fall; the degrees of Masonry would become meaningless symbolism, and it were a waste of man's time to acquire a knowledge of our mysteries.

Admitting the proposition to be true, the novitiate finds a hidden beauty in every word. The symbolism represents a grand and noble type, and one worthy of the careful consideration of intelligent men. The "old, old story," is ever new, and the old man who heard it first in the vigour of a young manhood, now drags his weary form, bent with years of toil, to listen once more to its recital, feeling in his heart that he is amply repaid for the laborious effort required.

When the Mason becomes thoroughly imbued with the grandeur and sublimity of the works of Nature, and looks up to and recognises the Author, he then realises he has a work to perform, and finds it in ministering to his fellow man. If the Mason fails in grasping this central truth, he fails in his duty to his fellow man, becomes lukewarm and careless of his Masonic duties and obligations, and finally quits their associations.

This recognition of God as the Author of Creation benefits the believing Mason by giving him a lofty ideal. It broadens and deepens his intelligence. It awakens his admiration and causes him to think less of self and to act more for others. Aside from this, Masonry teaches no creed. It deals with man as a human being and attempts to correct his morals. It teaches him to subdue his passions and to control his appetite, and to so act that his life may reflect the character of his associates.

No wars have been so fierce or cruel as religious ones. There is no sacrifice so revolting that a religious devotee will not perform it. Let any man depart from the great Masonic standard of religious truth and he at once becomes a fanatic, and sets up a dogma to illustrate and intensify his peculiar mode and manner of religious worship. Masonry tempers this religious zeal and teaches man from that great light—the Holy Bible—that all men were created equal, and as such are entitled to charitable consideration. Religious fanaticism severs this friendly sentiment, and causes one member of the family to draw his sword against another who does not endorse his peculiar belief. Any system of association which is not broad enough to embrace men of all classes who are morally qualified and possess this requisite belief, is unworthy of the support or membership of thinking people.

Freemasonry, then, is intended, not for any class, but for all mankind. Its object is to make the world better and brighter; to hold up to the world a code of morals so simple and so pure, that any conscientious, thinking man may readily endorse the same; to paint immorality, vice and licentiousness in deeper and darker hues, and by this glaring comparison to aid the Mason in making the wise and proper choice.

Man's equality is another grand lesson. The divine right of kings is denied in our Order. These class distinctions, created by men for their convenience, have no binding force among us. The beggar in the street, the king on his throne, and all the class grades between, we are taught to regard as one common brotherhood. Masonry regards man for his moral worth, not for his distinction. We meet upon the level of human equality.

Masonic charity, as another grand lesson, seems to have been placed at the very apex of the vast pyramid of Masonic duties. Masonic charity is but a synonym for Masonic sympathy. The grandest object of Freemasonry

is to teach men to be tender-hearted and true, to be loyal and charitable. Charity in this sense does not mean alms-giving. It has a broader signification. It means a kind word fitly spoken, a quiet hand-shake, a smile of approval, and all those little attentions to the welfare and well being of another that at once puts him at his ease. What can be more offensive to a sensitive person than an ostentatious bestowal of charity, either sympathetic or financial? Masonic sympathy should be so quick and lasting that it can feel for the woes and misfortunes of others, and lend a helping hand in all cases of need. Masonry bestows these charitable acts like the gentle dew, and finds that "it is better to give than to receive."

Man, if left to himself, is apt to think he has been neglected and at once becomes discouraged. Masonry supplies this by furnishing a sympathetic friendship which is interested in his welfare. This sympathy stimulates him to greater exertion, and makes him contented in his endeavour to benefit his condition and to assist his fellow man. He soon learns that a Mason's happiness comes from bestowing these kind words and charitable deeds. How much good such kind words and charitable acts have done and can do, he only can tell who has heard or received them in hours of need.

Many Masons may have been members of Lodges for years and failed to appreciate the worth of this fellowship. Their lives may have been cast in pleasant places, but let adversity come—how soon they will realize the soothing influence of our Mystic Order! If sickness overtakes them, how soon they feel the sorrow and friendship of the Craft; and if they be called to pass through "the dark valley of the shadow of death," how sustaining the assurance that the surviving loved ones will have an army of supporters and defenders to protect their virtue and maintain their integrity! It is in these trying scenes, these moments of man's necessity, that the mild influences of our beloved Order are felt and appreciated.

There are times in the lives of men when language seems inadequate to express ideas, or at least when persons are capable of understanding each other by this means. The most eloquent address, the most gifted pulpit orator often fails to reach the heart of one who has been bereaved of loved ones. The quiet hand-shake, the sympathetic tear of one who has been like afflicted is a balm to the troubled spirit.

So God, in His infinite wisdom, has furnished man with this sign language that reaches the heart when human words fail. Masonry has adopted this to express the feelings of one brother for another.

It is not in the meetings of our Lodges that the greatest good is accomplished. There we meet to receive instruction, to learn lessons of temperance, fortitude, prudence, justice, and charity; to examine the designs on the "trestle-board;" to listen to words of wisdom, counsel and experience, and to receive instruction as to the best methods of applying them. It is in the every day walks of life, on the farm, in the shop, the office, in fact, everywhere, that the grand teachings of Masonry are exemplified. We hear it often said of a man, "He is a bright Mason." He may be well versed in Masonic law and jurisprudence. He may have the Masonic ritual at his tongue's end. He may be a living dictionary of Masonic information, and yet, if he does not possess Masonic charity, this fellowship for his brother man, his life work as a Mason is a sad failure.

He is a bright Mason, indeed, who loves his fellow man. He may not be able to recite the first principles of Masonic lore, and yet, if his heart overflow with that true Masonic love—if there be constantly welling up from his bosom that sympathetic feeling for the wants and woes of others—his name shall stand, in life, at the head of the column of membership; and when he has passed from earth the memory of his noble acts and kind words shall live in the minds of those who knew him, and will cause them to emulate his noble example.

I hold that Christian grace abounds
Where charity is seen; that when
We climb to heaven, 'tis on the rounds
Of love to man.

This I moreover hold, and dare
Affirm where'er my rhyme may go:
Whatever things be sweet or fair,
Love makes them so.

And when a man can live apart
From works, on theologic trust,
I know the blood about his heart
Is dry as dust.

Another lesson, illustrating the brotherhood of man, is the requirement that each Mason should store his mind with useful knowledge, so that he may be able to impart the same to others. Masonry regards the mind of man as being susceptible of wonderful development. She teaches him that life is rapidly passing, and that he should so divide his time as to be able to minister to those dependent upon him, and still have a portion to spare for his own mental improvement. Symbols and illustrations of wonderful advancement in science and progress in art are presented to incite him to greater exertion, and he finds a new happiness in the pursuit of knowledge.

The object of Masonry in this is twofold: First, to give the Masonic student happiness, as a reward for his research; and, second, to furnish him employment for his leisure hours. It is safe to say that a majority of the violations of the moral code—in fact, of all crimes committed—had their beginning in the lack of proper employment.

Masonry anticipates this evil, and encourages its members to avoid it by occupying their time in fitting themselves for future usefulness. That Mason who has taken the degrees and has not learned the meaning of this has failed in comprehending the full import of the lesson intended.

How many Masons date the beginning of their mental improvement and ultimate advancement in life from the symbolism of our degrees? Education, however, comes not like a grist from the mill.

Learning by study must be won;
'Twas ne'er entailed from sire to son.

It is by the small accretions, scarcely perceptible, that in the end furnish a fund of knowledge—here a fact and there a truth are added; little by little are gathered together, and in the end a halo of information seems to surround the Masonic student.

A little learning is a dangerous thing;
Drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring,
For shallow draughts intoxicate the brain,
But drinking largely sobers us again.

Masonic duty requires that the mind of its followers should not only be well stored with useful information, but that this knowledge should be freely imparted to others. Mental misers are monstrosities. The well-spring of information may be constantly drawn from and the supply ever remain undiminished. It is like the widows' pot of oil—it increases with the use. Masonry urges its followers to pursue these studies in search of science, art and truth, till they arrive at and recognize the Author of all science, of all art, and of truth itself.

As the grand old ocean is kept pure by its own agitation, so the mind of the Mason acquires nourishment by his own exertion in the acquisition of knowledge; as a change of labour furnishes rest to the overtaxed muscle, so the proper employment of the mind furnishes refreshment to the anxious Masonic student; and as the discovery of vast wealth deep in the mines of earth after years of toil brings satisfaction to the finder, so the discovery of truth brings joy to the heart of the believing Mason.

It is not strange to the initiated that its members make long and toilsome journeys to attend the meetings of our Lodges, and listen to the wisdom and advice of men grown hoary in Masonic service. It benefits the Mason who imparts the information, and thrice benefits him who receives it.

In presenting these few of the many objects and purposes of our Order, the motive has been to show why the illustrious ones of earth in all ages have been and are votaries of Masonry. To them, there have been abundant reasons for adhering to its tenets. They have felt that a just equivalent has been rendered them in exchange for their time. The authors of Masonry foresaw the need of a closer fellowship and provided for this want. Masonry has stood the test of time, and will stand so long as there is any violation of the moral law. It will stand as it has stood till "nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." It will stand till the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man pervade the whole earth.

There is yet work for each Mason to do. Selfishness,

intemperance, ignorance and immorality still exist. They call for your service in suppressing them. Are you equal to the task? Are you ready and willing to say, I will do better in the future? If you are, what a moral force for good Masonic Lodges will become! Then will the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Oregon prosper in the future as in the past, and we shall feel that our venerable Most Worshipful Grand Master, and those pioneer Masons who have so ably assisted him in building up and maintaining this noble Order in our State, have not lived in vain.

Let us, then, be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labour and to wait.

—Voice of Masonry.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

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BELGRAVE LODGE, No. 749.

ON Wednesday, the 12th inst., Bro. Edward Triggs was installed, at Anderton's Hotel, as Worshipful Master. The ceremony was performed by Bro. Weeks P.M. The retiring W.M. Bro. H. L. W. Hobbs was presented with a handsome jewel. A banquet followed, Bro. Triggs presiding.

CAPPER LODGE, No. 1076.

THE installation meeting took place at the Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, City, on Thursday, the 13th inst., when Bro. James Tytheridge was installed. The Officers appointed were:—Bros. A. T. Dale I.P.M., W. L. Crow S.W., J. H. White J.W., J. Dorton P.M. Treasurer, W. H. Ware Hon. Secretary, F. C. Ward S.D., C. R. Sayers J.D., J. F. Oates I.G., C. R. Higgins Dir. of Cers., T. H. Maple and H. W. Lea Stewards, M. Sherarn Organist. Bro. A. T. Dale, the retiring W.M., officiated as Installing Officer, and was presented with a handsome Past Master's jewel, and it was also resolved that a vote of thanks to him be recorded on the minutes of the Lodge, and a copy of the same, inscribed and illuminated on vellum, mounted and framed, be presented at the next regular meeting of the Lodge. Bro. Dale suitably returned thanks. The long and valuable services of Bro. Past Master Dorton, as Treasurer, were recognised by the presentation to him of a handsome Treasurer's jewel, suitably inscribed, for which "D. O. D." (dear old Dorton) feelingly returned thanks, and assured the brethren he should ever continue to do all he could for the prosperity and success of the Capper Lodge. Bro. Holliday P.M. was re-elected to preside over the Lodge Charity Committee; and after the visiting brethren had expressed their hearty good wishes, the Lodge was closed.

HUYSHE LODGE, No. 1099.

THE installation banquet was held, on the 27th inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth. Sixty members and visitors were present. The W.M. Bro. G. Vanstone presided, supported by his Officers, with one exception. Also Past Masters E. Aitken-Davies P.P.G. Supt. of Works, E. Roseveare, J. H. Blackell, W. T. Walter, J. Picking, T. S. May, H. W. Pengelly, all of 1099, Rev. Dr. T. W. Lemon P.P.G.J.W. P.P. Grand Chap., F. Hooper 1212 P.P.G.D.C., J. Bassett, W. W. Wiggins 1212, R. Pengelly 70 P.P.G.A.D.C. The banquet as usual proved very creditable to the cuisine of the club. Regret was expressed at the continued ill-health of the Prov. Grand Master (Lord Ebrington), and hopes expressed for his early restoration. Between the toasts a capital concert was furnished by brethren, and a very pleasant evening was passed.

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 1311.

THE installation meeting of this influential and prosperous Lodge took place, on the 21st inst., at the Masonic Hall, Great George Street, Leeds, when the wide popularity of the incoming W.M. was evidenced by the fact that he was supported by Masons from all parts, about 70 guests being present. When Bro. J. Arthur Godwin W.M. assumed the gavel, the Lodge Room presented an imposing appearance. Among the many distinguished brethren present were W. Bro. Henry Smith D.P.G.M., V.W. Bro. the Rev. Dr. Smyth, D.D., LL.D., Past Grand Chaplain, Bros. Herbert Green Prov. G. Sec., C. L. Mason P.P.G. Treas., Malcolm P.P.G. Reg. W.M. elect 306, Crossley P.M. Prov. G.J.W., Hargreaves, Beck, the W.M.'s of the seven sister Lodges, and many others. The S.W. Bro. W. W. Clayton was presented for installation by the D.P.G.M. and duly obligated. The brethren below the rank of P.M. having been marshalled round the Lodge by Bro. W. S. Blackburn P.M. D.C., a Board of Installed Masters was opened, and the ceremony was proceeded with. The retiring W.M. Bro. J. Arthur Godwin gave the beautiful ritual in a manner which elicited the heartiest encomiums of all who were privileged to be present. He was assisted by V.W. Bro. Dr. Smyth, and rarely has the beautiful ceremony been more effectively worked. Bro. Clayton having been duly installed and proclaimed, he invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. G. H. Clemons S.W., H. S. Blackburn J.W., J. W. Smith P.M. Secretary, Anderson P.M. Treasurer, Postlethwaite S.D., Rev. P. W. N. Bourne, D.D., J.D., Brigg I.G., Blackburn P.M. D.C., F. Long Organist, Barrard Prov. G. Tyler Tyler. Bros. Godwin and Blackburn were appointed to serve on the

Committee of Management of the Lodge, Bro. Crossley P.M. Prov. G.J.W. was elected to represent the Lodge on the Provincial Charity Committee, and the two Wardens were elected to the local Charity Committee. The business having been disposed of, the D.P.G.M. paid a graceful and well deserved tribute to the manner in which the Installing Master (Bro. J. Arthur Godwin) had discharged his onerous duties, and complimented the Lodge on its new W.M. and his selection of Officers. An adjournment was then made to the Banqueting Hall, where a recherché repast was served. The tables were beautifully decorated. After dinner a long toast list was gone through, interspersed with songs, and thus was brought to a close one of the most successful gatherings in the history of the Zetland Lodge.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, No. 1382.

AN ordinary meeting was held at the George Hotel, Cubitt Town, on Wednesday, 19th inst., under the presidency of Bro. R. J. Perry, assisted by Bros. W. J. Millington P.M., C. McLeod P.M., J. Morrison P.M., R. J. Pitt J.W., W. Blois acting as S.W., A. H. Oakley Secretary, G. A. Saunders S.D., John Limn J.D., Bartley I.G., and J. Williams Tyler. Visitors—Bros. W. C. Watson (New York) 602, and J. Mills 1765, &c. The Lodge being opened, and formalities duly observed, Bros. Gadsdon and Lane were admitted to the degree of Fellow Craft. Bros. Bartlett and W. Flint were, after examination, raised to the degree of M.M. The Secretary read several letters, among them one referring to the widow of a deceased brother, and she was voted a sum for her immediate needs. Other business having been done, the Lodge closed, and the brethren adjourned to music and harmony.

BROMLEY ST. LEONARD LODGE, No. 1805.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Bromley Vestry Hall, Bow Road, on the 18th inst. In the unavoidable absence of the W.M. Bro. A. Peterken P.M. presided. The following Officers were in attendance:—Bros. Ben Johnson S.W., Tom Green J.W., John Collier Treasurer, W. Maxfield Mead Secretary, Geo. E. Warn S.D., W. J. Roberts I.G., Percy Jackson Organist, J. Bussey and E. Hambridge Stewards, with Bros. J. Bailey and McLaren P.M.'s. Visitors—Bros. J. W. and E. A. Gibbs 1804, John Steel 1507, James Purvis 1228, S. U. Thompson P.M. 9, and Strong 1158. Lodge was opened in due form, when Bros. G. W. Holmes and W. Davis were raised, and Bro. J. Liell advanced. The By-laws having been read, the election of W.M. for 1891 was proceeded with, and the unanimous vote of the brethren was in favour of Bro. Ben Johnson S.W. Bro. John Collier was also unanimously re-elected Treasurer. The usual P.M.'s jewel was voted to Bro. Toole, the retiring W.M. Application to remove the Lodge of Instruction to the Bromley Vestry Hall was made by Bro. Mead, and unanimously agreed to, the brethren speaking a word of praise to the Vestry for granting the permission to assemble there every Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. A vote of sympathy with Bro. White, whose son is dangerously ill, was passed. The Lodge was then duly closed, and the brethren adjourned for refreshment, when the usual Masonic toasts were proposed and appropriately responded to.

Emblematic Lodge of Instruction, No. 1321.—The usual weekly meeting was held, for the first time, at the Restaurant, St. James's Hall, Piccadilly, on Tuesday, the 18th inst., when there were present:—Bros. J. H. Price W.M. Treasurer, W. B. Fendick S.W., F. W. Buxton J.W., Joseph Greenway Preceptor, G. F. Swan Secretary, W. O. Welsford S.D., R. W. Bowers J.D., Robt. Shaw I.G., E. J. D. Bromley, J. Patrickson, J. S. Hinton, E. Beeson, C. Weedon, E. L. Berry, R. Kirk, H. Matthews, W. Hadden, J. Paul, J. Hemming, W. Brindley, A. J. Dixie, J. H. Pasmore, E. Angel, Grieves, Stebbing, Bates, W. H. Rice, and George Lane. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The Lodge was opened in the second degree. The first section of the second lecture was worked by the Preceptor Bro. Greenway, the questions being answered by the brethren in rotation. Bro. Patrickson and Bromley offered themselves as candidates to be raised, and they were examined and entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the third, and the ceremony of raising rehearsed, with Bros. Patrickson and Bromley as candidates. The Lodge was resumed; Bros. J. H. Pasmore, E. Angel, Geo. Lane, Robert Stebbing, W. F. Bates, and Robert Shaw were unanimously elected members. A complete set of working tools, in a box, was presented to the Lodge by Bro. Joseph Greenway Preceptor, whilst Bro. W. O. Welsford presented, for the use of the members, the emblems of the third degree. A hearty vote of thanks was thereupon unanimously passed to these brethren. Nothing further offering, the Lodge was closed.

Langton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1673.—A meeting was held, on the 20th inst., at the White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C. Present:—Bros. Marshall Preceptor, Mapleton W.M., Smiles S.W., Lea Smith J.W., Fraser Treasurer and acting Secretary, Woodroffe S.D., Voisey J.D., Barnett I.G., Williams, Walker, Hobbs, De Paiva, Dent and Gordon Smith. The Lodge was opened and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge was advanced, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, and explanation of the tracing board given, Bro. De Paiva acting as candidate. Lodge was resumed. Later on Bro. Smiles was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and he gave notice that the ceremony of raising would be rehearsed. It was decided that the arrangements for the annual Festival, to be held on the 18th December, be left in the hands of the Secretary. The Lodge was then closed. The usual monthly meeting of the Second Langton Benevolent Association was afterwards held, and ballots were drawn by Bros. Fearoz and Mapleton.

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THE PROVINCE OF BERKSHIRE.

ON the afternoon of the 21st inst., a large and influential gathering of Freemasons, representing the Lodges throughout Berks, was held, in the Council Chamber at Reading, for the purpose of making the preliminary arrangements in connection with the installation of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale as Provincial Grand Master of the Berks Province, which will take place in the Town Hall, Reading, in the middle of December. Bro. the Rev. J. Studholme Brownrigg Deputy Prov. Grand Master in charge of the Province presided. The announcement that the Prince of Wales Grand Master of the Order would accompany his son and perform the ceremony of installation was received by the meeting with great satisfaction. The Mayor and Corporation of Reading will welcome their Royal Highnesses on their arrival at the Great Western Railway Station, but no corporate address will be presented. A special Provincial Grand Lodge will be held in the new Town Hall at one o'clock, and the installation of the Duke will be followed by a luncheon. The forthcoming Royal visit to the town is exciting the greatest possible interest, and it is anticipated that as many as 600 or 700 Masons will be present. Nearly 20 years have elapsed since the Prince of Wales paid a Masonic visit to the county town of Berks, the occasion being the laying of the stone of the Reading School, which was performed by his Royal Highness with full Masonic honours, the late Sir Daniel Gooch being then Provincial Grand Master of the combined Province of Berks and Bucks.

LEEDS MASONIC LOCAL RELIEF FUND.

THE annual meeting of this unostentatious but valuable Charity was held, at the Masonic Hall, Great George Street, Leeds, on the 18th inst. The Charity has been founded for the relief of itinerant Masons, and during the few years it has been in existence it has done a noble work. Bro. Allison P.M. P.P.G.D. presided, and there was a good attendance. Bro. Fretwell W.M. 2069 presented the Auditors' report, from which it appeared that during the year 35 cases had been relieved, at a cost of £8 16s 6d. The average relief per case was 5s 0½d. Of the persons relieved 24 were English Masons, 4 were Scotch, 7 were foreigners, and there were no Irish. In the previous year 44 cases had been relieved, at a cost of £9 12s 3½d. The balance in the hands of the Treasurer is £8 1s 4½d, which will carry the Society on until June next. It is 18 months since there was a levy on each of the 8 Leeds Lodges of 1s per member. The report was adopted as satisfactory, and ordered to be circulated among the Leeds Masons. Bro. Jose Rickard was elected President, Bro. Tudor Trevor Vice-President, Bro. Craig P.M. Treasurer, Bro. S. Barrand Almoner, Bro. R. Lucas Secretary, Bros. Fretwell W.M. and Tomlinson W.M. Auditors. Great credit is due to the Almoner for the careful manner in which he has investigated the cases. It was stated that the formation of the Society had done away entirely with the nuisance of travelling Masons calling upon Masters of Lodges at their private addresses, and it has been the means of exposing many impostors. It would be wise for other towns to copy this Society.

The following is the text of the address delivered by the Very Rev. Dr. E. R. Currie, Grand Chaplain, at the Centenary Festival of the St. Paul's Lodge, No. 194, at the Cannon Street Hotel, on the 18th instant:—

Eheu! fugaces latuntur anni. "Alas! the fleeting years slip by." With the heathen poet we admit the lapse of time, with him we do not sigh over it, if we be in truth deserving of the name of Masons. If we be such, then time, with the experience and the knowledge which it brings, is doing for us that which the skill and labour of the expert operative Mason effect for the perfect ashlar, which, we are taught, is "a stone, a true die or square, fit only to be tried by the square and compasses; this represents man in the decline of years, after a regular well-spent life in acts of piety and virtue, which can be no otherwise tried and approved than by the S. of O.'s Word and C.: his own self-convincing conscience." In such the words of our Grand Master, King Solomon, are accomplished, "The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness." But "the days of an age are but three score years and ten"—rarely four; still more rarely longer. While, however, we count our own years by units and by decades, Speculative Masonry reckons its age by centuries. It has seen the wreck of mighty dynasties; it has witnessed the overthrow of famous cities. Generations are born, and generations die, but Speculative Masonry continues firm and unshaken, uninjured by the wasting hand of time, unweakened by the enfeebling lapse of ages. It stands firm, while other societies come and go around it; are formed in one generation to be dissolved in another. It has seen the rise of every existing monarchy in the world, it will not probably witness their close. It stands thus unmoved only because its foundations rest on an eternal verity. They are laid in the responsibility of duty, which belongs to each intelligent being. We read in sacred writ that our Grand Master, King Solomon, built "the inner court of the Temple at Jerusalem with hewed stones." From this solid foundation rose the sacred shrine itself. Thus from duty in its threefold relations to God, to our neighbour, to ourselves, rises the sacred shrine of Masonry to the honour and glory of the Most High, "perfect in its parts, and honourable to its builders." The permanency, the solidity, the beauty of Speculative Masonry is witnessed by the happy occasion on which we are met this evening. For a hundred years the sublime principles of our Order have prevailed, and its sacred tenets have been taught within the Lodge of St. Paul. May they long continue to be so. And while I congratulate you on the honourable past of your Lodge, which has to-day received so well-earned an honour, allow me to wish it a grand and prosperous future, which, by the blessing of the G.A.O.T.U., may ever exhibit "the indelible imprint of Truth, of Honour, and of Virtue."

THE THEATRES, &c.

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Terry's Theatre.—Mr. Terry has been well advised in reviving Mr. Pinero's diverting farce "In Chancery." Mr. Pinero would not himself claim to place it on the same level with its predecessor, "Sweet Lavender," but the dialogue is characterised by that freshness and originality which form a marked feature of Mr. Pinero's plays. The plot is ingenious, and turns on the well known medical fact, used very little on the stage, that by some sudden accident a person may be afflicted with a total loss of memory. Mr. Terry, as a commercial traveller, meets with a railway accident at Sleeperton Junction, and finally finds himself placed in a position which, however bearable in Utah city, is one of great difficulty in London town. The complications that arise are exceedingly ludicrous, and Mr. Terry is the very life and soul of the piece, keeping the audience in roars of laughter from beginning to end. Mr. Terry at the close of the performance very gracefully thanked his company for the assistance they had rendered him, but it is only just to say that he himself deservedly took all the honours. Mr. Julian Cross was effective as Captain Dionysius McCafferty, and so were Messrs. Robert Sontar and George Belmore in the respective parts of butcher and draper. Mr. Prince Miller was a poor detective, and Mr. Henry Dana, as John, did not show to great advantage. Amongst the ladies Miss Rose Dearing was capital as Kettles, a lodging-house servant girl. Miss Elmore Leyshon, Miss Alice York, Miss Kate Mills, and Miss Violet Ambraster all deserve a word of commendation. The piece will no doubt have a very long run, and Mr. Terry at least need not be in any fear at putting his money "In Chancery."

For "The Penalty," at Terry's Theatre, on 2nd December, Mr. Julian Cross has engaged Mr. A. Wood, who will play the part of "Jack Barnacle," an ancient mariner who mingles comedy with pathos.

THE ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM, CHELSEA.—To all who are interested in the welfare of the British Soldier, it is well to be made known that the chapel of the little "Sons of the Brave" is in anything but a satisfactory condition, and that funds are required for restoration, and for purchasing an organ. To meet this great want a matinee entertainment will be given at the Princes Hall, Piccadilly, on the afternoon of Saturday, 13th December, at which His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, Commander-in-Chief, has consented to preside, supported by the most distinguished of our military leaders. The entertainment, entitled "Our Men in Africa," will be of a most unique and varied character. Mr. Herbert Ward, of Stanley's Rear-guard, will give an account of some of his most interesting personal experiences on the Congo; Mr. Melton Prior, the celebrated war artist of *The Illustrated London News*, will speak of what befell him at the bombardment of Alexandria, and the battle of Tel-el-Kebir; while Mr. Harry Pearce, *The Daily News'* special war correspondent, will describe what he saw during the ever-memorable night march on the Nile. Tickets may be obtained of Colonel Fitzgerald, Royal Military Asylum, Chelsea. It is desirable that seats should be at once secured by written application.

The Feast of St. Andrew, the Patron Saint of Scotland, will be celebrated at the Crystal Palace, on St. Andrew's Eve (Saturday, 29th Nov.), by a Grand Evening Promenade Concert. Favourite Scotch songs will be sung by Madame Antoinette Sterling, Miss Minnie Duffus, and Mr. Iver McKay. The Band of the Royal Horse Guards (Blues) has been specially engaged, and will, in conjunction with the Crystal Palace Military Band, play selections of Scotch music. The Grand Central Nave and Transept of the Palace will be specially decorated and illuminated for Promenade.

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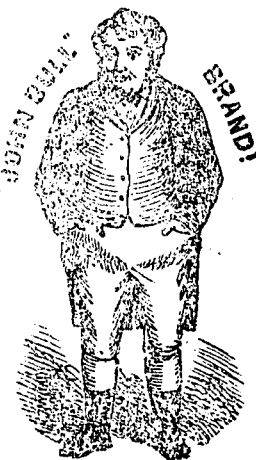
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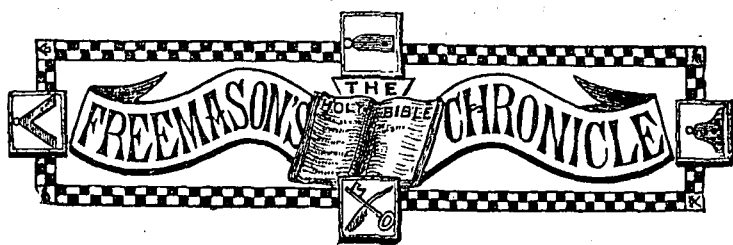
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SATURDAY, 29th NOVEMBER 1890.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF UNITED GRAND LODGE.

THE following is the business to be transacted in Grand Lodge on Wednesday, 3rd December 1890, at 6 for 7 p.m.

1. The minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 3rd September 1890 for confirmation.

2. Recommendations by the Most Worshipful Grand Master:—

1. That the rank of Past Grand Master be conferred on Lieut.-General His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, K.G., Provincial Grand Master of Sussex and District Grand Master of Bombay, on the occasion of his recent return from the East Indies, after completion of his term of service there as Commander-in-Chief of the Bombay Army.

2. That the sum of one hundred guineas be voted from the funds of Grand Lodge and added to the national subscription now being raised in aid of the families of the crew of Her Majesty's late ship "Serpent," recently lost with all hands, except three, off the Coast of Spain.

3. Nomination of a Grand Master for the ensuing year.

4. Nomination of a Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. Appointment and investment of a President of the Board of Benevolence.

6. Election of a Senior and a Junior Vice-President of the Board of Benevolence.

7. Election of twelve Past Masters to serve on the Board of Benevolence for the year ensuing.

8. Report of the Board of Benevolence for the last quarter, in which are recommendations for the following grants, viz.:—

The Widow of a Brother of the Lodge of Israel, No. 205, London	50	0	0
A Brother of the Lion and Lamb Lodge, No. 192, London	50	0	0
A Brother of the St. James' Union Lodge, No. 180, London	50	0	0
A Brother of the Tascau Lodge, No. 14, London ...	100	0	0

And a resolution of a vote of thanks to the President, V.W. Robert Grey, for the courteous and able manner in which he has, during the past year, presided over the meetings of the Board.

9. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

To the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England.

The Board beg to submit a statement of the Grand Lodge Accounts, at the last meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Friday, the 14th day of November instant, showing a balance in the Bank of England (Western Branch) of £4094 5s 11d, and in the hands of the Grand Secretary for petty cash £100, and for servants' wages £100, and balance of annual allowance for library £36 13s 11d.

(Signed) THOMAS FENN,
President.

FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON, W.C.
18th November 1890.

10. NOTICE OF MOTION.

By W. Brother Thomas Hastings Miller Vice-President of the Board of General Purposes.

A portrait of V.W. Brother Thomas Fenn, President of the Board of General Purposes, having, at the desire of several of his friends in the Craft, been painted by Brother B. S. Marks, as a companion picture to the one by the same artist of Right Worshipful Brother Sir John B. Monckton P.G.W. and Past President of the Board of General Purposes, which was recently presented by him to Grand Lodge, and now hangs in the Board Room of Freemasons' Hall,

These brethren request that Grand Lodge will accept the portrait of V.W. Brother Fenn, and will authorise its being also placed in the Board Room as a memento of the invaluable services rendered by him to English Freemasonry for very many years past.

Names of Brethren nominated for election to the offices of Senior and Junior Vice-President of the Board of Benevolence.

Brother JAMES BRETT, P.G.P., as Senior Vice-President.
Bro. CHARLES A. COTTEBRUNE, P.G.P., as Junior Vice-President.
And none others were nominated.

Names of Past Masters nominated to serve on the Board of Benevolence.

Bro. Brown, William Peter	-	-	-	-	90
Bunker, James	-	-	-	-	1158
Chapman, George B.	-	-	-	-	27
Dairy, Charles	-	-	-	-	141
Goldschmidt, Simon H.	-	-	-	-	1329
Grieve, James Burgess	-	-	-	-	1351
Haslip, Lewis Christopher	-	-	-	-	813
Langley, George R.	-	-	-	-	183
Read, George	-	-	-	-	511
Shedd, Ebenezer	-	-	-	-	276
Taylor, Robert J.	-	-	-	-	144
Woodward, Alfred Cooper	-	-	-	-	1538

And no more were nominated.

List of Lodges for which warrants have been granted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master since the last Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge.

- No. 2379—The Woodstock Lodge, Woodstock, South Africa (W.D.)
2380—The Beneventa Lodge, Daventry, Northamptonshire.
2381—The Bushey Park Lodge, Hampton Court, Middlesex.
2382—The Loyal Hay Lodge, Hay, Brecknockshire, South Wales (E.D.)
2383—The Henry B. Loch Lodge, Beaconsfield, Griqualand West, South Africa.
2384—The Mitcham Lodge, Lower Mitcham.
2385—The Godson Lodge, Oldbury, Worcestershire.

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The Calendar Committee direct the attention of Masters of Lodges and Principals of Chapters to the necessity of communicating to the

Grand Secretary any change in the day or place of meeting of Lodges or Chapters so soon as the resolution for effecting such change shall be confirmed.—Vide Book of Constitutions, Rules 162, 167, 168, 169, 170; Edition 1884; and Royal Arch Regulations, Rule 86, Edition 1888.

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ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

PENSION INDEMNITY FUND.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

10 New Inn, London, W.C.

24th November 1890.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—It will be within your recollection that the resolution proposing to grant to the late Secretary of the Institution a retiring allowance of £350 per annum out of the Funds of the Institution was carried, at the Quarterly Court held in October 1889, by a narrow majority, and the Provisional Management Committee asked the next Quarterly Court not to confirm the resolution, thinking that a scheme to raise a fund of £2500, in lieu of such retiring allowance, would be preferable, thus ensuring the relief of the Institution from any charge on its funds, and at the same recognising the 28 years' services rendered to the Institution by the late Secretary. This compromise of the matter met with general approval, and the Pension Indemnity Fund was established, having for its object the collection of the quota of £2 10s from every Lodge in London and the Provinces, in order to raise the sum of £2500. An appeal was made to the Craft in aid of the Fund, and this appeal met with such success that the Provisional Management Committee was enabled to make the necessary arrangements for the retirement of the late Secretary, and on the faith of the response made by the Craft paid him, with the sanction of the General Committee of the Institution, the sum of £2500 out of the funds of the Institution. Towards this sum we have, as Trustees of the Pension Indemnity Fund, paid into the General Account of the Institution £1800, and it is our desire to raise the balance (£700) at as early a date as possible, and thus clear the Funds of the Institution from all diminution on this score. Sent herewith is a statement of the Lodges both in London and the Provinces who have supported the Fund, and, although some of the Lodges were not at first disposed to look with favour on the plan, yet seeing that it was a compromise happily suggested to permit of the recommendations of the Committee of Inquiry being carried out under the new management, the Brethren ultimately came to the conclusion it was worthy of their generous support, thus meeting the matter in the true spirit which at all times distinguishes our Craft. We earnestly appeal to you as a member holding high office in a Lodge, from which a donation to the Fund has not as yet been received, to bring the matter to the attention of your Lodge, and use your influence with the Brethren to support the Fund to the extent above indicated, and thus assist us to bring to a speedy conclusion a scheme inaugurated in the best interests of a noble Institution, and which has been so universally accepted as a practical solution of the difficulties involved in starting the new management. Begging the favour of as early a reply as possible, and trusting sincerely your Lodge will think right to concur in helping this most desirable object,

We are, Dear Sir and Brother,

Very faithfully and fraternally yours,

FRED A. PHILBRICK Grand Registrar.
EDWARD TERRY Past Grand Treasurer.
RICHARD EVE Past Grand Treasurer.

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Under the united banners of the Tyrian Lodge, No. 253, and the Arboretum Lodge, No. 731, Bro. James Stevens will deliver his lecture on the "Ritual and Ceremonial of the Symbolic Degrees in Freemasonry," in the Masonic Hall, Derby, on Friday next, the 5th December. On the afternoon of Saturday, the 13th, he will lecture in The Great City Lodge, No. 1426, at Cannon Street Hotel, London.

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PROV. G. LODGE OF EAST LANCASHIRE.

A MEETING of the Provincial Grand Lodge of East Lancashire was held, on the 21st inst., at the Central Hall, Oldham Street, Manchester. Colonel Le Gendre N. Starkie Prov. Grand Master presided, and there were also present Bros. G. Mellor D.P.G.M., J. O. S. Thursby P.G.S.W., Captain Lingard P.G.J.W., G. Hunt P.G. Treasurer, and J. Chadwick P.G. Secretary, a large number of Present and Past Provincial Officers, and about 200 members of Lodges in the Province. The roll having been called and some formal business transacted, Bro. J. Heelis P.P.G.S.W. proposed a resolution to the effect that the Trustees of the Provincial Grand Lodge be authorised to pay the income of the Annuity Funds standing in their name to the East Lancashire Systematic Institution so long as that Institution maintains an annuitant at an annual cost of not less than the annual income of the Fund. He explained the reasons which led him to make the proposition. Bro. W. Forrest (Bolton) seconded the resolution, which, after some discussion, was passed. Bro. E. G. Harwood P.P.G.J.W. then moved that, in accordance with a suggestion thrown out by the Provincial Grand Master at the last Provincial meeting held at Burnley, that the Charity Committee of the Province should select some Charity for further donation from the Provincial Grand Lodge Funds, the sum of 100 guineas (as proposed by the Chairman and seconded by the Vice-Chairman of the Charity Committee) be given to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys—50 guineas to be in the name of the P.G.S.W., and 50 guineas in the name of the P.G.J.W. Bro. Harwood said he desired to amend the resolution by adding that an additional 50 guineas be given to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and a like sum to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. Brother J. H. Sillitoe P.P.G.J.W. seconded the resolution. He said there were in the Province of East Lancashire fourteen aged men and nine aged women receiving the benefits of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, equivalent to an annual sum of £940. In the two great Masonic Schools, East Lancashire had seventeen children, equivalent, as far as it could be estimated, to a sum each year of £870. They would be getting very good interest for the money they proposed to invest, and he might also add that the Province could well afford to make the donations. The Provincial Grand Master, in supporting the proposition, said that while they had their own Systematic Benevolent Institution, it was the duty of the members of that Provincial Grand Lodge to support those excellent Charities in London, which were such an ornament to their Society, and from which they in East Lancashire received such benefit. The resolution was passed unanimously. The report of the Charity Committee was read and adopted. An invitation to hold the next meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge at Bolton was received and accepted. Bro. Jaffrey (Manchester) chairman of a committee which organised a Masonic garden party at the Botanical Gardens, Old Trafford, during the summer months, handed to the Provincial Grand Master a cheque for £150, as the proceeds of the entertainment, to be devoted to the Charity Fund. The Provincial Grand Master expressed his great gratification at the success of the undertaking, and proposed a vote of thanks to those brethren who had initiated and carried it out. The motion was passed with acclamation. Brother Sillitoe handed to the P.G.M. a cheque for 30 guineas received from the Starkie Portrait Fund Committee, for the Charity Fund of the Province. The Earl of Carnarvon Pro Grand Master having died since the last meeting, the Provincial Grand Master proposed a resolution of condolence with the family of that deceased nobleman, who, he said, would ever be remembered in the senate of this country, by the world at large, and by the members of the Masonic Fraternity. The motion was seconded by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master and passed, and the Lodge was then closed. A meeting of the Court of Governors of the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Educational and Benevolent Institution was afterwards held.

At the last meeting of the Israel Lodge, No. 205, a sum of Five Guineas was voted from the Lodge Funds to be devoted to the "Serpent" Relief Fund. This example will, doubtless, be followed by other of our Lodges where the "Exchequer" is in a flourishing state.

THE MASONIC BAZAAR.

THE grand bazaar, organised by the members of the Aberdeenshire Province of Freemasons, was opened at noon, on the 21st inst., by Colonel Sir Archibald Campbell, Bart., M.P., Grand Master Mason of Scotland, in the presence of a very large attendance of ladies and gentlemen.

Amongst those present at the opening ceremony were:—Lord Saltoun, Dr. P. Blaikie Smith, the Very Rev. Dean Webster, Dean of Guild Macdonald, Rev. C. C. Macdonald, Councillors Tulloch, Reid, Findlay, Pratt, Mr. David Byres, Mr. Henry Peterkin, advocate, Rev. R. Semple, Rev. D. Beatt, Mr. P. Crombie dentist, Dr. Profeit, Balmoral, Baillie Duff, Mr. William Boyd, Peterhead, General Rutherford, Provost Wyness, Inverurie, Mr. Thomas Ogilvie, hatter, Rev. H. M. Smith, Nigg, Mr. Andrew Stott, Mr. John T. Clark, Mr. Dumolo, &c. Most of these gentlemen occupied seats on the platform, where Lady Saltoun, Mr. F. Lawson, of Pitfour, and Miss Banerman, of Crimmonmogate, were also accommodated.

Lord Saltoun proposed that Mr. William Boyd Provincial Grand Master of Aberdeenshire (East), should take the chair, and introduce Sir Archibald Campbell.

The Chairman having made a few introductory remarks,

Sir Archibald Campbell rose to formally open the bazaar, and was received with applause. He explained that the object of the bazaar, which is supplementary to that to be held in Edinburgh, is to aid the Benevolent Fund of the Grand Lodge; and he spoke in terms of high appreciation of the magnificent display of goods in the bazaar, the great energy shown with regard to which, he was confident, would assure the great success of the undertaking. The interest of the fund to be provided, it would be observed, would go to the benevolent purpose of supporting the widows and children of indigent Masons, and indigent Masons themselves. He continued—At the present moment those Masonic brethren who are here present are aware that we have considerable funds at the disposal of the Grand Lodge. The finances of the Grand Lodge have been so re-arranged and re-organised that now she is able to take her place in the proper position which she occupies as head of a large benevolent institution, the Ancient Order of Freemasons in Scotland. Half the free income of the Grand Lodge is devoted to the purposes of the benevolent funds. One-half of that—that is to say, one-quarter of the free income of the Grand Lodge—is given actually in annuities. The other quarter is invested yearly, so that the interest of the money may accrue, and go to increase the fund from which we are able to relieve the indigent. At the present moment over seventy persons are being relieved at an expense of about £700 a year. Applications for relief this year amounted to something like 300, so you will see how very necessary it is to supplement the sum we have at our disposal at the present moment by the sum of £10,000, which I hope we shall be able to raise from the two bazaars which we are holding, the one here and the other in Edinburgh. This sum will be deposited, and the interest used entirely for the relief of those whom we may find necessitous and deserving. All the Lodges send in, as the cases may necessitate, and as they think proper, the names for relief, with their recommendations, to a Committee that sits four times a year in Edinburgh Grand Lodge, which considers each case on its merits, and if we have funds at our disposal we give a certain number of grants, ranging in amount from £10 to £15 a year. These cases are all very carefully gone into, and there is no money wasted by officials or buildings. The whole of the money will go to the relief of these poor people, and therefore I can recommend thoroughly to you the object which we have all in view, and I trust and hope that the exertions which you have made on this occasion will redound not only to the credit of the Provinces holding sway in and near Aberdeen, but also to the credit of Freemasonry generally in Scotland. I must thank Lady Saltoun and all the ladies here for their very great kindness. Looking round I see what energy you must have displayed, and what an immense amount of trouble you must have taken to bring such an enormous quantity of goods together. I feel sure that although you have had a very great deal of trouble in carrying out and bringing to perfection this large and magnificent bazaar, yet I feel sure you will consider that in contributing to this fund you are doing a good work, and will not regret the labour you have bestowed on this undertaking. I now declare this bazaar open, and I trust it will meet with the success I am sure it deserves. Rev. C. C. Macdonald said—I am entrusted with a very honourable duty. To those of us who dwell in the mystic circle of Masonry the sight of the Grand Master Mason of Scotland is sufficient to evoke and to inspire respect. We look upon him very much as loyal subjects look upon their Sovereign. "There's a divinity that doth hedge a king," and to us Masons the Grand Master is wrapped in a kind of awe. Sir Archibald Campbell is here to-day, not to bestow a smile upon his admiring subjects, nor even to inspire us, if that were possible, with a deeper sense of the honour and dignity of our Craft, but the Grand Master is here to-day to promote and to secure the success of an undertaking which, I venture to say, will set Masonry side by side with the noblest Benevolent Institutions of the country. He is not an ordinary bazaar-opener. That is becoming pretty much, I fancy, a profession. The ordinary bazaar opener is an outsider. He comes and he goes. His function is merely to turn on the tap of benevolence and to set the machinery agoing. But in our Grand Master we have one who is at the heart—I may venture to say, is the very heart—of this splendid enterprise. He is here to-day, not merely to open a bazaar, but, as I understand it, to open to Masonry the door to a still more honourable career. Therefore, I move now a vote of thanks to our Grand Master, whose high aim it is to lead his brethren to the summit of their profession, and to exhibit Masonry to Scotland as an example of charity.

Sir Archibald replied, and proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman.

Mr. Boyd, in acknowledging the compliment, expressed his warm

concurrence with the wishes uttered for the complete success of the bazaar.

Sales then proceeded briskly, and the hall presented a scene of much animation. The lady stall-holders, of whom there is a very large number, wear caps, sashes, and favours, comprising the colours of the respective Lodges. An immense stock of material is on sale, contributions having come pouring in from all quarters, and the value represented on the different stalls is very great. Large donations in money have also been received, as may be imagined when it is stated that before the bazaar opened, Mr. J. H. Forshaw, Imperial Hotel, one of the Working Committee in connection with St. Nicholas Lodge Stall, had £116 to the credit of that stall.

There was a large attendance throughout the afternoon. At intervals organ recitals were given by Mr. R. B. Bateman, Mrs. Bac. Oxon., and Mr. J. M. Nisbet. Signor Albertus delighted a large audience with his "mystification" performance. As was expected, the bazaar promises to be the means of raising a large sum of money, and as the result of donations received, and sales made up to three o'clock—three hours after the opening—a sum of £350 had been lodged in the bank.

VOLUNTEERS AND FREEMASONRY AT CHELMSFORD.

THE first of a series of smoking concerts in aid of the Chelmsford detachment (A and B Companies) of the 2nd Volunteer Battalion Essex Regiment, was held in the Assembly Room at the White Hart Hotel, on Monday, the 11th inst., under the presidency of the Commandant, Major Gepp, who was supported by his brother officers—Captain Coleman, Lieutenant Wykham Chancellor, and Lieutenant and Quartermaster Crozier—and a full contingent of non-coms., privates, and friends of the Corps. A Masonic meeting took place under the same roof at the same time, and in response to a communication from the Chairman, the following reply was read:—"The Royal Arch Masons, now assembled in the White Hart Hotel, thank Major Gepp for his very kind invitation for them to join the assembly now enjoying themselves under his presidency. They cannot well accept his invitation as Royal Arch Masons, but they will be pleased to do so individually, as some of the loyalest of Her Majesty's subjects, who have the welfare of the Volunteer force greatly at heart." A capital programme was greatly enjoyed by the numerous audience. Mr. Fred. Scarsbrook, who also played the accompaniments on the pianoforte, led off with a spirited and appropriate composition of his own, "Esprit de Corps." Glees were sung by Messrs. Ashley, Barker, Hodges, and Webb; songs by Lieutenant Chancellor, Sergeant Barker, Mr. A. S. Duffield, Mr. Talbot Chick, and Mr. A. W. Smethurst; with solos on the violin by Mr. S. V. Tovey, and cornet by Mr. Belsham. The arrangements are being carried out by a committee, of whom Sergeant P. J. Debnam is the energetic and hard-working hon. sec.

MASONIC SERVICE AT DENTON.

A SPECIAL Masonic service was held on Sunday, the 23rd inst., in Christ Church, Denton, in connection with the Duke of Athol Lodge. A large number of brethren assembled in the afternoon and walked in procession to the church, wearing the regalia of their respective offices. Bro. Irvine Dearnaley presided at the organ, and Bros. Moore, C. H. Warren, Schofield, and others assisted in the musical service. The sermon was preached by the Rev. E. Bigoe Bagot, Rector of the Bishop Lee Memorial Church, Manchester, P.M. Past Provincial Grand Chaplain of East Lancashire and Cheshire, who took for his text 2 Chronicles iii. 17; "And he reared up the pillars before the Temple, one on the right hand and the other on the left, and called the name of that on the right hand Jachin, and the name of that on the left Boaz." He said the history of Freemasonry was an independent witness to the great truths which the Catholic Church of Christ had taught for over 1800 years. The Church had ever pointed out the work which was necessary to be done to raise temples to the Most High, and the Masonic brethren were always ready to devote themselves to its fulfilment with all the treasures of their hidden science and mysterious skill. In an age of fierce and absorbing political strife, sectarian bitterness, and angry feeling, it was important to consolidate and strengthen a great society which was essentially of a religious character, and was an important guarantee for order, morality, and large-heartedness. All the truths which Freemasons had inherited, their landmarks and principles, were now called in question and denied. The existence of a Supreme Being, the reality of a future state, the authenticity of the volume of the sacred law, and the first principles of social order and civilised society were all attacked and questioned. It was the duty of all members of the Craft to vindicate their teaching and maintain the honour and dignity of their profession.

On another page we publish in extenso the Circular the Honorary Secretary of the Provisional Management Committee of the Boys' School has been instructed to send out to the Worshipful Master, Treasurer, and Secretary of each Lodge in London and the Provinces, that has not as yet contributed to the Pension Indemnity Fund. We feel assured that when it becomes generally known there is still a deficiency on this account that many of the Lodges that have not subscribed will do so forthwith.

Mr. H. S. King, M.P., took the chair at the second house dinner of the Hull Masonic Club, on Saturday last. The club is now in a flourishing condition.

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH MASONRY.

THE interior of St. Nicholas's Lodge, No. 1676, Grainger Street, Newcastle, was crowded to its utmost extent, on the 19th inst., by brethren, on the occasion of the return fraternal visit of the brethren of St. David's Lodge, 36, Edinburgh. Bro. Thomas Lewens W.M. presided over the proceedings. The visitors were:—Bros. John Robertson, D. A. Cuthbert, R. Pickett, J. Morrison, T. H. Young, David Taylor, James S. Boote, G. Barclay, E. Materozo, T. A. Pinto, W. McEwan, Angus Sutherland, Wallace Robertson, Joseph Donkin, James Garding, W. Clark, Ed. S. Webb, W. Adamson, Stephen Webb, James Russell, W. Paterson, T. Canulton Wylie, Leo. G. Mee, J. Melvin, Alex. Barclay, James Carmichael, James Hogg, A. W. Rennie, and James A. Johnston. Previous to the proceedings at the Lodge, the brethren from the capital of Scotland were met at the Central Railway Station by Bro. T. Lewens and members of the Reception Committee shortly after 5 o'clock. They proceeded to the Crown Hotel, Clayton Street, and partook of dinner. The Lodge was opened shortly after 7 o'clock, and amongst the Prov. G. Officers in Northumberland present to do honour to the occasion, were Bros. R. A. Holmes, D. G. Anderson, T. Blenkinsop, T. B. Nicholl, Joseph Cook, William Cooper, John T. Taylor, Alex. Hepburn, J. Matthews, John Page, and John Duckett. After the P.G.D. and Officers, and also Bro. Robertson W.M. of St. David's Lodge and his Officers and brethren had been duly received, the first degree was gone through. At the close of this ceremony, the W.M. Brother T. Lewens presented an illuminated address, with the names of the deputation which visited Edinburgh a short time since, along with the portraits of himself, the Immediate Past Master, the Director of Ceremonies, the Senior and Junior Wardens, and Senior and Junior Deacons. In doing so, he expressed, on behalf of the brethren of St. Nicholas's Lodge, the pleasure felt at the fraternal visit paid by their Scottish brethren. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. R. H. Holmes, on behalf of the R.W. P.G.M. of Northumberland, Bro. Sir M. W. Ridley, gave the visitors a hearty welcome to Tyneside. Bro. Dr. Robertson replied in suitable terms, and soon afterwards the Lodge was closed in due form, the greater part of the brethren proceeding to the Crown Hotel, where a light repast was provided. The address, which was prepared by Mr. Andrew Dickson and mounted by Bro. Oswald Rowell, bears not only the portraits as indicated above, but also a photographic view of St. Nicholas's Cathedral and the Swing Bridge.

Not so very many years ago an Irish Cardinal (Cullen) declared it was impossible for a man to be at once a Catholic and a Freemason, and endless trouble and annoyance were caused by his clumsy confusion of the Political Freemasonry of Southern Europe with its harmless and extremely anti-political namesake in Great Britain and Ireland. My father died a first-class Catholic, and he was a Freemason and a leader among Freemasons; a great many Catholics that used to visit at our house were Freemasons also. Now, simply because a Churchman has been misled by similarity of name, and because he was too violent to investigate, all Freemasons who do not care to abandon Freemasonry are declared excommunicate. Yet, as everybody who knows anything knows, there is nothing in Freemasonry, as constituted in Great Britain and Ireland, that would, or could, prevent a man being the truest of Christians, no matter which he favoured of Christianity's many and most various phases. In Great Britain and Ireland Freemasons as a body took no notice of the ukase—they parted with such brethren as felt that their first duty was to religion, even when religion is inconsistent and aggressive, and they held to such others as believed that nor priest nor bishop nor cardinal had a right to interfere thus ruthlessly with matters which did not concern him—which priest or bishop or cardinal would have found, had he but taken the trouble to inspect them, could not concern him. The effect of the edict was different in America. Freemasons there smarted considerably under the annoyance, and, taking an initiative, they have become the strongest of the anti-Irish parties. Happening to mention one day, when I was in Chicago, to a prominent Freemason that in England a man was not permitted to be a Catholic if he followed Freemasonry, the American replied, "Ah, here we don't give a chance for that sort of thing; we won't make a man a Freemason until we know that he isn't a Catholic."—*Pendragon, in the Referee.*

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DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

We shall be obliged if the Secretaries of the various Lodges throughout the Kingdom will favour us with a list of their Days of Meetings, &c., as we have decided to insert only those that are verified by the Officers of the several Lodges.

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Saturday, 29th November.

House Committee, R.M.B.I., Croydon, at 3
1706 Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

149 Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham
R.A. 178 Harmony 'Royal Hotel, Wigan
M.M. 14 Prince Edward's, Station Hotel, Stansfield

Monday, 1st December.

12 Fortitude & Old Cumberland, 129 Leadenhall St
25 Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
69 Unity, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
72 Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
144 St. Luke, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
188 Joppa, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
1025 Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End Road
2220 St. Botolph's, Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C.
R.A. 91 Regularity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 1056 Victoria, Masons' Hall Avenue
M.M. 224 Menatschin, Criterion, Piccadilly

37 Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Bolton
53 Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Bath
113 Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Preston
119 Sun, Sq., and Comp., F.M.H., Whitehaven
133 Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham
154 Unanimity, M.H., Zetland Street, Wakefield
156 Harmony, Hayshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
199 Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
338 Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire
381 Harmony & Industry, Bank Bldgs, Over Darwen
395 Guy, Crown Hotel, Leamington Priors
431 St. George, Masonic Hall, N. Shields
441 Three Grand Principles, Red Lion Hot, Camb.
478 Churchill, Masonic Hall, Oxford
482 St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Handsworth
529 Semper Fidelis, Crown Hotel, Worcester
597 St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead
850 St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire
928 Friendship, Masonic Hall, Petersfield
1009 Shakspeare, F.M.H., Cooper St., Manchester
1045 Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire
1050 Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester
1051 Rowley, Athenæum, Lancaster
1077 Wilton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire
1180 Forward, Masonic Rooms, Birmingham
1211 Goderich, Masonic Hall, Leeds
1239 Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield
1264 Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1302 De Warren, White Swan Hotel, Halifax
1380 Skelmersdale, Queen's Hotel, Waterloo, Liverpool
1434 Nottinghamshire, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
1519 Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, near Acerington
1573 Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer Street, Swansea
1578 Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd
1678 St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Newcastle
1798 Zion, Masonic Rooms, King St., Manchester
2094 Elthorne and Midx., Town Hall, Hounslow
R.A. 1074 Bectve, Masonic Rooms, Kirkby
R.A. 380 Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley
R.A. 557 Valletort, M.H., Cullington, Cornwall
M.M. 2 Phoenix, 110 High Street, Portsmouth

Tuesday, 2nd December.

7 Royal York of Perseverance, F.M.H., W.C.
9 Albion, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
18 Old Dundee, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.
101 Temple, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
166 Union, Criterion, W.
172 Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1257 Grosvenor, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1259 Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tav. E.
1261 Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent Street, W.
1381 Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington
1397 Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
1473 Henley, Three Crowns, Woolwich
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow
1693 Kingsland, Old Cock Tav, Highbury Corner, N.
M.M. 355 Royal Savoy, The Criterion, W.
70 St. John, F.M.H., Plymouth
103 Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
120 Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford
124 Marquis of Granby, F.M.H., Old Elvot, Durham
158 Adams, Britannia Hotel, Sheerness
200 Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor
226 Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough
265 Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Keighley
364 Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath
393 St. David, Masons' Hall, Berwick
493 Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester
568 Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
685 Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Newcastle
702 Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, -troud
731 Londesborough, M.H., Bridlington Quay
794 Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
804 Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant
817 Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon
918 St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Leighton Buzzard
974 Pentaptha, New Masonic Hall, Bradford
995 Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston
1002 Skidaw, Masonic Hall, Cockermouth
1134 Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford
1161 De Grey and Ripon, F.M.H., Manchester
1244 Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar
1322 Waveley, Caledonian Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne
1436 Square & Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham
1388 St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amlwch, Anglesea
1070 Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Rhyl
1750 Coleridge, Sandringham House, Clevedon
1893 Wolseley, Town Hall Buildings, Manchester
2032 The Richmond, Station Hotel, Richmond
2133 Swan of Avon, Union Club, Stratford-on-Avon
R.A. 263 St. John of Jerusalem, M.H., Liverpool
R.A. 600 Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford

R.A. 645 Humphrey Chetham, F.M.H., Manchester
R.A. 903 Gosport, India Arms Hotel, Gosport
R.A. 131 Fletcher, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
M.M. 11 Joppa, 55 Argyle Street, Birkenhead
M.M. 69 United Serv., Assembly Rooms, Chatham
M.M. 115 Bedford, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
M.M. 161 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale

Wednesday, 3rd December.

Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, F.M.H.
511 Zetland, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
1298 Royal Standard, Cock Hotel, Highbury, N.
1535 Royal Commemoration, Fox and Hounds, S.W.
R.A. 1589 St. Dunstan's, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.

74 Athol, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
137 Amity, M.H., Market Place, Poole
298 Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Rochdale
326 Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
327 Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
363 Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth
406 Northern Counties, F.M.H., Newcastle
417 Faith and Unanimity, M.H., Dorchester
429 Royal Navy, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
471 Silurian, F.M.H., Newport, Mon.
611 Lodge of the Marches, Masonic Hall, Ludlow
615 Humphrey Chetham, F.M.H., Manchester
678 E. Ellesmere, Church Hot, Kersley, Farnworth
750 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cleckheaton
838 Franklin, Peacock and Royal Hotel, Boston
992 St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broughton
1013 Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1010 Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship Street, Hall
163 Malling Abbey, Bear Inn, West Malling, Kent
1085 Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower St., Derby
1091 Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
1167 Alnwick, M.H., Clayport Street, Alnwick
1206 Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
1274 Earl of Durham, F.M.H., Chester-le-Street
1323 Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind St., Swansea
1335 Lindsay, 20 King Street, Wigan
1351 Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh
1363 Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Glos.
1403 West Lancashire, Commercial Hot, Ormskirk
1431 St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
1620 Marlborough, Derby Hotel, Tue Brook, L'pool
1736 St. John's, St. John's Rooms, Halifax
1842 St. Leonards, Concert Rooms, St. Leonards-on-Sea

1903 Pr Edward of Saxe Weimar, M.H., Portsmouth
2042 Apollo, 22 Hope Street, Liverpool
R.A. 304 Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Leeds
R.A. 369 Limestone Rock, Swan and Royal, Clitheroe
R.A. 477 Fidelity, 55 Argyle Street, Birkenhead
R.A. 1248 Denison, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
M.M. 36 Furness, Hartington, Barrow-in-Furness
M.M. 56 Temperance, Masonic Hall, Todmorden

Thursday, 4th December.

10 Westminster and Keystone, Freemasons' Hall
27 Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
45 Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.
192 Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.
227 Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
231 St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
538 La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney
822 Victoria Rifles, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1178 Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, S.E.
1351 St. Clement Danes, 265 Strand
1672 Mornington, London Tavern, Fenchurch St.
1772 Pimlico, Morpeth Arms Tavern, Milbink
1790 Old England, M.H., New Thornton Heath
2271 St. Pancras, Midland Hotel, St. Pancras, N.W.
R.A. 9 Moriah, The Albion, Aldersgate Street
R.A. 174 Sincerity, Ches. Cheese, Crutched Friars
M.M. 197 Sudholme, 33 Golden Square, W.

21 Newcastle-on-Tyne, F.M.H., Newcastle
31 United Industrious, Mas. Rooms, Canterbury
38 Union, Council Chamber, Chichester
41 Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Bath
59 Knights of Malta, George Hotel, Hincley
123 Lennax, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorks
249 Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
251 Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry
266 Napthal, Masonic Hall, Horwood
269 Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
289 Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Leeds
294 Constitutional, Assembly Rooms, Beverley
295 Commercial Union, Arms, Macclesfield
309 Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne
399 Harmony, Red Lion, Farnham
317 Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
360 Pomfret, Abingdon Street, Northampton
419 St. Peter, Star and Garter, Wolverhampton
425 Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester
443 Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire
509 Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham
539 St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall
637 Portland, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent
732 Pelham Pitar, Masonic Hall, Great Grimsby
976 Royal Clarence, Blue Ball, Bruton, Somerset
1012 Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, Bury
1071 Underley, Masonic Rooms, Kirkby Lonsdale
1083 Royal Edward, Commercial Inn, Salford
1231 Savile, Royal Hotel, Elland
1282 Anchorline, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire
1284 Brent, Globe Hotel, Topham, Devonshire
1304 Olive Union, M.H., Horncastle, Lincolnshire
1367 Beaumister Manor, White Hart, Beaumister
1379 Marquis of Ripon, Masonic Hall, Darlington
1384 Equity, Alford Chambers, Wines
1473 Beotle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lancashire
1500 Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
1501 Red Rose of Lanc., Starkie's Arms, Padiham
1513 Friendly, King's Head Hotel, Barnsley
1591 Cedewain, Rooms, Newtown, Montgomery
1639 Watling Street, Cock Hotel, Stoney Stratford
1770 Vale of White Horse, Savings Bank, Farington
1807 Loyal Wye, Built, Breconshire
1829 Burrell, George Hotel, Shoreham
2043 Kedrick, Masonic Hall, Reading
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. 202 Charity, New Masonic Hall, Bradford
R.A. 429 Thane, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
R.A. 681 Rectitude, Corporation Hotel, Ardwick
R.A. 758 Bridgwater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn
M.M. 53 Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

Friday, 5th December.

706 Florence Nightingale, M.H., Woolwich
891 Horsey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1275 Star, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
2233 Old Westminsters, 63 Regent Street, W.
R.A. 10 Westminster and Keystone, F.M.H., W.C.
R.A. 1098 Prince of Wales, Temple Hall, Tredegar
M.M. 8 Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.

41 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
81 Doric, Private Rooms, Woodbridge, Suffolk
219 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Toimorden
242 St. George, Gaill Hall, Doncaster
306 Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kalsall Street, Leeds
412 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Peterborough
521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield
574 Loyal Berkshire of Hope, White Hart, Newbury
601 St. John, Wrekin Hotel, Wellington, Salop
681 Seiton, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
709 Invicta, Bank Street Hall, Ashford
837 De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
839 Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester
993 Welchpool, Railway Station, Welchpool
1096 Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1333 Athelstan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick
1387 Chorlton, Masonic Rooms, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
1528 Fort, M.H., Newquay, Cornwall
1557 Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham
1561 Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Morecambe
1648 Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
1664 Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, Gosforth
R.A. 170 All Souls, Masonic Hall, Weymouth
R.A. 359 Peace, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton
R.A. 1466 Hova Villa, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton

Saturday, 6th December.

1622 Rose, Surrey Mason Hall, Camberwell
1919 Brixton, Brixton Hall, Acre Lane, Brixton
1362 Royal Albert Edward, Market Hall, Redhill
1458 Truth, Wheatshaf Hotel, Manchester
1466 Hova Ecclesia, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton
R.A. 975 Rose of Denmark, Star and Garter, Kew

INSTRUCTION.

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Saturday, 29th November.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 730
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav. Southgate Rd., N.3
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7
1288 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 Cluswick, Windsor Castle, Hummersmith, 730
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8

Monday, 1st December.

22 Inghborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 730
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Rope-maker St., 7
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7
190 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8
248 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon, 7
332 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
543 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 730
933 Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, 8
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 730
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8
1349 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 630
1425 Hyde Park, Porchester Hot, Cleveland Gdns., 8
1445 Prince Leopold, 22 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall Canterbury, 8
1489 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 730
1547 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 730
1555 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney,
1608 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 830
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8
1713 Perseverance, Deacon's Tavern, Walbrook, 7
1801 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, 2nd December.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 730
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.
177 Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 730
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, 8
551 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 730
753 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill,
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 730
829 Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Sidcup, 7
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, 730
1446 Mount Edgecombe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 730, 8
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1473 Bootle, 148 Berry Street, Bootle, 6
1510 Chancer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.
1638 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N., 9
1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
1919 Brixton, Prince Regent, East Brixton, 8
2146 Sarbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 630
R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finbury Pavement, E.C., 8
R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8
R.A. 1612 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

Wednesday, 3rd December.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8
 30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30
 65 Prosperity, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., 7
 72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
 73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Berough, 8
 193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St.,
 228 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
 533 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
 591 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7
 673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
 720 Panmure, Batham Hotel, Batham, 7
 781 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav, Burdett Rd., 7:30
 813 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Rd.,
 862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8
 902 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8
 972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8:30
 1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
 1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney
 1356 Toxteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30
 1475 Peckham, 518 Old Kent Road, 8
 1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, 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
 1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8:30
 1791 Creation, Wheatsheaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8
 1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell
 New Road, 8
 1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7:30
 2192 Warner, Bridge Chambers, Hoe Street, Wal-
 thamstow
 2206 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 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, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., 7:30
 M.M. Grand Masters, 8a Red Lion Square, 7
 M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., 8

Thursday, 4th December.

141 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, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8
 751 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 Coutts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8
 1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
 1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 7:30
 1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30
 558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8
 1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7
 1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse, Liverpool
 Road, N., 8
 1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7:45
 1614 Coven 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
 M.M. Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall
 M.M. 355 Royal Savoy, 15 Finsbury Pavement, 7:3

Friday, 5th December.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6
 General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
 167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park, 8
 453 Chigwell, Pub. Hn, Station Rd., Loughton, 7:30
 507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30
 733 Westbourne, Swiss Cottage Tavern, Finchley
 Road, N.W., 8

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
 831 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
 1056 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7
 1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7:30
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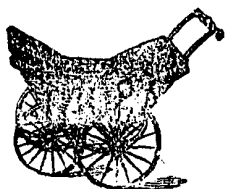


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