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## A Merry Christmas.

ALTHOUGH the date which appears at the head of our present number points to a period when the festivities of the Christmas of 1890 will be numbered with the events of the past, the seasonable greeting with which we commence our present remarks is not wholly out of place, as our paper will be issued some days in advance of its date, and will be in the hands of our readers before they start on, what we hope will be to them, the enjoyment of a Merry Christmas. Good wishes and kindly greetings are an especial feature at this season of the year, and whether we are dealing with Freemasons or with those outside its mystic circle, it is customary to make some departure from ordinary routine, and extend our hearty good wishes to all with whom we come in contact. These greetings are not mere empty words, the outcome of fashion or custom, but the true expression of the good feeling and cordiality which at all times exists among us, but which cannot always find expression amid the business and excitement of everyday life. During the many years THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE has been in existence we have had the pleasure of regularly addressing a large number of old friends through its pages, and as year by year the season of Christmas has come round we have had the gratification of knowing we have added to the number of those whose friendship we value, as compared with the previous year. We can only hope such satisfactory progress may attend our efforts in the future, and that when the holiday season of 1891 comes round we may have the gratification of extending our greetings, not only to all to whom we now address ourselves, but also to a very large number of new friends who, we hope, will spring-up around us during the coming year. In once more expressing our hearty greetings, we take the opportunity of also wishing our supporters

A Happy and Bright New Year.

## SCOTTISH MASONIC BENEVOLENCE.

FREEMASONRY in Scotland has long been regarded as something very different to its counterpart in England, both in respect to the inner

working of its Lodges as well as the social standing of its members. No doubt some time back popular opinion on this point was nearly, if not quite correct, but such radical changes and improvements have been introduced during the last few years that a different verdict is now necessary in connection with the Masonic Order as practised North of the Tweed. The latest efforts of our Scottish friends towards raising their Freemasonry to a par with that of their neighbours have been in the direction of an improved system of organised benevolence, and the results of their labours in this quarter during the year now nearly closed have been so satisfactory as to win for them universal commendation and respect. It was suggested some months back that a supreme effort should be made to raise at least £10,000 as the nucleus for a Scottish fund of extended Masonic benevolence, and among the methods proposed for the realisation of this desire was the holding of a monster Masonic Bazaar in Edinburgh during the present month of December. It would seem the entire Scottish Craft fell in with this suggestion, and support was rendered by the various home Lodges, as well as those working in India and the Colonies, while the leaders of the Order in Scotland gave early promise of their support and encouragement, and secured for the proposed Bazaar the patronage of royalty and distinguished individuals throughout the kingdom. The Bazaar has now been held, and we imagine its success has not only satisfied its most enthusiastic workers but has led them to congratulate those with whom the proposal originated on a most successful and satisfactory termination. The desire of the prime movers of the Bazaar was to raise a sum of £10,000; they have succeeded in doing that, and have already secured £5,428 beyond what they worked for, while the surplus stock of unsold goods is so great that an "encore" Bazaar is contemplated in Glasgow within the next few days. It would be almost impossible to give even a summary of the many and varied methods which have been adopted by the Scottish Craft during the past half year to raise funds for this grand scheme of benevolence. Concerts, lectures, balls, and entertainments of all description, have been made use of for the good cause, and large sums have been realised in different quarters, which are yet more than likely to considerably augment the total already received, so that before the final day of settlement arrives it is not too much to expect a considerable addition to the already handsome total mentioned above.

It would be very difficult to attempt any forecast as to the outcome of this most successful movement. To have raised upwards of fifteen thousand pounds from the sale of fancy work or from entertainments at a public Bazaar points to an amount of enthusiasm and co-operation that might safely be left to surmount any difficulty, and it does not require a very particular knowledge of the extent to which such a work makes itself felt to form an estimate of the enthusiasm in

the cause of Masonic Benevolence which must have been raised among the members of the Order and their friends in Scotland. Is it to be supposed that this immense army of workers will rest content now they have given the Fund a fair start? Will they not rather continue their efforts in the future, and so strive to secure a successful voyage for the undertaking they have auspiciously launched? We venture to think such will prove to be the case, and we shall be much surprised if the splendid start of this Scottish Masonic Benevolent Fund does not lead to most satisfactory results in the future. As may be imagined, the outcome of the Bazaar at Edinburgh has called forth loud expressions of approval from the daily and weekly papers of Scotland, and not a few of those issued as far south as London have added their mead of praise for the zeal and energy displayed over this matter by the Craftsmen of Scotland and their friends. Let us hope that the men and women who have united their efforts during the past few months, and who have secured such a marked success, may never have occasion to appeal for aid from the fund they have now so fairly started, but that their future and the future of Freemasonry generally under the Scottish Constitution may be one of continued prosperity and good fortune.

Those to whose efforts the success of the Bazaar was mainly due are:—Sir Archibald Campbell President, Bros. Charles Baxter Chief Superintendent, R. H. Vallance, W. Ivison Macadam, A. Marshall and W. R. Mann Divisional Superintendents, J. M. Henry Architect, C. C. Nisbet Chairman of the Raffles Committee, W. G. Stevenson and James Forrest Directors of the entertainments, and W. A. Davis Secretary.

## THE RECENT SCOTTISH MASONIC BAZAAR.

**SIR ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL**, Grand Master Mason of Scotland, has issued the following letter of thanks to the "Craft" in connection with the recent Bazaars held in Aberdeen and Edinburgh:—

Blythwood, 8th December 1890.

Brethren,—I take the earliest opportunity that lies in my power to thank the ladies and gentlemen who have combined with you, Freemasons holding of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, for the untiring zeal, kindness, and liberality which have made the Grand Masonic Bazaar so great a triumph. Where every one has done all in his power to bring our undertaking to so satisfactory an issue, it would be invidious to single out any individual for special thanks; but I have to remind the brethren that had it not been for the co-operation of ladies and gentlemen unconnected with Freemasonry, it would have been impossible for us to have commanded success. My special thanks are due to the General Purposes Committee, who have devoted themselves and have given much of their valuable time to the organisation and management of the Bazaar. I thank the Provinces and local Committees for their devotion and for the energy they have displayed. To our brethren far away, who through the Indian, Colonial, and Foreign Lodges have contributed gifts as valuable as they are rare, our gratitude is due. I thank the Masters of the Metropolitan Province for the support they have given from the conception of the undertaking, and the arduous duties they have performed during the Bazaar. My best thanks are also due to the Stewards, who in coming forward have so greatly helped us in carrying out the regulations of the Committee of Management, and also for their untiring courtesy and good nature. But, above all, may I be permitted to congratulate the lady stall-holders and their assistants upon this magnificent achievement, which is mainly due to them? I know that any words which it is in my power to use are totally inadequate to do justice to the efforts of all. Grand Lodge thanks you, the Scottish Craft thanks you, and the widow, the orphan, and the destitute Mason—whose lot you by your liberality will lighten—call down the blessings of the Great Architect of the Universe upon you.

I remain, yours faithfully and fraternally,

ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, Grand Master.

## THE GENERAL PRESS AND THE BAZAAR.

The drawings from all sources were: for the first day £3,616; second day £2,553; third day £2,336; fourth day £2,318; fifth and last day £3,345—total, £14,168, to which there falls to be added £1,260 realised from the sale of work in Aberdeen, which makes a

total of £15,428. There is a large quantity of goods still unsold, and these, or a great proportion of them, will, I understand, be brought to Glasgow for disposal by means of a supplementary bazaar to be held some time this month, provided all accommodation can be had.—"Mallett," in *Glasgow Evening News*.

It is worth noting that the Bazaar added over £13,000 to the Benevolent Fund of the Order, after deducting all expenses. Further sales and donations are expected to increase the amount by at least £5000. So popular was the show that on Saturday night after six o'clock the gate money at two shillings a-head produced a total of £180.—*Scots Observer*.

There seems to be a good deal of money in Edinburgh just now, for at the Grand Masonic Bazaar last week £15,500 was netted, and the expenses will not exceed £2000; so that, on the whole, £13,500 will be realised. In addition there are goods worth more than £5000 left over, for the sale of which there is to be a supplementary bazaar in Glasgow in the spring. I hear the Masonic Bazaar has proved no unmixed blessing to some who took part in it. Several ladies and gentlemen are in bed with different ailments, and the secretary of the bazaar is laid up with a severe attack of typhoid fever.—*World*.

The series of entertainments of all kinds now being given here by the Freemasons, in aid of their Benevolent Fund, is the biggest thing of the kind which has ever yet been organised in Scotland. The actual Festival, from the opening of the dramatic performances in the Theatre Royal, on the 24th November, to the close of the Bazaar in the Waverley Market, will occupy a full fortnight. But there have also been numberless supplementary, or perhaps I should say preliminary, entertainments for the same object all over the country for ever so long, in the form of concerts, bazaars, and exhibitions of the work to be sold at the great central Bazaar. The Masons say that they aim at raising £10,000, but I fancy they will find themselves with a nice surplus over that sum. Of course their great success is not to be wondered at when it is realised that the Festival, although held in Edinburgh, is the outcome of Masonic enthusiasm and Brotherly Love over all Scotland, the very farthest outlying isles of Shetland and the Hebrides having each sent their contribution to the general whole \* \* \* A very handsome volume in memorial of the bazaar has been brought out. It is entitled "Pot-Pourri," and contains contributions from Mr. Stevenson, W. H. Mallock, H. Halliburton, Mrs. R. Hardy, Sarah Tytler, J. Barrie, and John Geddies. It is beautifully illustrated by well-known artists, and is tastefully bound.—*Lady*.

As all the world knows, there was only one woman ever admitted into the mysteries of Freemasonry, and for that she had her Eve-like curiosity to thank, and not the will of the Order. But though ready to deny the superior sex all participation in the benefits of the Brotherhood, Freemasons are not above appealing to women for help on occasions when money has to be raised by the busy bazaar, and never with better grace than in Edinburgh just now, when the object of the Fancy Fair in the Waverley Market is to create a fund for the widows and orphans of members of the Order, as well as to assist aged and indigent Masons who have fallen on evil days. And nobly have the ladies responded to the appeal. \* \* \* The far East, as well as the far West, has sent its good wishes in a practical form. There is a stall wholly furnished with goods from India, China, and Japan, and another containing the gifts of the Colonies and foreign parts. To many people these will be not the least interesting portion of the Bazaar, as the goods are all uncommon and quaint, not infrequently to the verge of ugliness. Certainly the Indian toys and the idols are grotesque and hideous enough; but the wood carving, the brass work, the pottery, and the skins, rugs, weapons, and bronzes are beautiful and characteristic. I particularly admired a set of egg-shell china, made in Pekin, very tiny, and so fine that you could almost see through them.—*People's Journal* (Glasgow).

The canny Scot has at any rate shown very conclusively that he can produce untold "bawbees" when he chooses. Marchionesses, Countesses, and representatives of the old stock in Scotland jostled with the smaller fry in the Waverley market, which had been Egyptianised, in the promiscuous trafficking of their wares. Raffles are against the conscience of the Scotch folk, but they found absolutely no objection to unlimited "subscription sales!" The Prince of Wales and the Duke of Fife were the largest contributors to the game stalls. Live animals were galore. Donkeys, sheep, a bear, a phaëton and pair of ponies, goats, dogs, rabbits, and birds were all offered for sale and freely taken, two thousand tickets being disposed of for the phaëton and ponies. Sir "Archie" Campbell, of Blythwood, the Grand Master Mason of Scotland, who opened the Bazaar, was ubiquitous, and he and Lord Haddington were constant patrons of "Pharoah's Theatre," of which Mr. Forrest, of Comiston, was "sole lessee and manager," and where Mr. Mercer-Adam was equally successful in cramming the house, whether he gave a musical sketch "Hypnotised," or in the costume of a Newhaven fishwife showed off "Mrs. Jarley's Waxworks," "Jim" Elliot, of Wolfelee Wood, being hypnotised. One thought of Monte Carlo and Nice when one saw policemen staking at the "Little Horses" (a much more polite name than the French!) and the "Spinning Wheel," which I've usually heard called roulette; but no matter; and I noticed that Mr. Baxter, the excellent General Manager, did not wear spectacles when he passed those attractions. In the waxworks, Beauty was certainly not conspicuous by its absence. The smartest stalls in every way were certainly the Perthshire, Forfarshire, and Haddingtonshire; and I've certainly never known so few absentees among the host of smart names advertised as stall-holders. The highest credit is due to Mr. Forrest, who handed in over £550 from the amusements alone, and I should like to couple with the toast the name of Mr. Mercer-Adam, who was indefatigable, while Mr. Grant Stevenson, A.R.S.A., showed himself as brilliant a draughtsman as he is sculptor in his admirable official book of the daily programme.—*Truth*.

The following were the principal ladies and gentlemen who presided over the stalls:—The Hon. Lady Campbell, the Marchioness of Breadalbane, the Marchioness of Tweeddale, the Countess of Strathmore and the Ladies Lyon, Lady Glamys, Lady Georgina Drummond-Moray, Lady Ruthven, Lady Strathallan, the Ladies Baillie-Hamilton, the Hon. Mrs. Spier, Colonel Drummond-Moray, Colonel Stirling of Kippendavie, the Earl of Haddington, Mrs. McGregor of McGregor, the Misses Dundas of Dundas, Mrs. Oswald of Dunneikier, the Misses Stewart Richardson of Pitfour, Mr. and Mrs. Villiers of Closeburn, Lord Saltoun, Lady Halkett, Lady Octavia Shaw-Stewart, Lady Gertrude Cochrane, Sir Alexander Muir Mackenzie, and others.—*Morning Post*.

The promoters of the Masonic Bazaar have reason to feel proud of the phenomenal success which has attended their efforts. On Saturday night the show was brought to a close, and notwithstanding that the admission had been raised to 2s after six o'clock, there was a crowded attendance. To suit the convenience of visitors from the West, a special train left the Waverley Station for Glasgow at half-past ten o'clock. It should be mentioned that the very beautiful and picturesque costumes worn by the leading lady stall-holders at this Bazaar were the products of the looms of Henry Pease and Co.'s Successors, of the famous Darlington Mills. The daintiness of the fabrics, and the wonderful colour effects that they represented were much admired, enhancing the beauty of the wearers, and affording further proofs—if they were needed—that British manufacturers still stand unrivalled in the production of this special class of goods.

—*Scottish Leader*.

## ABOUT PUBLIC INSTALLATIONS.

IN certain jurisdictions the Masonic prognosticator might safely say, every December, "At this season look out for public installations." Yes, look out for them (we would add) as you would for an impostor, to avoid them.

A correspondent in Rhode Island has favoured us with a telling text, from which to discourse on this subject. It is the announcement of "What Cheer Lodge, No. 21, A.F. and A.M. installation of its Lodge Officers, of Providence, R.I.," for the public Friday evening, 5th December inst. It goes to the very extreme of departure from ancient Masonic usage, and turns the performance of Masonic work into an *entertainment* for the amusement of *profanes*, some of whom were *sold tickets* to enable them to be present.

These are its distinguishing features, as we gather from the very words of the official programme before us:—

(1) This public installation was "by permission of the M.W. Grand Master," and the Grand Secretary was Chairman of the "Committee of Arrangements."

(2) It was held, not in the Lodge-room, but in "Infantry Hall."

(3) The Committee say, "This Festival is intended as a compliment to our ladies; and at the same time it was a public show. Each member was furnished, without charge, with a ticket for himself and for a lady, or other guest, and additional tickets were offered for sale at "one dollar each." You pay your money and you see the show! Did a public installation ever descend to a lower level than this?

(4) It was not only a show, but a variety show. We quote again: "The evening's *entertainment* will consist of the *installation of Officers*, interspersed with appropriate vocal and instrumental music; at half-past nine o'clock a *collation* will be served; and *dancing* will be in order until twelve o'clock.

The "installation of Officers" was formally announced as an "entertainment."

Accompanying the circular from which we have quoted is a card programme of exercises, *menu*, and order of dancing. From it we quote as follows:—

"Installation Services.  
Entrance of the M.W. Grand Master, escorted by the Officers of the Lodge.  
Installation of Worshipful Master.  
Investiture of the Master's Jewel.  
Presentation of the Great Lights, &c.  
Transmission of the Charter.  
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Induction of the Master.  
Grand Honours.  
Charge to the Worshipful Master.  
Charge to the Brethren.  
Proclamation.  
Presentation of Past Master's Jewel.  
Addresses.  
Recessional March."

In the above programme every Masonic principle bearing upon the installation of Lodge Officers was outraged. Profanes were present. It was public, tickets to witness it being sold at "one dollar each." It was formally an-

nounced as "an entertainment." It was a variety show, in which Freemasons lowered their profession, and the Craft, by combining with an ostensible installation of Lodge Officers, a public banquet and a dancing party. The "Grand Honours" were given in the presence of a mixed audience, part of whom paid one dollar apiece to be present and see the show. The same mixed audience witnessed the "presentation of the Great Lights," and the "transmission of the Charter." The climax and most appropriate ending of this "show" was the "Order of Dances:—Waltz, Quadrille, Polka, Saratoga Lancers, Waltz, York, Court Quadrille, Lancers, Waltz, Quadrille."

We have no hesitation in saying that the officers of What Cheer Lodge on this occasion were not lawfully installed. They simply performed in a public entertainment, *playing* Masonry before an audience, a part of whom were profane deadheads, and a part paying "one dollar a piece" to be present.

What a pitiable sight it is to see Freemasons attitudinizing before the public in this manner to win their cheap applause, and all this, as it appears, with the knowledge, consent, and in the presence of the "M.W. Grand Master of Masons in Rhode Island and a full board of Grand Officers."

Such a sight was never seen in either England or Pennsylvania, or in other jurisdictions we could name; but we regret to have to say it is common in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Maine, and some other jurisdictions.

Let Freemasons everywhere consider what will be the result of the Craft's officially mingling with the *profane* in the manner referred to, and actually *hiring themselves out* as performers before ticket-holders who pay "one dollar each" to be present.

Now, what is the correct view of the installation of Lodge officers? It is Masonic *work*, pure and simple, and only members of the Craft can lawfully be present to witness it. It cannot be rightly regarded as "an entertainment," nor as a "festival intended as a compliment to our ladies," nor be combined with a collation and ball, and all held in a public hall, and before a mixed audience of Masons and profane, some of the latter paying the Lodge "one dollar a piece" to permit them to be present. All this cannot be done without de-Masonizing the nominal Masonic proceeding, degrading the Mason Craft, and bringing Freemasonry into common reproach and contempt.

## A MASONIC CONCERT AT BOLTON.

A SOCIAL concert, promoted by the members of the five Freemasons' Lodges in Bolton, took place in the Freemasons' Hall, Institute Street, on the 18th, when the attendance was large and fashionable, some two hundred ladies and gentlemen assembling. The hall had been chastely decorated for the occasion, and had a bright and charming effect. The following was the programme, all the vocalists and instrumentalists giving their services:—Part first: Pianoforte solo, "Valse" in D flat (Chopin), Mr. W. V. Cooper; song, "The Flight of Ages" (Bevan), Bro. Urnston; song, "Daddy" (Behren), Miss Martin; song (humorous), Bro. Johnson; pianoforte solo, "Le Jet D'Eau" (Sidney Smith), Miss Amy Barratt; song, "Espanita" (A. L. Mora), Miss Miles; oboe solo (fantasia), "Donizetti's Don Pasquale" (Verroust), Mr. Percy Staton; song, "The Skipper," Bro. Binns; song, "Angus Macdonald" (Roeckel), Mrs. Mantell; duet, flute and piano "Deh con te Mira O Norma si fino All'ore" (Bellini), Mr. C. F. and Miss Murphy. Part second: pianoforte solo, selection from "Faust" (Gounod), Miss Greenhalgh; song, "Only once more" (F. L. Moir), Miss Miles; song, "The fine old Irish Gentleman," Bro. Johnson; song, "When the heart is young" (Dudley Buck), Miss Martin; pianoforte solo, Miss MacColl; song, "The Last Watch" (Pinsuti), Bro. Binns; song, "Scenes that are brightest" (Wallace), Mrs. Mantell; oboe solo (fantasia), "Donizetti's Lucrezia Borgia" (Barrett), Mr. Percy Staton; song (humorous), Bro. Johnson; "God save the Queen." The whole of the items were admirably rendered. Bros. Staton, Miles, and Binns acted as accompanists. Bros. Harrison and Goulborn were down for songs, but were suffering from severe colds. During the evening light refreshments were supplied to the ladies in an adjoining room. At the close of the proceedings Bro. Newton moved a vote of thanks to the vocalists, instrumentalists, and committee, which was seconded by Bro. Barrett, and carried unanimously, the wish being expressed that the concert was only the precursor of other happy reunions.

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## ELECTA'S CHOICE.

## A CHRISTMAS STORY.

BY REV. H. A. GUILD, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA.

FAR from it, Mr. Dictum. If you imagine that my judgment is to be controlled and my actions directed by such considerations, you are doomed to disappointment bitter and lasting, it may be. When convinced that a man's course of conduct is determined by devotion to a cherished principle, even though that principle may not commend itself to my approval, I can summon for him some measure of respect, and find excuse for his modes of operation. But when, as in this case, I am forced to the conviction that he is swayed and governed by the power of prejudice, and would compel others to the occupancy of a like position, then my soul revolts, and I turn from him with indignation. My father was a Freemason for more than twenty years, and was not only constantly interested in, but conscientiously devoted to the principles of that ancient organisation. The benefits derived by him from his membership in the Lodge, I have often heard him say, were greater by far than those accruing from all other organisations, and these, as you are aware, were numerous, for father was emphatically a society man. They were not pecuniary benefits, for he had no need of them, but those higher and nobler benefits that expand the mind and enlarge the heart, and that even impart to the religion of Christ a greater breadth and a warmer glow. But now you come, without experience and without knowledge in regard to these affairs, and coolly tell me that Masonry is a cheat, and modestly and generously suggest that if I will abandon all thought of uniting with the Order of the Eastern Star, our former pleasant relations may be resumed and closer ones established in the future! Was such magnanimity ever before approached? Can it ever again be equalled?"

"Are you not disposed to be sarcastic, Miss Electa? And are you not giving to my words an interpretation that they will scarcely warrant? I am not seeking to impose conditions arbitrarily upon you, nor to demand a sacrifice that to you would be 'revolting.' I have simply suggested whether, in the absence of one thing, and in the presence of another, considering the circumstances in which we are placed, and in view of such circumstances and conditions as may yet be in the future, it would not be well to abandon or dismiss such designs and aims as at some time might prove mutually embarrassing. Surely, you cannot afford to sacrifice upon the altar of the unknown, and, therefore, the untested, such hopes and aspirations as have mutually characterised us in the past. Were the matter one concerning which you had personal experience, or positive information, the case would be widely different. Such information as you possess, I am persuaded, from a careful investigation of the whole subject, has come to you from imperfectly informed sources, and is therefore unreliable. Believe me that you are misinformed—greatly so—in regard to the history, purposes and processes, both of the Masonic Fraternity and of the Order of the Eastern Star."

"I shall do nothing of the kind, Mr. Dictum; nor could I do so without insulting the memory of as good a father as ever lived, even as you insult it by your unjust and unmanly proposition and demand. The information I have concerning the two organisations that you contemptuously allude to came largely from my dear and honoured father, who, long a member of both societies, understood perfectly the matters whereof he affirmed. In no respect did he ever deceive me. On no account would he lead me astray; and now, with cool assurance, you come to me with the impossible proposition that I regard as untrustworthy the information communicated to me in good faith by that father, and accept in its place your own unsupported and unsatisfactory declarations! You, with your 'careful investigations,' made in the darkness of superstition and prejudice, with not a single ray of light illuminating your way; you, whose 'information' can have no better source than conjecture, hatred, and the *Cynosure*—you, sir, have the effrontery to demand that I discredit my father, and make you the receptacle of my confidence and faith! Wonderful instance of assurance and modesty of demand! My information untrustworthy and unsatisfying! Indeed, Mr. Dictum? I have not only that referred to, but look here. Behold these bound volumes of 'The Voice of

Masonry," and scan the list of able, respected and competent contributors. See these other Masonic periodicals and papers, and these Masonic books. Gaze upon these shelves laden with the productions of Morris, Pike, Mackey, Mitchell, Macoy, and others equally eminent and reliable. I have read all of these works, and I have also the supporting testimony of hundreds of living and reliable witnesses, all about us—the very best men and women in the community—all affirming that to be good and ennobling which you denominate as fraudulent and demoralising. Sir, you come to the wrong market with your wares. If, now, you have any facts, any arguments based upon that which is tangible and concretely real, produce them, and I will give to them all the attention that they may merit. But be assured that mere declamation, or declaration, or conjecture, or hearsay, will not answer the purposes of this discussion.

"I fear, Miss Electa, that you are becoming excited. There is no occasion for excitement. Nor do I think it desirable or profitable that we continue a controversy that would seem to give promise of unpleasant results. I suggest that we drop the whole thing for the present, at least, and turn to more agreeable topics. Remember that Christmas is almost here, and that we have not completed the arrangements we had in view for that occasion. I am still ready to carry into execution my portion of the programme, despite our little intellectual divergences."

"If you had no relish for this discussion, Mr. Dictum, it should not have been precipitated by you. It certainly was not of my seeking. As to the programme of which you speak, I do not think that it is suffering for want of attention. There was a time when I looked forward to the coming of approaching Christmas with anticipated joy. That time is not now. While Christmas holds in store no terrors for me, so far as I am aware, I cannot overlook the fact that conditions have materially changed within the past few weeks, and I cannot say that I will be ready for my part of the 'programme.' To-morrow evening, Providence permitting, I shall become a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and shall thenceforward be enabled to speak more authoritatively and definitely in regard to the purposes and aims of that organisation. So, having a personal knowledge of the Order, you may be afforded more definite knowledge—if you still have faith in me—and then your own course can be more satisfactorily determined."

"Really, Miss Electa, you cannot mean this. It can hardly be that you will so soon identify yourself with that organisation, in view of what has so recently transpired. I understood that this matter had been postponed indefinitely, and until you could give it maturer consideration."

"I am not responsible for your 'understanding' in this case, Mr. Dictum. You surely had no such assurance from me. If alive and well, I expect, as I am determined, to enter the Order of the Eastern Star to-morrow evening. Here is the notice of my election, and of the appointment for my initiation."

"This being true, then, Miss Electa, I presume that you will have no objection to my spending Christmas in San Francisco?"

"Not the slightest, sir, if such shall be your desire. But before your departure I hope to have the pleasure of giving you my impressions concerning the Star, promising, should these be unfavourable, to give you the full benefit of your doubt."

"Certainly, Miss Electa, I shall be most happy to see you again before I go, and to receive any genuine information that you may have to impart."

The evening for "work" had come, and Electa was duly invested with the several degrees of the Eastern Star. The ceremonies of initiation, while pleasing in all their parts, had failed to fully meet all her anticipations. But if aught were lacking here, there was an infinite compensation in the sublime lessons inculcated throughout the degrees, as will be seen.

"Well, Miss Electa, I am here to make my final call."

"Final! You really astonish me!"

"Well, yes, final before my departure for San Francisco. I leave in the morning."

"This is very sudden, Mr. Dictum, but is perhaps just as well. You wish to carry my new 'impressions' with you? These, regarding the Eastern Star, are very favourable. Father had told me that the design of Freemasonry was to render its votaries wiser, better, and consequently happier. Of course, I believed him; but I never accepted



the fact so fully as now, after having received the degrees of the Eastern Star—not that the two Orders are identical by any means, but both labouring to attain the same beneficent ends by different means. What I received last night fully confirmed all that father had told me about the Star; and I can now see why he was so anxious that, on reaching the required age, I should enter the Order. I am glad that I made to him the promise, and that the promise has been redeemed. I was told, last night, that 'the Eastern Star is closely related to the Masonic Fraternity; that there the wives, daughters, mothers, widows and sisters of Masons may become co-labourers with the great brotherhood in the service of humanity; that woman's heart beats responsive to the same inspiration that prompts man to noble deeds; that she hears the cry of the orphan, the call of want, and the piteous wail of sorrow; that she honours the Brotherhood for its noble work, and that she seeks, through the Eastern Star, to be a co-worker with the Masonic brother—to pay the tribute of her love and labour at the same shrine, and to be able to make herself known, throughout the domain of Masonry, as being entitled to its protection.' Added to this were the impressive and transcendantly beautiful and ennobling lessons drawn from the life and conduct of those loved heroines of Bible story: Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha, and Electa. I rejoice that I am permitted to bear one of these honoured names; it is to me a father's most precious legacy. I could tell you more, Mr. Dictum, but you have perhaps now all that you can properly digest; and, as I speak from personal knowledge and experience, please do me the justice to believe that I thoroughly endorse all that the Order teaches, and that I never had so exalted a view of the dignity and responsibility of human life, and of our duty to labour for the common weal, as to-day."

"I gladly concede all this, and more, Miss Electa. There has never been a moment when I have questioned either the integrity of your motive or the purity of your purpose, however at times I may have been tempted to question your judgment. You have given me new points upon which to meditate, and in this meditation I hope to be controlled by considerations worthy of the subject and of myself. I have your permission to go away; otherwise I should have remained. But my interests on the Pacific slope really require my presence there, though this possibly could have been dispensed with until after the holidays. I go, to my regret, unattended, but I shall still think of you, and, with your permission, will now and then send you a letter."

"Certainly; write when you will, Mr. Dictum, and be ever assured of having an interesting recipient of your missives. You are going in the morning. Take with you, please, as a little memento, this pair of sleeve-buttons. You need not wear them, as father did, unless you choose, but they may serve to bring back thoughts of him. They can cause you no harm, and possibly may prove means of good."

"I receive them with great pleasure, Electa, and will wear them, too; for, unexposed to view, no one will be likely to accuse me of sailing under false colours. The compass and square mean something, I suppose, to the initiated, but to me they are without special signification. Nevertheless, I will wear them for his sake and yours."

They separated, and upon much better terms than either had anticipated.

The Christmas that succeeded was not a very bright and merry one to Electa. True, elements and evidences of merriment were about her, and, as usual—yes more than usually so—there was enough to be done upon her part to make the day one of pleasure and enjoyment to others—even her new relationship to the Star Order increasing her field of work in this respect, and bringing back the reflex influence that ever attends such efforts. But, *he* was gone; and somehow the day was not as desired, nor as at one time had been partially arranged for. This arrangement had been broken up, and for it she was partially, although not mainly, as she still felt, responsible; for, although his name was Dictum, that fact did not give him the right to dictate in a matter that more particularly concerned herself, and that so slightly affected him. Besides, had not his language at times been quite sarcastic, even invading the domain of insult to a departed parent? So she argued, but still she loved, and questioned whether her own language had not been too severe, and whether her assent to his going away had not been too readily given.

But how with Dictum? Had he a "merry Christmas?" Not altogether; nor was the day spent by him in San

Francisco. Pausing at Salt Lake City, to have a brief visit with a friend, it was found that the friend had gone away. On the way to the depot, next morning, to take the train for San Francisco, Dictum met a serious and painful accident. The team drawing his carriage ran away, overturning and demolishing the carriage, breaking one arm and one leg for Dictum, and so injuring his head as to render him unconscious for several days. He was a stranger in the city, and, there being then no hospital, he was taken to the house of a kind-hearted and benevolent gentlemen, who, rendering assistance in setting the broken arm, had noticed Dictum's sleeve buttons. Here the best medical skill was employed and careful nursing was had. Consciousness finally returned to the sufferer, but he was forbidden by his physicians to engage in unnecessary conversation, as his condition was still precarious, and all excitement and mental strain must be avoided, if possible.

Some weeks elapsed before Dictum was able to resume his journey; but the time at length came, and, about ready to start, he inquired for his bill. "The bill is paid," remarked the good man at whose house he had been so kindly cared for.

"Paid! How?" demanded Dictum, who really was astonished.

"By the pleasure we have had in caring for you, my brother," was the response.

"I do not understand this, sir, and am able and willing to pay for the very kind care and treatment I have received."

"That may be, my brother, but I again assure you that the bill is paid. I would be ashamed to charge you for care and attention received at my house."

"You are really a noble man," said Dictum, "and I appreciate and will be ever grateful to you for your kindly offices; but I must at least be allowed to pay the physicians' charges."

"They make no charges, brother, for they are your brethren, and would not consent to the reception of compensation for such a service."

"You say that they are my brethren, sir. How do you make that appear?"

"Why, like yourself, they are members of a Masonic Lodge."

"But I am no Mason, sir, and never belonged to a Lodge. How came you to think me a Mason?"

"Those sleeve-buttons gave us the first intimation, and it seemed to be sufficient. Then during the first week or more of your illness, you were almost constantly, in your delirium, ejaculating something about 'Electa,' 'the Lodge,' 'father,' and 'Eastern Star'; and we all took it for granted that you belonged to the Lodge and the Star Chapter."

"Ah, yes, I understand it now," said Dictum. Then he explained to his new-found friend how it was that the sleeve-buttons came into his possession—how he had opposed the Lodge and the Chapter, &c. "And now," said he, "with this explanation, and having learned that I am not your Masonic brother, you will of course allow me to pay for the services rendered me?"

"Not at all, brother. You have already been informed that the bill has been paid. Do you presume that we would receive double payment for the same service? This is not our method."

"But, sir, you were all along supposing that I was a Masonic brother, and as such you treated me."

"That is true, Mr. Dictum, and while it is also true that the Brotherhood have first claims upon us, yet the genius and the spirit of Freemasonry teach us to do good to all, as well as to the household of the faithful. We are thankful that it was our privilege to serve you, and beg once more to assure you that your bill is paid."

"And this is Freemasonry!" exclaimed Dictum. Alas! how have my eyes been blinded and my mind dwarfed by the power of prejudice and the influence of early education? My brother—for such, after all, I feel that you really are, in a broad, cosmopolitan sense—I thank you, from the fullness of my heart, for the service rendered me by yourself and brethren in my misfortune and suffering, but, more than all, for the revelation you have made of the inner characteristics of the Masonic Order. Upon this point you shall hear from me later. Meanwhile, I bid you a grateful, and, as you see, tearful farewell."

Soon the great city of the "Slope" was reached, and Dictum, still a sufferer, and compelled to use crutches, by reason of his accident, after despatching a letter to Electa,

and offering the breaking of his right arm as an excuse for his apparent neglect, entered actively upon the duties which partially had called him thither. His business interests were found to be in fairly good shape, but quickly improved under his judicious personal management, and prosperity attended him at every step. When he had lived in the city sufficiently long to gain Masonic residence, his petition was sent to a Lodge, where it was favourably received, and, being a rapid learner, one after another of the degrees was taken, until he reached the sublime degree of Master Mason. Nor was he yet content; for, although himself able to travel and prove himself a Mason, and convinced that Masonry had opened to him a realm of thought and study that might take years to thoroughly explore and master, yet he was unable, in his own judgment, to make himself as widely useful as possible to others until he had received the degrees of the Order of the Eastern Star. These, therefore, were quickly and satisfactorily his, and he felt himself a new and better man.

"'Twas the night before Christmas," when Dictum reappeared in his native village, after an absence of a little more than two years. He had not forgotten the way to Electa's residence; and she was found "at home."

"I am sorry, Mr. Dictum," she said, "that this is the night of our Chapter's meeting; but so it is, and as I am Worthy Matron, and we have some candidates to initiate, my absence could not well be excused."

"Certainly not, Miss Electa. Go, by all means, but allow me the privilege of escorting you to the door of the Lodge-room, please."

"The Chapter-room, you mean, Mr. Dictum, and I shall be happy to have your company."

"Ah, Chapter-room! That will do equally well."

The door was soon reached, and the room, too, for that matter—as, business not having been commenced, no objection was offered to the entrance of Dictum. Precisely at the time appointed Electa ascended the dais, and rapped for order, remarking: Any that are not members of our Order will now please retire, that we may open the Chapter and proceed with business."

Dictum retained his seat, without the least sign of being ill at ease, or feeling that he was out of place. The Worthy Matron blushed deeply, and was evidently much embarrassed at the strange conduct of the intruder; but the Conductress came to her relief by remarking: "Perhaps our friend Mr. Dictum did not hear the request of the Worthy Matron, that such as were not members of our Order had the privilege of retiring."

"The sister is mistaken," remarked Dictum, with a world of nonchalance. "I heard and understood the request perfectly; but it does not affect me. If I cannot establish my right to remain in the Chapter, it will be your privilege to turn me out."

And establish it he did, not only to the satisfaction but to the delight of all, more especially to that of the Worthy Matron.

When they parted at the home-door that night—strictly speaking, morning, perhaps; for, after Chapter closed, he related his two years' experience to Electa—he said to her: "May I call at four o'clock to-morrow afternoon, Miss Electa, and bring a clergyman with me?"

"A brief notice, Mr. Dictum, but be it so."

And so it was; for the wedding garments, prepared two years before, were still intact, and had parted with none of their original lustre. Not only the clergyman, but all the members of the Chapter, and many members of the Lodge, were present, all sincere as well as profuse in their congratulations. The presents were not numerous, as there had not been time to procure them; but of all those coming into the hands of Electa, there was none that she prized so highly as the Worthy Matron's collar, lavishly set with costly brilliants. For his own present Dictum had caused those sleeve-buttons to sparkle with the richest diamonds. These, with Electa's heart, were all he craved—the grandest and merriest Christmas of his life.

—Voice of Masonry.

At the regular meeting of the Prince Edward Lodge, held at the Conservative Hall, Heaton Moor, on the 18th inst., Bro. S. I. Thomson, the present S.W., was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year.

Funerals properly carried out and personally attended, in London and Country, by Bro. G. A. HUTTON, 17 Newcastle Street, Strand, W.C. Monuments erected. Valuation made.

## CATHOLICS v. FREEMASONS.

Lowell, Mass.

IT is stated that the Catholic clergy of this city will officially express their disapproval of the arrangements whereby the Freemasons are to lay the corner-stone of the new City Hall Building. The grounds of objection, it is understood, are that Freemasonry is opposed to the Catholic Church, and that Catholics as tax payers are entitled to consideration in the matter. The Aldermen, it is said, will be petitioned for a change in the arrangements.

The above remarkable paragraph appears in the *Boston Journal* of 4th October, and to those in the membership of the Society of Freemasons nothing need be said in reply. But those not of the Craft should not be placed under any misapprehension regarding the facts. The statement that Freemasonry is opposed to the Roman Church is not only misleading, but absolutely and entirely false. Had it been said that the Roman Church is opposed to the Society of Freemasons that statement would not be disputed, and the opposition of that Church is all there is to it. It is opposed to Freemasonry as it is to the common school and to every other organisation which it cannot control. Sectarianism manifests itself whenever it has opportunity, but the possibilities have been sustained in this instance to make the issue indicated. Freemasonry is the friend and helper of education, of loyalty and obedience to government, and of liberty—spiritual as well as personal—and it is perhaps as well that the Roman Church now, as at some future time, should attempt interference with matters which do not concern it. It has already shown its disposition to take such action, though it is possible that such interference is at this time premature.

A petition was presented to the Board of Aldermen of the city of Lowell, signed by twenty-three Catholic clergymen and four thousand six hundred and forty Catholic laymen, asking for such action as would prevent the laying of the corner-stone by other than purely civic ceremonies, and that such ceremonies be conducted by representatives of the city government; the petition was referred to the City Hall Commissioners, who evidently did not sympathize with the protest. The corner-stone was laid, with the usual Masonic ceremonies, by the M.W. Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, assisted by his Officers and the several Lodges in the city of Lowell.—Correspondent of the *Freemasons Repository*.

## CONSECRATION OF THE CARNARVON LODGE, No. 2376.

THIS new Lodge, located at Leyland, is the latest addition to the already long West Lancashire list. The consecration ceremony was performed by Bro. Colonel White P.G.S.W., and the installation function by Bro. W. Goodacre P.G.S.B. Eng. P.G. Secretary. Bro. Boden P.G.D.O. acted as Dir. of Cers., and there were also present Bros. G. A. Harradon P.G. Treasurer, J. R. Jolly P.P.G. Treas., J. C. Robinson P.P.G.A.D.C. Bro. E. Barber was installed first W.M., and the other offices were allocated as follows:—Bros. J. de Pennington S.W., J. Clarke J.W., Rev. A. B. Beavan, M.A., Chaplain, J. Christian Treasurer, H. Archer Secretary, J. Hausman S.D., J. Threlfall J.D., J. T. Whalley I.G., J. Carr, H. Bretherton, J. Addon, and J. Derbyshire Stewards, J. G. Entwistle Tyler.

It will be remembered that in 1888 and again in 1889 a Masonic Concert was held at the Bow and Bromley Institute, with gratifying results. On the first occasion the sum of £17 5s was realised and paid over to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and on the second occasion the sum of £36 15s was handed over to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. This year the project has been once more revived, the object being the benefit of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys. Wednesday, the 18th February 1891, has been fixed as the date of the Concert; and the joint honorary Secretaries are Bros. C. W. Raymond and A. Paterson, to whom at the Bow Vestry Hall applications for tickets should be made. A *récherché* programme has been arranged, full particulars of which will be duly announced.—*East End News*.

CHRISTMAS PUBLICATIONS.—*Yule Tide*.—Messrs. Cassell are again to the fore with their Christmas Annual. Their issues are always well received, and the present one does not suffer in comparison with preceding annuals. As regards the pictorial portion, none but a fastidious taste could call it other than a success. "Prince Charlie's Farewell to Flora Macdonald," "Sweeter Seventy," and other plates and pictures, form, as it were, a very substantial foundation for its success. A capitally told, and well illustrated tale, entitled "I saw three Ships," and dealing with Cornish life, is a good complement to the remainder of the annual.

## PROV. GRAND LODGE OF THE ISLE OF MAN.

ON Thursday, the 18th inst., the annual meeting was held, at Douglas. Major Taubman, Speaker of the House of Keys, and Provincial Grand Master, presided, and there was a large attendance from all parts of the Island. The report of the Secretary showed that since its formation, four years ago, the Province had steadily grown, and was now in a flourishing condition, with a large charity fund. Bro. Nesbitt, Town-clerk of Douglas, was invested Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and several other changes were made in the list of Officers. Afterwards the brethren dined at the Castle Mona Hotel, under the presidency of Bro. Nesbitt, who announced that, following the recent visit of Earl Lathom, the Deputy G. Master of England, it was more than probable that his lordship and other Grand Officers would revisit the island shortly.

## SCOTLAND.

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**MASONIC CONCERT AND DANCE.**—The members of the St. James Lodge of Freemasons, No. 653, Macduff, held their annual festival in the Town Hall on Friday evening. There was a good attendance of the brethren and their friends, and the different regalias worn, together with the beautiful dresses of the ladies, made a pretty scene. The hall was tastefully decorated with a number of banners and handsome flags. From the tower in front of the hall two large streamers were displayed. This year the entertainment was on new lines, and the departure gave the greatest satisfaction. The assembly met at eight o'clock, and was commenced with a concert. The concert was opened by Mrs. Grant, Macduff, playing selections on the piano, after which Miss Wilson, Sunnybank, sang 'Greyport Tower,' for which she was deservedly cheered. Sergt.-Instr. P. O'Hare, R.A., was well received in his recitation 'I saw them.' Misses Pearson, Wilson, and Brown, three strangers to a Macduff audience, next appeared in a violin trio, and were loudly encored. Miss Macewan, a former favourite, sang, with her wonted ability, 'Angus Macdonald,' which was followed later on by the same lady in 'Doon the burn, Davie lad.' Miss Macewan was warmly applauded on each occasion. Mr. Andrew Wilson, a ship chandler, gave a telling rendering of 'Jack's yarn,' and, in response to an encore, gave 'The Friar of orders grey.' Mrs. Grant then played the piano solo 'The dear little shamrock.' Captain J. J. George, in his inimitable style, sang 'Shannon and Chesapeake,' and was heartily applauded. Dr. Bodie concluded the programme by giving a ventriloquial sketch—an exceedingly clever performance. Bro. W. Thom W.M. thanked the performers for their kindness, and called for a special cheer for the three young ladies who had come from a distance and delighted them with such a display of skill on their violins. Dr. Bodie was also specially thanked. His entertainment that night would augur well for the reception he would get next week when he was to give a performance on behalf of the funds of the Soup Kitchen. The hall was thereafter cleared, and dancing was commenced and continued up to nearly midnight, when supper was served. Bro. Cullum, of the Fife Arms Hotel purveyed, and gave satisfaction. The music for the dance was supplied by Mr. James Morrison, leader on violin; Mr. McIntosh, Turriff, violin; Bandmaster Dallas, Turriff, cornet; Mr. Scott, Whiterashes, flute; Bandsman Boyne, 92nd Gordon Highlanders, cornet; and Mrs. Grant, piano. During the evening the band were allowed a little rest, Misses Pearson, Wilson, and Brown playing on the violins, Miss Jeannie Shearer, Banff, kindly accompanying on the piano. The proceedings terminated at three o'clock. The M.C.'s were several of the brethren of St. James' Lodge, and these gentlemen, together with various committees, deserve the thanks of the Lodge and those friends outside who so largely enjoyed the result of their labours.

A largely attended meeting of the committee entrusted with the arrangements for the 42nd annual Masonic ball and festival at the Town Hall, Liverpool, on the 18th of January, was held on the 19th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Bro. Dr. T. Clarke P.P.G. Registrar, Vice-chairman, presiding. The reports as to the prospects of success were exceedingly satisfactory, and it was announced that there were now on the stewards' list the names of about 250 brethren. The badges of the stewards will be generously given by Bro. Councillor Bamford.

Under the presidency of Bro. J. M'Nab P.G.J.W., a meeting of the governors of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution was held at the Masonic Hall, on the 19th inst., when two candidates were elected to the full benefits of the Institution, combining maintenance, clothing, and education. The recent concert and dance at St. George's Hall, held under the auspices of the Everton Lodge, No. 823, realised over £56 for the various Masonic Charities in the Province. Bro. E. Kite J.W. acted as the Hon. Secretary of the successful charitable effort.

The Phoenix Lodge of Freemasons, Truro, have elected Bros. G. H. Chilcott S.W. W.M., J. J. Hawken P.M. P.G.D. Treasurer, C. E. Ruse Tyler, and E. F. Whitley P.G. Org. Steward of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity Benevolent Fund and the Cornwall Masonic Charity Association.

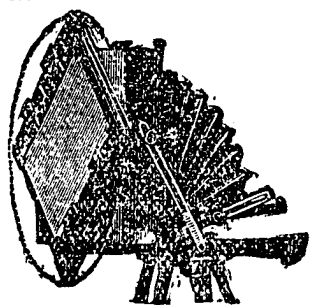
On the 17th inst., a concert was given in the Victoria Rooms, Bridlington Quay, in connection with the Lonsborough Lodge of Freemasons. The artistes were:—Vocalists, Miss M. H. Bailey, Miss Rolleston, Messrs. T. Farmery and W. H. Dawson, W. J. Stead, M. B. Fitzgerald, and I. Willbourn; P. Mann, solo violin; and J. E. W. Lord Organist of the Priory Church, solo pianist and accompanist. Mr. A. Riley gave two humorous recitations.

Bro. Charles Duckworth, of Altrincham, was on Thursday, the 18th inst., installed as W.M. of the Calceonian Lodge, No. 204, at the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, Manchester. Bro. W. H. Maxfield P.P.G.O. (Cheshire) was invested as Organist. Amongst the visiting brethren were Bros. E. G. Simpson P.P.G.J.D. (Cheshire), George Bowen P.G.A.P. (Cheshire), Joel Foden (Mayor of Altrincham), W. M. Stamford, G. S. Smith P.P.G. Steward, David Kinsey P.P.G. Steward, &c. The Rev. J. W. Challenor was proposed as a candidate for initiation.

On the 19th inst. the funeral of the late Bro. J. A. Gillard took place at Anfield Cemetery, in the presence of a large circle of private and Masonic friends. The deceased was a member of the Merchants' Lodge of Freemasons, of Liverpool, and several of the brethren of that Lodge attended, to pay their last token of regard for their departed friend.

A number of Masonic brethren and friends met at Fazerley Cemetery, on the 17th inst., to pay the last tribute of respect to the memory of Bro. Joseph Fletcher, whose death took place on the 14th inst., at Stockwell Mount Hotel, Litherland. The deceased was for a number of years, and at the time of his death, manager of one of Mr. J. Houlding's branch establishments.

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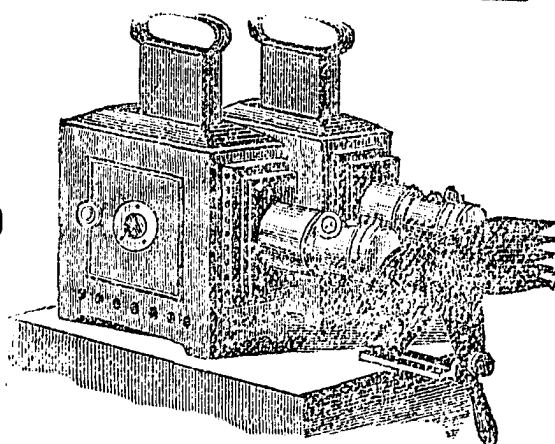
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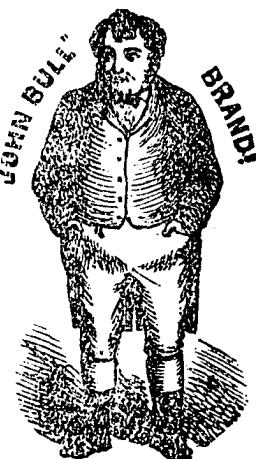
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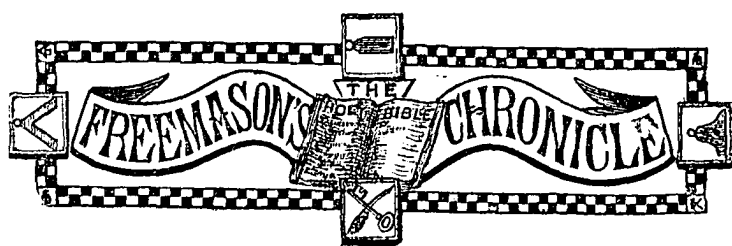
YOUNGEST SON OF THE LATE BRO. W. O. GOLDSMITH.

BRO. GOLDSMITH was initiated in the Chislehurst Lodge, No. 1531, shortly after its consecration in 1875, and remained a subscribing member till 1881, when he joined the Gallery Lodge, No. 1928. In this latter Lodge he served all the offices up to that of W.M. It was while holding this office, and three days after the election of his successor, that he died, on the 15th November 1887. He was a Life Governor of the Boys' School, and a Subscriber to all the Masonic Charities, and was, at all times, a hard worker in Masonry. He was for many years, and at the time of his death, a member of the Reporting Staff of the Press Association, and in that capacity was well known to all Journalists in the United Kingdom. The under-mentioned Brethren strongly recommend the case of his son, the above-named candidate:—

BRO. CHARLES KEDGLEY, Hibernia Chambers, London Bridge, S.E., W.M. 79, P.M. 1814, M.E.Z. 73.  
The Rev. S. A. SELWYN, Past Chaplain 210, St. James's Vicarage, Hatcham, S.E.  
BRO. H. E. F. BUSSEY, P.M. 1923, 123 Brixton Hill, S.W.  
BRO. ALDERMAN FARNCOMBE, Prov. G.J.W. Sussex, East Sussex News Office, Lewes.  
BRO. R. J. ALBERT, 1362, S.D. 1928, 24 Stockwell Park Crescent, S.W.  
BRO. THOS. C. SUMNER, Yorkshire Post Office, Leeds, No. 1211.  
BRO. THOMAS MINSTRELL, P.M. 87, P.M. and Secretary 1928, 16 Ann Street, Union Square, Islington, N.  
BRO. H. MASSEY, P.M. 619, P.M. and Treasurer 1923, 93 Chancery Lane, W.C.  
BRO. J. C. DUCKWORTH, P.M. 1923, Liverpool Courier Office, 81 Fleet Street, E.C.  
BRO. W. T. PERKINS, S.W. 1928, Manchester Courier Office, 27 Fleet Street, E.C.  
BRO. A. F. ASHER, P.M. 1395, Surrey Advertiser Office, Guildford.  
BRO. J. H. HAWES, P.M. 38, West Sussex Gazette Office, Chichester.  
BRO. W. J. INNES, 1928, 219 South Lambeth Road, S.W.  
BRO. W. E. PITT, 1923, Press Association, Wine Office Court, E.C.  
BRO. JAMES WILLING JUN., V.P., W.M. 2361 P.M. 177, 1507, 1744, 1937 and 1319 P.Z. 1000, 1507, 2048, P.A.S. Middlesex, &c.  
BRO. R. STACEY, P.M. and P.Z. 180, 434 Brixton Road, S.W.

Any of the above Brethren will thankfully receive votes, or they may be sent to Mrs. GOLDSMITH, 71 Manor Road, Brockley, S.E.

BRO. JAMES STEVENS P.M. P.Z. is prepared to enter into arrangements with Metropolitan and Provincial Lodges (however distant) for the Delivery of his Lectures on the Ritual and Ceremonial of the Symbolic Degrees in Freemasonry (two hours), in respect of which most favourable criticism has been published by the Masonic and Local Journals. "Brother Stevens must be heard within the four walls of our respective Lodge Rooms, for there only can his most useful work be understood and appreciated."—Address, in first instance, to the care of the Editor of this paper.



SATURDAY, 27th DECEMBER 1890.

**PROV. G. LODGE OF DERBYSHIRE.**

THE annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Derbyshire was held on Monday, the 15th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Derby. There was a large attendance from all parts of the Province, amongst the distinguished visitors being Bro. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. H. C. Okcover presided, in the absence



of the R.W. P.G.M. the Marquis of Hartington. The Lodge having been duly opened, and other business transacted, the reports of the Masters of the various Lodges were read. Bro. Sir John Smith presented the report of the Masonic Hall Committee, and Bro. Percy Wallis (in the absence of Bro. G. T. Wright) that of the Charity Committee, which showed that the sum raised in the Province during the year amounted to £443 12s, and announced that Bro. Binckes had handed over to the Committee his votes, numbering over a hundred, in the Boys' Institution. A vote of thanks was passed to Brother Binckes for his kindness. Bro. J. B. Coulson presented the report of the Audit Committee, which, with the other reports, were duly received.

On the motion of Bro. W. H. Marsden, seconded by Bro. Flint, and supported by Bro. T. Roe, M.P., Bro. H. Arnold-Bemrose was unanimously elected to the office of Treasurer. Bro. G. T. Wright was re-elected Chairman of the Charity Committee, the members of which were re-elected, the names of Bros. W. H. Marsden, J. H. Lawson, and A. Woodiwiss being added. The Masonic Hall Committee of Management having been re-elected, it was resolved that ten guineas be taken from the funds of the Lodge and added to the Cox Presentation Fund.

Then followed a pleasing ceremony—the presentation of a testimonial to Bro. Thomas Cox P.P.G.S.W. P.P.G. Treasurer. Bro. Naylor announced that the sum subscribed amounted to £169 13s, and the testimonial would consist of a silver salver, costing £19 13s, and a cheque for £150.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, on rising to make the presentation, was heartily greeted. He said that no occurrence during his long Masonic career gave him greater pleasure than the duty which now fell to his lot. It was always a pleasant thing to acknowledge long and faithful services. Brother Cox's services extended over a quarter of a century. They had been of a most valuable character to Masonry in the Province, and the Province had by that testimonial manifested its grateful acknowledgment of those services. It was not the intrinsic value of the testimonial which he (the speaker) believed Bro. Cox would value so much as the cordiality of the response which had been made. Bro. Cox's services would live long in their memory, and the good wishes which he had earned during his long and successful career would be extended to him in the future. He (the speaker) could speak feelingly, and from his long connection with Bro. Cox, as to the value of those services, and the appreciation which they had evoked. Bro. Cox, whenever he had been consulted, had always offered the best and most disinterested advice, and had always at heart the best interests of Masonry. He was still blessed with health and strength, and throughout the Province the best wishes of the brethren would be his during the remainder of his life. The speaker concluded by reading the inscription on the salver, which was as follows:—"Presented to Bro. Thomas Cox P.P.G.S.W., together with a purse of £150, by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Derby, and the brethren of the Province, on his retirement from the office of Provincial Grand Treasurer, in acknowledgment of long and valuable services rendered, for more than a quarter of a century. Derby, 15th December 1890.

Bro. Cox, who met with a very hearty reception, thanked the Deputy Provincial Grand Master for the kind words used towards himself, and the Wardens, Past Grand Officers, and members generally for their generous act—an act which placed him in a position of greater difficulty than any duty which had previously fallen to his lot. Twenty-seven years ago he was made Registrar and S.W. of the Province, and for 24 years continuously he had held the office of Treasurer. He not only thanked them for their handsome testimonial, but for the indulgence with which they had treated his shortcomings during so many years. Coming as the testimonial did from every Lodge in the Province, supplemented by the contributions of others, amongst whom he was proud to number many friends, he should always hold their expression of goodwill in the highest esteem, and he hoped to be able to serve the interests of Masonry in the Province for many years to come. He thanked them individually and collectively for their valuable mark of appreciation and of friendship.

The appointment and investment of P.G. Officers for the ensuing year then took place, as follows:—

J. M. McLeod	...	...	...	Senior Warden
J. H. Day	...	...	...	Junior Warden
Rev. T. B. Munday	...	...	...	} Chaplains
Rev. J. Young	...	...	...	
H. Arnold-Bemrose	...	...	...	Treasurer
T. Shipton	...	...	...	Registrar
W. Naylor	...	...	...	Secretary
Severn Taylor	...	...	...	Senior Deacon
A. T. McGregor	...	...	...	Junior Deacon
E. H. Clarke	...	...	...	Supt. of Works
J. H. Clarke	...	...	...	Dir. of Cers.
J. P. Fearfield	...	...	...	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
H. Pollard	...	...	...	Sword Bearer
J. W. Chambers	...	...	...	} Standard Bearers
H. C. Heathcote	...	...	...	
T. G. Taylor	...	...	...	Organist
James Cutting	...	...	...	Assistant Secretary
T. Stacey	...	...	...	Pursuivant
J. Hallam	...	...	...	Assistant Pursuivant
Montague Smith	...	...	...	} Stewards
W. H. Wheeldon	...	...	...	
Rowan	...	...	...	
H. Slater	...	...	...	
Smedley	...	...	...	
Medley	...	...	...	} Tyler
Thomas Day	...	...	...	

A sum of ten guineas was voted to Bro. Lawson's list for the Boys' Institution, and £10 towards the completion of the Centenary Window in the new Hall of the Girls' Institution.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master then addressed the brethren, referring with satisfaction to the reports read by the Masters of the various Lodges, which showed that Freemasonry was prospering in the Province. He also dwelt upon the satisfactory nature of the Charity returns. Other business having been transacted, Lodge was closed, and the brethren then dined together, the banquet being provided by Bro. T. Day.—*Derby Mercury*.

In recognition of his services as Secretary and Preceptor, for the past seven years, Bro. J. Brockett Sorrell has been presented, by the members of the City Masonic Club, with a testimonial, consisting of a silver tea service and an illuminated address. The presentation was made on Monday, the 15th inst., at the annual dinner of the Club, at the City Arms Tavern, St. Mary-Axe. Amongst the brethren present on the occasion were A. H. Lilley (President), F. Tayler, C.C. (Treasurer), and L. Fergusson.

Bro. James Stevens P.M. having resigned the Preceptor's chair of the Camden Lodge of Instruction, No. 704, which hold its meetings every Thursday, at the Masonic Rooms, adjoining the White Hart, High-street, Lewisham, Bro. W. A. Drew P.M. P.Z. has been unanimously elected his successor.

Bro. Alfred Craven Greenwood, W.M. 410, Assistant Provincial Grand Secretary for Surrey, who lately contested the Secretaryship for the R.M.I. for Boys, and came in second at the Election, has been appointed private Secretary to the Governor of the Bahamas, and starts for Government House, Bahamas, West Indies, about the middle of January.

Recently Western Star Lodge elected for initiation one whom not many of the members were acquainted with. On the night set for his initiation, the Lodge was opened in form and awaited the coming of the candidate. After a while a stranger walked in to the ante-room and said he was the candidate. No member present knew him. He was asked if he had the card the Secretary wrote him. He said he had not even that much to help solve the trouble. He was asked if he had anything on or about him that would lead to the discovery of the lost candidate. He could find nothing but a letter addressed to himself. Upon this evidence he was initiated. We doubt not but that he was the "right man in the right place" but the evidence was, in our opinion, too slight to admit him. The Lodge should, in such cases, postpone the work until some brother is present to personally identify the candidate.—*Masonic Trowel*.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.—Though it is impossible, in this climate of changing temperature, to prevent ill-health altogether, yet its form and frequency may be much mitigated by the early adoption of remedial measures. When hoarseness, cough, thick breathing, and the attending slight fever indicate irritation of the throat or chest, Holloway's Ointment should be rubbed upon these parts without delay, and his Pills taken in appropriate doses, to promote its curative action. No catarrhs or sore throats can resist the remedies. Printed directions envelope every package of Holloway's medicines, which are suited to all ages and conditions, and to every ordinary disease to which humanity is liable.

## NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

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## NEWSTEAD LODGE, No. 47.

THE annual festival was held at the Masonic Hall, last week, when Bro. Samuel Geo. Johnson (Town Clerk) P.M. P.G.T. was installed for the ensuing year. About 120 brethren and visitors were present at the ceremony. Among the latter were the Very Worshipful the Rev. F. V. Russell D.P.G.M., Bros. Sir J. Turney, E. Goldschmidt, J. Renals, F. Acton, J. Lindley, J. Jelley, R. Fitzhugh, J. Comyn, C. B. Truman, and others. After the ceremony the brethren adjourned to the banqueting hall, where a sumptuous banquet was served. After the cloth was removed, the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given, and interspersed with choir selections of vocal and instrumental music, ably rendered by Bros. Bingley Shaw, Hugh Gregory (Lincoln), Adin, and Madame Fannie Lynn. Bro. Geo. Chapman P.M. P.P.G.D. was the Installing Master.

## CHARITY LODGE, No. 223.

THE annual installation meeting was held on the 18th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Princes-square, Plymouth, to install Bro. George Payne S.W. as the W.M. for the year ensuing. The ceremony was performed by W. Bro. W. Stanlake P.M. 223, assisted by the following Board of Installed Masters:—W. Bros. Rev. Dr. T. W. Lemon, D.D., P.M. 189 P.P.G.J.W. P.P.G.C., S. Jew, W. Powell, B. S. Johns, James Gidley, Richard Pike, W. J. Stanbury, H. J. Kitt, S. Edgcombe, A. Prout, J. T. Rook, Robert Selmon, G. Vanstone, W. T. Hocking, John Harvey, S. Panter, H. E. Setters, John Wallis, W. Crimp, F. R. Thomas, B. Elliot, A. C. Titherley, E. Aitken Davies, W. H. Phillips, W. Hannaford, P. A. Bridgman, Jno. A. Lavers, Fred. R. Goodyear, and R. Blight. The Board of Installed Masters being closed, the W.M. invested the following brethren as his Officers for the year ensuing:—W. Bros. J. A. Lavers I.P.M., H. Rogers S.W., Irwin A. Court J.W., W. the Rev. T. W. Lemon, D.D., P.M. P.P.G.Ch. P.P.G.J.W. Chaplain, F. R. Goodyear P.M. Treasurer, W. J. C. Hannaford P.M. Secretary, C. B. Gale S.D., Parnell Hannaford J.D., S. Yeomans I.G., S. W. Sanders D.C., W. Biscoombe A.D.C., C. H. Tozer Organist, C. H. Soper Musical Director, J. S. Hannaford, H. Membury, W. J. Hoare, and W. F. Hodges Stewards, W. H. Phillips Tyler. W. Bro. R. Blight P.M. was unanimously elected Charity Steward, and W. Bro. W. Browning P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C. appointed representative on the Committee of Petitions. Previous to the installation Messrs. J. R. Harris and J. Nankivel were initiated, and Bros. A. Bracken, R. H. Rowse, and C. Rowse were passed to the second degree. Among the brethren present, in addition to those named, were Bros. W. J. Sweet S.W. 105, H. Roberts J.W. 1847, W. Sweet J.W. 1212, J. H. Evans S.W. 70, F. W. Stenlake 190, John Parker D.C. 189, J. Bartlett 202, A. Moore 1247, E. Hedger 1255, E. J. Collins 74, F. Bickle 70, A. B. Tuck 1247, G. E. Sercombe I.G. 70, H. J. Thomas, A. E. Bridgman, W. H. Hawking, J. Stoneman, J. Goad, S. Kingcome, T. A. Stevens, Thomas Cole, S. T. Hannaford, A. T. Lillierap, J. B. Orchard, Henry Gill, all of 223, F. C. Burner A.D.C. 1847, James Mitchell, Mark, J. S. Roach, and W. Huntley. It was decided to present a P.M.'s jewel to Bro. J. A. Lavers I.P.M., in recognition of his services in the chair during the past twelve months. The W.M. referred in eulogistic terms to the services Bro. W. Browning P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C. had rendered to the Lodge as Secretary for twenty years, which position he had, to the great regret of the brethren, resigned. He suggested the presentation of some suitable testimonial to Bro. Browning in appreciation of his valued services. Bro. P. H. Bridgman proposed that the sum of £10 be voted to Bro. Browning, to be expended in what way he thought fit. Bro. Stanlake seconded the resolution which was unanimously carried. The annual banquet was fixed for 13th January, at the Masonic Hall. The brethren afterwards adjourned to the refectory where a pleasant hour was spent.

## FIDELITY LODGE, No. 230.

THE installation meeting was held at the Ebrington Masonic Hall, Granby Street, Devonport, on the 18th inst. A candidate having been initiated, Bro. W. H. Burt S.W. was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year, by W. Bros. A. Maddock the retiring W.M., J. R. H. Harris P.M., J. Border P.M., and F. Orchard P.M., all of 230, assisted by a large Board of installed Masters. The W.M. invested the following as his Officers:—Bros. A. Maddock I.P.M., W. V. Harris S.W., R. H. Penberthy J.W., J. H. Turner Chaplain, E. H. Littleton P.M. Treasurer, Cawsey P.M. P.P.G.S.D. Secretary, J. T. Border P.M. Assistant Secretary, G. F. Bromley S.D., W. Routledge J.D., M. Darbin I.G., W. H. Comer D.C., R. H. Gardner A.D.C., R. Pike P.M. P.P.G.O. Organist, J. Riddle Assistant Organist, A. Voss S.S., A. Cawsey 1st A.S., G. Debatty 2nd A.S., A. Vegwell 3rd A.S., and C. Dyer Tyler. Bro. R. Cawsey P.M. P.P.G.S.D. was unanimously re-elected representative on the Committee of Petitions, and Bro. E. H. Littleton P.M. and Treasurer Charity Steward, their services in the past being generally acknowledged. It was decided to present a P.M.'s jewel to the retiring W.M. Brother A. Maddock, in appreciation of his valuable services during the past year. The Lodge having been closed, the brethren, to the number of eighty, adjourned to the refectory, where a substantial supper was served by Bro. W. H. Bosworthick. The W.M. presided, and an enjoyable time was spent. Songs were sung by Bros. Collings, Darbin, Membrey, Penberthy, Orchard, Bromley, Ashford, and others.

## YORK LODGE, No. 236.

THE annual meeting took place in the Masonic Hall, Duncombe-place, on 15th inst. Bro. T. S. Brogden was installed W.M. for the ensuing year. The ceremony of installation was performed by

Bro. J. Todd P.M. P.P.G.S.W. Treasurer. The Worshipful Master subsequently appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. C. M. Forbes I.P.M., E. W. Parnell S.W., J. B. Sampson J.W., Very Rev. Purey-Cast, D.D., Dean of York P.G.C. of England Prov. G.S.W. Chaplain, J. Todd P.M. P.P.G.S.W. Treasurer, H. Foster Secretary, C. Carter S.D., M. Bryson J.D., C. Linley I.G., A. Sample P.P.G.O. Org., S. F. Gramshaw Dir. of Cers., T. Archey S.Stwd., F. W. Laughton J.Stwd., J. Hall Tyler.

## MENTURIA LODGE, No. 418.

ON Tuesday, the 14th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Hanley, Bro. W. Hampton was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, in the presence of about 90 brethren. The ceremony was performed by Bro. J. Robinson, the retiring W.M., assisted by Bros. W. H. Hales P.P.G.S.W., J. B. Piercy P.P.G.S.W., T. Bickley P.P.G.J.W., and Dr. J. S. Crapper P.P.G.A.D.C. The following were appointed the Officers of the Lodge for the year:—Bros. E. B. Devereux S.W., J. Barlow J.W., the Rev. F. E. Waters Chaplain, W. H. Hales Treasurer, D. Jones Secretary, Edmund Jones S.D., J. T. Howson J.D., W. Tannicliff Dir. of Cers., C. F. Baker Organist, J. Allerton I.G., T. C. Slaney and S. Salt Stewards, W. Wood Tyler. After the Lodge had been closed, the brethren adjourned to the Town Hall, where the customary installation banquet was provided by Bro. J. Munro. The W.M. presided, and after dinner proposed The Queen and the other toasts which head the list at Masonic festivals. Bros. J. Charlesworth and Tannicliff responded on behalf of the Provincial Grand Officers present and past. Bro. Bromley proposed the toast of the Masonic Charities, observing that they all felt pleasure in seeing amongst them Bro. McLeod, the Secretary for the Masonic Boys' School, and had confidence that the Institution would be well administered. Bro. McLeod, in responding, referred to the fact that it was greatly owing to the efforts of Bros. Greatbach and Tannicliff, of the Menturia Lodge, that a remedy had been applied to a lamentable state of things in connection with the Boys' School, and those two brethren deserved the thanks of every member of the Craft for the action which they had taken in the matter. He thanked the Province of Staffordshire, and especially the brethren of the Menturia Lodge, for the support which they had given him in his election as Secretary for the Masonic Institution for Boys. With respect to the Charities, Staffordshire had always stood out prominently in the amount of contributions, and he trusted would ever continue to support them. The three principal Masonic Charities were all deserving support. As to the Boys' School, he observed that there had been a cloud hanging over it for some time, but that cloud had been removed, and he appealed to them to support the Boys' School. He also asked, on behalf of himself, that he should have their confidence. There was now a new Board of Management, which consisted of Provincial as well as Local members, and he had no doubt whatever that they would bring about an improved state of things in relation to the Schools. Under the present management, while the School was being conducted efficiently, the working expenses had been reduced to the extent of about £10 a head per annum. Bro. Greatbach proposed the Visiting Brethren, on whose behalf Bros. Bonsor, R. Tooth, Charles Adams, and W. H. Howson responded. During the evening vocal music was contributed by several of the brethren, and the proceedings were of an enjoyable character.

## CORNUBIAN LODGE, No. 450.

THE annual meeting was held on the 18th inst. The brethren assembled at the Lodge in the Freemasons' Hall, and the visiting brethren included Bros. William Wales J.W. and Arthur Carkeek J.W. Druid's Lodge (No. 539), Charles Bryant J.W. 331 (Truro); R. Rowe W.M., John Newland S.W., W. Veal J.W., and J. Whitworth Assistant Secretary of Mount Edgcombe (No. 1544), W. K. Baker P.M. Trejenna, T. A. Taylor 1272, and J. Winter Clausentum 1461. The Board of Installed Masters was a large one, and the ceremony of installing the W.M. elect Bro. Thomas Madge was performed by the retiring W.M. Bro. James Richards, assisted by Bros. W. Wagner P.M. and James Pool. The W.M. invested his Officers, as follow:—James Richards I.P.M., Joseph G. Osborn S.W., J. W. Wilkinson J.W., C. R. D. Carter Chaplain, F. Harvey P.P.S.W. Treasurer, W. Wagner P.M. Secretary, H. Tredinnick S.D., J. M. Nicholls J.D., James Pool P.M. Dir. of Cers., W. J. Harry Organist, J. Jamieson I.G., James Martin and H. Pool Stewards and J. Bray Tyler. Bro. J. P. Smith having expressed a desire to retire from the Secretaryship, which he had held for many years, was warmly thanked for the able manner in which he had conducted the affairs of the Lodge, and a Committee was appointed to express the gratitude of the brethren in a suitable manner. After the Lodge was closed the brethren adjourned to the White Hart Hotel for the annual banquet, and a very pleasant evening was spent.

## ST. PETER'S LODGE, No. 476.

AT the annual meeting, held at the Masonic Hall, Carmarthen, on Tuesday, 16th inst., Bro. Daniel Lloyd Lewis was duly installed as Worshipful Master, and the following Officers were appointed:—Thomas Walters I.P.M., Charles Jones S.W., T. W. Barker J.W., Thomas Lewis Chaplain, Howell Howells Treasurer, Walter Spurrell Secretary and assistant Organist, Hy. Cadell Dir. of Cers., W. Gibbon S.D., E. G. Baker J.D., A. L. Lewis I.G., C. Vileon Harding Organist, J. Lewis and R. A. Holding Stewards, F. Stokes Tyler. A banquet was subsequently held, at the Ivy Bush Hotel, the chair being occupied by the W.M.

## DORIC LODGE, No. 933.

ON the 19th inst. this Lodge met at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, Bro. Grey W.M. being supported by his Officers and several brethren. Lodge was duly opened. Messrs. Parkins, Hodsoll and Blakey were appointed Auditors. A motion by Bro. Caslake relative

to the Bye-law regulating the amount to be contributed at the pleasure of the members to the Masonic Charities was discussed, but eventually an amendment by Bro. James Smith was carried, putting a construction on the existing Bye-law to dispose of a difference of opinion that had arisen concerning the Institution for Aged Freemasons. Among the correspondence was a letter from Bro. T. J. Barnes, resigning his membership of the Lodge. The communication was received with regret, and a motion electing Bro. Barnes an honorary member was unanimously carried. Lodge being closed, an adjournment was made to the banqueting room, where an excellent dinner was served, and the customary toasts subsequently honoured, the proceedings being enlivened by songs from Bros. Hodson, Cates, Pearson, James Smith, and others, and an excellent recitation, "The Loss of the Revenge," by Bro. A. Calver. In the course of the evening an appeal was made for the Masonic Charities, and Brother Tucker occupied himself diligently in the performance of his duties as Steward for the forthcoming Festival for the Aged Freemasons.

#### PEVERIL OF THE PEAK LODGE, No. 654.

THE anniversary and installation ceremony was celebrated on the 18th inst., at New Mills. The installation ceremony took place at the Crown Hotel, when Bro. F. Rowbottom was installed W.M. for the ensuing year by Bro. A. W. Slack, of Buxton, assisted by several Past Masters. The W.M. afterwards invested his Officers, as follow:—R. Thornley S.W., C. F. Johnson J.W., John Fielding Treasurer, J. H. Jackson Sec., R. Broom S.D., J. A. Nichols J.D., C. Higginbottom I.G., W. Moulton Organist, Thos. Hibbert Tyler. In the evening, a banquet was served in the Town Hall, to about 80 members of the Craft, from New Mills, Glossop, Marple, Hayfield, Chapel-en-le-Frith, Buxton, and other places, and the usual toast list followed. During the year the Lodge has been instrumental in securing a place in the Masonic School for a son of the late Brother A. Rangeley, and has also made a grant of £20 to the widow of a deceased member.

#### ELIOT LODGE, No. 1164.

HELD its annual meeting on the 18th inst., at the Masonic Hall, St. Germans. There was a large attendance of visitors, among whom were Bros. C. Cooper, C. Morgan, Stanton, J. Pearce, T. Betty, W. R. Rawling, Montague Eliot, J. Lander, Vicary, J. White, and W. Prout. Bro. Fred. A. Rawling W.M. elect was ably installed into the chair by his brother, W. R. Rawling P.M. 1071, assisted by Bro. J. B. Kerswill P.P.G.J.W., and F. Johns P.M. 1164. The Officers appointed were Bros. A. Bersey I.P.M., W. P. Wood S.W., C. W. Bickle J.W., J. B. Kerswill Treasurer, F. Johns Secretary, S. Ball S.D., W. Saunders J.D., J. Sobey I.G., J. Hawke Tyler. After the meeting the installation banquet was held at the Eliot Arms.

#### BENEVOLENCE LODGE, No. 1168.

THE appreciation with which the valuable services rendered to the Lodge during the past twenty years by Bro. G. F. Stokes was shown in a very pleasing manner at a well attended meeting of the brethren recently held. Bro. Stokes was presented with a handsome suit of Provincial Grand clothing, and a beautifully illuminated address.

#### CRICKLEWOOD LODGE, No. 2361.

THE ordinary meeting took place at the Crown Hotel, Cricklewood, on the 17th inst. Brother Willing the W.M. presided. The minutes of the last regular meeting of the Lodge having been read and confirmed, the W.M. proceeded to initiate Mr. Burtin O. Hillyard. He then proceeded to pass Brothers Lloyd and Holloway. The brethren unanimously elected Brother Albert Bocher P.M. Royal Commemoration Lodge as a member of the Cricklewood Lodge. They subsequently sat down to a well served banquet, provided by host Brother Paul.

Covent Garden Lodge of Instruction, No. 1614.—The usual weekly meeting of this Lodge of Instruction was held at the Criterion, Piccadilly, S.W., on the 18th inst., when there were present Bros. G. H. Foan W.M., F. M. Noakes S.W., J. Rowe J.W., G. Reynolds Treasurer and Secretary, G. H. Reynolds S.D., C. O. Burgess J.D., J. H. Harnell I.G., T. E. Weeks Tyler; and others. Lodge was opened in due form and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the second degree. Bro. C. O. Burgess offered himself as a candidate to be passed to the third degree, and was duly examined and entrusted. Lodge was opened in the third degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony. The W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. G. H. Reynolds, and the Lodge was resumed to the first degree. Bro. G. H. Foan offered himself as a candidate to be passed, and having answered the necessary questions was entrusted. The Lodge was resumed, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of F.C. On rising, Bro. F. M. Noakes was unanimously elected W.M. for this day fortnight (1st January 1891), and appointed his Officers in rotation. On rising for the third time, Bro. G. Reynolds said as the Lodge would not meet till New Year's Day he thought this evening would be a fitting opportunity to propose that a hearty and cordial vote of thanks, to be entered on the minutes, be given to Bro. G. H. Foan for his kindness, not only on this evening, but on several other occasions, in acting as Preceptor, and so helping the Lodge of Instruction to carry on its work. This was seconded by Bro. C. O. Burgess. The W.M., in putting the motion, said he was much pleased to know that amongst his Officers as W.M. of the Mother Lodge he should have a good working Mason beside him in Bro. G. H. Foan. Bro. G. H. Foan, in a few and simple words thanked the brethren for the great compliment paid him. Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry the Lodge was closed, and adjourned to Thursday, the 1st January 1891. The brethren on parting wished each other the compliments of the season.

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### A PROTEST.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—You are probably not aware that the excerpt from the *Hebrew Standard*, headed "the Jews in Freemasonry," which appeared in your last issue, is copied almost word for word from "Masonic Facts and Fictions." Now I have not the least objection to any one utilising either my brains or my books, but common fairness demands that the source of information should be duly acknowledged.

Yours fraternally,

H. SADLER.

The late genial and popular Governor of New South Wales, who arrived in England last week, was present on Monday, at Reading, on the occasion of a most interesting ceremony. Lord Carrington, who is himself a Past Grand Master, formed one of the numerous and influential brethren of the Craft attendant on the Prince of Wales at the installation of His Royal Highness's eldest son as Prov. Grand Master of the Province of Berkshire. The Grand Master of English Freemasons, after opening the Lodge in due form, announced at the conclusion of his speech that Lord Carrington had been appointed by him Provincial Grand Master of Bucks. To the many Masons of New South Wales and the Australian Colonies this will be gratifying intelligence, more especially as Lord Carrington, during his term of service as Governor, did everything in his power for the development of Freemasonry. Lord Carrington was enabled in his address at Reading to give the fraternal and affectionate greeting of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales to the Province of Berkshire. Though constituted, and very wisely, under independent government, the Grand Lodge of New South Wales is affiliated heart and soul with that of England. The many Lodges, too, of that splendid Colony are proud of the connection with the old country from which they sprang. Arriving home after his long residence at the Antipodes, Lord Carrington spoke for every Mason and for every Australian, and assured the Prince of Wales that His Royal Highness, who would some day reign over England, would have no more loyal or dutiful subjects than those who lived in the sunny land of Australia. "The great English-speaking Federation," in the words of Lord Carrington, "is destined under Queen Victoria and her successors to remain one, loyal, undivided and invincible for all time."

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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, 27th December.

1871 Gostling-Murray, Town Hall, Houslow  
143 Peace, New Masonic Hall, Meetham  
1641 Wharnciffe, Rose and Crown Hot., Penistone  
2100 Abbey, Masonic Hall, Chertsey  
M.M. 14 Prince Edward, Station Hot., Todmorden

## Monday, 29th December.

62 Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester  
148 Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington  
302 Hope, New Masonic Hall, Bradford  
307 Prince Frederick, White Horse, Hebden Bridge  
1177 Tenby, Tenby, Pembroke  
R.A. 557 Valletort, M.H., Callington, Cornwall  
M.M. 9 Fort-e-cue, Masonic Hall, South Molton

## Tuesday, 30th December.

299 Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford  
310 Unions, Freemasons' Hall, Carlisle  
316 Apollo University, Masonic Hall, Oxford  
448 St. James, Freemasons' Hall, Halifax  
510 St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Liskeard  
573 Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Halesowen  
1358 Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton  
1666 Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead  
1828 Royal Clarence, Masonic Hall, Clare, Suffolk  
K.T. 8 Plains of Mamre, Bull Hotel, Burnley

## Wednesday, 31st December.

163 Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
210 Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton  
274 Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, Newchurch  
290 Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield  
304 Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
363 Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth  
439 Scientific, Masonic Rooms, Bingley  
594 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
750 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cleckheaton  
996 Soudes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk  
1083 Townley Park, Brunswick Hot., Manchester  
1219 Strangeways, Masonic Rooms, Manchester  
1293 Ryburn, Central Building, Sowerby Bridge  
1403 West Lancashire, Commercial Hot., Ormskirk  
1953 Prudence and Industry, George Hot., Somerset  
R.A. 226 Benevolence, Red Lion, Littleborough  
R.A. 330 Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley  
M.M. Howe, Masonic Hall, New St., Birmingham  
M.M. 174 Athol, Masonic Hall, Birmingham

## Thursday, 1st January.

45 Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.  
192 Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.  
231 St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
538 La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
554 Yarrowburgh, Green Dragon, Stepney  
1445 Prince Leopold, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate  
1672 Mornington, London Tavern, Fenchurch St.  
1790 Old England, M.H., New Thornton Heath  
R.A. 1507 Metropolitan, Anderson's Hotel, E.C.

24 Newcastle-on-Tyne, F.H., Newcastle  
31 United Industrious, Mas. Rooms, Canterbury  
38 Union, Council Chamber, Chichester  
41 Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Bath  
50 Knights of Malta, George Hotel, Hinckley  
249 Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
251 Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry  
266 Napthali, Masonic Hall, Heywood  
269 Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn  
289 Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
244 Constitutional, Assembly Rooms, Beverley  
295 Combermere Union, Arms, Macclesfield  
300 Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne  
309 Harmony, Red Lion, Fareham  
317 Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
360 Pomfret, Abington Street, Northampton  
419 St. Peter, Star and Garter, Wolverhampton  
425 Gestrion, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester  
432 Abbey, Newdegate Arms Hotel, Nuneaton  
431 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Newcastle  
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  
792 Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Great Grimsby  
913 Pattison, Lord Raglan Tavern, Plumstead  
971 Trafalgar, Commercial Street, Salford  
976 Royal Clarence Blue Bell Hotel, Bratton Somerset  
1012 Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, Bury Lane  
1304 Olive Union, M.H., Horncastle, Lincolnshire  
1379 Marquess of Ripon, Masonic Hall, Darlington  
1384 Equity, Alford Chambers, Wines  
1473 Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lancashire  
1500 Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich  
1504 Red Rose of Lanc., Starkie's Arms, Padilham  
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  
2045 Kendrick, Masonic Hall, Reading  
2050 St. Trinians, M.H., Loch Parate, Douglas  
2350 Corinthian, Bird-in-the-Hand Hotel, Hindley  
R.A. 116 Cana, Swan Hotel, Colne  
R.A. 187 Charity, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
R.A. 302 Charity, New Masonic Hall, Bradford

R.A. 307 Good Intent, White Horse, Hebden Bridge  
R.A. 325 St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Salford  
R.A. 758 Bridgewater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn  
R.A. 1016 Elkington, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
R.A. 1393 Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
M.M. 53 Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

## Friday, 2nd January.

706 Florence Nightingale, M.H., Woolwich  
2076 Quatuor Coronati, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
44 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
81 Doric, Private Rooms, Woodbridge, Suffolk  
219 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Todmorden  
242 St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster  
306 Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kingsall Street, Leeds  
521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield  
574 Loyal Berkshire of Hope, White Hart, Newbury  
601 St. John, Wrekin Hotel, Wellington, Salop  
680 Sefton, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool  
709 Invicta, Bank Street Hall, Ashford  
837 De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon  
839 Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester  
1098 Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal  
1102 Mirfield, Assembly Rooms, Mirfield  
1333 Atholstan, 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. 359 Peace, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton  
R.A. 712 St. James's, Masonic Hall, Louth

## Saturday, 3rd January.

General Committee Boys' School, M.H., 4  
1622 Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell  
1362 Royal Albert Edward, Market Hall, Redhill  
1458 Truth, Wheatsheaf Hotel, Manchester

## INSTRUCTION.

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## Saturday, 27th December.

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' Tiv., Southgate Rd., N. 8  
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 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 730  
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W. 8

## Monday, 29th December.

22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 730  
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8  
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., 7  
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7  
180 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  
549 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8  
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 730  
933 Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, 8  
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 73  
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8  
1339 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  
1507 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 730  
1595 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney  
1603 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  
1743 Perseverance, Deacons' Tavern, Walbrook, 7  
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot., W. Kensington, 8  
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8  
2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The Criterion, W., 8

## Tuesday, 30th December.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8  
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7  
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.  
177 Domatic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 730  
198 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8  
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Cannon Town, 8  
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
463 East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, 8  
551 Yarrowburgh, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8  
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 730  
753 Prince Fred, William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8  
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, Trenchard St., 7  
1014 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 Edgumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8  
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 730, 8  
1472 Henry, Three Crowns, North Woolwich  
1473 Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 6  
1510 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.  
1638 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8  
1695 New Finsbury Park, Horsey Wood Tav., N., 8  
1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7  
1919 Brixton, Prince Regent, East Brixton, 8  
2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton

Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 630  
R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8  
R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8  
R.A. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

## Wednesday, 31st December.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8  
30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 730  
65 Prosperity, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., 7  
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8  
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8  
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 8  
228 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8  
533 La Tolerance, Portland Hot., Gr. Portland St., 8  
591 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7  
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8  
720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7  
781 Merchant Navy, Silver Tiv., Burdett Rd., 730  
813 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Rd., 8  
862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8  
902 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8  
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 830  
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland  
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney  
1356 Texteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 730  
1475 Peckham, 518 Old Kent Road, 8  
1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull  
1601 Ravensbourne, George, Lewisham, 8  
1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 730  
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 730  
1681 Loundesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8  
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 830  
1791 Creaton, Wheatsheaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8  
1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8  
1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 730  
2192 Warner, Bridge Chambers, Hoe Street, Walthamstow  
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., 730  
M.M. Grand Masters, 8a Red Lion Square, 7  
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., 8

## Thursday, 1st January.

141 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 730  
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, 730  
1278 Burdett Counts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8  
1308 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8  
1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 730  
1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 630  
553 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, 745  
1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8  
1625 Tradeagar, Wellington, Bow, E., 730  
1673 Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 530  
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, 73

## Friday, 2nd January.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6  
General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8  
167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park, 8  
453 Chigwell, Pub. Ha, Station Rd., Loughton, 730  
507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 730  
733 Westbourne, Swiss Cottage Tavern, Finchley Road, N.W., 8  
749 Belgrave, Harp Tavern, Jernyn 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, Fawcett Bridge, 8  
834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith  
1056 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7  
1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 730  
1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8  
1293 Royal Standard, Builders' Arms, Canbury, 8  
1365 Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, 730  
1331 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8  
1642 E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8  
1901 Selwyn, Montpelier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8  
2030 Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, S.W., 730  
R.A. 95 Eastern Star, Hercules Tavern, E.C.  
R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 8  
R.A. 890 Hornsey, Porchester, Cleveland Sq., W.  
R.A. 1275 Star, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8  
1741 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8  
1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7  
1996 Priory, Constitutional Club, Acton  
R.A. 753 Prince Frederick William Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, 8  
R.A. 1471 North London, Northampton House, Canonbury, 8  
M.M. 199 Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Dalston, 8

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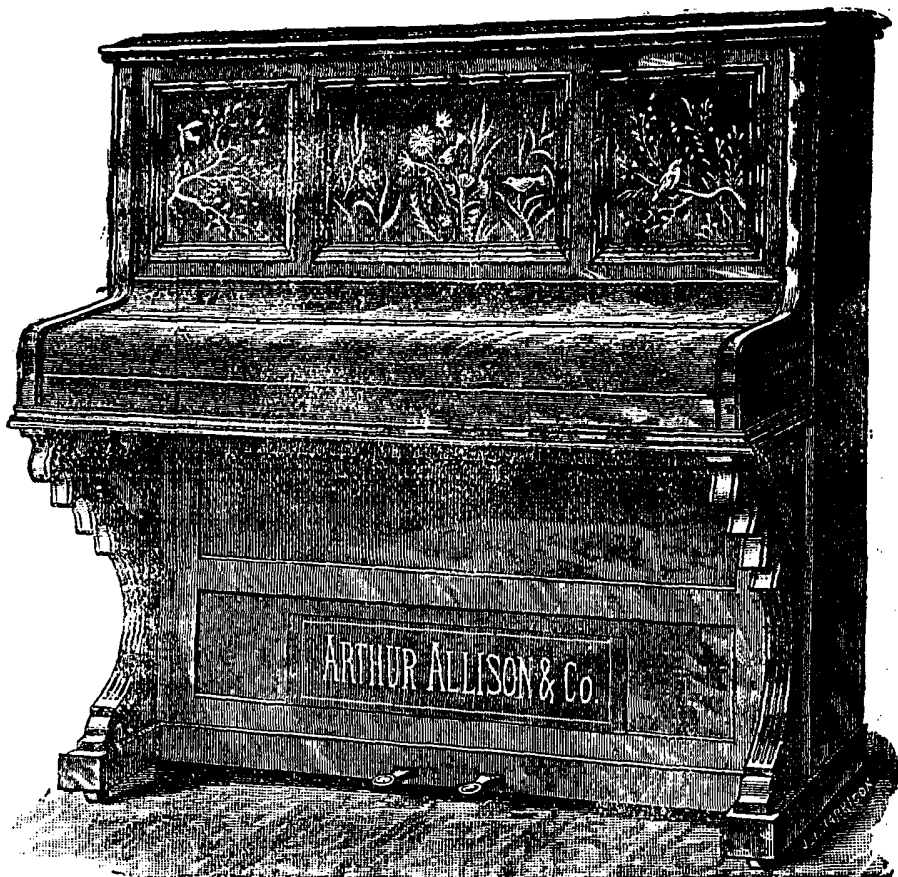
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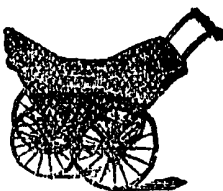


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