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FESTIVAL OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

THE Royal Masonic Institution for Girls does not appear to be occupying a very favourable place just now in the estimation of the English Craft, and the result of the Festival held on Tuesday, under the presidency of Lord Carrington, would seem to prove that the Charity is not nearly so popular as it was a few years back. How long this state of affairs will continue, or what is likely to occur if some change does not take place at an early date, it is impossible to say, but it is very certain the subscriptions announced as the result of this year's Festival—which totalled up to £8,911—will not allow of the work of the Institution being carried on during the next twelvemonths without a heavy encroachment upon the accumulations of the past, and once the Institution has to rely on its past savings to pay its current expenses, it is not unlikely that early disaster will result. On that account the most serious attention should be given to the present aspect of affairs.

Tuesday's celebration marked the 103rd Anniversary of the establishment of the Institution, and if we go back a little time we find the following totals have been announced at the Festivals held since the famous Centenary Celebration at the Albert Hall:

1889—101st Anniversary	...	£5,354 15s
1890—102nd	"	£11,019 14s
1891—103rd	"	£8,611 0s

These give a total of £24,976 9s, or an average of about £8,325 for the three years, so that the total announced on Tuesday must be regarded as in keeping with the times. But what a falling off it presents in comparison with the past, and what an effect it must have on the future of the Institution. The members of the Craft may reasonably ask, what is the cause of the falling off? And it would be difficult to find any one cause which should account for the entire deficiency. There are a combination of circumstances at work, which will explain much of the falling off, and we shall be surprised if those circumstances do not tend to increase the deficiency in the future rather than lessen it. First and foremost, we must give the principal Provinces credit for making strenuous efforts to support local funds, rather than the London Charities; and very wisely so to too, it may be urged, for by local combination they are enabled to relieve a dozen or twenty cases at less cost than three or perhaps four scholarships can be secured in one of the central educational institutions. Then others are opposed to the policy at present carried out by the executive of the Girls' School, who are sinking thousands of pounds in the erection of costly buildings in a district even at the present time not adapted for so large an establishment as is necessary for the pupils, but which a few years hence will be condemned as wholly unsuitable for its

continuance. It may be urged that it is absurd to now lament the awful cost of the new buildings and improvements effected as the result of the Centenary contributions, but the members of the Craft do not deem it too late to protest in a practical manner against them, and the present system of conducting the Institution. Immense sums have been spent in bricks and mortar, in opposition to the wishes of large sections of the English Order, and the members show their disapproval by stopping their contributions, preferring to devote them to other channels, where a more economical and less extravagant system is in vogue, and in this particular, at least, we predict that the future will witness further complications for the London Charities.

Another combination of circumstances acting detrimentally for the Girls' School this year is the peculiar position in which the other two Charities stand at the present moment, as referred to by us in recent issues. The energy of the new executive of the Boys' School is expected to lead to a splendid return for that Charity this year, while next year's Festival of the Benevolent Institution will mark the Jubilee of that Charity, and will doubtless be well supported. There are other reasons which might no doubt be referred to as affecting this year's contributions for the Girls, but from whatever cause the deficiency has arisen, it is very certain the £8,611 announced on Tuesday is a disappointment to many, and must lead to complications for the Institution. We append full details of the Festival, and individual subscriptions.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

THE one hundred and third Annual Festival of this excellent Charity, was held at the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, last Tuesday evening, when a numerous company assembled under the presidency of the Right Hon. Lord Carrington, G.C.M.G., P.G.M. New South Wales, and Prov. G.M. of Bucks. He was supported by Bros. Chief Justice Way, of South Australia, Sir Francis Burdett P.G.M. Middlesex, T. W. Tew, J.P., P.G.M. West Yorks, Rev. R. J. Simpson P.G.C., the Dean of Bath P.G.C., Rd. Eve P.G.T., Edward Terry P.G.T., Augustus Harris P.G.T., Col. Shadwell Clerke G.S., Dr. Lennox Browne, James Terry Secretary R.M.B.I., J. M. McLeod Secretary Boys' School, &c. &c. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed by the noble Chairman, and received with acclamation. Chief Justice Way, of South Australia, proposed the health of the Chairman in an eloquent speech, which was enthusiastically received. Therein he referred to the scene of the previous day, when Lady Carrington had distributed the prizes to the girls at Battersea. Lord Carrington had achieved a distinguished career in Australia, and he trusted that should he again be tempted to leave these shores he might be selected as Governor General of the great Commonwealth of Australia. He had met with the approval of the Grand Master by his action in bringing about the unity of the Australian and Tasmanian

Freemasons. As his reward he had been selected to high office in England, and he therefore called upon the company to drink with all honour and enthusiasm the health of their Chairman. His Lordship in reply referred to the very pleasant time he had enjoyed in Australia, and to the cordiality with which he had been received. He then proceeded to refer to the unhappy breach that obtained among the Masons of Australia, and to the present amicable settlement which was brought about by one of the best and truest of Masons, the late Earl of Carnarvon. He then proposed the toast of the evening, and said that the veriest outsider who went within the walls of the Girls' School could not fail to be convinced of the good management and kind treatment bestowed upon the inmates. Good work, however, could not be obtained without the fraternal influence of the Stewards, who he was sure would yield to no one in their zeal to advance the welfare of the Institution. He hoped the result of their endeavours would be worthy their exertions. Bro. Henry Smith D.P.G.M. West Yorkshire, Treasurer of the Institution, said the Committee most deeply felt the liberality displayed upon this occasion, but would look forward to even greater results in the future. He knew the brethren would never neglect their interests, and if the result of the lists was less than in May last year, he was sure the Craft would make up the deficiency. H.R.H. the Princess of Wales had been good enough to open their new Hall, which had been named the Alexandra, after her. There was no more perfect hall in London. The alterations in the buildings allowed more space for the health and comfort of the children, especially in the dormitories and class-rooms. There were now 265 girls receiving tuition; they were all hearty and well, while their pleasant happy faces was a sight to witness. This fact showed that the Committee were well qualified to discharge their duties. He concluded by hoping that those brethren who had not already contributed would do so before the lists were closed. Bro. F. R. W. Hedges (Secretary) then announced the List of subscriptions, which showed that for London there were 264 Stewards, who brought in £3,949 3s 6d; while the Provinces were represented by 138 Stewards, whose contributions amounted to £4,667 19s. Making a total of £8,617 2s 6d. This sum is, however, expected to be further increased by some other lists not yet forwarded. In a brief speech the Rev. R. J. Simpson P.G.C. proposed the other Masonic Charities, coupled with the names of Bros. J. M. McLeod and James Terry. Bro. McLeod said it was the first time he had had the opportunity to respond to this toast at the Girls' Festival, and he thought it was a matter for regret that, considering the urgent needs of the Institution, the amount of the subscriptions announced was so small (murmurs of dissent). He was sorry if he had struck a false note on that happy occasion, but it certainly did occur to him that the amount appeared small. The Girls' Institution had undergone great prosperity, and the Committee were to be congratulated on obtaining for their chairman the noble Lord, who shines so conspicuously in Masonry. The flood of charity is always flowing well and warmly, so he had great expectations for the Boys' School Festival, which would take place at Brighton, on 24th June. Bro. Jas. Terry said that with regard to the Institution for the Old People, for thirty-eight years it had been neglected; but owing to the interest at length evinced by the brethren, it had now grown to be the first in importance; and last February the subscriptions had reached the grand total of £16,000. The noble Chairman proposed the Health of the Stewards, who had worked so arduously in their cause. He said that he by no means considered the amount collected a small one; on the contrary, he thought it a magnificent sum, and the thanks of all Masons were due to the Stewards for their zeal. Bro. Sir J. B. Monckton P.G.W. responding acknowledged the hard work of the Stewards, and expressed his gratification at the handsome sum received. He only expected to get £8,000 at the most, but now thought the total would approach nearer to £9,000. Bro. Col. Peters then gave "The Ladies," to which Bro. Eugene Montenuis responded, and the company then adjourned to the Temple, where an admirable concert was given, under the direction of Bro. F. A. Jewson. Among the artistes who took part in it were Mdle. Antoinette Trebelli, Miss Laura Brown, Madame Dunbar Perkins, violinist, Bros. Alfred Moore and Alfred Izard.

Prize Day was celebrated on Monday, at Battersea Rise, where there was a distinguished company assembled to do honour to Lady Carrington, who had undertaken to officiate. The Committee had striven zealously to make the day's proceedings a success, and their efforts resulted most satisfactorily. We append the programme.

PART I.

Hymn to be sung by all present.
Selection of music, &c., by the Pupils.

PRIZES PRESENTED BY THE INSTITUTION.

Lucy Smith the gold medal for proficiency, with £5 by the late Bro. William Winn.

Amy Catbush, the silver medal for good conduct, with £5 by the late Bro. William Winn.

Cambridge Local Examinations, 21 entered, 20 passed. Senior Examination—Maude Hill, Ethel Fallding, Edith Matthews, Caroline Weare. Junior Examination—Class I. Honours—Lucy Smith, Amy Catbush. Class II. Honours—Ettie Chapman, Bertha Dean. Class III. Honours—Beatrice Knott, Mary Tanner, Olive Hurst. Satisfied Examiners—Louisa Pincombe, Minnie Woodward, Charlotte Webb, Kate Allatt, Emily Carruthers, Lucy Harrison, Beatrice High, Fanny White, Mary Nicholson.

College of Preceptors' Examination, 37 entered, 36 passed. Prize winners—Ethel Gillett, Edith Tanner, Jessie Boilby, Florence Bexfield.

General proficiency. 3rd Class—Nellie Cooper; 4th Class—Katherine Grindley; 5th Class—Mary Baverstock; 6th Class—Fanny Campbell; 7th Class—Edith Hopgood.

Needlework. Second prizes—Ellen Humphries, Ethel Vowles, May Fullford.

Order and attention (as proved by conduct marks throughout the year). Isabel Knight, Sybil Spalding.

PART II.

Selections, by the Pupils.

PRIZES GIVEN BY FRIENDS OF THE INSTITUTION.

By Bro. Robert Gray, for Religious Knowledge (as distinguished at Cambridge examination)—Maude Hill, Lucy Smith, Ettie Chapman, Bertha Dean, Beatrice Knott, Mary Tanner, Bessie Locke.

By Bro. Thomas Feun, for Arithmetic and Mathematics—Lucy Smith, Bertha Dean.

In memory of Mrs. D. P. Cama, for Arithmetic—Ettie Chapman.

By Bro. J. H. Matthews, for Music (first prizes)—Amy Catbush, Bertha Dean, Maude Hill (voca).

"Wentworth Little" Memorial, for Music (second prizes)—Fanny Heath, Kathleen Gibson, Gertrude Lockwood.

In memory of Mrs. D. P. Cama, for Music (third prize)—Alice Blant.

By Bro. and Mrs. Louis Hirsch, for Music, little girls—Hester Burt, Edith Betts.

By Bro. Eugene Montenuis, for French—Beatrice Knott.

By "John Boyd" Memorial, for Drawing—Eleanor Johnstone, Matilda Bennett, Elsie Matthews.

By Bro. Robert Gray, for Elocution—Mary Woodman, Rose Haworth.

By Bro. Ralph Clutton, for the best Prefect—Amy Catbush.

By The Supreme Council 33°, for good conduct (first prize)—Mary Tanner.

By Bro. Frank Richardson, for good conduct (second prizes)—Fanny Heath, Florence Dunlop.

In memory of Mrs. D. P. Cama, for Needlework (first prize)—Kate Allatt.

In memory of Mrs. D. P. Cama, for Cookery (first prizes)—Helen Graham, Grace Musgrave.

By Bro. John Faulkner, for Cookery (second prize)—May Wheeler.

"Yates" Memorial, for usefulness in Domestic Duties—Kate Sharland.

By Bro. Col. James Peters, for Calisthenics and deportment—Mary Nicholson, Beatrice High.

By Miss Godson, for swimming—Rose Woodforde, Ethel Kirkman, Bessie Holleyman.

By Bro. John Faulkner, for Amiability (selected by her School-fellows)—Kathleen Gibson.

JUNIOR SCHOOL.

By Bro. Frank Richardson, for General Proficiency—Hilda Liverd.

"Henry Levander" Memorial, for Arithmetic—Mabel Bohli.

Calisthenics and Marching.

As we go to press we receive the mournful intelligence of the death of Bro. William Clarke Prov. Grand Pursuivant, which occurred under most painful and sudden circumstances on Wednesday evening. It was only on Saturday last our dearly beloved brother was present at one of our Lodge meetings—the Phoenix, No. 173, where he appeared in sound health, and, as was customary with him, in full vigour. Bro. Clarke served the office of Grand Pursuivant in 1881, and will long be remembered as a most energetic Freemason, and as an admirable Director of Ceremonies at our assemblies.

ARS QUATUOR CORONATORUM.

BY BRO. R. F. GOULD.

THE *Transactions* of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, have reached a Fourth Volume, of which the opening number, or Part I., has just been issued to the members and subscribers.

The papers read before the Lodge at its stated meetings are two in number, one being entitled, "The Druses of Syria and their Relation to Freemasonry," and the other, "Masonic Landmarks among the Hindus." Among the remaining literary contributions are articles or essays, on Masonry in Austria, Hungary, and Holland, the Svastika, the Character of the Roman Villa at Morton, Martin Clare, and Unidentified or Missing MSS. "Masonically speaking," as Bro. Hughan has elsewhere expressed himself, "the present number is not a strong one," and the skill and resource of the brethren who are regular attendants at the meetings, seem to have been rather expended in destructive criticism, than in any serious examination of the somewhat fanciful conjectures which were submitted to the Lodge.

The historical notes on Austrian and Hungarian Masonry, by Bro. de Malczovich, and those relating to Holland, from the pen of Dr. Dieperink, will be found both interesting and instructive.

A lady-contributor, Mrs. J. C. Murray-Aynsley, furnishes a carefully written article on the Svastika—though among the things that are left unsaid, is the manner in which this emblem has any connection with Freemasonry.

Bro. S. T. Klein supplies a further criticism on the paper read last year by Colonel Crease, and supports the suggestion of the Secretary, Bro. Speth, that room XII. in the Roman Villa at Morton, I.W., was used or intended for Mithraic rites.

The notes and queries are of the usual stamp, and there remain for examination two contributions only, one by myself, being a literary portrait of Martin Clare, A.M. and F.R.S., and the other, by Bro. Hughan, on the "Unidentified or Missing MSS." of the Craft.

Of my own essay, I shall merely say that it deals with a much disputed point, and was written with the view of establishing the claim of Martin Clare to be considered the author of an anonymous publication, called *A Defence of Masonry, occasion'd by a Pamphlet, call'd Masonry Dissected*, which appeared in 1730.

With regard, however, to Bro. Hughan's article, this I should wish to dilate upon at some length, and will, at all events, deliver myself of a few remarks. The Symbolism and the Written Traditions of the Freemasons are their choicest possessions. They came down to them from remote antiquity, and too much pains cannot be bestowed on any attempts that are made to investigate their origin and antiquity. Yet, as a rule, neither the one or the other presents the slightest attraction to the Masonic Student. In this particular, indeed, Bro. Hughan is honourably distinguished from the great mass of our historians, as dating almost from his initiation, the Written Traditions of the Craft have possessed for him a singular fascination. I was, therefore, glad to perceive in what groove his thoughts had run, while preparing an article for the current number of our *Transactions*. Some day it will dawn on many minds that an accurate study of our MSS. Constitutions is what should be chiefly aimed at by those who are really desirous of lifting the veil which overhangs the past of Freemasonry. Meanwhile, the limited number of students, for whom alone at the present moment such an inquiry presents any attraction, can only work—like our Brother Hughan—in the right direction, without any immediate hope of their labours being extensively shared, but with a strong conviction nevertheless, that in the path they are themselves pursuing, they will be eventually followed by all who are capable of taking an intelligent interest in Freemasonry.

Lord Mount Edgumbe, the New Deputy Grand Master, is a man of nearly 60, and has in his time played many parts. When much younger he represented Plymouth in Parliament, and has been Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall. He had filled the rôle of Lord Chamberlain, and since 1886 has been Lord Steward. He is extremely popular in Devonshire, where his family seat, Mount Edgumbe, is perhaps, the most beautiful of the show places in the West Country.—*Western Daily Press*.

ROYAL BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

THE annual meeting of the subscribers to this Institution was held yesterday, in the large hall of Freemasons' Tavern, Bro. J. A. Farnfield P. Grand Assistant Director of Ceremonies, Treasurer of the Institution, in the chair. On the motion of Capt. S. G. Homfray, the report of the Auditors was received and adopted. Bro. W. B. Barnett (Monmouth) asked whether it was not customary to give a fuller account of the expenditure, and the Chairman informed him that a printed copy would be sent to each Life Governor. Brother W. B. Barnett thought such a copy should be sent out before the meeting, and then asked the permission of the Chairman to say something on the balance sheet of last year. The Chairman gave permission, although he said it was rather out of date, because the accounts had been passed by the auditors, who had been elected by the general body of subscribers as the subscribers' representatives. Bro. Barnett then criticised several items, such as Collector's Commission, petty expenses, and postages, Stewards' Entertainment, &c., and pointed out that some of these items should be separated, so that every one might see the precise expenditure for each particular head. He insisted that some of the expenditure was too large; and that, if reduced, several annuitants might be placed on the list. The Chairman explained that with regard to the Collector's commission, the Collector received no commission on any sums paid to the office up to settling day, which was fixed for a fortnight, or some date about that time, after the annual festival. There were a large number of 5s subscriptions paid, which the collector had to hunt up, and these he received commission on. Bro. Barnett, who was seconded by Bro. Flanders, also of Monmouth, concluded by moving the adjournment of the meeting and election for a fortnight, but the amendment was lost. The annual report was then read, and on the motion of Captain Homfray, seconded by Past Grand Treasurer Richard Eve, adopted. Brother John A. Farnfield was unanimously re-elected Treasurer, and Bros. Douglas, Stean and Fisher were elected on the Committee of Management. Bro. C. E. Keyser was elected Trustee of the Male Fund, Bro. Henry Smith, Deputy Prov. G. Master West Yorkshire, Trustee of the Female Fund, and the Earl of Mount Edgumbe was nominated Trustee of the Sustentation Fund. The Chairman informed the meeting that five men and four widows had died; further, one male annuitant had had his annuity suspended, since the proxy papers were issued, and there would be 20 men and 16 widows to be elected, 17 of the former and 13 of the latter for immediate annuities, and 3 of each deferred. The scrutineers for the election were then appointed, and the election proceeded.

The Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution held their regular monthly meeting at Freemasons' Hall on Wednesday. Bro. J. A. Farnfield, Treasurer of the Institution, was in the chair, and there were present Bros. H. Smith P.G.D. D.P.G.M. West Yorkshire, C. E. Keyser, A. H. Tattershall, James Brett P.G.P., G. Bolton, T. B. Daniell, J. Newton, J. P. Fitzgerald, W. M. Rice, C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P., C. F. Hogard P.G. Stand. Br., H. J. Strong, Jabez Hogg P.G.D., S. C. Haslip, Chas. Kempton, George E. Fairchild, R. P. Stevens, John Barnett jun., Henry Garrod, Charles G. Hill, Henry Cox, Louis Stean, W. H. Hubbert, W. Hollis, Charles Lacey, W. H. Making, Hugh Cotter, C. U. Carrell, W. Klingenstein, Chas. Daniel, E. M. Money, Thomas Cubitt P.G.P., H. M. Hobbs, Alex. Ridgway, and James Terry P.G.S.B. (Secretary). The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and verified, the Secretary reported the death of five annuitants (three men and two widows). The report of the Sub-Committee appointed to prepare for the arrangements for the forthcoming Jubilee Festival was submitted and agreed to, and the requisition calling a Special General Meeting for the purpose of altering certain laws on Wednesday next, the 20th inst., at the hour of noon, was signed. The Warden's report for the past month was also read. The draft annual report was submitted and approved, subject to certain verbal amendments, and the applications from the widows of two recently deceased annuitants for half their late husband's annuities were acceded to. The name of an accepted widow candidate was withdrawn from the list. The proceedings terminated with the usual vote of thanks to the Chairman.

The following is a list of the amounts contributed at the Festival of the Girls' School.

LONDON.			CAMBRIDGESHIRE.		
HOUSE COMMITTEE.					
Br		£ s d			
Br Ralph Clutton (see also Unattached, Bucks)			The Province and Lodge 441		
Thomas Fenn	10 10 0		Br S H Sharman	84 0 0	
Robert Grey	36 15 0		CHESHIRE.		
Charles Hamerton	100 0 0		Lodge		
H A Hunt	21 0 0		428 Br Henry Bratt	31 10 0	
E Latchworth	36 15 0		477 John Woolley	15 15 0	
P de Lando Long (see Lodge 114, Suffolk)			Chapter		
J H Matthews	26 5 0		533 Comp A E Cokayne	26 5 0	
Sir John B Monckton, F.S.A.	68 5 0		Lodge		
James Moon	10 10 0		1565 Br George G Kertin	10 10 0	
Colonel James Peters	10 10 0		2386 Thos Litherland	40 0 0	
Frank Richardson	21 0 0		Unattached Br Edward Friend	10 10 0	
Alderman Joseph Savery, the Right Hon the Lord Mayor			DERBYSHIRE.		
Henry Smith (see also West Yorkshire)			Lodge		
Lodge			884 Br J M McLeod	105 0 0	
1 Br F Burgess	31 10 0		1028 Alfred Schofield	21 0 0	
2 Edward J Vivian Hussey	15 15 0		Unattached Br Wm H Wright	10 10 0	
4 F M Hartung	10 10 0		DORSETSHIRE.		
5 A B Raymond-Barker	50 0 0		Lodge		
6 Frank A Edwards	21 0 0		1037 Bro C J Freeman	63 0 0	
8 Edward E Pullman	10 10 0		DURHAM.		
Chapter			The Province—Br W C Barron	180 12 0	
8 Comp Thos H Gardiner (see also Lodge 1150)	36 15 0		Unattached Br A de Lando Long	10 10 0	
Lodge			ESSEX.		
10 Br J Maitland Shaw	5 5 0		Lodge		
11 Chas H McQueen	10 10 0		1000 Br Thomas Hood	67 4 0	
14 Ernest Richardson	46 4 0		2005 Alfred G Hayman	42 0 0	
21 W T Evans	25 4 0		2006 Joseph Brenton	28 7 0	
23 Hon W F B Massie-Mainwaring	21 0 0		GLOUCESTERSHIRE.		
26 W A Saunders	15 4 6		493 Br R J Weston	36 15 0	
29 Edward Terry	10 10 0		493 *Thomas Robins		
46 Sir George Taubman Goldie			761 Major-Gen. W J Vizard	26 5 0	
Chapter			HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT.		
58 Comp A E Marton	16 16 0		175 Br Henry Durant	56 6 0	
Lodge			257 Capt A H Markham	114 5 6	
63 Br Dr E E Wendt	31 10 0		694 Rev H R Cooper Smith (see also Lodge 1731, London)	36 15 0	
65 G Schadler	37 16 0		1883 George Ward	6 6 0	
73 A C Ansbacher	53 0 6		Unattached Br Henry Stone	5 5 0	
91 H J Treadwell	38 17 0		HERTFORDSHIRE.		
92 Wickham Noakes			Lodge		
101 Harry Wood	25 14 6		490 Br Percy W Taylor	38 17 0	
162 W H Causton, M.D.	16 5 6		1479 P W Dunville	31 10 0	
176 E A De Paiva	37 16 0		1757 Horace E Ambler	17 14 0	
Chapter			2054 Dr R M Bruce	31 10 0	
180 Comp H W Kiellmark	7 7 0		2323 E W Jaquet	64 1 0	
Lodge			Unattached Br Charles E Keyser, J.P., M.A., F.S.A.	10 10 0	
181 Br J C Parkinson	52 10 0		KENT.		
194 Charles Hunt	70 0 0		Lodge		
197 C H Mason	46 4 0		483 Br Arthur Ronaldson	63 0 0	
198 F Orchard	42 0 0		615 George W Mitchell	42 0 0	
198 W Webber	10 10 0		874 W T Hammond	33 1 6	
205 M I Emanuel	47 13 6		1208 Christopher Sims	42 0 0	
222 A R Stenning	36 5 0		1414 John S Lovett	47 5 0	
235 E Luxmore Marshall	15 15 0		Unattached Br George Adamson	36 15 0	
259 John Aird, M.P.	65 2 0		LANCASHIRE (East Division).		
507 C H Stone	69 6 0		Lodge		
538 W Webb	162 15 0		37 Br A L Briggs	10 10 0	
548 F W Hancock	33 12 0		146 James Preston	10 10 0	
820 R Pye	10 10 0		221 William Hayes	10 10 0	
860 Thomas Glass	37 16 0		348 Wm Greenwood	10 10 0	
901 G T C Rubardt	82 8 6		678 Wm Bleackley		
917 Joseph T Salmon	26 5 0		1052 Saml Warburton	19 5 6	
1017 S A Rothschild	32 13 6		1077 Joseph Bridgford	26 12 0	
1550 T H Gardiner (see also Chapter 8)			1322 Walter Newton	16 16 0	
1185 James Prentice	26 5 0		1723 Alfred Taylor	10 10 0	
1227 Samuel Toye	115 10 0		Unattached Br Ald. E G Harwood	63 0 0	
1269 F W Oldfield	63 0 0		„ Br John Kenyon	10 10 0	
1351 Daniel Buckney	84 0 0		LANCASHIRE (West Division).		
1365 W D Church	138 12 0		Lodge		
1383 T C Sandeman	103 19 0		32 Br Edward Segar	10 10 0	
1441 A C Jones	39 13 0		680 J De Bels Adam	10 10 0	
1506 T H Fox, J.P.	42 0 0		730 — Forrester	10 10 0	
1563 E B Cox			730 — Bickerstaffe	10 10 0	
1601 Wm G Lemon	23 2 0		730 — Hampson	10 10 0	
1608 Robert Kirk	107 2 0		1325 J W Burgess	21 0 0	
1615 Major James S Scott	21 0 0		1730 } G A Myers	10 10 0	
Chapter			2359 } John H Marsh	10 10 0	
1624 Comp Arthur Betts	10 10 0		1730 } John E Boden		
Lodge			2231 John H Smith	10 10 0	
1627 Br Henry G Hale	18 7 6		2269 Thos Margeson	10 10 0	
1632 Geo H G Morgan	25 14 6				
1635 I M Priohard	44 2 0				
Chapter					
1642 Comp George Gardner	52 10 0				
Lodge					
1657 Br M R Webb	60 0 0				

Lodge		£ s d
1670	Walter A Pigott	28 7 0
1686	John M Klenck	15 15 0
1695	Thomas G Hodges	42 0 0
1716	Ayres Moore	26 5 0
1719	Walter King	53 0 6
1731	Rev H R Cooper Smith (see also Lodge 694, Hants and I.W.)	
1745	Henry J Lardner	19 8 6
1804	David Annan	42 0 0
1816	Edward W Clements	26 5 0
1839	Alfred W Humphreys	30 5 0
Chap.		
1891	Comp. T. Blanco White	10 10 0
Lodge		
1924	Bro. H. H. Nuding	30 19 6
1997	C J Wilkinson-Pimbury	38 7 0
2060	Eugène Monteunis	15 15 0
2127	Harry Nicholls	47 5 0
2128	William Masters	5 5 0
2243	Gordon Smith	22 1 0
2291	James Boulton	34 0 0
2399	Capt. W C Woollett	6 17 0

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.		
1622	Br Thomas Grunmunt	100 16 0

PETITIONS COMMITTEE.		
Br William Morley	12 12 0	

GENERAL COMMITTEE DINNER CLUB.		
Br A C Spaul (see also Shropshire)	75 12 0	

UNATTACHED.		
Br S J Attenborough	15 15 0	
W. Belchamber	10 10 0	
Arthur Belts	10 10 0	
Dr A S Brown		
F Gordon Brown		
Lennox Browne	16 16 0	
Lieut J Bruce-Kingsmill		
Alfred Cooper		
R T Fennell	31 10 0	
F S Guy		
Sir George Taubman Goldie	10 10 0	
Sheriff Augustus Harris	10 10 0	
Sir George D Harris	42 0 0	
Alfred Harvey	26 5 0	
F J Horniman	11 11 0	
W H Kempster, M.D.	10 10 0	
Capt C J Knightley	10 10 0	
H B Marshall, J.P.	15 15 0	
H B Marshall jun., B.A.	10 10 0	
D D Mercer	15 15 0	
T Hastings Miller	21 0 0	
Reginald Mills	13 6 6	
H F Nash	10 10 0	
Dep. Insp. Gen. Belgrave Ninnis		
Joseph Odell	10 10 0	
Oscar Phillippe	26 5 0	
W H Ransom	21 0 0	
F T Rushton	31 10 0	
W Harry Rylands	10 10 0	
W A Sourrah	15 15 0	
James Stephens	10 10 0	
G Ward Verry	120 15 0	
Chas A Walter		
*Thomas W Whitmarsh		
F Wright	15 15 0	

THE PROVINCES.		
BERKSHIRE.		
Lodge		
771	Br W H Gardener	31 10 0
945	Chas D Adkin	44 2 0
1899	Major E Ball	10 10 0

BRISTOL.		
The Province, Br Pierrepont Harris	141 15 0	

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.		
Lodge		
591	Br Alfred Mayne	10 10 0
591	Edwin T Palmer	10 10 0
631	Henry P Harris	31 10 0
948	F J Hubbard	21 0 0
1410	Thomas Taylor	15 15 0
1501	Joseph Bliss	98 14 0
1639	Henry Roberts	19 13 0
1787	William Weston	24 2 0
Unattached Br Ralph Clutton (see also House Com.)	42 0 0	
„ Br George Gardner	26 5 0	

LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND.
The Province—Br John B Waring 178 10 0

MIDDLESEX.
Lodge
1503 Br W H Saunders 5 5 0
1656 John Featherstone 6 6 0
2163 John Tidmarsh 21 0 0
Unattached Br H V Clements 21 0 0

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE AND HUNTINGDONSHIRE.
The Right Hon. The Earl of Euston, D.L. 10 10 0
Lodge
412 Br Henry Carman 10 10 0

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
2017 Br Richard Patchitt 37 16 6

NORTH WALES.
1369 Br David Davies 10 10 0
Unattached Br C K Benson 26 5 0

OXFORDSHIRE.
Lodge
357 Br P Colville Smith 10 10 0
478 Francis M Davies 40 8 0
1703 W A Rigden 13 11 0
1895 Fredk. H Holmes 15 15 0
Unattached Br Capt G P Airey 17 17 0

SHROPSHIRE.
The Province—Br A C Spaul (see also London) 106 1 0
Lodge
601 Br E A Hicks (see also Lodge 529, Worcestershire) 33 14 0
611 Chas W Wicksted

SOMERSETSHIRE.
261 }
1966 } Br F T Elworthy 200 0 0
2390 }
Unattached Br F W S Wicksted 10 10 0

SOUTH WALES (Eastern Division).
Lodge
960 Br John Munday 78 15 0

SOUTH WALES (Western Division).
671 Br John Bourne 103 1 0

STAFFORDSHIRE.
1792 Br Thaddeus Ryder 157 10 0
SUFFOLK.
114 Br P de L Long (see also House Committee) 112 7 0
225 J Napier 47 5 0
Prov. Grand Chapter
Comp John G Oliver 84 0 0

SURREY.
Lodge
416 Br Herbert J Garrod 47 6 6
777 Robert Pink 14 3 6
1046 Wm H Brodie 21 0 0
Unattached Br Hugh M Hobbs 142 16 0

SUSSEX.
Lodge
311 Br W Wright 74 0 6
1303 George Wilson 44 2 0
1466 Major J G Edwardes 115 10 0
1636 John Wood 53 11 0
1821 S Peters 21 0 0
1947 A F Lamette 36 15 0

WARWICKSHIRE.
74 Br Thomas Sarman 10 10 0
1551 T Rowbotham 10 10 0

WORCESTERSHIRE.
529 Br E A Hicks (see also Lodge 601, Shropshire) 41 19 0
Unattached Br Thos R Arter 36 15 0

YORKSHIRE (North and East).
57 Br Morris Haberland

YORKSHIRE (West).
Br Thomas W Tew
Henry Smith (see also House Committee)
139 Br Rev Vaniah Odom
154 Henry S Child
208 T Bateman Fox
296 Robert Colver
904 Fredk Cleeves
904 Daniel Mullins
904 John Cheesowright
974 W C Lupton
1019 Herbert G H Green
1108 Albert Walker
1108 Wm H Dawson
1211 Chas B Inman
1211 Richard Boston
1239 Maurice J Dodworth
1513 Thos W Embleton
1542 W Wilson Maovay
2069 B Sykes Bailey
2069 Robert Abbott
2069 Tom Atkinson
2069 James Buckley
2321 Chas H Ellis
2330 John Symonds 309 0 0

ISLE OF MAN.
2019 Br Philip A Killey

FOREIGN.
CYPRUS.
2276 Br Surgeon W Kiddie 10 10 0
BENGAL.
Unattached Br W Franks 10 10 0
W Girling 10 10 0

GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.

A QUARTERLY communication was held in Edinburgh, on the 7th inst., Sir Archibald Campbell, the Grand Master of Scotland, presiding. It was reported from the Grand Committee that they had authorised the renewal of Lodge St. James, Peterhead, No. 256. It was also reported that a committee had had before them a petition by Lodge Aberdeen, No. 34, to have its present number on the roll altered, so as to represent its position and antiquity among the Lodges. They found, on consulting Grand Lodge chartulary, that the precedence of the Lodge was granted as from December 1670, and they recommended Grand Lodge to alter the number of this Lodge to No. 1B. Grand Committee, according to the wishes of the Lodges in the Province, recommended the appointment of Bro. William Thomas Reid, of Ardmallie, as Provincial Grand Master of Banffshire, in room of Bro. the Duke of Fife, resigned, and the Grand Lodge appointed him accordingly. It was reported that the Provincial Grand Lodge of Invernessshire had been now fully organised by the recently appointed Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Sir Henry C. Macandrew. Bro. Fisher, Paisley, proposed that Past Masters should be accepted as members of the Grand Lodge; but Bro. Hume, Kirkaldy, moved a direct negative, and that was carried by 164 against 48.

Bro. James Stevens P.M. P.Z. is arranging for the delivery of his lecture on the Ritual and Ceremonial of Craft Masonry in the Provinces of Norfolk and Suffolk during the ensuing few weeks. He asks us to intimate that he would be pleased to correspond with the Worshipful Masters or Secretaries of Lodges in those Provinces, other than those with whom arrangements are already pending. His address is "Evelyn," Catford, S.E.

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MASONIC INQUIRY.

To the Editor of the *Evening Dispatch*.

Edinburgh, 6th May, 1891.

SIR,—Can any reader of your paper inform me when the first newspaper or periodical was issued in Edinburgh? What papers existed in Edinburgh between 1700 and 1830? If these contained any account of Masonic Lodge meetings, especially those of Scots Lodge in Canongate, and Edinburgh Lodge St. Andrew, and where copies of said papers can be seen?

Perhaps you will also allow me to mention that as some of the minutes of those Lodges are missing, any one having same or any relics or other Lodge property in their possession might kindly present same to Lodge St. Andrew, No. 48, by whom they will be esteemed.

Secretaries of sister Edinburgh Lodges whose minutes go back to aforementioned dates might oblige by extracting any interesting notes bearing on those Lodges, and which may tend to discover well-known names of past citizens and Freemasons. I am, &c.

ST. ANDREW.

On Sunday last a special service was held at Heywood Parish Church, when a collection was made in aid of the funds of the East Lancashire Masonic Systematic Benefit Institution. Brethren from various parts of Lancashire marched in procession from the council chamber to the church, headed by the band of the 1st Volunteer Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers. Among the brethren present were Messrs. J. W. Maclure, M.P., P.P.G.J.W., W. Slater Boddington P.P.G.R., J. W. Kenyon P.M., Frederick Robbins P.M., J. H. Collingwood I.P.M., John Beech P.M. P.P.G.P., C. P. McKeand J.W., the Rev. H. Price P.G.C., rector of Normanton, was the preacher, the Rev. R. W. Perry Circuit P.G.C., Rector of Heywood, intoned the prayers, and the lessons were read by Bro. J. W. Hamilton P.G.R., recorder of Oldham, and Bro. Slater-Boddington. Under the leadership of Bro. S. Myerscough P.P.G.O. the choir gave Spohr's cantata "God thou art great," Madame Conway taking the solo parts.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Old Wounds, Sores and Ulcers.—Daily experience confirms the fact, which has triumphed over all opposition for more than fifty years, viz., that no means are known equal to Holloway's remedies for curing bad legs, bad breasts, sores, wounds, diseases of the skin, erysipelas, burns, scalds, and, in truth, all maladies where the skin is broken. To cure these infirmities quickly is of primary importance, as compulsory confinement indoors weakens the general health. The ready means of cure are found in Holloway's Ointment and Pills, which heal the sores and expel their cause. In the very worst cases the Ointment has succeeded in effecting a perfect cure after every other means had failed in giving adequate relief.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

PHOENIX LODGE, No. 173.

THE installation meeting was held, on the 9th inst., at Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C. Lodge was opened by the W.M. Brother W. H. Herbert, who was supported by his Officers. The minutes of last meeting having been read and confirmed, the report of the Audit Committee and Benevolent Fund Statement of Accounts was presented, and adopted. Bro. E. W. Allen now took the Chair for the purpose of installing the new W.M. Bro. Alfred Moore (a gentleman associated with the old firm of "clockists" so well known in Clerkenwell). The ceremony was carried out in its entirety in a very impressive manner, and the addresses were eloquently given. Bro. Moore invested the following as his Officers:—W. H. Herbert I.P.M., A. E. Hubert S.W., R. P. Stevens P.M. J.W., F. Foxley P.M. Treas., W. Holcombe P.M. 795 Secretary, G. E. Fairchild P.M. 1196 S.D., F. H. B. Riddle J.D., N. R. Hart I.G., E. Gilbert Steward, J. Stephens D.C. The regular jewel of the Lodge (supplied by Bro. H. T. Lamb) was presented to the I.P.M., and after routine business Lodge was closed. The banquet was most bountifully served, and gave every satisfaction. The tables were neatly decorated with flowers. The speeches throughout the evening were commendably brief, and the guests, some 90 all told, enjoyed themselves immensely. The card of Invitation, the Menu, and the Toast List were artistic productions, which will be prized by those who were fortunate in securing copies. The musical arrangements were under the direction of Bro. Charles Tinney, who was assisted by the Misses Ethel Bevans and Kate Norman, with the ever popular Bro. Henry Guy. Bro. George E. Fairchild during the evening favoured the company with a recitation—"The Death of the Old Squire," for which he won unqualified praise. In conclusion we may add, that there were no less than 43 Installed Masters present at the "function" of the evening.

LODGE OF AFFABILITY, No. 317 (MANCHESTER).

A REGULAR meeting took place in the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, on 7th May. Present:—Bros. Vultchhoff W.M., Staton S.W., Read J.W., Cunliffe P.M. P.P.G.D. Treasurer, W. Garside Secretary, Spencer S.D., Jackson J.D., Bladon P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C. D.C., Bushell P.M. I.G., Whitehead Organist. P.M.'s Dawson, Smethurst, Walmsley, I. Garside, Lisenden, Akerman, Chesworth, and Mountain. Bros. Marsh, Rothmayer, Paterson, Allen, Brooklehurst, Dabot, Quail, Whittaker and Veder. Visitors—Eldershaw P.M. 204, and Williams 1774. The Lodge was opened with solemn prayer, and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed. In the second degree Bros. Whittaker and Veder, being present to take third degree, were interrogated as to their proficiency in the second, and having satisfactorily answered, withdrew. Subsequently Bro. Whittaker was raised to the sublime degree of a M.M. by the W.M., Bro. Vultchhoff, and Bro. Veder had a similar distinction conferred upon him by Bro. Bushell P.M., who also gave the traditional history and explanation of the tracing board to both brethren. The Lodge being duly lowered to the first degree, the S.W. Bro. Staton announced that Bro. Cunliffe P.M. P.P.G.D. had most generously volunteered to attend and serve as Steward at the next Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

SHAKESPEARE LODGE, No. 1009 (MANCHESTER).

THE installation of Bro. J. Crosland took place, and the St. John's Festival was celebrated in the Freemasons' Hall, on 1st May. Present:—Bros. Everatt W.M., Crosland S.W., Pringle J.W., Allott P.M. Secretary, Southwell S.D., Zolas J.D., Brookes P.M. Dir. of Cers., Bibby Steward, P.M.'s Enticknap, Wilson, Halden, Biddolph, and Statham P.P.G.T., Bros. Bennion, Young, Procopides, Clay, and others. Visitors:—Cheetham P.M. 993 P.P.G.D., Baker P.M. 1126 P.P.G. Org. Cheshire, Ogden W.M. 854, Black P.M. 1170, Wile 344, Burrows 786, Rigby P.M. 287, Lloyd 1356, Gregory W.M. 999, Cornish W.M. 241, Welch P.M. 992, Spencer S.D. 317, Holland W.M. 1773, Rostron S.W. 1140, Moffatt 993 1633, Jeffrey 1140, H. B. Everett 1140, and Lisenden P.M. 317 (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE). The Lodge was opened at 4 o'clock, and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed. In the second degree Bro. Wilson P.M. presided for the purpose of installing Bro. J. Crosland into the chair of K.S. Bro. Crosland, after being presented to the Installing Master, was duly inducted into the chair of K.S. with all due rite and ceremony, and in that careful and painstaking manner for which Bro. Wilson is renowned. Bro. Brookes P.M. subsequently invested and addressed the following brethren Officers for the year:—Pringle S.W., Southwell J.W., Allott P.M. Treas., Enticknap P.M. Secretary, Zolas S.D., Hilton J.D., Brookes P.M. Dir. of Cers., Bibby I.G., Olive, Young, Clay, and Horsley Stewards, and Reddell Tyler. Bro. Halden delivered the three addresses, and there being no further business, the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 6:20. Prior to the Lodge closing a handsome 18-carat gold P.M.'s jewel was presented to Bro. Geo. Everatt in recognition of his services as W.M. during the past year, for which the I.P.M. returned thanks in appropriate terms. The brethren subsequently celebrated the Festival of St. John at a banquet, and the usual toast list was gone through. The health of the W.M. was proposed by the I.P.M. and heartily drank, Bro. Allott singing "Here's to his Health." "The Immortal memory of Shakespeare" was ably proposed by Bro. Brookes, in a capital and a propos speech, which was attentively listened to and deservedly applauded. The toast was drunk in silence. The health of the I.P.M., The Visitors, Installing Master, Officers, &c., was proposed and responded to, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

DE GREY AND RIPON LODGE, No. 1161 (MANCHESTER).

THE installation of Bro. Councillor Wilson took place, and the St. John's Festival was celebrated in Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, on Saturday, the 9th inst. The ordinary Lodge night is the second Tuesday in the month, but being market day, and consequently very inconvenient for the majority of the brethren to attend so early in the afternoon, leave was given from headquarters to hold the installation meeting on the day mentioned above. Amongst those present were Bros. Lewis W.M., Wilson S.W., Anderton jun. J.W., Irlam P.M. Treasurer, Moss P.M. Secretary, Ashworth S.D., Falknell J.D., Jefferis P.M. P.P.G.D.C. Dir. of Cers., Loebell I.G., P.M.'s Arensbergh P.P.G.P., Alderman Hinchliffe, Anderton sen., Carr, Dottie, and Ehlinger. Amongst the Visitors we noticed—Bros. Fletcher W.M., Goddard I.P.M., Walker J.W., Allitt P.M., Pearce, all of the Alexandra Lodge, No. 993; Outram P.M. and Secretary 1052, and Maddocks. The brethren met at 3:30, when the Lodge was opened with solemn prayer, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. In the second degree, Bro. Wilson was presented to the Installing Master (Bro. Moss), and after the usual preliminaries, and with all due rite and ceremony, inducted into the chair of K.S. On the re-admission of all M.M.'s the usual proclamation was made, and salutes given, after which, the following brethren were invested Officers for the ensuing year by Bro. Carr P.M., Anderton jun. S.W., Ashworth J.W., Irlam P.M. Treasurer, Moss P.M. Secretary, Falknell S.D., Loebell J.D., Jefferis P.M. P.P.G.D.C. Dir. of Cers., Ellwood I.G. The addresses were delivered respectively by Bros. Jefferis P.M. P.P.G.D.C., Carr and Irlam, and there being no further business the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony. The St. John's Festival was subsequently celebrated with a banquet, after which the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, that of the W.M. being received with applause and heartily drank; Bro. Wilson being extremely popular and much liked. The health of the I.P.M. Bro. Lewis was proposed in glowing terms, and an elegant P.M.'s jewel presented to him for services rendered during the past year. The jewel was handed round for inspection, and was much admired, being manufactured by Bro. H. T. Lamb, Clerkenwell, London. The remaining toasts, the Installing and Assistant Installing Masters, Visitors, Officers, &c., were proposed and responded to. The following brethren rendered valuable aid with their singing and reciting:—Bros. Hardacre, Dottie, Black P.P.J.D., Smith, Anderton jun., and Bradbury, Bro. Hopkinson W.M. 1459 was an efficient accompanist.

MACDONALD LODGE, No. 1216.

THE 24th installation meeting of this Lodge, established in 1868, in connection with the 1st Surrey Rifle Volunteer Corps, was held at the Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E., on Thursday, the 7th inst., and was well attended. The Lodge was opened by the W.M. Bro. Harvey, and the minutes of the previous meeting having been confirmed Bro. Villiers, No. 20, Colonel of the First Surrey Rifles, was unanimously elected a joining member. Bro. England was raised to the degree of M.M. Bro. White the W.M. elect was then presented for installation and was inducted into the chair of K.S. by his predecessor in the office in accordance with ancient custom and the invariable practice in this Lodge. The ceremony was ably conducted throughout by Bro. Harvey, who, on investiture as Immediate Past Master, received, at the hands of his successor, a valuable Past Master's jewel of similar character to those presented to former outgoing Masters. The newly-installed Master appointed and invested the following brethren as Officers, viz.:—Bros. Baxter S.W., Marshall J.W., C. H. Nevill P.M. (Lieut.-Col. F.S.R.) elected Treasurer, Messenger P.M. (sixteenth consecutive appointment) Sec., Easterbrook S.D., Pitcher J.D., Cornish I.G., Bridges P.M. (Major F.S.R.) D.C., Hill Org., Mawbey and Sims Stewards, Bradley Tyler. In addition to these brethren there were also present during the evening Bros. Stevens, Harper, Hale, Style, Davis, Bradley, Cranch, Fitzer, and Waterall, Past Masters; Player, Payne, Hinton, Poole, Pearce, Homming, Williams, and others. Visitors:—Bros. Steel P.M. 1, Bate P.M. 72, Klenck P.M. 1339, Braik 2301, Callaway 2310, Dunstan 1326, Leftwich 1, Bennett 1997, Williams 1980, Hill 1658, Scott 857, Dnbois 1216, Cureton 2182, Jewson 1827, and Simpson 597, Bro. White W.M. then initiated in a most perfect manner Messrs. F. J. Pullen and F. B. Williams, the newly-appointed officers discharging their respective duties admirably, and affording strong assurance that the "Macdonald work" for the ensuing year will maintain the high prestige with which it has ever been associated. On the motion of Bro. Bridges P.M., it was unanimously resolved that a Past Treasurer's jewel should be presented to Bro. Captain Styan, on his retirement from that office. The report of the Audit Committee, which was of a most favourable character in respect of finances, and contained a recommendation for a slight addition to the subscription fee, was approved and adopted; and, after the disposal of some trifling routine business and the expression of "Heartly good wishes" from the visitors, the Lodge was closed. The whole of the work of the evening was excellently performed, without haste or hesitation, in a little more than three hours, and shortly after seven o'clock the brethren re-assembled in the handsome *salle à manger* on the basement floor of the Masonic Hall, where a well provided banquet awaited their attention, and over which the W.M. presided. The *post prandial* proceedings were highly enjoyable, and were characterised by brevity of speech and devotion to harmony and general entertainment. A response from the newly-initiated brother, F. J. Pullen, was a record as a maiden Masonic speech. For the visitors the first six above named brethren severally spoke in terms of commendation of both the Masonic work and refreshment in which they had shared. Bro. Pearce most agreeably occupied a brief half hour by clever feats of sleight of hand, and practically reminded his numerous friends that, as regards hasty decisions, they should remember that they had been "taught to be cautious." Bros.

Cranch, Baxter, Sims, Marshall, and Braik vocalised, with the assistance of Bro. Hill, the Organist. Bro. Stevens recited the beautiful poem "The Level, Plumb, and Square," and altogether the events of the day were acknowledged by the members of the Lodge and their guests as worthy of remembrance in connection with the rise and progress of the Macdonald Lodge, No. 1216.

TRUTH LODGE, No. 1458 (MANCHESTER).

A REGULAR meeting was held on Saturday, 2nd inst., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel. Present—Bros. Wadsworth W.M., Hilton S.W., Hall P.M. J.W., Burgess Secretary, Archdale S.D., Shepherd J.D., Hebden Dir. of Cers., Caldwell P.M. P.P.G.S.B., Needles Creswell, Wiltshire, Thomas, Hogg, Wood, Cooper, &c. Visitors—Bros. Outram P.M. and Secretary 1052, Stark S.W. 1052, Wild 344, Leigh P.M. 287, Barlow 1219, Lisenden (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE). Lodge was opened at 4.30, and after the minutes had been read and confirmed, Mr. Ernest Davies (son of Past Master Davies) was balloted for and unanimously elected to become a member of the Lodge. It had been hoped Mr. Davies would have been initiated by his father, but owing to the severe indisposition of the latter, this was rendered impossible. The ceremony, however, was impressively performed by Bro. Wadsworth, who was ably assisted by his Officers, each showing a careful training and study of their respective duties. No greater treat than listening to the E.A. charge, as rendered by Bro. Hebden P.G. Dir. of Cers., could possibly be wished for, and this highly popular and respected brother well deserved the encomiums passed upon him later in the evening, as he does the Prov. Grand rank recently bestowed. The candidate for passing being unable to attend, and there being no further business, hearty good wishes were expressed by the visitors, and the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 6.15. The brethren afterwards had tea, and at the social board the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed, including the Initiate, who responded in appropriate terms. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

PEGASUS LODGE, No. 2205.

THE installation meeting of this Lodge took place at the New Falcon Hotel, Gravesend, last Saturday, the 2nd inst., when Bro. the Right Hon. Charles Spencer, Lord Dungarvan, P.G.M. Somerset, was duly inducted into the chair. The ceremony was admirably rendered by Bro. C. F. Matier P.M. P.G.St.B. England, and at its termination the new Master was saluted by the brethren. The following Officers were then appointed for the ensuing year:—Bros. Rev. R. Morris, LL.D., I.P.M., A. N. Clemow S.W., C. Val. Hunter J.W., C. F. Matier Treasurer, John Barnett jun. Secretary, C. W. Hurst S.D., W. Baker J.D., Parker D.C., Passmore I.G., C. H. Chauffourier P.M. and Manot P.M. Stewards, and J. Bowdell Tyler. Past Masters jewels were subsequently presented to Bro. Rev. R. Morris and Bro. S. E. Stenbridge. Among those present, in addition to those above mentioned, were the following brethren:—Earl Amherst P.G.M. Kent, Lord Easton P.G.M. Norths and Hants, Col. S. H. Clerke Grand Secretary, Elsie Deputy P.G.M. Somerset, C. T. Elsworthy P.P.G.S.W. Somerset, W. Russell P.G. Treasurer Kent, Alfred Spencer P.G. Secretary Kent, Frank Richardson P.G.D., J. C. Biggs P.P.G.D.C. Kent, G. R. Cobham P.M. Royal Kent Lodge of Antiquity, and many others. The banquet was held at the Old Falcon Hotel, on account of alterations at the former hostelry, and the proceedings terminated at an early hour, as most of the brethren had to return to town.

PRESENTATION TO BRO. GEORGE EVERETT.

BRO. George Everett is a popular man; no one who was present at the Criterion on the 7th instant could question this. When 200 of one's friends assemble on any given occasion, especially to do an individual honour, we may readily concede he has made his mark. It will be well within the recollection of our readers how Bro. Everett successfully competed for the high and honourable post of Grand Treasurer, and how at the last Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge he was elected without opposition. To commemorate this happy event, some of his friends decided to present him with the full regalia and jewels of his office, and for this purpose a committee was formed. Bro. Harry Nelson Price was appointed Secretary, and Bro. Capt. T. C. Walls Treasurer, and these brethren were materially assisted by Bros. S. Cochrane, George Gardner, W. J. Ferguson, W. A. Downey, &c., &c. On the 7th inst. the brethren assembled, as we have stated, to make the presentation, and our good Brother Cochrane was selected as the President of the evening. In all "functions" of this sort, the proceedings are expected to commence with a banquet, and the present proved no exception to the rule. After the good things had been discussed, the Loyal toasts customary on such occasions were done full justice to, and then the Chairman rose to propose the toast of the evening—their guest, Bro. George Everett, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of England. Bro. Cochrane said that directly Bro. Everett's name was mentioned, he was convinced it would be received with a hearty cheer, such as had already been accorded their esteemed brother in Grand Lodge. Some two years ago Bro. George Everett was nominated for the Grand Treasurership of England, and although defeated, polled more votes than had ever been polled before. Those who had been in Grand Lodge in December last would remember the cheer given when Bro. John Glass P.M. nominated Bro. Everett, and he (the Chairman) had the pleasure of announcing to their worthy friend the gratifying intelligence within half-an-hour, and thus consoling him in his illness. After the disappointment of two years, it was thought that some amends should be made, and hence the gathering that evening. The best way to know a man was to hear the opinion of his oldest friends, and he would therefore read an extract from

the history of the Domestic Lodge, the members of which were the pioneers who really unearthed their Masonic jewel,—Bro. Everett. Bro. Cochrane, then read some passages from the History of the Domestic Lodge, which referred to the work done therein by their guest that evening, but which we feel it scarcely necessary on the present occasion to reproduce. Bro. Cochrane continued:—Bro. Everett was connected with several Lodges and Chapters, having been a founder of the Kennington Lodge, Chiswick Lodge, Kennington Chapter, and the Duke of Fife Lodge, and had carried out all that was fairly and honestly required of a Freemason. The Grand Treasurer was a Vice-President of all the Charities, and assisted them not only with his purse, but also with his presence, an evidence of the fact that he was composed of nothing but kindness, from the soles of his feet to the crown of his head. He should now have much pleasure in presenting Bro. George Everett with the clothing of Grand Treasurer, and also with an illuminated address which might hang in his ancestral halls long after he had passed to the realms of bliss. The address, which was a splendid specimen of the illuminator's art, read as follows:—

"United Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of England, and Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons; Wor. Bro. and Ex-Comp. Geo. Everett P.M. 177, 1881, 2012, and a member of the Kilburn and Duke of Fife Lodges; P.M. 177, 1881, 2012, Vice-President Royal Masonic Institution for Girls; Royal Masonic Institution for Boys; and Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution; member of the Board of Management of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, &c., &c., having been elected, un-opposed, on the 4th March 1891, to the high and distinguished position of Grand Treasurer, it was unanimously agreed, at a meeting of the representatives of the various Lodges and Chapters of which he is a member, that a set of Grand Officers' clothing and jewels should be presented to him, on Thursday, 7th May 1891, at the Criterion Restaurant. Bro. Geo. Everett was initiated into Freemasonry on the 19th August 1858, and since that period to the present time has discharged his many duties in a manner that has endeared him to a large circle of friends, and the donors of this testimonial trust he may be spared for many years to extend his sphere of Masonic and private usefulness."

Bro. Everett in reply, assured the Chairman and brethren that never in his life had he felt more deeply moved than on the present occasion, not only on account of the large and distinguished assemblage he saw around him—and amongst whom he numbered some of his oldest and dearest friends—but also by the kind, touching, and far too flattering manner in which the worthy Chairman had made the presentation. He was, as they knew, not unaccustomed to public speaking, and was generally able to return thanks in some suitable manner for the many compliments paid him, but that night he felt a very heavy responsibility rested upon his shoulders; that the task before him was far beyond his compass, and try hard as he might, he should signally fail in adequately thanking them for their splendid and generous gifts and for their kindness in coming in such large numbers to add éclat to its presentation. The value of the gift in his eyes was much enhanced by the fact that the movement in regard to it was of so spontaneous a character. It emanated from Masons with whom he had had the happiness to be associated for many years in Masonic work, notably Bros. Capt. Walls, Price, Ferguson, Gardner, Cochrane, and many others, and the way they devoted themselves to the work, and the successful issue to which it had arrived, reflected great credit upon them. They proceeded to perform their duties in a manner highly to be commended, for they invited the Masters and M.E.Z.'s of the Lodges and Chapters to which he belonged to meet, to consider how best to carry out the arrangements. He did not think any better mode could have been adopted, under any circumstances, and even the most fastidious could not take exception. The result had been the grand success they found that night, and he felt the brethren had done him honour and paid him a great compliment. From his heart he appreciated their kindness very sincerely indeed. With regard to the position of Grand Treasurer, he should like to say a few words. He now stood in that proud position; and to say that the present was the happiest moment of his life very feebly and imperfectly expressed what he felt. It was a great thing indeed to be the Grand Treasurer of England, and represent some 100,000 good men and true, who were his constituents. He wished to say again how delighted he was to see so large a company present, more especially as every Lodge and Chapter with which he was connected was well represented, and he thanked them all for paying this tribute of their regard and esteem. The approbation of his fellow men had been always the great desire of his heart—the one thing above all others he had sought; and he had a right to say, when he saw that splendid gathering, that to some extent he had succeeded. There was a good deal he should like to add—his heart was brimfull of gratitude for the great kindness he had received—and he would that he could express it in the way he should wish. However, he would ask them to take the will for the deed, and believe that his thankfulness knew no bounds. The success of the evening reflected the greatest credit on the Committee and his heart went out to them in grateful thanks. With all his soul he thanked them most sincerely and heartily for their kindness, and for coming there to show by their presence the esteem and respect they had for George Everett. The other toasts customary on these occasions had full justice done them; but there was a good musical entertainment available, and those present made the most of the facilities afforded them. In conclusion we may add the assembly throughout was essentially of a genial and fraternal character.

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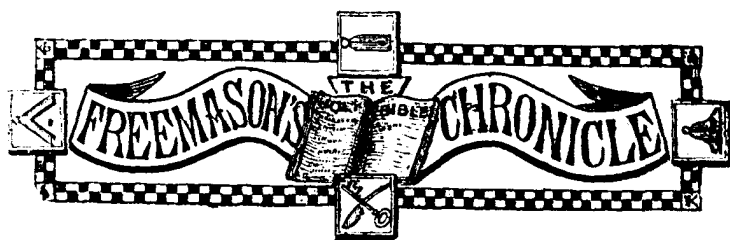
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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF EAST LANCASHIRE.

THE annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of
East Lancashire was held on Wednesday, the 6th
inst., in the Baths Assembly Rooms, Bolton. The
Right Wor. Bro. Col. Le Gendre Starkie, Prov. G.M.,
presided over a very numerous gathering, only two Lodges
out of the 103 forming the Province failing to send
representatives. W. Bro. W. O. Walker, Past Grand
Deacon of England, acted as D.P.G.M. in the absence
through illness of W. Bro. George Mellor, and the Wardens'
chairs were filled by Bros. J. O. S. Thursby and Captain
E. G. Lingard respectively. There was a strong
contingent of Provincial Officers, past and present, and of
visitors of high Masonic rank, among those supporting
Colonel Starkie being Bros. Edmund Ashworth P.G.D.
England, J. M. McLeod Secretary of the Royal Masonic
Institution for Boys, W. Goodacre P.G.S.B. Prov. G.
Secretary Cheshire, R. Newhouse Prov. G. Secretary
Cheshire, J. H. P. Leresche P.P.G. Reg., J. J. Meakin
P.P.G.W., and J. D. Porteous P.P.G.W. Renfrewshire.
The Prov. G. Treasurer's account, showing a balance of
£316 to the credit of the Prov. G. Lodge, was submitted
by the Prov. G. Secretary (Bro. J. Chadwick), the brother
responsible for the account having been called away from
England on business. Bro. W. Forrest P.M., as one of
the auditors, proposed the adoption of the account, and
expressed the gratification of the auditors with all the
books and vouchers submitted to them and with the way
in which the duties of the Treasurer had been continued
by Bro. Chadwick. Bros. J. Rigley P.M. and T. Rigby
P.M., the other auditors, seconded and supported the
motion, and it was adopted. The auditors were cordially
thanked for their services, on the motion of the Prov. G.M.,
seconded by Bro. J. H. Sillitoe. Bro. E. G. Harwood
P.P.G.W. proposed Bro. Job H. Greenhalgh P.M. 1723,
Bolton, for the Treasurership. The nomination was
seconded by the Acting D.P.G.M., supported by W. Slater
P.P.G.D., and carried unanimously. The Prov. G.
Secretary, in his annual report, said he was able to testify
to the inestimable benefits resulting from the visits of
Provincial Grand Officers to the Lodges during the past
year. He found from the reports of those visitors that
discipline had been generally well maintained in the
Lodges, that the work of Worshipful Masters and their
officers was upon the whole ably performed. During the
past year the Minnehaha Minstrels Lodge, 2363, and the
Dramatic Lodge, 2387, both in Manchester, had been
consecrated and added to the roll of the Province, making
the total of East Lancashire Lodges 103. Last year the
total number of members in the Province was 4,397; at
the present time their number was 4,537. Initiates and
joining members during the year had numbered 379, as
against 411 in the previous year; 55 brethren had died,
and 50 had been excluded from Lodges. The number in
arrear was 278, as against 321 a year ago. He wished to
urge upon lodges the desirableness of exercising strict
economy in the disposal of their funds, in order that they
might contribute more largely to the Masonic Charities.
The Provincial Grand Master said it was most gratifying
to find they had such a large army of subscribing brethren
within the order in this Province, striving to carry out
those great principles upon which Freemasonry was
founded, by contributing not only to the wants and
necessities of their fellow-men, but also to their rational
enjoyment. Bolton was the home of the oldest Lodge in
the Province (Anchor and Hope, 37), and in that town
Freemasonry had long had a deep and firm hold. The
attendance on the present occasion, and the way in which
the brethren conducted themselves, showed that
Freemasonry in this Province was no sham, but that its
principles entered sincerely into the hearts and feelings of

the members of the Fraternity within the Province. During last year in East Lancashire the Charities had been subscribed to nobly and generously. He had been wishful that while the London Masonic Charities should in no wise suffer, a special effort should be made to provide for what might be called their own family necessities. Such an effort had been made, and he thanked his Provincial Grand Officers for the special visits they had paid to Lodges during the year with the object of impressing upon the brethren the claims of the Systematic Institution, and also thanked the brethren for the response made to the appeal. He had acted without any wish to dictate to Lodges how they should dispose of their charity funds, but he had wished it to be understood that with a very small annual payment per member the children of all indigent brethren in the Province could be educated out of the Systematic Fund, and that in addition the Province, by its support of the London Institutions, might still be able to place in the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys or that for Girls any candidates whose circumstances might warrant or demand a superior education to that which could be given whilst they lived at home. In addition to these things, he was anxious that they should have the means to support locally aged Freemasons and widows of Freemasons until they could be elected to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. By increasing their local charities they would relieve rather than clog the efforts of the London Institutions. Seventeen years had elapsed since he presided at Provincial Grand Lodge in Bolton, and since then 18 or 19 Lodges had been added to the Province. Bro. E. G. Harwood, in moving the adoption of the Charity Committee's minutes, said that during the year the Province had elected a candidate to each of the three London Institutions. On two occasions of election to the Boys' and the Girls' Institutions there had been no candidate from the Province, although if the voting power of the Province was properly used it would return a candidate at every election upon these foundations. Bro. Sillitoe, who seconded the motion, suggested that the children educated under the Systematic Institution's arrangements should be periodically inspected by the Charity Committee, with a view to selecting the most fitting for candidature for the Royal Institutions. The minutes having been adopted, Bro. Harwood proposed that £50 should be paid to the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Educational and Benevolent Institution. Bro. J. J. Meakin P.P.G.J.W. seconded the motion, on condition that the amount was increased to £150. The proposer agreed, and the resolution was carried with applause. Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year were then invested in the following order :

W. Slater	S.W.
M. Fielding	J.W.
Rev. W. G. Proctor	} Chaplains
Rev. R. W. Perry-Cirouitt	
Job H. Greenhalgh	Treasurer
W. S. Weeks	Registrar
J. Chadwick	Secretary
W. Forrest	} Senior Deacons
T. H. Jenkins	
Martin Thomas	} Junior Deacons
Thomas Black	
Jos. Sutcliffe	Supt. of Works
John Studd	Dir. of Cers.
Alfred Hebden	Deputy Dir. of Cers.
J. Bowden	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
Robert Harrison	Sword Bearer
W. H. Holt	} Standard Bearers
T. Lawrenson	
J. P. Bedson	Organist
James Newton	Assist. Secretary
Charles Crabtree	Pursuivant
H. Mitchell	Assist. Pursuivant
F. W. Brockbank	} Stewards
T. Nightingale	
R. Cuerden	} Tyler
W. Chadwick	
W. Blain	
Thos. Higson	

Bro. Martin Thomas Prov. G.D. afterwards announced that the entertainment given in the Free Trade Hall on 11th April, by the Minnehaha Minstrels, in conjunction with members of the Minnehaha Minstrels' Lodge, had so far resulted in a sum of £266, although 15 Lodges had still to send in their accounts. The Prov. Grand Master expressed his deep sense of the services rendered by Bro. Thomas and those associated with him, and the thanks of Provincial Grand Lodge to all concerned in the entertain-

ment referred to. Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed in due form. About 200 brethren afterwards banqueted at the Town Hall, Colonel Starkie presiding.

PROV. G. LODGE OF STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE annual gathering was held in the Borough Hall, Stafford, on Tuesday, under the presidency of the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Col. Foster Gough. There was a very large muster of brethren, upwards of 250 signing the Tyler's book, but unfortunately there were a considerable number of abstentions owing to illness. Among those unable to be present from indisposition was the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Lieut.-Col. Bindley. The brethren assembled at noon, in the large hall, ranging themselves under the banner of their respective Lodges. There are 29 Lodges in the province, and all of them were represented. The officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, present and past, having entered the room and taken their places, were saluted with the grand honours of their respective rank. Bro. W. H. Hales P.P.G.S.W. took the place of the D.G.M. Bro. Barnett P.G.W., occupied the Junior Warden's chair in the absence of Bro. Heelis. The Provincial Grand Master opened Provincial Grand Lodge in the ancient form, and referred in a few well-chosen remarks to the death of the Pro Grand Master the Earl of Carnarvon, which had occurred since the last meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge. Letters of apology were announced from Bros. Sir Edmund Lechmere, Bart., P.G.M. Worcestershire, Col. Vernon P.P.G.M. Staffordshire, Col. Shadwell Clerke Grand Secretary of England, Col. Bindley, A. F. Godson, M.P., D.P.G.M. Worcestershire, F. James P.P.D.G.M. Staffordshire, R. G. Venables D.P.G.M. Shropshire, J. T. Collins D.P.G.M. Warwickshire, Rev. A. H. Talbot, E. W. Heelis, E. Hooper, R. A. Willcock, &c. The Provincial Grand Treasurer (Bro. C. A. Newnham) submitted the abstract of the accounts, which showed that there was a substantial balance, amounting to £62 8s 2d, to be carried forward. The accounts were adopted, and ordered to be entered on the minutes, and on the proposition of the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Newnham was unanimously re-elected Treasurer. The Provincial Grand Master, in addressing the Lodge, expressed his great gratification at the large attendance, the muster, he remarked, being in point of numbers almost without precedent. He described the state of Masonry in the Province as being very satisfactory, and mentioned that since the last meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge he had attended no fewer than 52 Masonic meetings in the Province. Subsequently he referred to several points affecting the internal government and working of the Lodges, and concluded his address with a cordial hope for the speedy restoration to health of Col. Bindley, and an expression of his warmest thanks to the officers and brethren of the various Lodges for their uniform kindness and courtesy towards himself. The following brethren were appointed to the various offices of Provincial Grand Lodge for the ensuing year :—

W. Webberley	Senior Warden
Dr. Hooper	Junior Warden
Rev. W. F. Bradley	} Chaplains
Rev. Vincent Litchfield	
C. A. Newnham	Treasurer
G. H. Stanger	Registrar
E. H. Thorne	Secretary
E. Hodgkinson	Senior Deacon
J. Davenport	Junior Deacon
E. B. Jackson	Supt. of Works
J. Woolridge	Dir. of Cers.
W. E. Challinor	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
T. Buxton	Sword Bearer
A. N. Lee	} Standard Bearers
J. Goodwin	
H. Hartland	Organist
Major G. N. Walker	Assist. Secretary
G. Platt	Pursuivant
Serjt.-Major Woods	Assist. Pursuivant
Capt. M. Beau	} Stewards
G. H. Tortoiseshell	
J. Beattie	} Tyler.
F. Taylor	
F. Skerrett	
H. Willcock	
W. Twist	

After the appointment of Officers, the brethren, wearing their regalia, walked in procession to St. Mary's Church. The volume of the Sacred Law was borne by four Lewises,

Masters Charles Fowke, Frank Bennett, George Batkin, and Reginald Podmore. An excellent sermon—distinguished, as Col. Gough afterwards remarked, for its universality, catholicity, and freedom from sectarian bias—was preached by P.G. Chaplain the Rev. W. F. Bradley, vicar of St. Peter's, Westbromwich, from the words "Man goeth forth to his work until the evening" (103rd Psalm, verse 23). The prayers were said by the Rector of Stafford, the Rev. D. R. Norman, and the Rev. Vincent Lichfield, Junior Chaplain, read the lesson. The collection amounted to £7 13s 9d. Of this sum, £2 10s was subsequently voted to the P.G. Chaplain, for parochial purposes in connection with his parish, £2 10s in aid of the funds of the Staffordshire General Infirmary, and the balance to the Rector of Stafford, in aid of St. Mary's Schools. After the service the brethren returned to the Borough Hall, and Provincial Grand Lodge was resumed. The Provincial Grand Master announced the receipt of a telegram from Colonel Bindley, who sent his loyal greetings and heartiest fraternal regards to all the brethren. With respect to the nomination of Bro. J. Bodenham, Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies, Provincial Grand Senior Warden, as representative for the Province of Staffordshire on the Board of Management of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, Bro. Bodenham was thanked for his past services, and the Provincial Grand Secretary was empowered to nominate him from time to time as occasion may require. The sum of twenty-five guineas was voted from the Prov. Grand Lodge in aid of the Boys' Institution. The question of establishing a fund for the relief of cases of distress within the Province was raised by Bro. T. Taylor (Hanley), and a Committee was appointed to consider the subject and to formulate a report. The Committee were also instructed to consider the relations of the Province with the Masons' Institutions and Charitable Associations, and to report upon the same. Votes of thanks were accorded the following:—The Provincial Grand Chaplain, for his excellent sermon; the Rector of St. Mary's, for the use of his church; the Staffordshire County Council and the Corporation of Stafford, for the use of the halls for the Lodge and the banquet. At the close of the proceedings in Lodge, a banquet was provided in the Shire Hall, the catering arrangements being carried out in a very satisfactory way by Miss Perks, manageress of the Swan Hotel. The P.G.M. presided. Following the dinner, the usual toasts were honoured, commencing with the Queen and the Prince of Wales G.M. of England. Bro. Webberley proposed, and Brother Bodenham replied to the toast,—the M.W. the Pro Grand Master the Earl of Lathom, the Right Hon. the Deputy G.M. the Earl of Mount Edgecumbe, and the Officers of the Grand Lodge of England present and past, and also proposed the health of the Provincial Grand Master, in terms of loyalty and devotion, concluding by applying to Col. Gough the poet's words—

No nonconforming sects disturb his reign,
He always rules us by our own consent.
His laws are easy, and his gentle sway
Makes it exceedingly pleasant to obey.

The Prov. Grand Master replied in felicitous and graceful terms, and then proposed the health of the Deputy Prov. Grand Master and the Officers of Prov. Grand Lodge. The Visitors were proposed by Bro. Pepper, and responded to by Bro. Massey, of the *Freemason*, and the Masonic Charities by Bro. Newnham, and responded to by Bro. Barker. The Prov. Grand Stewards were also toasted, Bro. Frederick Taylor, of Stafford, upon whom the great stress of all the arrangements had fallen, and whose services were very cordially acknowledged, responding. During the dinner the brethren of the Noah's Ark Lodge, Tipton, provided some capital music, and their services were very heartily acknowledged by the Prov. Grand Master, who also expressed the grateful thanks of the brethren to Bro. Dr. Taylor, of Stafford, for his services as Organist in the Lodge, in the absence of the Prov. Grand Organist. The Tyler's toast concluded the proceedings at the annual dinner.

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GRAND CHAPTER OF W. YORKSHIRE.

AT a Convocation of Grand Chapter, holden in the Salo Rooms, Low Street, Keighley, on Wednesday, 6th May 1891, at 3.0 p.m., by the invitation of Chapter Judea, No. 265, there were present:—Comps. Thomas William Tew, J.P., Past G. Prin. Soj. Grand Superintendent, Dr. T. C. Smayth, D.D., P.G. Assist. Soj. H., Thos. R. Vaux as J., Henry Smith S.E., Mark Newsome, J.P., as S.N., John E. Wordsworth Treasurer, John Gerrard Registrar, Thomas Richards Prin. Soj., George Hill 1st Assist. Soj., Edwin Lee 2nd Assist. Soj., Reuben Williamson as Sword Bearer, H. C. Pickersgill Standard Bearer, J. W. Monckman P. Soj. as Dir. of Cers., John Spencer Ass't. Dir. of Cers., Thomas Admiral Marsh Organist, Herbert G. E. Green Assist. S.E., Samuel Barrand Janitor, John Henry Roper as Steward, John Thrippleton Steward, Wm. W. Seed as Steward, James Jenkin Steward. Also representatives from the Chapters of the Province. Apologies for absence were received from three Prov. Grand Officers and 150 Companions. Comp. Thos. Wm. Tew, J.P., Grand Superintendent and Officers entered at 3.15, and Prov. Grand Chapter was opened in ample form. The Grand Superintendent and Prov. Grand H. and J. were saluted according to ancient custom. The minutes of the meeting held at Dewsbury, on Friday, 7th November, were presented for confirmation, when it was moved, seconded and resolved, "that they be taken as read and confirmed." The Grand Superintendent then delivered the following Address:—

COMPANIONS,—My first duty to-day is to acknowledge the very kindly reception which the Companions of this Convocation have accorded to the Provincial Grand Chapter of West Yorkshire, and to assure you how greatly your salutation is appreciated by your Superintendent and the Executive, as well as by the Present and Past Grand Officers of this Province.

It is a subject of congratulation to us to see such a strong muster of the Companions, in spite of the influenza epidemic which has been, and still is, passing over this country, a disease, I regret to say, which has caused much suffering to many of us, and carried off many eminent personages.

Let us, with humble hearts, pray the Lord Jehovah that of His tender mercy it may please Him to assuage the sickness wherewith we have been and are so sorely afflicted, and to restore the voice of joy and health into our dwellings.

Being the Annual Meeting, my next duty is to place before you the state of the Chapters under my superintendence.

In the Province there are thirty-eight Chapters—two not working. Of Z.'s and P.Z.'s there are 363, and of Companions there are 1,212; whilst during the year we have lost many members by death—no less, alas! than 33.

Such names as those of Companions Tozer, John Batley, Major R. W. Moore, Alfred Williamson, Dr. Bartolome, and Robert Craig, are still familiar to our ears, and we miss them from our midst.

Their charitable works will long linger in our memories, and encourage us to leave, like each of them, an honoured name, and stimulate us to follow in their footsteps of virtue, piety, and benevolence.

From deaths our numbers have decreased somewhat. They are less by eight Companions than on the 3rd May last year; and our balance of income is 17s less than in 1890. Income for the year 1890-1 was £89 19s 1d; balance in bank, £199 17s 3d. But this Chapter has had exceptional draws upon its resources, viz.: Library, £5; Standard, £10 10s; Girls' School Window, £13; Boys' School Grant, £21.

I beg to remind you of the most agreeable meeting holden in Dewsbury, on the 7th of November last, and how cordially this Chapter was received by the Mayor, Companion George Clay; how we were shown over that masterpiece of construction, the new Town Hall; and how its symbolism was carefully explained to us.

If that was a remarkable occasion, this one to-day may be called equally such, from the following facts.

This is the 52nd meeting of the Provincial Grand Chapter, and it has not yet hitherto assembled at Keighley. We have come here to-day for a particular purpose, unique in West Yorkshire, namely, to celebrate the 100th year of the unbroken history and continuous meetings of the Judea Chapter, No. 265 on the Roll of the Supreme Grand Chapter of England.

It has afforded Prov. Grand S.E. and myself much pleasure to promote a memorial from the Companions of the Chapter of Judea, praying for a Charter authorising them to wear a Centenary jewel, in accordance with the Royal Arch Regulations, Rule 102.

At the Quarterly Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter, held on Wednesday, the 4th February, this Memorial being in form, and the Chapter having proved an uninterrupted existence, which completed 100 years on the 23rd February 1891, the Committee having recommended that the prayer thereof be granted, this Charter was duly confirmed by Supreme Grand Chapter, and dated 23rd February 1891.

I shall shortly ask Prov. Grand Registrar to read this document, and then hand it over to the Z. of Judea, to be by him transmitted

to his successors in office, as a most valuable archive, until the Second Centenary takes place, and the granting of another one is added to the history of this Chapter.

I hope the warrant of this Chapter and the Charter may both be photographed, and these copies added to that volume of the Charters of the Chapters of this Province which Companion W. Watson is labouring to complete; so that even if fire destroyed the originals, as it has done those of the Aire and Calder Lodge and Chapter, Google, copies of these priceless documents will be preserved in our library at Wakefield for future reference.

The original Warrant of Judea Chapter is dated 24th February 1791, and the first meeting was held at the Devonshire Hotel, at Keighley, on the 1st May 1791.

The names of the founders thereon are Joseph Tempest Z., Thomas Dawson H., Thomas Teal J., William Robinson, Edward Dixon, David Baiston, Thomas Fox, Jeremiah Parker, Richard Hallersley, William Ireson, and John Binns.

Another circumstance to be recorded is, that Comp. Edwin Lee is Z. again this year, it being the wish of the Companions that he should occupy the First Principal's chair; and further, that all the other Officers of Judea Chapter, even including the Janitor, are P.Z.'s of No. 265.

This meeting of Prov. Grand Chapter, under this Banner, is one of rejoicing. We offer therefore our congratulations and felicitations to every Companion in No. 265, on its existence of 100 years, on the endurance of the Chapter, on the progress it has made, on the work of charity it has done, on the good example it has set of peace and goodwill to all around; and may it remain, as long as this Provincial Grand Chapter exists, one of the most useful and successful and loyal Chapters on our roll.

This Chapter now musters about 40 Companions, but I have no doubt this number will be increased after the events of to-day.

In testimony of my good-will, I have asked the Z. Comp. E. Lee to present to me each one of his Officers, beginning with himself, in order that I may fasten the Centenary jewel of the Order upon his sash.

My fervent desire and aspiration to each one of you is, wear this jewel as a token of the esteem of your Grand Superintendent. Go to your several avocations, and remember Masonry is that grand and universal science, which includes all others, but more especially that which teaches the knowledge of ourselves, and the duties incumbent on us as men, and Royal Arch Masons; and may the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, be with you and prosper you wheresoever you sojourn, whether in Egypt, Sinai, Babylon, Rome, or Judea, the latter symbolical of the "Land of Knowledge."

In whatever land your lot may be cast, your song being of Judah, signifying "Praise," follow well the ensign of this tribe—the Lion, the symbol of strength and of the king of beasts; ever march in the van of civilization, and on the East front of the symbolical Tabernacle. Keeping ever in mind, the mysterious and omnific Word, the name of the Supreme Being, in order to comprehend his great attributes and character, as Jehovah the Divine Creator, Governor and Redeemer of Mankind.

Companion John Gerrard P.Z. 154, Prov. G. Registrar, having read the Centenary Warrant of the Judea Chapter, the Grand Superintendent formally presented it, along with Centenary jewels, to Companion Edwin Lee and other Officers of the Chapter. Companion J. E. Wordsworth P.Z. 904, Prov. G. Treasurer, read and presented the Balance Sheet, which showed the balance in Messrs. Leatham, Tew and Co.'s Bank, Wakefield, on the 30th April 1891, to be £199 17s 3d. Moved by Companion W. F. Smithson P.Z. 289, P.P.G. Dir. of Cers., and seconded by Companion John Gerrard Prov. G. Registrar, and resolved, "that the Balance Sheet be received and adopted." Moved by Companion Wordsworth Treasurer, seconded by Companion Balme, and it was unanimously resolved, that Companion John Leach P.Z. 61, be elected Prov. Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year. The Grand Superintendent then appointed and invested his Officers for the ensuing year, as follow:—

J. L. Atherton	H.
T. R. Vaux	J.
Henry Smith	S.E.
Geo. H. Radcliffe	S.N.
John Leach (elected)	Treasurer
Aulay Macaulay	Registrar
Saml. T. Oates	P.S.
Hy. Trevor Gardiner	1st A.S.
John Thrippleton	2nd A.S.
James Jenkin	Sword Bearer
J. L. P. Pugh	Standard Bearer
Robt. Hy. Armitage	Dir. of Cers.
Alfred Gill	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
Alfred Scarth	Organist
Herbert G. E. Green	Assist. S.E.
Samuel Barrand	Janitor
Cornelius Wheawill	} Stewards.
Wm. Hy. Jessop	
William Bingham	
William Haigh	

Invitations to hold the November Convocation were received from the Z. and Companions of Chapters Sincerity, 61, Halifax, and Phoenix, 904, Rotherham. Moved by Companion Tudor Trevor Z. 306, seconded by Companion Fredk. Laxton P.Z. 275, and resolved, "That this Pro-

vincial Grand Chapter desires to record its pleasure and satisfaction at seeing the M.E. Grand Superintendent, Thos. W. Tew Past Grand Prin. Soj. of Eng. in his place at this Annual Convocation, and its earnest prayer that he may be blessed with many years of renewed health." Moved by Companion T. C. Smyth P.Z. Past Grand Soj., seconded by Companion Tew Grand Superintendent, and resolved, "That this Grand Chapter desires to place on record its deep sense of the great loss the Craft as well as the Church has sustained by the death of the Very Rev. Bro. William Connor Magee, Archbishop of York." Moved by Comp. Smithson Past Grand Standard Bearer England, seconded by Comp. T. W. Embleton P.Z. 1513, and resolved, "That a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the Z. and Companions of Judea Chapter, No. 265, for their kind invitation and excellent arrangements. Prov. Grand Chapter was closed at 4.45 p.m. Tea was provided at the Masonic Hall, Hanover Street, at 5 o'clock, and was partaken of by 50 Companions, the Grand Superintendent presiding.

VIRTUE AND HOPE CHAPTER, No. 237.

ON Monday, the 20th ult., the annual meeting was held at the Masonic Hall, Swansea, when there was a goodly attendance. The Chapter was opened by the retiring M.E.Z. Companion Bradford, who was supported by Companion Tennant Grand Superintendent Eastern Division South Wales, and a large body of members. The following visitors were present:—Comps. Hall P.Z. Talbot Lodge, Eynon P.Z. 1664, and Hood Williams P.Z. 464. The Officers were invested, as follows:—Comps. Sandbrook M.E.Z., Taylor H., Hughes J., Evans S.E., Joseph N., Morgan Williams P.S., Scott 1st A.S., John 2nd A.S., Jones Treasurer, M'Kim Dir. of Cers., Davies Organist, Bradford Steward, Bullerwell Janitor. The ceremony of installation was performed by each retiring Principal, who appointed his successor. Councillor M.E. ex-Companion Bradford was the recipient of a magnificent and valuable P.Z.'s jewel. Comp. Sandbrook made the presentation in a few felicitous remarks. He referred to the valuable services which Comp. Bradford had rendered the Hope during his twelve months of office. This was a very pleasing duty for him to perform, and he was sure they all joined with him in wishing Comp. Bradford long life and happiness. Most ex-Companion Tennant Grand Superintendent also spoke, eulogising Comp. Bradford for the able manner in which he had performed the duties of his office. Comp. Bradford suitably responded. The company then adjourned to the Castle Hotel, and partook of an excellent repast, provided by Mrs. Thomas.

THE THEATRES, &c.

Vaudeville.—Ibsenism is the craze of the moment, and Mr. Thomas Thorne is astute enough to see that for a time there is money to be made by the adoration of the Master's disciples on the one hand and the curiosity of the general public on the other. He has therefore deplaced Lytton's charming comedy for "Hedda Gabler," perhaps the least objectionable work of this fin de siècle author, and crowded houses are the result. Without entering into any discussion as to the value of Ibsen's teaching, we may point out that although it may be the dramatist's privilege "to hold the mirror up to nature," it is by no means necessary that the worst side of humanity should be displayed. We need no new teacher to inform us of the baneful effects of evil minded men and women, but it is difficult to divine the object in presenting such a repugnant character as Hedda Gabler. She appears to be the very incarnation of selfishness—individualism the Ibsenites term it; and as she at length falls into a man's power, she prefers emancipation by suicide rather than remain a slave. Apart from the play the acting is most admirable. Miss Elizabeth Robins gives a perfect portrayal of this terrible heroine, whose bursts of fury, when opposed, resemble those of a maniac, indeed it would be charity to surmise that such a woman was insane. The picture is horrible, but attractive, and the artist deserves commendation. The villainous Judge Brack finds an admirable exponent in Mr. Charles Sugden, the dissolute Lovborg is ably represented by Mr. Arthur Elwood, and Miss Marion Lea gives a pretty but lachrymose impersonation of her double-sided character. The only two decent personages are George Tesman and his good old maiden aunt, yet one can hardly sympathise with them as they behave so foolishly. They are, however, capitaly represented by Mr. Scott Buist and Miss Henrietta Cowen. As a dramatic novelty the piece is interesting, but too much Ibsen would be somewhat depressing.

Mr. Henry Irving, as president of the Actors' Benevolent Fund, will take the chair at the annual dinner, to be held at the Hotel Métropole, on 24th June. Mr. Wilson Barrett re-opens the Olympic to-day with morning and evening performances of "The Silver King." Two representations will also be given on Whit Monday. "The Dancing Girl" has proved so great a success that Mr. Beerholm Tree has decided to take it on a provincial tour, and will open at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, on 3rd August. Nearly £200 has been handed to the Actors' Benevolent Fund by Mr. Charles Wyndham, as the result of a performance of "David Garrick" given in aid of that Institution last week, at the Criterion.

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.

Saturday, 16th May.

1118 Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green
1329 Sphinx, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
1584 Loyalty and Charity, Star and Garter, Kew
1767 Kensington, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill
2308 Vintor, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 1572 Carnarvon, Albion, Aldersgate Street
M.M. 251 Tenterden, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
811 Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
1326 Lebanon, Lion Hotel, Hampton
1494 Felix, Clarence Hotel, Teddington
1556 Addiscombe, 105 High Street, Croydon
1861 Claremont, Crown Hotel, Chertsey
2035 Beaumont, Royal Hotel, Kirkburton
R.A. 68 Royal Hotel, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
R.A. 1191 Royal Middlesex, Mitre, Hampton Court
R.A. 2048 Henry Lovander, Railway Hotel, Harrow

Monday, 18th May.

1 Grand Masters', Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
715 Panmure, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
1159 Marquis of Dalhousie, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1910 Shadwell Clerke, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill
2060 La Franco, 68 Regent Street, W.
R.A. 1593 Trafalgar, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
M.M. 224 Menatschin, Criterion, Piccadilly
K.T. 127 Bard of Avon, 33 Golden Square, W.

77 Freedom, Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
236 York, Masonic Hall, York
248 True Love and Unity, F.M.H., Brixham
331 Phoenix, Public Room, Truro
359 Peace and Harmony, F.M.H., Southampton
382 Royal Union, Public Rooms, Uxbridge
424 Borough, Half Moon Hotel, Gateshead
466 Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron
622 St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, Wimbome
725 Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth
925 Bedford, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
934 Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield
1030 Egerton, George Hotel, Heaton Norris
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
1170 St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1199 Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury
1208 Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover
1602 Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1900 Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
R.A. 40 Emulation, Castle Hotel, Hastings
R.A. 139 Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield
R.A. 734 Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Duffield
M.M. 324 Hunter, Masonic Hall, Rhyl
K.T. 39 Fearnley, Masonic Hall, Dowsbury

Tuesday, 19th May.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, 4
194 St. Paul, Cannon Street Hotel
1420 Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge
1695 New Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury
2195 Anglo-American, Criterion, W.
R.A. 19 Mount Sinai, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 205 Israel, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 228 United Strength, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
M.M. 238 Prince Leopold, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
414 Union, Masonic Hall, Reading
213 Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Norwich
384 St. David, Masonic Rooms, Bangor
418 Menturia, Mechanics Institute, Hanley
667 Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1006 Tregallow, Masonic Rooms, Scorrier, Cornwall
1052 Callander, Masonic Rooms, Manchester
1089 De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness
1113 Anglesea, Bull Hotel, Llangefni
1276 Warren, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
1325 Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1427 Percy, Masonic Hall, Newcastle
1470 Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable
1482 Isle of Axholme, Masonic Hall, Crowle, Linc.
1534 Concord, George Hotel, Prestwich
1551 Charity, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
1570 Prince Arthur, 140 North Hill St., Liverpool
1726 Gordon, Assembly Rooms, Bognor
1764 Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Northampton
1041 St. Augustine's, Shrewsbury Arms, Rugleoy
2045 Wharton, Willesden
2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton
R.A. 41 Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Bath
R.A. 300 Perseverance, Pitt & Nelson, Ashton-u-Lyne
M.M. Lebanon, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
M.M. 166 East Sussex, Castle Hotel, Hastings
M.M. 266 Amherst, Masonic Hall, Sandgate

Wednesday, 20th May.

General Committee of Grand Lodge and Lodge of
Benevolence, F.M.H., at 6
174 Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham St. W.C.
619 Beadon, Greyhound Tavern, Dulwich
700 Nelson, Masonic Hall, William St., Woolwich
969 Maybury, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
1278 Burdett Courts, Approach Tav, Victoria Park
1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel, Wimbledon
1382 Corinthian, George Inn, Cubitt Town
1803 Cornhill, King's Head, Fenchurch Street
R.A. 141 Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
M.M. 144 Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
M.M. 181 Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
M.M. 199 D. of Connaught, Town Hall, Shoreditch

20 Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
121 Mount Sinai, Public Buildings, Penzance
125 Prince Edwin, White Hart Hotel, Hythe
137 Amity, Masonic Hall, Market Street, Poole
128 Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bury, Lancashire
175 East Medina, Masonic Hall, Ryde, I.W.
178 Antiquity, Royal Hotel, Wigan
200 Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
221 St. John, Commercial Hotel, Bolton
216 Royal Union, Freemasons' Hall, Cheltenham

258 Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
277 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham
325 St. John's, Freemasons' Hall, Salford
342 Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, Liverpool
380 Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley
387 Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate, Shipley
451 Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem
580 Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
581 Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
592 Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirencester
608 Segrantum, The Castle, Carnarvon
633 Yarborough Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
683 Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Newport, Mon.
617 United, George Hotel, Colchester
755 St. Tudno, Freemasons' Hall, Llandudno
816 Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Warrile
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
874 Holmesdale, Royal Sussex, Tunbridge Wells
910 St. Oswald, M.H., Ropergate, Pontefract
962 Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Workington
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1019 Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Wakefield
1040 Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield
1086 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale
1129 St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
1246 Holte, Aquarium Assembly Rooms, Aston
1301 Brighthouse, Masonic Room, Brighthouse
1353 Duke of Lancaster, Athenaeum, Lancaster
1443 Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
1511 Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull
1536 United Military, Masonic Hall, Plumstead
1634 Starkie, Railway Hotel, Rumbottom
1615 Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Slaitwaite
1971 Army and Navy, Imperial Hotel, Aldershot
1983 Mawdick, St. Ann's Bldgs. Barmouth, Wales
R.A. 288 Loyal Todmorden, M.H., Todmorden
R.A. 431 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Newcastle
R.A. 530 Unity, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
R.A. 625 Devonshire, Norfolk Arms Hotel, Glossop
R.A. 663 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Donizes
R.A. 617 Fortescue, Masonic Hall, Doniton
R.A. 1359 Formor Hesketh, M.H., Liverpool

Thursday, 21st May.

House Committee Girls' School, Battersea, at 4

55 Constitutional, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
813 New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
1227 Upton, Spotted Dog, Upton
R.A. 63 St. Mary, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge
R.A. 217 Stability, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 742 Crystal Palace, Thicket Hotel, Auerley
R.A. 834 Andrew, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith
R.A. 1216 Macdonald, 1st Surrey Rifles, Camberwell
M.M. 7 Carnarvon, Café Royal, W.

42 Relief, Albion Hotel, Bury
56 Howard, High Street, Arundel
98 St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
100 Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Gt. Yarmouth
203 Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
268 Union, Queen's Arms Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne
600 Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
283 Amity, Swan Hotel, Market Place, Haslingden
337 Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
341 Wellington, Cinque Ports Hotel, Ryo
343 Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Preston
344 Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
345 Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn
344 United Brethren, Royal Oak, Clayton-le-Dale
350 Charity, Grapes Inn, Stoneclough
387 Probity and Freedom, Red Lion, Smallbridge
369 Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Clitheroe
456 Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttroter
462 Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Hotel, Accrington
523 John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester
R.A. 97 Strict Benevolence, M.H., Sunderland
R.A. 107 Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, King's Lynn
R.A. 249 Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 283 Wisdom, Swan Inn, Haslingden
R.A. 1235 Phoenix of St. Ann, Court Hotel, Baxton
M.M. 21 Howe, George Hotel, Melton Mowbra

Friday, 22nd May.

197 Jerusalem, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, Agricultural Hall, N.
401 Royal Forest, Hawk to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn.
460 Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
566 St. German, M.H., the Crescent, Selby
652 Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth
810 Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton
1034 Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill
1393 Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1712 St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Newcastle
1039 Londonderry, M.H., Park Terrace, Sunderland
R.A. 1036 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale
M.M. 164 Southdown, Station Hotel, Haywards Heath

Saturday, 23rd May.

1541 Alexandra Palace, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct
1679 H. Muggerridge, M.H., Masons' Avenue, E.C.
1871 Gosling Murray, Town Hall, Hounslow
R.A. 176 Caveac, Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C.
R.A. 1014 Mid-Surrey, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
149 Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham
410 Grove, Sun Hotel, Kingston
453 Chigwell, Forest Hotel, Chingford
1464 Erasmus Wilson, Pier Hotel, Greenhithe
1982 Greenwood, Public Hall, Epsom.
2309 George Gardner Village Hale, Datchett, Bucks

INSTRUCTION.

Saturday, 16th May.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav, Southgate Rd., N. 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7
1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1351 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8

1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W. 8

Monday, 18th May.

22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St.,
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7
180 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8
218 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon, 7
382 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
518 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford,
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7:30
933 Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, 8
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:3
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8
1339 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6:30
1425 Hyde Park, Porchester Hot, Cleveland Gdns., 8
1445 Prince Leopold, 27 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall Canterbury, 8
1459 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 7:30
1537 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 7:30
1535 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney
1608 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8:30
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8
1743 Perseverance, Deacon's Tavern, Wallbrook, 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
2192 Warner, Bridge Chambers, Hoe Street, Walthamstow, 8

Tuesday, 19th May.

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, 7:30
188 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, 8
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7:30
753 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill,
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 7:30
829 Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Sidcup, 7
860 Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Dalston, 8
861 Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle St., 7
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8
1321 Emblematic, Mona Hotel, Henrietta St., W.C., 8
1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex
1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7:30
1446 Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30, 8
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1473 Bootle, 146 Barry Street, Bootle, 6
1510 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.
1638 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton,
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N., 8
1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8
2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6:30
R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8
R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8
R.A. 1613 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

Wednesday, 20th May.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8
30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30
65 Prosperity, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., 7
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Londenhall St.,
223 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
533 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
591 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7
781 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav, Burdett Rd., 7:30
813 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Rd.
862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8
902 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8:30
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney
1356 Texteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30
1475 Peckham, 518 Old Kent Road, 8
1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull
1601 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rusby Green, Catford, 8
1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7:30
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7:30
1691 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair 8
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8:30
1791 Creton, Wheatheaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8
1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8
1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7:30
2206 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 8
R.A. 177 Domatic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
R.A. 720 Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, E.C., 7
R.A. 933 Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., 7:30
M.M. Grand Masters, 21 Red Lion Square, 7
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., 8

Thursday, 21st May.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.
435 Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8
754 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8
879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New Road
800 Camden, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8
1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1153 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7:30
1278 Burdett Courts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8
1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
1744 Royal Savor, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8
1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7:30
1994 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

1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 7'30

1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6'30

1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8

1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7

1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8

1802 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse, Liverpool Road, N., 8

1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7'45

1814 Coven: Garden, Criterion, W., 8

1825 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7'30

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