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## THE GIRLS' SCHOOL ELECTION.

THE ballot paper for the October Election of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, which has just been issued to the subscribers, gives evidence of the continued prosperity and success of the charity, inasmuch as there are twenty-one vacancies available for twenty-six approved candidates. For some time past we have seen the Girls' School able to provide for nearly all the claims made upon it, and although we do not for one moment suppose that every case of distress among the daughters of deceased Craftsmen is brought forward in competition for its benefits, we know that a large proportion of the most deserving ones are, with the most satisfactory results; and so long as the supply can keep pace so well with the demand as is the case this half-year the Freemasons of England will have additional cause to be proud of their oldest Charitable Institution.

Of the 26 candidates on the present list two only are last applications, No. 7, Elsie Helen Kilpin, who was a candidate in April last, and then secured 1917 votes, the highest number brought forward for this election; and No. 17, Agnes Minnie Anthony, who now comes forward for the first time. The former is an Essex case, her father having been initiated in the True Friendship Lodge, No. 160, where he rose to the office of Junior Warden; she is one of seven children now dependent on a widowed mother. The other last applicant comes from Kent, where her father was initiated in the Gundulph Lodge, No. 1050, and of which he was a Past Master; she is one of four children dependent on her mother.

Two of the candidates will make their third application next month; five others will then apply for the second time, and the remaining nineteen are first applications. London Lodges are answerable for nine of the candidates, and share responsibility with Provinces in two others. Hampshire and the Isle of Wight has three independent cases on the list, and is associated with West Lancashire in one, and with Kent in another; while the Essex Lodges have three cases of their own. Beyond this there is no Province primarily interested in two candidates, although both Kent and East Lancashire have independent cases of their own in addition to sharing responsibility with one case with some other district. Sussex and Oxfordshire each have a case, as also has the Foreign Stations, represented by Madras; and the military division, through the 2nd Battalion 1st Royal Regiment. The other divisions interested are Gloucestershire, West Lancashire, Warwickshire and West Yorkshire, each of which share with other districts responsibility in regard to individual cases.

Altogether, then, it will be recognised that the record is a particularly light one and with so large a proportion of vacancies available in proportion to

the number of applicants there is no reason why all the most deserving cases should not be relieved. It will no doubt seem hard to the five ultimately left over that they should not have been successful, but let us hope that their time will come ere long, and that however much they may regret their own failure they will never envy the success of their more fortunate sisters.

We do not make a rule of singling out any of the candidates for special mention, because with the information before us it is so very difficult to give all the credit due in special cases, but occasions do arise when we depart from the rule, and say an extra word or two on behalf of one or other of the candidates. Such a case presents itself to-day, when we see the name of a dear old friend on the list, in the person of the late Bro. F. Rath. He was a thorough Mason, true to his obligation—aye, perhaps too true, for we have known him render services to his brethren which would have borne the designation of injudicious were he not ready to defend them on the plea of Fraternity. Unfortunately he died without making that preparation for his family which he might have done had he studied his own interests alone, and as a consequence his daughter is a candidate for our Girls' School. We wish it was in our power to guarantee her election, but as it is not we can only ask our friends to spare us a few votes for the case, which we know to be thoroughly deserving of all the assistance one brother can render to another. Our friends will see the candidate is No. 15 on the list, and we hope many voters will be able to support her.

## ONE ALONE IS SUPREME.

WHAT is time? Let us see if we can explain that. What is time? and what is the passage of time? It has been said that there is no past or future, that there is nothing but the present. It has also been said that there is no present, that there is nothing but past and future; and both propositions have been equally well demonstrated by the metaphysicians. There is no present, because the present is infinitesimal; it is less than an assignable quantity; it is less than nothing; the two sides look out to infinity and are lost. On the other hand, it is just as well to demonstrate the other way, and say that there is nothing but the present, because the past exists only in the memory of one whole in the present, and that the future exists only in the imaginative anticipation of one who is living in the present. Past and future are two mental consorts, which can exist or live only in the present mind—that is, in the living; so that the present is all that there is, and the present is nothing; therefore time does not exist and there is no time.

We will improve upon that now and turn the tables on that school of thought entirely, and instead of nihilism we will have a sort of universality of substantial reality. Now, let us see about the present. The present is infinitesimal,

it is continuous; it is a continuous indivisibility, and, therefore, it is eternal, and eternity is all that there is. Eternity is the presupposition of time, and time cannot be without eternity. Now, that is the truth; this is not a metaphysical play, but the truth, as I will show to you. Let us see: Time, past, present, and future—three divisions. Now, neither of those can be at all—it is impossible that either of them should be—without the fourth thing that precedes and pervades them, namely, succession. If there were no succession there could not be past present or future.

Now, still another step: unless there were another thing there could not be any succession. What is it that denotes succession? Why, it is something that endures. Duration is the ground of all forms of succession, past, present and future. Time is only a phenomenon of a spirit, and a spirit, a self-consciousness, is a living and unchangeable unity, and there we get God and immortality.

Now, the trouble at the present time is that physical science, which gives its attention wholly to phenomena, to mere shifting relationships, things that come and go, has lost its grip upon the unity of the spirit, and it believes that there is nothing but phenomena; that there is neither God, nor moral law, nor immortality, and physical science can give us neither of the three, because it has nothing to do with them; it deals merely with the laws of co-existence, cause and effect; it cannot tell anything about God at all. You will find that the great physicists, like Huxley and Tyndall, deny that there is any such thing as God. They say that all that we know are antecedents and consequents; one set of things exists, another set follows it, and so on, and that is all that there is; that our idea of a cause that produces those things is mere absurdity; that no such cause exists. And so they come to utter infidelity, atheism and annihilation.

Now, the trouble with them is that they confine their thinking to the field in which they spend their lives, the field of mere phenomena. But there cannot be a phenomenon, without the existence of something of which it is the manifestation. The manifestation of a phenomenon presupposes necessarily a being which is cause of the appearance. Now, in regard to this unity of the human spirit. The deepest thinkers who have ever lived—if it were appropriate I could name to you a good many, but it would seem like pedantry—all agree, without one single exception, that the unity of spirit, the unity of mind, is eternal; that it has nothing to do with decay. And the trouble with unbelief is that, it being conscious only of the changing states of this unity which pass along after one another and vanish away, it has nothing else. Unbelievers fail to penetrate deeply enough by introspective thought beyond mere phenomena, and into the unity of self-consciousness, the existence of which is obvious to the senses. But reason can penetrate beneath, and can grasp this necessary unity of self-consciousness which gives the basis of eternal duration, and links the soul of man with the infinite Creator. That is really the ground of this constantly increasing doubt and denial which are the great characteristics of the present time, this ever-spreading flood of materialism, of absorption in the external and the transient, without any appreciation of the profound and beautiful mysteries of the interior man. Why, there have been manifestations in consciousness of which not one person out of a hundred millions ever began to dream; and how sublime and wonderful they are! How many people are there, I would like to ask now, who are competent to grapple with the higher region and the applications of the differential and integral calculus in mathematics? Why, perhaps, not a dozen persons on the whole earth are capable of it. All the rest take it for granted, take it on trust, on the authority of others; and they are perfectly right in doing so. But the moment you come to the region of religion and morality, they refuse to take anything on trust. And why? I will tell you the reason why. Because the clergy, the established powers who have taught religion, have been so superstitious and tyrannical that the human race has received their teachings in rebellion, and has refused to take their word for anything. They have lied so often, have cheated so much, and have pretended so much, that the mass of mankind have no confidence in them, and will not trust them at all. I do not blame them for that. But there is a mixture there of right and wrong, of sophistry with correct reason, which we ought to have cleared up. The time will come when, as with the Catholic church now, the

temporal power being destroyed, they will have a great opportunity, which they are not ready to assume. Give them an opportunity, not to govern mankind and to bring it up to the ring by threats and compulsion, but simply by teaching what they know, and allow absolute liberty of thought everywhere, and then, in due time, when mankind finds out that they are not pretending, and have no self-interest underneath their teachings, it will accept their authority in matters of religion and morality just as it accepts now the authority of men in matters relating to the physical science.

What is authority? It is a perfectly right thing, but it is often abused and turned into tyranny. Authority is this: that manifestation in any one which gives the impression of competency; it is that in any one who commands or affirms, which gives the appearance, the impression, of competency to speak or act with regard to that which he commands or affirms; it is that which gives the impression that he is competent and has the right to command and affirm. That is authority.

Well, what is it that gives the right or the competency to command or affirm? Why, either the possession of the power to enforce the sanction, or the possession of the requisite knowledge of the truth. That is perfectly legitimate. And when, as I say, we have freed the tyrannical religious leaders and teachers of the world from all their superstition and tyranny, and have converted them into simple teachers instead of would-be rulers, their authority will be full as sweet.

However, I am afraid that my attempts at explanation are getting a little wearisome, and I will say only one word more. I have no fear whatever myself that this present state of agnosticism, as they call it, this state of know-nothingism beyond the range of phenomena, is permanent or alarming. It is a necessary and wholesome reaction and rebellion against the excesses of the past; and in due time, when it has fulfilled its mission, it will pass away. The intrinsic beliefs of the enlightened part of mankind, wherein they have agreed through all the ages, are unquestionably real insights into the everlasting truth; and the welfare of the human race depends on their prevalence and authority, and they will not be overthrown. The fear that so many have that the great doctrines of religion are doomed to die before the advance of physical science is the emptiest of all fears.

In this our transient life here on the earth, surrounded everywhere by the awful unknown, the interests, the principles, the passions, the duties, and the faiths of men have representative structures crowning the landscape of society. Some of these are superior; some are inferior; one alone is supreme, and will always remain so. Above the workshop of toil, above the counting house of traffic, above the school-house of study, above the court-house of law, above the state-house of legislation, rises the temple of religion, the home of earth and worship, whose significance includes and transcends all the rest, even as the Creator embraces the creation, and as eternity surpasses time.

—Voice of Masonry.

## PAST AND PRESENT.

THE assumed deterioration of Freemasonry is a proposition that we have heard affirmed, not infrequently of late, in gatherings of Craftsmen. The vital force of the organization is impaired, say some. Brethren are not bound in as close relations by the mystic tie as formerly. There is a noticeable abatement of personal attachment to the institution on the part of its members, many of them ranking it among other fraternal societies to which they belong, and according to it no special prominence in their thought and regard. In these and other respects Freemasonry is losing ground, we are told by our critical friends inclined to take gloomy views of the situation. They affirm that the good old days of Freemasonry showed the institution at its best, both in the expression of its primary principles and its actual service among its own followers and in the community. It has become more subjected to selfish, worldly influences, and is therefore less honourable and useful. While, perhaps, these assertions may be justified in part, and contain enough of truth to suggest a warning to the Craft, there is no sufficient evidence to warrant the affirmation that Freemasonry is deteriorating and no longer fulfilling the benign

purposes for which it was established. Its beneficent ministries were never more largely exercised than now; its ceremonies never more intelligently enacted; its moral lessons never more impressively set forth, and most certainly the Masonic Brotherhood still holds the foremost place among secret organizations of a fraternal character.

Conceding that there are blemishes and shortcomings—new departures that are not in the line of real progress—we yet hold to the opinion that the Freemasonry of the closing decade of the Nineteenth Century shows no impairment of vital force, nor perversion to selfish and base uses, such as justifies the charges sometimes brought against it by those within its communion as well as those outside its courts.

Think of the personal service rendered to the call of sympathy and philanthropy, at the fraternal spirit kindled at the fires of Masonic shrines, of the Homes and Asylums builded and sustained by the Craft and now doing a blessed work of relief under the administration of a large hearted, full handed charity! Most surely Freemasonry is not deteriorating either in form or substance—in outward service or the power and beauty of its inner life. There may be “spots on our feasts of charity,” but the Masonic condition taken as a whole is full of encouragement.

—*Freemasons' Repository.*

## PUBLIC MASONIC CEREMONIES.

**N**OW and then a disposition is manifest in some Lodges to express a desire for a public occasion where the Masons may take part. It occurs when there is to be, by the profane, a procession to celebrate an event that is of public interest.

Profane societies, associations of individuals united for a secular object, the military organisations, and citizens generally, are to be participants in the pageant.

If, as is likely, Masons are members of some of these organisations, they, of course, would prefer to appear in their Masonic character. Hence, it is suggested that the Masonic Lodges of the locality participate.

The enthusiasm of the inhabitants of the place is excited by the promised parade. Therefore whatever tends to the gratification of this feeling is of course popular.

It is no wonder then, that the Masonic Fraternity thereabouts is more or less affected by the prevailing excitement.

A proposition is discussed among the brethren to try and secure the Lodges to take part in the ceremonies and appear as Lodges.

A very little reflection will show that the Freemasons in their organised Lodges can have no place in the public ceremony. Though the purpose may be ever so patriotic, the aim and intent of those engaged in furthering the proceeding of the highest and best, yet as Freemasons they cannot unite.

Freemasonry has its own special duties, its own laws, its own traditions, customs and characteristics. It is in itself withdraw from all associations with the profane. Its objects and its purposes are limited within the strictest rules. The Craft meet by themselves, they transact their own business among themselves. They prohibit all but members of the Lodge to enter their portals; they are distinct from the people as Masons; though as men they are part of the general public.

When Masons appear outside of their sealed enclosures, it is for a special, particular and thoroughly recognised Masonic purpose. So far as it is permissible for Masons, as Masons, to appear in public for some appropriate Masonic duty, it is ever then guarded by the strict rules which limit the demonstration, and especially the part they take.

Therefore it is unbecoming, it is a tacit contradiction of the spirit of Masonry; it is placing the Craft in antagonism to its principles, its usages and customs, for Lodges to participate in public ceremonies.

There are no public Masonic ceremonies at which Lodges can appear except as an assembly of the members of the Lodge.

The dedication of a Masonic hall, the laying of a corner-stone of some public building, and the obsequies of a member of a Lodge, on which occasions Lodges are present, yet remember the Lodge only then is the assembling of its members in public. Of course, every Mason

must know that a Masonic Lodge, as lawfully warranted and duly constituted, can only meet as a Lodge in its tyled room, under the essential, unalterable law regulating such meetings.

Then it is preposterous to say that a Lodge can perform any Masonic ceremony—that is, Masonic *per se*—in public.

Freemasonry never can be an adjunct in any public demonstration, as a Lodge. Its members as citizens, may of course, unite with their fellow citizens in every proper public ceremony. But do not forget that as a Masonic Lodge, that body cannot assume to appear in its constituted character elsewhere than as is prescribed by the laws of Masonry.

It is at least a satisfaction to know that, amid the excitements and the motives which create them, which the profane delight to enjoy, there is a hoary, ancient, distinguished and historic body, that can “look out upon the busy world from the loopholes of retreat,” in harmony and satisfaction, made glorious by its maintained and honourable character, its adhesion to principle, and its moderation in the discharge of imperative duties.

—*Keystone.*

By command of the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. A. F. Godson, M.A., M.P., the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Worcestershire will be held at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Dudley, on Monday, the 19th inst., at 4 o'clock in the afternoon precisely. A banquet will take place at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Dudley, at 5 p.m. Tickets (exclusive of wine), 6s 6d each.

At a meeting of the Socrates Lodge, No. 373, held at the George Hotel, Huntingdon, on Tuesday, the 6th inst., a Provincial Grand Organist's jewel was presented to Brother Edward Solomon P.G.O. the Organist of the Lodge, as a mark of appreciation for his musical services. Bro. A. E. Margetts W.M. made the presentation, which was suitably acknowledged.

At the monthly meeting of the St. Peter's Lodge, No. 1024, on Tuesday, the 6th inst., Bro. C. R. Finch, of Great Baddow, was elected W.M. for the ensuing year. Bro. H. J. Sanson P.P.G.J.D. was elected Treasurer, and Bro. Geo. Burnes Tyler. The Worshipful Master elect was appointed to represent the Lodge on the Essex Charity Committee.

Next to an extremely liberal grant to the Mansion House Fund for the relief of the burnt-out people of St. John's, Newfoundland, the most interesting feature of last Wednesday's Grand Lodge of Freemasons was the display on the walls of the “Temple” of a full-length portrait of Lord Lathom, the Pro Grand Master. The painting and the likeness are alike admirable, and do infinite credit to Mr. B. S. Marks, the artist.—*The World.*

On the 9th inst., the Benevolent and Charity Committee of the Provincial Grand Lodge of West Lancashire held a meeting at the Masonic Hall, Hope Street, Liverpool, where there was a very large and influential attendance, under the Chairmanship of Bro. R. Wylie. The business of the meeting was to consider petitions for grants from the Provincial Grand Lodge Fund of Benevolence, and as a result of the committee's deliberations the sum of £60 was voted in aid of distressed Freemasons and the widows of deceased brethren.

Sometimes we hear it said that “the Masons always stand by one another, whether right or wrong.” Nothing is wider of the truth. A departure from rectitude by a Mason is likely to secure swift and adequate punishment. In most contentions Masons are likely to be found on either side. It is no uncommon thing to find two Masons candidates for the same office. It is then impossible for Masons to support both. In other departments of human activity Mason is often arrayed against Mason. The charge is often heard by the ignorant and bigoted that Masons shield each other from the consequences of wrong-doing. The facts do not bear out this assertion. The judge on the bench may be the most active and zealous Mason, but that does not in any way shield the wrong-doer, who may have forgotten his Masonic vows in doing a wrong to his fellow-man who is not a Mason. The juryman does not allow his Lodge membership to determine the issue of fact favourably to his Masonic brother, against one not a Mason. Masonry does not teach him to do so. The true Mason is taught to deal justly and mercifully to all. Masonry does not seek to lead men to make gain of its privileges, and discourages all from coming to its portals for mercenary or selfish motives. It does teach them high ideas of human character, and bids them build on the sure foundation of truth. In view of these considerations, easily verified by any Mason, there is no shadow of truth in the statement sometimes made that the wrong is upheld by Masons to shield a Mason.—*Illinois Freemason.*

## NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

## CRAFT.

CONSECRATION OF THE MINERVA LODGE,  
No. 2433.

THE ancient Craft of Freemasonry is making rapid strides in Birkenhead, and another step onward was taken on Wednesday, the 7th inst., when Lord Egerton of Tatton, the Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire, consecrated the Minerva Lodge, No. 2433. This new Lodge is the fifth in Birkenhead. It is formed on the lines of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge in London, which is worked on literary and scientific lines, and it is the first of its kind in the Provinces. Masonic history and archaeology are specially studied, the Lodge joins the correspondence circle of 1500 members throughout the world, among whom printed correspondence is regularly circulated. As may well be imagined, great interest attached to the proceedings at the Masonic Chambers, Hamilton Street, Birkenhead, and there was a large attendance of brethren to support the Provincial Grand Master and Bro. Squire Chapman the Worshipful Master designate. The majority of the thirty-six members of the Lodge already enrolled were present, while among those who had responded to the invitation and attended were the following Present and Past Provincial Officers:—Bros. J. Salmon D.P.G.M., J. Clayton P.P.G.S.W., Richard Newhouse P.G. Secretary, H. E. Hayward P.P.G.S.B., T. H. Annett P.G. Treasurer, G. H. Browne P.G. Dir. of Cers., Henry Matthews P.G.S.W., J. Morris P.G.S.B., T. Litherland P.G.S., C. W. Phillips P.G.S., James Gamlin P.P.G.D., Lilly Ellis P.P.G.S.D., H. B. Browne P.P.G.D., Alexander Phipps P.P.G.O., T. W. Sturgess P.G.C., T. Smith Burgess P.G.S., J. S. Jolly P.G.S., and J. R. Simm P.P.G. Treasurer. The petitioners for the charter for the Minerva Lodge were Bros. Squire Chapman P.P.G.D., Arthur Samuels P.P.G.D., Henry Buxton Brown P.P.G.D.C., Patrick Sword P.M. 1380, W. F. Robinson W.M. 2132, J. Armstrong P.M. 1250, and Robert M'Gee W.M. 1675; while the other promoters of the proposition were Bros. Thomas A. Bellew, A. J. Mackay, Edward Cornish, Charles Ratcliffe, W. H. Edwards, B. M. Bannatyne, Peter Blackburn, J. F. Von Gahlen, W. H. Tyerman, Edwin Kite, Dr. J. W. A. Napier, William Henry Starkey, Samuel King, Joseph H. Bates, Fred. K. Stevenson, George H. Brown, Samuel Jones, Jos. Roscoe Simm, Owen Jones, William Henry Hudson, Thomas Charles Thorburn, Edward W. Armstrong, Henry Hind, Edward G. Mason, Lilley Ellis, J. T. Thompson, H. Hartje, John Fraser, and Thomas Cowley. His lordship having assisted in the dedication and consecration of the new Lodge according to ancient rites and ceremonies, Bro. Squire Chapman was duly installed as first Worshipful Master of the Minerva Lodge, the ceremony of installation being efficiently performed by Bro. George H. Browne. The new W.M. then invested Bros. Dr. A. Samuels as Senior Warden, H. B. Browne as Junior Warden, John Armstrong as Treasurer, and Patrick Sword P.M. as Secretary. The other Officers of the Lodge will be Bros. Dr. J. W. A. Napier acting I.P.M., Samuel Jones Director of Ceremonies, Jos. R. Simm P.P.G. Treasurer S.D., Owen Jones J.D., George H. Brown I.G., Robert M'Gee Steward, and F. W. Holtway Tyler. On the conclusion of the Lodge proceedings, the brethren adjourned to dinner, the consecration being then duly celebrated. An enjoyable evening was spent, an excellent programme of music being provided by Bros. S. Kirkham 1609, E. Edwards 1609, George Barton 897, Eaton Batty 1609, and A. Hamilton King 2375, under the direction of Bro. A. J. Phipps 1576 the Provincial Grand Organist, who had also directed the musical portion of the consecration ceremony.

## LODGE OF AFFABILITY, No. 317 (MANCHESTER).

THE first meeting since the vacation took place at the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, on Thursday, 1st inst. Present—Bros. Staton W.M., J. Read S.W., F. Spencer J.W., Wm. Garside Secretary, T. Bushell P.M. J.D., A. Allen I.G., J. Bladon P.P.G.A.D.C. Dir. of Cers.; P.M.'s H. Walmsley and J. Dawson; Bros. W. A. Boyer, Plumpton, Brocklehurst, Rottmayer, Chenery, Field, Guest, and others. Visitors—Bros. J. Atkinson 2144, T. H. Hall P.M. Secretary 1458. The Lodge was opened at 5.30 and the minutes of the June meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. W. A. Boyer being a candidate for passing was interrogated as to his proficiency in the first degree, received the test of merit and retired. He was afterwards made a F.C. Mason by the W.M. Bro. James Chenery was subsequently raised to the sublime degree of a M.M. by Bro. James Dawson, in a thoroughly efficient manner. The Lodge was lowered to the first degree, and Bro. Lisenden was elected Tyler. There being no further business the Lodge was formally closed.

## TRUTH LODGE, No. 1458 (MANCHESTER).

THE first meeting since the vacation was held on Saturday, the 3rd inst., at Bro. Tom Wood's, Wheatsheaf Hotel. Amongst those present were Brothers Fred Hilton W.M., Robert Caldwell P.P.G.S.B. acting S.W., Jas. Archdale J.W., T. H. Hall P.M. Secretary, Needle P.M., Parkin, Elliott, & Co. Visitors—Bros. Rottmayer 317, and Chenery 317. The Lodge was opened in due form and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. In the second degree Bro. Kingston, who was desirous of taking his third degree, was interrogated as to his proficiency in the second, and having satisfactorily answered, withdrew. He was subsequently raised to the sublime degree of a M.M. by the W.M., and there being no further business the Lodge was duly lowered to the first degree. Great regret was experienced by all the brethren on learning that a

serious accident had befallen Bro. Past Master Davies, which caused his absence from the Lodge and his enforced retirement from business for a time. A letter of sympathy was ordered to be sent him by the Secretary, after which the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony.

## SACKVILLE LODGE, No. 1619.

ON the 6th inst., the annual meeting was held at the Crown Hotel, East Grinstead, for the installation of Officers and the transaction of other business. There was a good attendance of members and visiting brethren, including Bro. Simpson, of the Mid-Sussex Lodge, and Visitors from the Ockenden, Southdown, Crystal Palace, Royal Navy, and other Lodges. Bro. F. J. Budd-Budd the Worshipful Master elect, was ably installed by Bro. G. Wilson, and the Worshipful Master afterwards invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. R. G. Payne S.W., J. Luxford J.W., E. A. Head P.M. P.P.G.S.D. Treasurer, A. M. Betchley P.M. P.P.G.S.B. Secretary, G. Wilson P.M. 1303 1619 I.P.M., W. H. Brown P.M. P.G.S.B. Dir. of Cers., D. Wood S.D., C. W. F. Stannard J.D., C. M. Wilson I.G., S. R. Schofield Organist, F. Walder and F. W. Dixon Stewards. The brethren subsequently dined together. The *post-prandial* proceedings were of a hearty and enjoyable character, and were greatly enhanced by the vocal contributions of the Lewes Orpheus Glee Union, who sang between the toasts.

## OBEDIENCE LODGE, No. 1753.

THE annual installation was held at the White Hart Hotel, Okehampton, on the 6th inst. The following brethren were present:—Bros. W. Gregory P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C. Treasurer 1254, A. J. Truscott P.M. 1254 P.G.R., F. R. Hearn P.M. 1254, F. Snget P.M. 39, G. Durrant P.M. 500 (St Andrew's), W. Yoe P.M. 1753 P.P.G.A.S., J. Wonnacott P.M., T. Symonds P.M., J. C. Pierce S.W., W. Manuell J.W., W. H. Rowe Secretary, Charles Piper S.D., J. W. Reed I.G., C. H. Sanders, J. Durant, W. P. Moon, W. E. Perkin, A. J. Verdi, J. Caddeford, W. L. Palmer, Sellsby-Wilson, J. Coombe, Tyler, all of 1753; R. S. Parnell J.S. 390, J. Wellington I.G. 1332, Fred Newcombe 39, P. Hannaford S.D. 223, G. Mackenzie 2399, John Pittick 1138 and 1847. Brother W. Gregory again acted as Installing Master, and Bro. J. C. Pierce S.W. was installed W.M., in succession to Bro. J. Wonnacott. The Worshipful Master appointed the following as his Officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. J. Wonnacott I.P.M., W. Manuell S.W., W. Rowe J.W., Charles Piper Sec., J. W. Reed S.D., J. Powersland J.D., W. E. Perkin I.G., C. H. Saunders Org., W. P. Moon D.C., W. Palmer Steward. Bro. Gregory was elected representative on the Committee of Petitions. The brethren adjourned to the dining-room of the White Hart Hotel, where the annual banquet was held, Bro. Verdi providing a *recherché* repast.

## ELDON LODGE, No. 1755.

BEAUTIFUL weather prevailed on Saturday afternoon, the 10th inst., at Portishead, when the installation meeting of the above Lodge was held at the Royal Hotel. There was a large attendance of members and visitors, and a goodly number of Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge. Those present included the following Officers and Members:—Bros. E. Davey W.M., W. T. Shapland I.P.M., F. G. Dimery P.M. S.W. *pro tem*, C. P. Billing J.W., James R. Thebridge P.M. Treasurer, C. L. Thomas P.M. Secretary, A. J. Tonkin S.D., A. J. Jeffreys I.G., H. M. Appleton P.M. D.C., J. H. Hall Organist, H. Stafford Steward, W. K. Thomas P.M., George Dando P.M., the Rev. A. W. M. Weatherley P.M. P.G.C., William Rice P.M., Frank Simpkins Tyler, Fred. G. Moore, W. F. Spratt, John Southwood, T. Turner, W. G. Smith, W. R. Maby P.G.H., Theo. Carrington, and George Daltry. Among the numerous visiting brethren were:—The Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Somerset, Bro. R. C. Else Past Grand Deacon of England, and Bros. E. J. Grubb P.M. 68, Robert Gough P.M. 68 P.G.S.D., James Stoute 610 P.G. Tyler, A. J. Mott 68, Herbert Fielding 326, Richard Brock 326, J. Amos 68, J. J. Horner 68, E. Tedder 68, R. H. Shrapnell J.W. 1833, A. H. Bate I.G. 1404, J. S. Kelly 1756, R. Skellorn 203, Albert Dodge A.D.C. 1388, Frederick Martin 1388, H. C. Jarrett 68 P.P.G. Steward, Alfred G. Britt P.M. and D.C. 1388, Sebastian Sellick W.M. 1222, H. W. Mackenzie 1750, A. P. Wickenden S.W. 1750, Thomas Webley I.P.M. 68 P.G. Standard Bearer, W. J. Hooper 68, George Booth 68, John Hill P.M. 68. Visitors were present from Bristol, Clevedon, Weston-Super-Mare, Bridgwater, Leeds, Keynham, Oswestry, and Liverpool. After some preliminary business had been disposed of, Bro. W. Rice was re-elected as delegate to serve on the Provincial Charity Organisation Committee. Next followed the principal item in the afternoon's programme, viz., the installation of Bro. Charles Peter Billing J.W. and Worshipful Master elect, who was duly installed into the chair of W.M. by Bro. R. C. Else. Bro. Billing at once proceeded to appoint and invest his Officers, as follow:—Bros. E. Davey I.P.M., A. J. Tonkin S.W., C. Hazell J.W., J. R. Thebridge P.M. Treasurer (re-elected), C. L. Thomas P.M. Secretary (re-appointed), E. W. Harvey S.D., A. J. Jeffreys J.D., F. G. Moore I.G., H. M. Appleton P.M. D.C., T. Turner A.D.C., Captain Morgan and J. H. Hall Stewards, W. F. Spratt Organist, F. Simpkins Tyler (re-elected). The collection of alms was voted to a local charity which Bro. Rice is interested in. After the Lodge had been closed the usual banquet was held, over which Bro. C. P. Billing W.M. presided, when the Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. The catering of Mrs. Boulter gave much satisfaction. After the Provincial Grand Chaplain had returned thanks and the cloth had been removed, the W.M. proposed the Queen and the Craft and the Most Worshipful Grand Master, in appropriate terms. The W.M. next proposed the Provincial Grand Master and Officers of Grand Lodge. The W.M. submitted the Provincial Grand Master of

Somerset (Viscount Dungarvan) and the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. R. C. Else the Installing Master. Bro. Else, in reply, said:—Worshipful Master and Brethren, I wish I could find time to thank you for the kind manner in which you have drank my health, and for the fraternal way in which you have received me. First of all I have to apologise for leaving early, as to-morrow is Sunday and being a family man it is necessary for me to be home to-night, and under these circumstances you will excuse my leaving for Bridgewater soon. I have to thank you very cordially for your kind invite to this banquet, and I regret I cannot remain longer for the purpose of enjoying the excellent musical programme which has been arranged. I desire to express my thanks to the brethren who have materially assisted me in the ceremony of installation this afternoon; to Bro. Appleton, who is one of the best Directors of Ceremonies it has ever been my pleasure to meet with; to your able and efficient Organist, and last, but not least, to Bro. Maby, who, having regard for his age, I am very grateful to for coming once more to assist me as Herald. The musical parts well performed greatly enhance the beautiful ceremony of installation. The brethren have conferred on the W.M. a great dignity, and I think they have done a good work, and placed the right man in the right place. It has not been my pleasure to know the W.M. a very long time, but I am sure he will perform the work in a manner that will reflect honour on 1755. I have reason to suppose if I come to Lodge Eldon next year I shall hear from one and all how well he has performed the work of his arduous office. Bro. the Rev. Weatherley Provincial Grand Chaplain also replied in a suitable speech to this toast, as did also Bros. Rice and Thebridge. Bro. E. Davey I.P.M. proposed the W.M. of 1755, which was received and drank with much cordiality. The W.M. replied, and after expressing his thanks, added:—You have given me the greatest Masonic honour that you can, and I promise you that anything that I can do for the welfare of the Eldon Lodge I will do gladly. I will try to render the ceremonies in an impressive manner, and I ask you to credit me in advance for intending to do my level best for the Lodge. I admire our Masonic system as I think every one must do, and the more we know about it the better we grow to a correct knowledge of ourselves. The W.M. submitted the toast of the I.P.M., who had done so much for the Lodge and endeared himself to every member. Bro. Davey I.P.M. returned his thanks and promised to do his utmost in the future for Freemasonry, and in passing expressed his gratitude to his Officers of the year. The W.M. proposed the Past Masters of 1755, to whom the position of the Lodge and the respect in which it is held was due. This happy sentiment was acknowledged by Bros. Rice and Thebridge. The Visiting Brethren were next honoured, and was replied to by Brother Sellick W.M. 1222 in a pleasant and entertaining speech, for which he is well known, in the course of which he had pleasure in saying his Lodge numbered seventy-seven members, and they had been able to send £90 to the Charities this year. The Senior Warden and Officers of 1755 was given, and acknowledged by Bros. Tonkin S.W., Hazell J.W., Jeffreys S.D., and Moore I.G. Bro. Rice replied for the Masonic Charities, and referred to the grand subscription Bro. Terry had managed to get together. The Tyler's toast brought the list to a close. The musical brethren were Bros. Hall, Mott, Stafford, W. R. Thomas Dinery, Brock, Shrapnell, and Carrington, whilst the W.M. and Bro. Shapland contributed recitations. A good programme was arranged, which was charmingly varied, and made additionally interesting by two violin solos by Bro. Theo. Carrington. Bro. Shrapnell and Bro. Brock presided at the piano. The afternoon was most enjoyable. The brethren separated at half-past eight, to enable many to catch the last train for Bristol, and thus ended one of the most successful meetings in the history of the Lodge. The Lodge room, it may be mentioned, had been artistically decorated with choice palms and shrubs from the nurseries of Messrs. Garaway, and the pedestals were rendered additionally attractive with beautiful bouquets of hothouse flowers, made and presented by Mrs. C. P. Billing. The following brethren sent their fraternal greetings to the W.M., and regretted their inability to attend:—Bros. Dr. Lionel Weatherley P.M. (Bath), Dr. C. Wigan S.W. 1404, Major Ramsey P.D.G.S.W. of Madras, G. Pearson P.M. 187, T. P. Payne P.M. (Southampton), C. Fisher P.M. 1755, W. Minns P.M. (Newport, I.W.), W. Lyne Fear (Bristol), A. J. Wade P.M. (Highbridge), the W.M. Coleridge Lodge, 1750 (Clevedon), the S.W. and J.W. of Rural and Philanthropic Lodge, (Highbridge), S. A. Andrew P.M. 1011, W. H. Frankham (Frome), D. Edwards P.M. 1052 P.M. 1993 (Manchester), Henry Schofield P.M. 1011, W. J. Rorke W.M. 1794 (Nottingham), Charlie Pfeiffer W.M. 1833.

#### SUFFIELD LODGE, No. 1808.

THE brethren of this Lodge met at the Angel Hotel, North Walsham, on Wednesday evening, the 7th inst., when Brother E. Skipper was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, after which the following appointments were made by the Worshipful Master:—Bros. F. Gregory S.W., Rev. G. Sharley J.W., J. Francis S.D., H. W. Churchyard J.D., J. C. Ray I.G. The ceremony was followed by a banquet.

#### DUKE OF CORNWALL LODGE, No. 1839

THE annual installation festival of this popular Lodge took place last Saturday evening, at the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, when a considerable number of brethren assembled to take part in the interesting ceremony. Bro. Joseph Bladon W.M. presided, and was supported by the following brethren:—C. H. Cox I.P.M., Henry Cattlemole P.M., J. W. Brooke P.M., John Culver S.W., W. H. Foot J.W., Thomas C. Corpe P.M. Treasurer, J. W. Dewsnap P.M. Secretary, W. H. Lowry S.D., C. Mussared J.D., C. Heinekey D.C., Alfred J. Dixie P.M.; and among the visitors present were Bros. C. F. Hogard P.G.S.B., W. A. Brown P.P.G.S. Mid-

dleser, L. Klingenstein W.M. 73, W. E. Austin W.M. 749, H. Massey P.M. 1928, J. D. Phillips S.W. 604, Orlton Cooper W.M. 211, J. Granebawm P.M. 1017, R. J. Wishart P.M. 1789, F. Hilton P.M. 1622, H. J. Martin W.M. 1622, S. Bache Harris P.M. 538, Walter Martin P.M. 819, W. Syckelmere W.M. 1288, C. J. Davison W.M. 1897, Dr. W. J. Hunter P.M. 1677, Charles Wren 1677, H. Howard 1567, W. H. Wheeler 1708, W. H. Pocklington 1288. The Lodge having been duly opened, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, while the reports of the Audit Committee and the Benevolent Funds being in the possession of the members were taken as read, and were carried unanimously. Bro. John Culver having been elected W.M. for the ensuing year, was introduced by Bro. Corpe, and signified his assent to the usual conditions. He was then installed in the chair according to ancient custom, the ceremony being performed by Bro. Joseph Bladon. Bro. John Culver was subsequently saluted by the brethren, and then proceeded to appoint and invest his Officers: Bros. W. H. Foot S.W., W. H. Lowry J.W., T. C. Corpe P.M. Treas., J. W. Dewsnap P.M. Sec., C. Mussared S.D., Alfred J. Dixie P.M. J.D., C. Heinekey I.G., C. H. Kanth D.C., A. T. Baschinski and F. H. Stollery Stewards, and Thomas Bowler Tyler. The new Master immediately proceeded to show his ability by initiating Messrs. Alfred Perkins and Alfred Wm. Newbold, who had been previously balloted for, into the secrets and mysteries of Ancient Freemasonry. The ceremony was admirably worked and elicited the cordial approval of the brethren. A Past Master's jewel, awarded by the Lodge, was presented to Bro. Bladon I.P.M., in a few complimentary remarks by the W.M., which was acknowledged by Bro. Bladon. There being no further business, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet room, where a capital repast was supplied by Messrs. Spiers and Pond. At the termination of the banquet the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given by the W.M. Bro. C. F. Hogard responded for the Grand Officers, and referred to the excellent work achieved by the Earl of Lathom during the sixteen years he was Deputy Grand Master, and to his appointment as Pro Grand Master. All the Grand Officers were earnest in the cause of charity; he mentioned that when Lord Lathom took the chair at the Boys' School Festival in 1891, some £26,000 were raised, while the Earl of Mount Edgumbe obtained £68,000 at the Festival of the Old Peoples' Institution last February. In a few complimentary words the I.P.M. proposed the health and a successful year of office to the W.M., who by his ability and skill exhibited that evening in the Lodge had set an example to the brethren. Bro. Culver in reply said that he had but one thought and one desire, and that was to see the Duke of Cornwall Lodge flourish. He had made many friends since he joined, whom it was always a pleasure to meet time after time. He had visited several Lodges, but he had never seen any to equal theirs for real good fellowship. They were never so happy as when they met together and spent a pleasant evening which would bear the morning's reflection. He trusted the Lodge would long continue to flourish under the successive Masters. Bro. Culver subsequently gave the Installing Officer, who had performed his task in spite of many difficulties. Bro. Bladon acknowledged the toast, and said he had the gratification of knowing that his year of office had been a most successful one, nearly one hundred guineas had been subscribed to the Charities, and they had several new members; he thanked the brethren for their kindness in assisting him to accomplish so much. The W.M. proposed the Initiates, who were two good men, old friends of his, both of whom he was sure would rise in the Craft and perform their duty to the satisfaction of the Lodge. Bro. Newbold in returning thanks said that the little he had seen of Freemasonry would teach him to become a better man, and he trusted he would be enabled to do credit to the Lodge and the Craft. Bro. Perkins expressed his regret that he had not joined the Craft years ago, but even at this late hour he would endeavour to become a true and faithful member of the Lodge. Bros. Harris and Scott. Miller responded for the Visitors, and Bros. Brooke, Cattlemole and Cox for the Past Masters. Bro. Dewsnap, in replying for himself and the Treasurer, said that the Lodge was in a flourishing condition, and while they had amply fulfilled their duty to the Masonic Charities they were still in possession of a respectable balance in hand. They had made eight members last year, and with such an excellent new Master they would be sure to increase. The Officers of the Lodge were also likewise honoured, and the Tyler's toast brought the proceedings to a pleasant termination. During the evening a delightful selection of music was given by Bros. Wheeler, Syckelmere, and Pocklington, assisted by Miss Sargent and Mr. Munro Davison, the arrangements being under the direction of Bro. Walter Ferrin.

#### BLACKWATER LODGE, No. 1977.

THE annual festival took place on Monday, the 5th inst., at the Blue Boar Hotel, Maldon. The W.M., Brother George Davis P.G.A.P., presided. Bro. E. A. Basham the W.M. elect was installed into the chair of K.S. by Brother George Davis, after which the W.M. appointed and invested his Officers. Subsequently the brethren and visitors, to the number of 35, sat down to a banquet at the Blue Boar Hotel, under the presidency of the W.M. Brother E. A. Basham.

Faith Lodge of Instruction, No. 581 (Manchester).—The half-yearly social gathering of this old and highly popular Lodge was held on Wednesday, the 7th inst., at the Old Boars Head, Withy Grove. Amongst those present were Bros. W. W. Warburton P.M. 163 P.P.G.D., A. Hebden P.M. P.P.G.D.C., J. W. Abbott P.M. 1030 1459 P.P.G.D.C., Smith S.W. 1052, Francis Long J.W. 1496, T. H. Hall P.M. 1458, J. E. Williams P.M. 163, T. Sparks W.M. 163, R. L. McMillan 163, the Bros. Lee (2) 1458, G. P. Lenard Treasurer of the Lodge of Instruction and S.D. 1077, James Arohdale J.W.

1458, Bee P.M. 1459, Cuthbert Blacow, Lisenden, and others. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. It not being customary on these special occasions to rehearse any ceremonies, the Lodge was closed in due form. The company, after tea, spent an exceedingly pleasant evening together. The usual loyal toasts were proposed by the worthy Preceptor Bro. W. W. Warburton, and duly honoured. Bro. Bee, in proposing the health of Bro. Warburton, said he had known him for upwards of ten years, and felt pleased to testify to the admirable manner in which he fulfilled the duties of Preceptor, and to his willingness in rendering assistance and advice to every Brother who aspired to and was working up for the position of W.M. Very few brethren, if able, would, after performing the various offices in his own Lodge, be willing to give his time and labours to instruct others as Bro. Warburton had done for many years, and he (Bro. Bee) hoped would continue to do for a long time to come. It was, to say the least, highly commendable, and the presence there that night of so large a company was a convincing proof of the esteem and respect in which their worthy Preceptor was held. He asked the brethren to rise and drink Bro. Warburton's health, wishing him long life and happiness. Bro. Bee's invitation was promptly complied with, after which Bro. Warburton thanked Bro. Bee for his kind remarks, and the brethren for their cordial reception of the toast. He said he joined this Lodge twenty years ago when the number of members was so small that it was a matter of difficulty to find sufficient to open a Lodge, but although that state of things was somewhat disheartening they stuck to their guns, met regularly, and made a point of doing something and discussing Masonic matters, the result being that the number of members increased year by year until at the present time they amounted to 122, and the Lodge was one of, if not the most successful in the north of England. He cordially welcomed all present on this their opening night, and trusted all the members would, as he himself should, do their utmost to make the next half year's meeting a pleasure and success. At this stage a telegram was read from Bro. W. W. Lofthouse, for many years Secretary of the Lodge, sending hearty good wishes and kind regards to all present. Bro. Smith gave the health of Bro. Lenard Treasurer in eulogistic terms, and stated that he had known him for upwards of twenty years as an upright, straightforward and conscientious man, who would fulfil any and every duty entrusted to him in a creditable manner. The Lodge had done well in electing Bro. Lenard Treasurer, and he (Bro. Smith) sincerely hoped he might long be spared to be amongst them. The toast was well received, and Bro. Lenard replied in appropriate terms. Bro. Horsfield proposed the health of Bro. A. Hebden Secretary, who he said had laboured hard and zealously for the welfare of the Lodge, and to make every one feel happy. No brother who had the pleasure of Bro. Hebden's acquaintance could fail to be impressed with his thorough knowledge of Masonic ritual and ceremonial, and the quiet unostentatious manner in which he put everything right. His constant attention to the wants of others, his kindly word and pleasant smile had endeared him to all, and the honour that had been conferred upon him by Provincial Grand Lodge had been well and worthily bestowed. His services in the Lodge of Instruction were highly appreciated, and on wishing him long life and prosperity he (Bro. Horsfield) felt sure all the brethren would warmly endorse and heartily drink his health. It is scarcely necessary to say that Bro. Horsfield's invitation was promptly accepted, and in reply Bro. Hebden said he felt very much flattered by Bro. Horsfield's remarks, and the reception the brethren had given to the toast. It was satisfactory to learn his humble efforts had been appreciated; at the same time all he had done was to him a labour of love. He felt a great affection for the Lodge for which he had been Secretary seven years, and if he could perform a tithe of the services that had been rendered by such brethren as Bros. Godfrey, Higham, and Abbott he should feel more than satisfied, and so long as they elected him Secretary he should endeavour to please as much in the future as he appeared to have done in the past. The health of the Visitors was proposed by Bro. Entwistle and heartily drank, most of their number acknowledging the compliment. Bro. J. W. Abbott's health was proposed in eulogistic terms and suitably acknowledged. Several other toasts were proposed and responded to, an exceedingly pleasant evening being spent. Some exceptionally good singing and recitations were heard during the evening, Brother Howard doing yeoman's service at the piano and contributing some capital songs, an especial one being Mr. Chevalier's "The Little Nipper." Bro. Sparks, W.M. of 163, sang "Oh hear the wild winds blow" and "The Storm Fiend" splendidly. Brother Cuthbert Blacow's fine tenor voice was heard to advantage in "Once Again." Bro. Robert Lee sang "Put your shoulder to the wheel." Brother Roberts sang an intensely funny parody on "The March of the Men of Harlech," and recitations were given by Bros. Middleton, Horsfield and Lisenden.

## SCOTLAND.

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### PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF Ayrshire.

AN official visitation was made, on the 7th inst., by the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge to Mother Kilwinning Lodge, No. 0. The latter was opened by Depute Master Brother Thomas Scott, who welcomed the deputation, which included Bros. Hugh R. Wallace P.G.M.D., Captain W. McKay P.G.S.W., Thomas Davies Provincial Grand Junior Warden, David Snedden Provincial Grand Secretary, James M. McCosh Prov. G. Treasurer, Rev. W. Lee Ker Prov. G. Chaplain, W. Munro P.G. Bard, &c. The examination of the books proved eminently satisfactory, and the minute of visitation bore that the Lodge was being conducted in accordance with the Grand Lodge laws of Scotland. Seventy-one entrants had been admitted since 1889, and the deputation minuted its congratulations that the Lodge

was keeping up the customs and ancient associations of the Lodge. The Provincial Grand Master Depute added his personal congratulations to that contained in the minute, and thought that, now the Lodge was about to enter new premises, they would put their best foot forward and make the future even more successful than the past. The meeting then passed on to the consideration of the arrangements in connection with the laying of the memorial stone of the new Lodge-room of Mother Kilwinning. The Provincial Grand Secretary reported that Bro. Lee Ker had undertaken to prepare a historical descriptive sketch of the route over which the procession would pass on the 17th, and which would be published in due course. It was agreed that the brethren should assemble in the Gavin Public Park between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock this (Saturday) afternoon, 17th instant, where the procession will be formed. There will be no dinner, the entertainment after the ceremony being confined to a cake and wine banquet, which will be held in the Conservative Hall.

## VISIT OF GRAND LODGE.

ON Wednesday, the 31st ult., the Bruce Lodge, No. 593 (S.C.) were visited by a deputation from the Grand Lodge. The deputation consisted of Brothers Berry Provincial Grand Master, Anderson Provincial Grand Secretary, and McKie Provincial Grand Treasurer. They inspected the books and accounts of the Lodge, and complimented the Right Worshipful Master and brethren of the Bruce Lodge on the correct and creditable manner in which they were kept. The Lodge was also complimented on their highly efficient state and their increasing numbers.

Major R. K. Stewart, of Murdostoun, was, on the 8th instant, installed Master Mason of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Lanarkshire (Middle Ward) by Lord Haddington Grand Master Mason of Scotland. At six o'clock the Provincial Master elect entertained to dinner the members of Grand Lodge, Provincial Grand Lodge, and visiting Grand Lodges, to the number of seventy, in the Commercial Hotel, and two hours later they joined a torchlight procession of brethren of the Province who, to the number of nearly one thousand, were marshalled by Brother Major Ness in the Town Hall, and accompanied by two bands, marched to the County Hall, where the installation ceremony took place.

A meeting of the patrons of the "Ayrshire Masonic Bursary" was held on the 7th inst., at Kilwinning, to consider the applications. There were five applicants, two of which were above the maximum age (18 years), and one a non-resident in the Province. The other two—Thomas Samson, Muirkirk, son of a member of Lodge St. Thomas, 201, and W. W. Fulton, Beith, son of a member of Lodge St. John, 157—were recommended. The student having the most points in the "Bursary Competitions Examination" at the Glasgow University, if otherwise successful in the examination, will earn the bursary in terms of the deed of constitution. The bursary, which amounts to £25, is tenable for the period of four years. The patrons present at the meeting were—Brothers Hugh R. Wallace (presiding), D. Snedden, J. M. McCosh, W. McKay, W. Lee Ker, and Morrison.

## ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

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### BRIGHTHELMSTONE COUNCIL, No. 15.

THIS Council met at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on Saturday the 27th ult., under peculiarly happy circumstances, for not only had the Recorder, Comp. E. Tebbe, provided an agenda replete with business, but the M.I.G.M., Lord Easton, accompanied by several distinguished Grand Officers, selected this occasion for what we trust we may, with all due propriety, call his annual visit to this Council—a Council in which, as he was good enough to state later on in the evening, he must always take a peculiar interest, inasmuch as it was the very first Council or Lodge he had consecrated. The proceedings commenced by electing and receiving into the degrees of Most Excellent Master, Royal Master, Select Master, and Supreme Excellent Master, Comps. Richard Percy Clowes, B.A., 51, J. Balfour Cockburn 84, W. E. Millett 151, and J. Bestow Hibernia Mark Lodge. The ceremony was most ably and impressively conducted by Comp. E. Whitaker T.I.M., assisted by Comps. Wright and Freeman. The arrival of the M.I.G.M. having been announced, he was received and saluted with the honours due to his exalted rank. Comp. E. Whitaker then requested Comp. C. Fitzgerald Matier to take the chair, and instnl Comp. Richard Clowes T.I.M. elect, which he did in his usual felicitous manner. The Officers having been appointed and invested, the Council was closed. The Companions then repaired to the magnificent banqueting hall, where Comp. J. Sayers served up a dinner in a faultless manner. Amongst the Companions present we noticed Comps. Col. Marmaduke Ramsay, A. B. Cook, Baron de Ferrières, F. A. Philbrick, A. F. Lamette, C. Fitzgerald Matier, Clifford Probyn, R. Berridge, C. V. Freeman, W. Weston, and many others.

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## CHINA.

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## THE MASONIC SCHOOL FUND.

FROM THE NORTH CHINA HERALD.

THE sixth annual Court of the contributors to the Masonic School Fund was held recently at the Masonic Club, China, Bro. J. Morris (President of the School Council) occupying the chair.

The Chairman said—The printed report and accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1891 were issued to contributors some days since, and may be taken as read. The accounts are simple. There is only one donation recorded, that of the Doric Lodge, Chinkiang. The outlay is correspondingly small. The balances in possession of the Bank and Treasurer amount to Tls. 30. The furniture account is reduced by 50 per cent. written off for depreciation, and now stands at Tls. 941.93. The debit balance of the working account is Tls. 4,406.82, and these two items show the cost to the fund of founding the school. In return for this expenditure the children appointed by the contributors are receiving, one, free board and education, and two, free education. The Tls. 1,000 voted by the ratepayers was received from the Secretary of the Municipality and gratefully acknowledged by the Head Master, whose accompanying report shows the advance made by the School. The staff and premises have been increased to meet the larger attendance of pupils. A distribution of prizes took place in October last, when the Chairman of the Municipal Council (Mr. G. J. Pardon) kindly presided. In his opening address on that occasion he remarked, "The title of Public School is a misnomer. It is true that it receives a grant from the Municipality, but the public derive no advantage from that, and have no voice in the management, and I think that whilst that grant is continued the Municipal Council, as representing the public, should have a voice in the Council of the School," and he looked forward to the existence of a really Public School maintained entirely at the public expense and open to all. Rome was not built in a day. It was well to hear a sentiment of this sort from the worthy and esteemed Chairman of our City Fathers, and we hope he will live to see the realisation of his wishes. Meanwhile the Masonic Fraternity have laid a foundation upon which the public can raise the complete structure. I have pleasure in informing you that following the expressions of opinion of the ratepayers at their last meeting, to increase the School grant to Tls. 3,000, the Municipal Council, with the view of paying the increased grant this year, appointed a committee to take over the management of the school from the 30th June last to the end of the year. The report of the Committee will be laid before the ratepayers at their annual meeting, to enable them, should they be so inclined, to make the school a municipal institution and a public one in deed as well as in name. We have agreed to the school being so taken over by the ratepayers, reserving to the contributors to the Masonic School Fund the privilege now accorded to them, the right of free education for four children. The scholarships and prizes provided by the various Masonic bodies and individuals show the increase of public interest in the school, the latest additions being the Colin Jamieson scholarship for the encouragement of the study of Chinese by foreign children, and a special prize for shorthand by Bro. Jansen. It will be seen from Bro. Lanning's report, that the reduction in fees from prospectus rates during the year amounted to over 2,000 dollars, and that without the municipal grant it would have been impossible to maintain the efficiency now existing. The death of our worthy and Worshipful Brother Donaldson was a great loss to the Council; he had been a member from its formation, and his minute knowledge of detail and his untiring zeal made him ever active on behalf of the interest he represented. The Lodge Cosmopolitan appointed Worshipful Brother Mielenhausen to succeed him as their representative. The Council, except the permanent Vice-Presidents, retire from office, and this Court will select a President and six other brethren to serve during the present year.

Rt. W. Bro. C. Thorne Vice President then proposed that the report and accounts be received and adopted.

W. Bro. L. Moore seconded this, and it was agreed to *non con.*

Upon the motion of W. Bro. L. Moore, seconded by W. Bro. J. H. Osborne, W. Bro. J. Morris was re-elected President.

Proposed by Rt. W. Bro. Thorne and seconded by W. Bro. F. M. Gratton, the name of W. Bro. J. M. Cory was added to the Council.

Upon the proposal of Bro. J. D. Clarke, seconded by Bro. W. Van Corbach, the following were re-elected to the Council:—Lodge Cosmopolitan, No. 428, S.C., W. Bro. J. W. Mielenhausen; Rising Sun Royal Arch Chapter, No. 129, Comp. J. H. Osborne P.Z.; W. Bro. E. Bois, W. Bro. L. Moore, W. Bro. F. M. Gratton, W. Bro. J. Fryer, and Bro. A. W. Danforth, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

The adoption of a vote of thanks to the chair, proposed by Right Worshipful Bro. C. Thorne, seconded by Bro. J. M. Cory, concluded the proceedings.

The following is the Report of the Council for the sixth year, ended 31st December 1891:—

The last Court of contributors was held at the Masonic Hall, on Tuesday, 18th November, when the report and accounts for the fifth year, ended 30th September 1890 were duly accepted. It is the Council's pleasant duty to report the successful working of the school during the past year. It will be seen on referring to the accounts that there is a credit balance of Tls. 30.83. During the past year the Masonic School Fund has boarded and educated one orphan, and educated two. As will be seen by Mr. Lanning's report, other children, sons and daughters of Masons, have been educated by him at low rates. Referring to subscriptions and donations for the past year, the Council regret to find the total so small. The Doric Lodge of Chinkiang has subscribed 20.00 dollars. The School returns for the past year are satisfactory, showing a steady improvement in the number of pupils and net income, proving that the Institution is gaining popularity; still there must be a very great advance-

ment before there will be any surplus income for the Masonic School Fund to participate in. The furniture and books have been re-valued, a reduction of 50 per cent. being written off the furniture. *Grant from the Municipal Council.*—Acting upon suggestions, steps were taken to obtain a grant of Tls. 1,000.00, which, through the kind offices of the late Mr. R. E. Wainwright, who proposed, and of Mr. R. W. Little, who seconded the proposition at the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers, were successful. The Zion Royal Arch Chapter has set aside Tls. 600.00, the interest of which will form a Scholarship for the sons of Masons, subject to rules drawn up and to be administered by the Trustees and the Head Master of the School. *The Thorne Testimonial Scholarship.*—This promises to be a valuable one. It will be fresh in the memory of all Masons that an amount was collected for the purpose of presenting a testimonial to R.W. Brother Thorne. He requested that the money be invested to establish a Scholarship to be known as the Thorne Testimonial Scholarship. The value of the above will be made public when ascertained. The St. Andrew's Society has established a Bursary at the School. The Council now retire from office, and the Court of Contributors, in accordance with the bye-laws, will elect a President and six brethren to serve during the ensuing year.

J. MORRIS, President.

C. THORNE, Vice President.

A. W. DANFORTH, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

Shanghai, 31st December 1891.

The abstract of the Head Master's report for the year ended the 30th September 1891 was as follows:—The advance made by the school during the past year makes my task a very pleasant one. Increase of staff and accommodation has paid its hoped for results—greater efficiency, and a large attendance. The numbers have grown until all the rooms are nearly full, and to meet the continued demand on our space, a third story is being added to the school. This will be used as sleeping quarters for boy boarders, and will free two rooms on the second floor for other purposes. Miss Auten has lately joined the school staff, and has principal charge of the upper classes of girls. Mrs. Von Fries has undertaken the French, German, and Art branches. The Zion Chapter Scholarship, won in December 1890 by Charles Fryer, was devoted to the purchase of a microscope and a box of mathematical instruments, which were formally presented to him by Right Worshipful Brother Miller D.G.M. The first St. Andrew's Bursary was presented to the winner, Harry Stewart, by Dr. Henderson, at the last prize distribution. For the present term a new Scholarship for the encouragement of the study of Chinese by foreign children is to be given. It will be known as the "Colin Jamieson" Scholarship. A special prize for shorthand is also promised by Bro. Jansen. I have again gratefully to acknowledge the help given by the Lodges to the Prize Fund. The usual charitable work in connection with the School has been continued during the year, and in recognition of the large reductions from prospectus rates (over 2,000 dollars per annum) the Municipal Council has kindly continued their grant of a thousand taels towards the school expenses. Without this assistance it would still be impossible to maintain such an efficiency as now exists. It is hoped that the want of new and appropriate school buildings will be kept prominently before the community. The following is the staff at present:—

Mr. John Northey, Miss Auten, Mrs. Von Fries, Miss Silverthorne  
—Resident. Mr. F. L. Crompton, Miss Belbin; Keb, Chinese Master  
Guang, Wong, Pekinese Masters—Visiting.

G. LANNING, Head Master.

Bro. James Stevens will lecture under the auspices of the Morecambe Lodge, No. 1561, at Morecambe, Lancashire, on Tuesday, the 27th instant, and probably at other Lodges in that Province during the same week. The Loyal Lodge, No. 251, Barnstaple, Devon, has extended him an invitation for a second visit to that Lodge for the 3rd October, and we hear of several other engagements pending. The purpose and quality of our worthy brother's lectures on Ritual, Ceremonial and Symbolism are, we are glad to notice, becoming better understood and more justly appreciated. They convey a fund of information which every Mason ought to possess, and no opportunity for hearing Brother Stevens' interesting discourse should be neglected by such as really desire to be the "wiser for their learning."

The 13th of October next promises to be a very notable day in the annals of Rossendale Freemasonry, as the Centenary of the Samaritan Lodge, No. 286, held at the Green Man Hotel, Bacup, is to be then celebrated. It was on the 13th of October 1792, that the warrant for the Samaritan Lodge was granted. The meetings were held for some years at Keighley, but the Lodge was afterwards removed to Accrington, and on the 13th October 1837, the warrant was transferred to Bacup, where it has remained ever since. A Centenary Warrant will be granted by the Provincial Grand Master of East Lancashire, Col. Le Gendre N. Starkie, and on the day of celebration it is intended to have a church parade, to be followed by a banquet. It may be mentioned that the warrant for the Lodge of Harmony, No. 288, formerly meeting at Bacup, but now at Todmorden, was also granted on the same date as that of the Samaritan Lodge.

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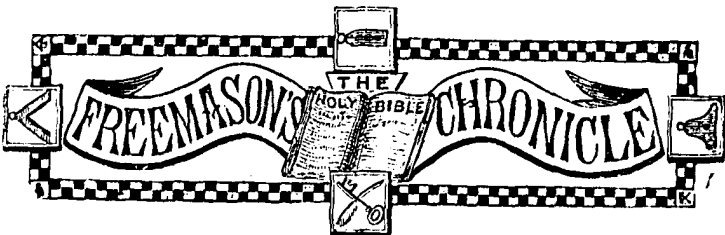
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**SATURDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER 1892.**

**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF**  
**WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**THE** annual meeting of the Worcestershire Provincial Grand Lodge was held at Dudley, on the 9th inst., under the banner of the Harmonic Lodge, No. 252. Opportunity was taken of this year's meeting to unveil a handsome marble tablet, erected in St. John's Church, to the memory of the late Bro. William Masefield.

Shortly after noon the brethren assembled at the Public Hall, where an ordinary Craft Lodge was opened, and at its conclusion the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Bro. A. F. Godson, M.P., together with the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, Present and Past, entered the Lodge, and were received by the assembled brethren with the accustomed honours. There was a large attendance of brethren from the various Lodges in Worcestershire, which now number thirteen, together with several from Lodges in the adjoining Provinces. Amongst the brethren present were Brothers A. F. Godson, M.P., D.P.G.M., H. Wilson P.P.G.J.W., H. W. Westwood P.P.G.S.W., H. Rowe P.G.S.W., S. Smith P.P.G.S.W., G. W. Grosvenor P.P.G.J.W., T. L. Smith P.M. 280, W. Waldron P.P.G.S.W., C. E. Bloomer P.M., R. Broomball P.P.S.W., Rev. W. J. Down P.G.C., Rev. J. Knight-Law P.P.G.C., J. Joseland P.G. Treasurer,

A. Green P.P.G.T., J. Mossop P.G. Registrar, W. E. Walker P.P.G.R., G. Taylor P.G. Secretary, G. H. Williamson P.M. 529 P.G. Superintendent of Works, T. E. Lucy P.M. &c. After the transaction of the business, the following brethren were invested to the duties of Provincial Grand Lodge for the ensuing year :—

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| Bro. E. J. Chambers 252     | ... | Senior Warden           |
| E. Worrall 2034             | ... | Junior Warden           |
| Rev. W. J. Down 252         | ... | Chaplain                |
| Rev. E. C. MacLaughlin 1097 | ... | Assistant Chaplain      |
| G. H. Williamson 529        | ... | Registrar               |
| G. Taylor                   | ... | Secretary               |
| T. Pike 1204                | ... | Senior Deacon           |
| H. H. Hughes 573            | ... | Junior Deacon           |
| G. F. Thompson 498          | ... | Superintendent of Works |
| Joseph Fisher               | ... | Director of Ceremonies  |
| Walter Wood 564             | ... | Assist. Dir. of Cers.   |
| A. Marsh 573                | ... | Sword Bearer            |
| J. S. Wood 280              | ... | Standard Bearers        |
| T. Taylor 573               | ... |                         |
| W. Stansfield 252           | ... | Organist                |
| M. Smith 252                | ... | Pursuivant              |
| J. W. Roberts 498           | ... | Assistant Pursuivant    |
| W. Hanson                   | ... | Stewards                |
| J. Jones                    | ... |                         |
| G. G. Brown                 | ... |                         |
| F. S. Turner                | ... |                         |
| G. H. Parke                 | ... |                         |
| T. Chambers                 | ... |                         |

The Lodge having been closed, the brethren were marshalled into procession, and walked to St. John's Church for Divine Service. The remains of the late Bro. Masefield lie in St. John's churchyard, he having resided for very many years at Dixon's Green. Evening prayer was used for the service in St. John's Church. The Chaplain the Rev. W. J. Down, Vicar of St. Luke's, Dudley, assisted by the Rev. C. MacLaughlin Assistant Chaplain, Burford, near Tenbury, and the Rev. Llewellyn Nott conducted the service, a special feature of which was an anthem composed for the occasion by the Provincial Grand Organist Bro. W. Stansfield, F.C.O., Organist of Dudley Parish Church.

During the service the Deputy Provincial Grand Master unveiled the handsome marble tablet erected in the church to the memory of the late Bro. William Masefield, who not only held high honours in his Province, but honours of the Grand Lodge of England. The tablet, which contains emblems of the 30th degree, Knights Templar, Royal Arch, Mark Mason, and Craft Masonry, had the following inscription upon it :—

"In memory of Richard Masefield, P.M. P.Z. P.G.S.B. of England, Deputy P.G.M. of Worcestershire; born 5th January 1801; died 29th June 1890; whose distinguished services in Freemasonry endeared him to the brethren, who erected this tablet as a mark of brotherly love."

The Chaplain preached a sermon from the words "He being dead yet speaketh." The rev. Brother, in the course of his sermon, said the circumstances which brought them together that afternoon were, perhaps, both unique and exceptional. They were met more especially to honour the memory of one who, whilst he lived in their midst, was a most eminent brother, and to whose memory the Freemasons of the Province of Worcestershire had erected the marble tablet just unveiled. Brother Masefield possessed rare and noble qualities, both as a citizen and a Mason, and these qualities he largely used for the benefit and welfare of the Craft. Their late brother was a representative man, and they might well look back upon him as a representative Mason, one, indeed, from whom Freemasonry in the town and neighbourhood received new life and activity. In addition to the tablet the memory of Brother Masefield is to be commemorated by the investment of a sufficient sum of money for the presentation of a prize annually to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls and the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, to be called the "Masefield Prize." After service the brethren returned to the Public Hall, where the duties of Provincial Grand Lodge were resumed, and on the completion of the work the brethren dined at the Drill Hall, under the presidency of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

#### PROV. G. LODGE SOUTH WALES (EASTERN DIVISION).

THE annual general meeting was held at the Town Hall, Cardiff, on Thursday, the 8th inst., there being

a large attendance. An interesting feature in connection with the gathering was the presentation of a valuable oil painting of himself to Bro. W. E. Miles, Worshipful Master of the Tennant Lodge. The presentation, which was made by the brethren whom he had initiated during his term of office, was suitably acknowledged by the recipient, and the transaction of the ordinary business was proceeded with. The Officers and members present were :—Bros. W. E. Miles P.M. P.G.R., Thomas Evans P.M. P.G.D.C., J. T. Hogg S.W., F. J. Ferris Bailey J.W., R. Sanderson Chaplain, David Williams P.P.A.G.P., John Sheridan Seretary, Albert W. Hellier S.D., B. D. Jenkins I.G., George Henry Cole Organist, J. O'Neill Steward, Amos Jenkins Tyler, J. W. Miles, George Durston, Wm. Richards, W. Thomas, J. Matthews, W. Edwards, George Lamb, J. Johns, H. G. Gully, R. W. Westlake, J. Nolini, G. L. Dickenson, J. R. Wynde, J. Harper, D. Gower, Charles Jones, S. Collyer, George Gibson, Arthur Roberts, George Twigden, S. Jones, A. J. Beer, G. S. Watts, G. H. Green, John Thomas, and a large number of visitors from other Lodges.

#### PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER OF JERSEY.

THE annual convocation of the above Provincial Grand Chapter was held at the Masonic Temple, Stopford Road, St. Helier's, on Friday, the 26th ult., under the presidency of the Grand Superintendent, Comp. Col. E. C. Malet de Carteret P.G.M., &c., supported by Comps. Major J. T. Du Jardin P.G.H., Major J. C. Raven Provincial Grand J., P. Binet P.G. Scribe E., W. T. Pugsley P.G. Treas., P. G. Hamilton P.G. 2nd A.S. acting P.G.S.N., Thos. Leat P.G.R. acting G.P.S., Samuel Gilley P.G. Org., Peter Boir P.G.S.N., Geo. Rogers P.G. Janitor, J. Bichard P.Z. 243, L. Polick Hespriadoux P.P. Soj. 224, and others.

The Provincial Grand Chapter having been opened, the minutes of the previous annual meeting were read and confirmed. There are three Chapters in the Province, and they were all represented. The presence of Comps. Major J. T. Du Jardin P.Z. 590, and Major J. C. Raven P.Z. 244, was a source of great pleasure to the members of the local Chapters, and their pleasure was enhanced by the fact that these esteemed Companions were placed by the Grand Superintendent that evening, the former in the chair of P.G.P.H., and the latter in the chair of Second Principal of the Province. They are both old Royal Arch Masous, and it is, therefore, an honour which reflects alike on the Companions, the Chapter, and the Province.

The usual routine business of the Provincial Grand Chapter having been transacted, the Provincial Grand Officers for the year were invested, the following being the complete list :—

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| Comp. Col. E. C. Malet de Carteret | ... | Superintendent |
| Major J. T. Du Jardin P.Z. 590     | ... | Past H.        |
| Major J. C. Raven P.Z. 244         | ... | H.             |
| Peter Bois P.Z. 244                | ... | J.             |
| P. J. Hamilton P.Z. 244            | ... | Scribe E.      |
| Samuel Giddy P.Z. 491              | ... | Registrar      |
| E. Brés P.Z. 590                   | ... | Scribe N.      |
| W. T. Pugsley P.Z. 244             | ... | Treasurer      |
| J. M. Bichard P.Z. 243             | ... | Sword Bearer   |
| George Rogers P.Z. 243             | ... | Janitor        |

The appointed Comps. Prov. G.P.S., Prov. 1st G.A.S., Prov. 2nd G.A.S., Provincial Grand Standard Bearer, Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, and Provincial Grand Organist, were not invested owing to their unavoidable absence.

The annual balance sheet was then produced and read. This had been audited and found correct; it showed a very satisfactory financial condition of the Provincial Grand Chapter, and was unanimously adopted and ordered to be entered on the minutes.

The sum of five guineas was voted to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, to be placed on the list of the Grand Superintendent Comp. Colonel E. C. Malet de Carteret, who purposes acting as Steward of this Province for the ensuing Festival of that Institution, and Comp. J. M. Bichard P.G.S.B. set a good example towards opening a private subscription list by making a donation of half-a-guinea towards it. Article 2 of the By-Laws, with regard to Article 81 Constitutions, then came under due

consideration, and after a very brief discussion a decision was come to.

A hearty vote of thanks was given to Comp. B. Binet, the retiring P.G.S.E., in acknowledgment of his services during his term of office (three years.)

Comp. Binet briefly and appropriately responded.

It may not be out of place to mention here that the Grand Superintendent may be congratulated upon the continued prosperity of Royal Arch Masonry within his Province. The number of subscribing members returned for the past year and the finances of the Province bear an equally favourable comparison with those of the previous year, and the Grand Principals must have observed during their periodical visits to the Chapter in every instance the attendance was good and the working highly creditable, and we may assert that the Grand Superintendent bears fully in mind the advanced status of Royal Arch Masonry in the present day, and the excellence of the teachings conveyed in its expressive ritual and ceremonies, which really form the full complement of the Master Mason's Degree, and should conduce towards an even greater advance, if possible, of its members in respect of their moral character and fidelity to Freemasonry.

The P.G.S.E. having read some communications, and nothing further offering for the good of Royal Arch Masonry, the Provincial Grand Chapter was closed.

A very excellent banquet was provided, under the management of Comp. George Rogers, and gave general satisfaction to every one discussing the menu. The viands were excellent, the wines of the best brands, and the service good.

The Grand Superintendent presided, and his introduction of the several Loyal and Royal Arch Mason's toasts were brief and effective.

The list of toasts was complete, and from that of the Queen and Royal Arch Masonry to the Janitor's final, were all cordially expressed and most enthusiastically responded to. With a word in praise of the excellent catering and management, we close our notice of one of the most pleasant gatherings of Jersey Companions which has been held in the Province for many years.

#### PRESENTATION TO THE REV. C. J. MARTYN.

THE Rev. C. J. Martyn, Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Suffolk, has been the recipient of a solid silver tobacco box, six inches square, the sides of which were magnificently engraved with the various Masonic emblems, the lid bearing the following inscription:—"Presented to the Rev. C. J. Martyn, Grand Chaplain of England and Past Master of the Stour Valley Lodge of Freemasons, 1224, by a few of the brethren of that Lodge, on the occasion of his leaving Long Melford." An address on vellum was signed by the Worshipful Master Brother W. Bailey. The presentation was made privately, at Sudbury, on Friday evening, the 2nd inst., by Brother Jos. F. Hills P.M.

We have been brought into prominence Masonically recently by the holding of the Grand Lodge of Worcestershire in Dudley. Masonry in Worcestershire has always been in a flourishing condition, and the Province can with pride point to some of the leading Masons of the day as being within its borders, whilst Dudley itself can also boast of Masons of considerable prominence in the ancient and honourable Craft. In fact, Masonry in Dudley is in a very robust state. At least the authorities evidently consider it as such, and have such a high appreciation of the work of Dudley Masons that nearly half of the offices held under the Grand Lodge have been given this year to Dudley Masons. Friday's ceremony, however, was particularly interesting from the fact that the memory of one of the oldest and most respected Masons of the Province was perpetuated by the unveiling of a marble tablet in St. John's Church. Brother Masfield had a most unique knowledge of all Masonic matters, and he not only held very high offices in his own Province, but he had also been singled out by the Grand Lodge of England to hold an important place. Therefore, Dudley, in the case of Brother Masfield, might take particular credit to itself from a Masonic point. Even to the uninitiated, who had the privilege of seeing the unique procession and ceremony in the church, the proceedings were most interesting. Excellent arrangements had been made by the Directors of the Ceremonies, and altogether the annual meeting of the Worcestershire Province was a success.—*Dudley Herald*.

**HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.**—With the changing season it is prudent for all to rectify any ailment afflicting them; but it is incumbent on the aged, suffering under ulcerations and similar debilitating causes to have them removed or worse consequences will follow. This Ointment is their remedy; on its powers all may confidently rely; it not simply puts their sores out of sight, but extirpates the source of mischief, extracts the corroding poison, and stimulates nature to fill up the ulcer with sound, healthy granulations, that will abide through life. Under this treatment bad legs soon become sound, scorbutic skins cast off their scales, and scrofulous sores cease to annoy. Such hope for the disease was unknown in former days.

#### THE THEATRES, &c.

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**Vaudeville.**—With the revival of "Our Boys" at this theatre, on Wednesday night, we may predict another long run for this, one of Mr. H. J. Byron's most spirited comedies. The well earned rest the piece has had appears in no way to have lessened the interest centered in it. Indeed, it comes to the lovers of a sound English comedy with renewed freshness. With our old friend Mr. David James again at the helm, it goes without saying that at no time during the evening was the success of the piece in doubt. We may confidently say that Mr. James never acted the part of Perkyn Middlewick better than he did on Wednesday; it was a different reading of the part, and it was most effective. Three other members of the original cast are back in their old places—Mr. William Farren (Sir Geoffery Champneys), Miss Sophie Larkin (Clarissa Champneys), and Miss Cicely Richards (Belinda). These in their turn received quite an ovation. The other characters are undertaken by Mr. W. E. Gardiner (Talbot Champneys), Mr. H. Reeves-Smith (Charles Middlewick), Mr. Duncan Fent (Poddles), Mr. Howard (Kempster), Miss Eva Moore (Violet Melrose), and Miss May Whitty (Mary Melrose). All these are so well at home in their respective parts that to individualise them would be invidious. The staging of the piece leaves nothing to be desired, whilst the dresses are certainly all that the most fastidious mind could devise. We congratulate Messrs. Gatti on the success of the revival, and trust that "Our Boys" has started on another successful run.

**Alhambra.**—This popular house of amusement is now undergoing a process of renovation and decoration, which together with the installation of the electric light—a highly beneficial improvement—will render the building a thing of beauty and a joy for a considerable time to come. But Bro. John Hollingshead is too good a general to allow his forces to be reduced in strength because the scene of battle is assured; on the contrary, he has increased the list of his attractions by several new artistes who occupy the time between them and the grand ballets of "Don Juan" and "On the Ice." The foremost novelty is Miss Jennie Joyce, in her celebrated "Serpentine Dance," though the arms are called more into requisition than the lower limbs, but the performance is both pleasing and effective. The Jackleys display some extraordinary gymnastics while attired in evening dress clothes, and Treway the clever "Shadowgraphist" causes considerable amusement with his figures. Another new comer is Paulinetti, "the Antipodean Wonder," who must have a wrist of steel to go through his unique performance. Caicedo, wire walker, Miss Hetty Chapman, ballad vocalist, and several other well known artistes also appear. It is needless to say that the result is satisfactory to the directors.

**Empire.**—Like its great rival across the Square, this handsome house is also in the hands of the workmen for decorative purposes, but similarly the entertainment is maintained at its usual high state of perfection. In many respects the programme submitted is identical, consisting of two beautiful ballets, "Versailles" and "By the Sea," a Serpentine dancer in the person of Miss Ida Bailey, and other novelties. Among the latter is Morritt the conjuror, with a new mystery, "Flyto," which is astounding to eyes and intelligence of the spectator. A young lady is placed in an enlarged bird-cage standing sixteen inches from the ground, and in a few seconds she has vanished and her position is occupied by a bold zonave, while the lady is discovered in the auditorium. Again she is shut up in the cage, and a similar box is supported about twenty feet above it—a distance of some feet being between the two cages. The lower box is opened only to be found empty, when the lady calls out from the upper compartment that she is there and opens the door. A less mysterious but no less amazing performance is given by Joseph Darby, the champion jumper of the world, whose feats must be seen in order to be credited. Among the most extraordinary items are jumping off a brick, end up, over a chair placed ten feet away, without knocking the brick down; jumping over three chairs, 15 feet apart, in three successive jumps; and jumping over a bar 5 feet 6 inches high with his ankles tied together. Ivan Tschernoff's performing dogs, the Selbini troupe, and R. G. Knowles should also be seen.

The London County Council have, it is said, informed the Clerkenwell Vestry that Messrs. Wilmot and Freeman, lessees of Sadler's Wells Theatre will renew their application for a music and dancing licence for this theatre, their aim being to convert it into a handsome music hall at a cost of between £14,000 and £15,000.

The members of the Oriental Congress were recently invited to see the great Cyclorama of "Ancient Egypt," and a large number of distinguished professors and travellers accepted the offer and have expressed their great appreciation of Berninger's work. A paper was read by Bro. the Rev. C. J. Ball, M.R.A.S., "On Akkadian Affinities of Chinese."

On the 2nd inst., the remains of Bro. Herbert Stout, of Town Hall Street, Grimsby, were followed to the grave by the W.M. and brethren of the Pelham Pillar Lodge, No. 792, of which he was a respected member.

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## Obituary.

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### BRO. JOHN SMYTH.

On the 31st ult., the mortal remains of Bro. John Smyth I.G. of the Loyal Lodge, No. 251, Barnstaple, were interred in the Cemetery. The deceased was a member of the firm of Smyth and Sons, outfitters and drapers, and was the fourth son of Mr. W. Smyth, J.P., and leaves a widow and a family of young children to mourn his loss. He was an officer of the Loyal Lodge, the following members of which attended: Bros. F. Codd I.P.M., T. Pearse S.W., J. W. Crang J.W., Thomas Russell, M.A., Chaplain, R. Harper S.D., H. Brooks J.D., R. P. Morrison P.M., W. C. Oliver P.M., J. Besson P.M., W. A. Roberts P.M., J. Gayden P.M., A. Bater and H. Hancocks Tylers, T. R. Seldon, J. Cummings, T. Lee, J. Kiell, R. Hickin, J. Shepherd, W. Herbert. Letters were received at the Lodge from the W.M. (Bro. Sir William Williams, Bart.), G. C. Davie P.G.S., J. Brewer P.P.G.J.W., Joint, and Squire, stating their inability to attend. The cortège left the deceased's private residence in Ebberley Lawn at noon. The blinds of all the houses in the town were drawn, and several of the shops in the vicinity of deceased's place of business and along the route were partially closed. The coffin was carried on a bier, and was completely covered with beautiful wreaths, one being from the Masons. The inscription on the coffin was—"John Smyth. Born 29th August 1849, died 27th August 1892." The funeral ceremony was performed by the Vicar of Barnstaple, the Rev. Dr. Newton.

### BRO. WILLIAM BUTTERFIELD.

Bro. William Butterfield, an official of the Midland Railway Company and an active Freemason, died at his residence in Arboretum Square, Derby, on Saturday, the 10th inst. He had been ill for a considerable time past, and therefore his death was not unexpected. He was born in Yorkshire, entered the Midland service forty years ago, and was for many years a travelling inspector in connection with the General Manager's Department. He had passed the chair of the Hartington Lodge, No. 1085, and was also an Officer of the Provincial Grand Lodge.

### BRO. ISAAC DACRE.

The funeral of Bro. Isaac Dacre, who died, at his residence, Park Hotel, 194 Walton Breck Road, Liverpool, rather suddenly, on Sunday the 4th inst., took place at St. James's Cemetery, on the 7th inst. The deceased was a member of the Downshire Lodge, No. 594. Besides surviving relatives, there were present the following Officers and members of the Downshire Lodge:—Bros. J. Phelan W.M., W. H. Veevers P.M., E. R. Lathom P.M., D. Dunkell P.M., F. Wilkinson I.G., T. Malcolm Treasurer, and Bros. Gortz and Robertson. From Bent and Co.,—John Lormer, M. Johnstone, J. Gold, J. Cunningham, W. Forbes, J. Danson, William Bushell, Mr. Lawrence, James Chin, Samuel Chin. The Rev. J. W. Rhodes conducted the funeral service.

## MASONIC SONNETS.—No. 13.

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### A DEPARTED BROTHER.

(Bro. the Rev. JAMES GALLIE, M.A., Vicar of Great Horton, P.M. Pentalfa Lodge, No. 974, Past Provincial Grand Chaplain, died 10th September 1892.)

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A good exponent of our Craft is dead;  
The Grand Geometrician sought his bed,  
And took his Spirit far beyond the Blue.  
His was a Life of Peace and Hope and Love—  
A Life of Honour and Fidelity,  
A Life of Sympathy with Masonry,  
A Life that leads to the Grand Lodge Above.  
I knew him well—although the Mystic Tie  
Had not bound us for a long space of years;  
But yet our Precepts made our joys and fears  
As one—for we shared true Fraternity.  
Then let us live like him of whom I write—  
So that we join him in the Realms of Light.

Winder House, Bradford,  
13th September 1892.

On Thursday, the 8th instant, at the regular meeting of the Harmony and Industry Lodge, No. 381, Bro. S. H. Shorrock in the chair, Bro. Alderman Duxbury, the Mayor of Preston, presented a beautiful banner to the Lodge, of which he is a member. The banner, which is of silk, bears the borough arms, with Masonic symbols, and the motto, "Absque labore nibill." Bro. J. Wardley received the banner on behalf of the Lodge.

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## DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

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

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## Saturday, 17th September.

1329 Sphinx, Surrey M.H., Camberwell  
1787 Kensington, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill  
2308 Viator, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
M.M. 251 Tenterden, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
M.M. 357 Chiswick, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge  
1556 Addiscombe, 105 High Street, Croydon  
1597 Musgrave, Greyhound, Hampton Court  
2034 Beaumont, Royal Hotel, Kirkburton  
2318 Lennox Browne, Roebuck Ho., Buckhurst Hill  
2381 Bushey Park, Greyhound, Hampton Court  
R.A. 68 Royal Hotel, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
R.A. 2048 Henry Levander, Railway Hotel, Harrow

## Monday, 19th September.

720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham  
901 City of London, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.  
2080 La France, 68 Regent Street, W.  
Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Worcestershire,  
Saracen's Head, Dudley, at 4  
77 Freedom, Falcon Hotel, Gravesend  
236 York, Masonic Hall, York  
248 True Love and Unity, F.M.H., Brixham  
312 Lion, Masonic Hall, Whitby  
359 Peace and Harmony, F.M.H., Southampton  
382 Royal Union, Public Rooms, Uxbridge  
424 Borough, M.R., Half Moon Lane, Gatheshead  
466 Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron  
725 Stoneleigh, Craven Arms, Coventry  
872 Lewis, Masonic Hall, Whitehaven  
925 Bedford, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
949 Williamson, Masonic Hall, Monkwearmouth  
986 Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston

1030 Egerton, George Hotel, Heaton Norris  
1141 Mid Sussex, King's Head, Horsham  
1199 Agriculture, Ship and Turtle, Congresbury  
1206 Metham, Metham Masonic Hall, E. Stonehouse  
1208 Corinthian, Masonic Temple, Dover  
1255 Dundas, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth  
1443 Salem, Masonic Hall, Dawlish, Devon  
1502 Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1909 Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Nottingham  
2074 St. Clair, Masonic Hall, Landport  
2208 Horsa, Masonic Hall, Bournemouth  
2280 Blundellsands, Alexandra Assembly Rooms, Great Crosby.  
2327 St. Oswin, M.H., Norfolk Street, N. Shields  
2340 West Lancashire Century, South Shore Hydropathic Establishment, Blackpool.

R.A. 40 Emulation, Castle Hotel, Hastings.  
R.A. 139 Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield  
R.A. 261 Nelson of the Nile, M.H., Batley  
R.A. 315 Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn  
R.A. 348 St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Bolton  
R.A. 482 St. James, New Inn, Handsworth  
R.A. 731 Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Duffield  
R.A. 779 St. Augustine, F.H., Ashby-de-la-Zouch  
M.M. 141 Skelmersdale, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton  
K.T. 39 Fearnley, Masonic Hall, Dewsbury

## Tuesday, 20th September.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, 4  
700 Nelson, New Masonic Hall, Plumstead  
857 St. Mark, Surrey M.H., Camberwell  
1805 Bromley St. Leonard, Vestry Hall, Bow Road  
2045 Wharton, White Hart Hotel, Willesden  
2191 Anglo-American, Criterion, W.  
R.A. 933 Doric, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
R.A. 1604 Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
R.A. 2021 Queen's Westminster, Holborn Restaurant  
M.M. 238 Prince Leopold, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
213 Perseverance, 47 St. Giles Street, Norwich  
223 Charity, Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth  
384 St. David, Masonic Hall, Bangor  
418 Menturia, Masonic Hall, Hanley  
452 Frederick of Unity, F.M.H., Croydon  
667 Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
830 Endeavour, Queen's Arms, Dukinfield  
960 Bute, Masonic Hall, Cardiff

1006 Tregullov, Masonic Rooms, Scorrier, Cornwall  
1089 De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness  
1225 Hindpool, Masonic Hall, Barrow-in-Furness  
1276 Warren, Seacombe Hotel, Seacombe  
1424 Brownrigg, King's Arms, Old Brompton  
1427 Percy, Masonic Hall, Newcastle  
1551 Charity, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
1670 Prince Arthur, Mas. Hall, Hope St., Liverpool  
1761 Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Northampton  
1787 Grenville, Town Hall, Buckingham  
1893 Lumley, Estate Office, Skegness  
1903 Pr Edward of Saxe Weimar, M.H., Portsmouth  
1941 St. Augustine's, Shrewsbury Arms, Rugby  
2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton  
2155 Makerfield, Pied Bull, Newton-le-Willows  
2390 Exmoor, Town Hall, Minehead  
2407 Hicks-Beach, Imperial Hotel, Stroud, Glos.

R.A. 41 Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Bath  
R.A. 80 St. John's, Masonic Hall, Sunderland  
R.A. 419 St. Peter, Star & Garter, Wolverhampton  
R.A. 510 St. Martin's, Masonic Hall, Liskeard  
R.A. 694 Oakley, M.H., Sarum Hill, Gt. Grimsby  
R.A. 1151 Unity, Town Hall, Tywardreath, Cornwall  
R.A. 2134 Wilberforce, M.H., St. Luke St., Hull  
M.M. Lebanon, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
M.M. York, Masonic Hall, Duncombe Street, York.  
M.M. 266 Amherst, Masonic Hall, Sandgate

## Wednesday, 21st September.

Board of Benevolence, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
1278 Burdett Coutts, Approach Tav, Victoria Park  
1382 Corinthian, George Inn, Cubitt Town

1624 Eccleston, Criterion, Piccadilly  
2241 Cordwainer, City Terminus Hotel, London E.  
2266 Cator, Public Hall, Beckenham

20 Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham  
121 Mount Sinai, Masonic Hall, Penzance  
137 Amity, Masonic Hall, Market Street, Poole  
178 Antiquity, Royal Hotel, Wigan  
200 Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough  
210 Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton  
231 St. John, Masonic Hall, Bolton  
216 Royal Union, Freemasons' Hall, Cheltenham  
311 South Saxon, Freemasons' Hall, Lewes  
325 St. John's, Freemasons' Hall, Salford  
342 Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, Landport  
376 Perfect Friendship, M.H., Soane St., Ipswich  
451 Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem  
537 Zetland, 9 Hamilton Street, Birkenhead  
591 Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury  
592 Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirencester  
610 Colston, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
662 Dartmouth, Masonic Hall, W. Bromwich  
683 Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Newport, Mon.  
726 Staffordshire Knot, The Swan, Stafford  
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
865 Dalhousie, Town Hall, Hounslow  
934 Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield  
938 Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
962 Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Workington  
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury

1040 Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield  
1086 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale  
1120 St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale  
1136 Carew, M.H., Torpoint, Cornwall  
1161 De Grey and Ripon, Freem. Hall, Manchester  
1246 Holte, Victoria Hall, Aston  
1301 Brighthouse, Masonic Room, Brighthouse  
1334 Norman, Freemasons' Hall, Durham  
1353 Duke of Lancaster, Masonic Hall, Lancaster  
1511 Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull  
1634 Starkie, Grant Arms, Ramsbottom  
1638 Brownrigg, The Sun, Kingston-on-Thames  
1774 Mellor, Corporation Arms, Ashton-under-Lyde  
1988 Mawddack, Masonic Hall, Barmouth, N. Wales  
2135 Constance, Masonic Hall, Consett  
2153 Hope, India Arms Hotel, Gosport  
2203 Farnborough and North Camp, Queen's Hotel, North Camp, Farnborough  
2258 Western District United Service, Masonic Hall, Caroline Place, E. Stonehouse  
2330 St. Lawrence, M.R., New Inn, Paisley.  
2412 Ashfield, Town Hall, Sutton-in-Ashfield

R.A. 123 Nativity, Bull Hotel, Burnley  
R.A. 258 Amphibious, F.M.H., Hesketh-on-Twike  
R.A. 274 Fidelity, Boar's Head, Newchurch  
R.A. 580 Unity, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk  
R.A. 591 Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury  
R.A. 663 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Davizes  
R.A. 726 Royal Chartley of Fortitude, N.W. Hot, Staff  
R.A. 847 Fortescue, Masonic Hall, Houghton  
R.A. 1000 Priory, Terminus Hotel, Southern  
R.A. 1060 Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Tamworth  
R.A. 1350 Fernor Hesketh, M.H., Liverpool  
M.M. 123 Callender, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire

## Thursday, 22nd September.

65 Prosperity, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.  
507 United Pilgrims, Bridge House, Southwark  
766 William Preston, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.  
1121 Langthorne, Angel Hotel, Ilford  
1563 The City of Westminster, Regent M.H., W.  
1658 Skelmersdale, Surrey M.H., Camberwell  
M.M. 118 Northumberland Masons' Hall, E.C.  
78 Imperial George, Ashteton Arms, Middleton  
202 Friendship, Masonic Hall, Devonport  
348 United Brethren, The Grosvenor, Blackburn  
349 St. John, Masonic Hall, Bolton  
410 Grove, Spring Hotel, Ewell  
591 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
935 Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salford

1437 Liberty of Havering, Golden Lion, Romford  
1505 Emulation, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1626 Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Newcastle  
1705 Prince of Wales, India Arms, Gosport  
1971 Army and Navy, Masonic Hall, Aldershot  
2131 Brownlow, Town Hall, Eilesmere  
2181 Royal Victoria Jubilee, Forest Hot., Chingford  
2195 Military Jubilee, Masonic Hall, Dover.  
2214 Josiah Wedgwood, Wesleyan Schools, Etruria, Staffordshire.  
2215 Anfield, Sandon Hotel, Anfield, Lancashire  
2261 Armitage, M.R., Market St., Middlesbrough  
2263 St. Leonards, M.H., Surrey Street, Sheffield  
2335 Cycling and Athletic, Coffee House, Church Road, Wavertree.  
2375 Hilbre, Market Hall, Hoylake, Cheshire.  
2387 Manchester Dramatic, F.M.H., Manchester

R.A. 292 Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
R.A. 394 Concord, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton  
R.A. 413 St. Peter's, Masonic Hall, Peterborough  
R.A. 732 Royal Sussex, Royal Pavilion, Brighton  
R.A. 1037 Portland, Masonic Hall, Portland  
K.T. 8 Plates of Mace, Bull Hotel, Burnley

## Friday, 23rd September.

R.A. 1044 Mid-Surrey, Surrey M.H., Camberwell  
1621 Castle, Crown Hotel, Bridgnorth  
1712 St. John, F.M.H., Grainger Street, Newcastle  
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## Saturday, 24th September.

1679 H. Muggeridge, M.H., Masons' Avenue, E.C.  
R.A. 176 Caveac, Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C.  
1463 Wharfedale, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone  
1570 St. James, George Hotel, Enfield  
1531 Chiselmurst, Bull's Head Hotel, Chiselmurst  
1571 Gosling Murray, Town Hall, Hounslow  
1965 Eastes, Parish Rooms, Bromley  
1982 Greenwood, Public Hall, Sutton  
2048 Henry Levander, Station Hotel, Harrow  
2353 Broxbourne, Crown Hotel, Broxbourne  
R.A. 444 Union, Courtemay Arms Hotel, Starcross

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## Saturday, 17th September.

37 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30  
179 Manchester, 3 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8  
193 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8  
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8  
1293 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8  
1361 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7  
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney,  
1621 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7  
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, W.  
R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

## Monday, 19th September.

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  
130 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8  
243 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon  
392 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge  
543 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8  
733 Westbourne, Red House Hotel, St. John's Wood Road, N.W., 8  
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7:30  
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30  
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8  
1349 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6:30  
1425 Hyde Park, Prince of Wales's Hotel, corner of Eastbourne Terrace, and Bishop's Rd., W. 8  
1445 Prince Leopold, 212 Whitechapel Road, E., 7  
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall Canterbury,  
1489 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 7:30  
1507 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 7:30  
1595 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney  
1603 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8  
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7  
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8:30  
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8  
1743 Perseverance, Deacons' Tavern, Walbrook, 7  
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8  
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8

## Tuesday, 20th September.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8  
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7  
74 Athol, M.H., Severn Street, Birmingham, 6:45  
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.  
177 Domatic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30  
198 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8  
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, 8  
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
463 East Surrey Lodge of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, 8  
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8  
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7:30  
753 Prince Fred, William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8  
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, Throynedole St., 7  
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8  
1321 Emblematic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8  
1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex  
1449 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7:30  
1449 Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8  
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30  
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich  
1473 Bottle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 6  
1540 Chancer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.  
1638 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8  
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N.  
1849 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7  
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8  
2146 Sirbiton, 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. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

## Wednesday, 21st September.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8  
30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30  
65 Prosperity, Old Parr's Head, Knightbridge St.  
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8  
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8  
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 8  
228 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8  
538 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8  
594 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. 8  
862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8  
902 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8  
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8:30  
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland  
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney  
1356 Toxteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30  
1475 Peckham, 518 Old Kent Road, 8  
1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull  
1601 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rusby Green, Catford, 8  
1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7:30  
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7:30  
1681 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8  
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8:30  
1791 Creation, Wheatsheaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8  
1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8  
1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7:30  
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, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C.

## Thursday, 22nd September.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30  
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8  
263 Clarence, 3 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.  
749 Belgrave, Albion Tavern, Russell St., W.C., 8

754 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8  
 879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe  
 New Road  
 890 Hornsey, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8  
 1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 9  
 1168 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8  
 1178 Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, S.E. 7  
 1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7.30  
 1259 Duke of Edinburgh, Eastern Hotel, Commer-  
 cial Road, Limehouse, E., 7.30  
 1278 Burdett Coutts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8  
 1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8  
 1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbled., 7.30  
 1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6.30  
 1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell 11.8  
 1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7  
 1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8  
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, 45 Upper Street, N., 8  
 1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7.15  
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8  
 1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8  
 1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7.30  
 1744 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8  
 1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7.30  
 1877 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem, St. John's Road,  
 Clerkenwell, 9  
 1990 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

Friday, 23rd September.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6  
 General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8

167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park,  
 507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7.30  
 765 St. James, Princess Victoria, Rotherhithe, 8  
 780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 8  
 834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith  
 1056 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7  
 1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7.30  
 1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8  
 1293 Royal Standard, Castle, 81 Holloway Rd., N., 8  
 1365 Clapton, Navarino Tavern, Hackney, 8  
 1381 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8  
 1457 Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton, Essex, 7.30  
 1642 E. Carnarvon, Lambrook Hall, Notting Hill, 8  
 1901 Selwyn, Montpelier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8  
 2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The  
 Criterion, W., 8  
 R.A. 95 Eastern Star, Hercules Tavern, E.C.  
 R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 8  
 R.A. 890 Hornsey, Prince of Wales's Hotel, corner of  
 Eastbourne Terrace, and Bishop's Road, W. 8  
 R.A. 1275 Star, Stirling Castle, Church Street,  
 Camberwell, 7

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 Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7.30  
 179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8  
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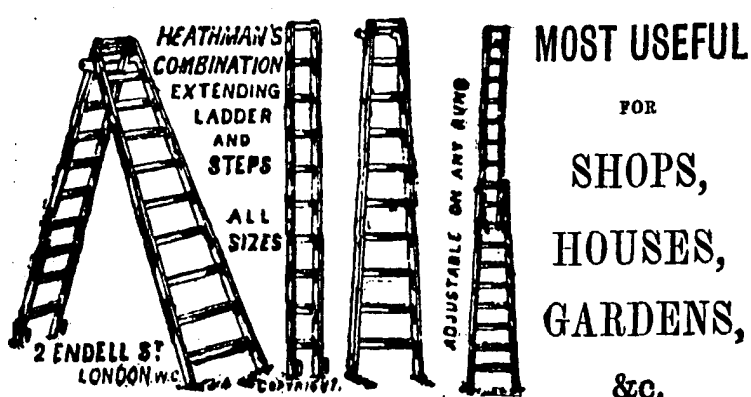
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