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## FREEMASONRY AND PUBLIC SERVICE.

WHILE there is a strong feeling among the leaders of the people to remove all disabilities from the lower classes of public servants, and place all on an equality so far as electoral and other privileges are concerned, there is an equally strong force at work in other quarters to create new barriers and distinctions, and make it illegal for juniors to enjoy the same freedom as their superiors in matters purely outside the range of official duties. Freemasonry is frequently to the front in this respect, and only during the last few days attention has been directed to the subject in the general press of the country—in one part a protest being offered against the admission into Freemasonry of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and in another a desire being expressed to similarly penalise the uncommissioned ranks of the army.

The first task of those who desire to see a destination in this respect is to make out a case, for it is clear that some reason must be put forth which shall induce the authorities to consider the matter, else there is no possible chance of bringing about the desired restriction. To do this is not by any means easy, and the mere fact that in the majority of cases sentimental grievances are the only ones that can be urged shows how little ground there is for the argument set forth. In most cases official favouritism is the first—and often the sole—evil that can be urged against continued freedom of action, the argument usually being that this or that subordinate is allowed greater privileges than his fellows, simply because he is a Freemason, and thereby in closer touch with his superiors than those who have not made themselves members of our Fraternity. There may be some amount of truth in such an allegation, but Freemasonry, or indeed secret societies generally are not the only factors which influence the superiors in their dealings with the men under their charge. An officer may have known one of his privates as a lad, they may have both come from the same district, may have been brought up from childhood amid the same surroundings, and finally the officer may have personally induced the private to enter the service, with the promise of keeping a watchful eye over him. Thus we have a personal interest manifest between the two, and if, as is often the case, the subordinate is a better man in consequence, what wonder that he should be advanced and allowed greater privileges than those of his companions who, probably without an aim in life, go through their duties in a listless sort of manner, and always endeavour to do as little as possible in as slovenly a way as they are able, and only just contrive to keep themselves within the strict letter of the law. It is always urgent that Freemasonry is likely to make a man better than he would be without it; indeed no man can master the teachings and precepts

of our Order and fail to recognise the advantages of acting up to its principles, and this may in a measure account for what at first blush seems to be a system of favouritism.

In the case of the Royal Irish Constabulary there is at all times a cause for disagreement, on the ground of religious differences. The feeling of the Romish Church towards Freemasonry is so well known as to account for any amount of hostility in this direction, indeed the latest attack brought under our notice is rather an appeal for religious persecution than any sincere intention of counteracting the professed evils of allowing the juniors and the leaders of the force to associate themselves with the same rites of Freemasonry.

It is not for us to decide which is the best system to adopt to ensure good order and regularity in the army, navy, and other public forces; whether it is best to treat the men as dogs, and allow them no privileges; or to recognise them as fellow human beings, with feelings and aspirations similar to those enjoyed by their superiors—there are warm advocates of both systems, but happily the feeling is rapidly growing that the latter course is the only correct one to follow, and such being the case it is evidence of a desire for retrogression to argue in favour of new restrictions, or to attempt to enforce fresh barriers between the two great divisions of the human race—the masters and the men.

## WHY MASONRY PROSPERS.

*An Oration by Bro. E. R. Roe, at the Public Installation of the Officers of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Illinois, in Alton, 4th October 1848, in which he portrayed the character and trials of Masonry and the cause of its prosperity.*

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AND shall the solemn and imposing rites of Masonry be discarded to satisfy the cavilling of him who affects to be superior to the influence of human feeling and human sentiment? If Masonry was made for angels instead of men, and if angels are uninfluenced by solemn rites and moral ceremonies, then discard them all. But while there are human hearts to feel their influence, they will never be forgotten—no, never! I call upon you, my brethren, to bear me witness, if you have ever beheld the initiate enter the outer chamber of our courts, and watched the progress of the solemn rite until the candidate had been bound by the cement of brotherly love, as a living stone in the temple of Masonry, without feeling that you was a purer and a better man.

III. A few words upon the present condition of Masonry in the world, and we are done. Masonry is prosperous beyond anything in the annals of human institutions. Great indeed would be the success of that system which pervaded only the confederated states of the American Union. Travel around its borders and look at its vastness! Let us start from Eastport, in

the state of Maine. Leaving Passamaquoddy Bay behind, and journeying on the famous north-eastern boundary line five hundred miles, we reach the northern end of Lake Champlain; thence one hundred more to the river St. Lawrence. Take a steamer there, and leaving its venerable waters far behind, three hundred miles through Lake Ontario and up the wild Niagara river, will bring you to the great cataract whose thunders roar for ever, like a solemn anthem of nature up to Nature's God! Look for a moment at the bow of promise, spread from shore to shore, as if in token of peace and amity between the greatest nations on earth. And then away through the northern lakes—oceans compared with those of any other land—more than a thousand miles to port Charlotte, on Lake Superior. You may find company even there. Speak to the trapper\* in the language of Masonry, before he starts upon his journey from the lake to the Pacific ocean, and you will most likely find a brother even there. Follow him in his hardy enterprise, and he will conduct you three thousand and five hundred miles to the strait of Fuca, in the Pacific ocean. Get upon the quarter-deck of some noble frigate there, from whose mast-head floats the stars and stripes, and pass rapidly down the Pacific coast to the bay of San Francisco, another thousand miles! Mount there a trusty steed, some tried mustang, fleet as the wind and almost as tireless, and away for Santa Fe! Ocean, and plain, and river, and mountain, and forest are left behind!—fifteen hundred miles to the city of the Holy Faith! In some light canoe glide swiftly with the current of the Rio Grande another thousand miles to the Mexican gulf; and now we have an endless line of coast, back to the place of beginning, almost four thousand miles.

And this vast country is the land of Liberty! It is also peculiarly the land of Masonry. Here it has been set upon by demagogues, and persecuted by fanatics; and here it has signally triumphed over all its enemies! And now, having come out of the fiery trial like gold doubly refined, it circulates as true coin, stamped with the signet of truth in the mint of public opinion.

And now, would you know how to trace the institution into other lands than this? Follow the footsteps of Freedom in the world; travel over the globe with the spread of civilisation; follow the beacon-light of science from shore to shore; and where these are, Masonry is also. Even in the uttermost parts of the earth the sound of the gavel is heard, and men who have never known each other's voices meet to speak the universal language of brotherly love.

And why is it that a mere human institution should enjoy such continued and such wide-spread prosperity? Because its principles are in harmony with the better nature and the best interests of men; the very same reasons which give to our country its present prosperity and its future promise. It is because the American government is a natural government, and not only in harmony with human rights but with human character, that men from all nations so easily assimilate with us, and soon become *bona fide* Americans. Those unnatural principles upon which thrones are built tumble their tyrants down from the very nature of things. So must it be with all institutions which are founded without regard to a just knowledge of human character.

But Masonry, having been founded in harmony with Man's moral nature; having as her standard the most elevated virtue; and being sustained by very many of the best men of our race, gives hopeful promise that her labour of love will not be stayed until Brotherly Love shall prevail in all the earth.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.—Freemasonry prospers because it is founded in and erected on the dogma, the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man; because it teaches and practices all the duties of love to God and man; because it ever is in the vanguard of true civil and religious liberty, and because it firmly and inflexibly maintains that naturally and civilly all men are equal, and possess no distinction in condition and right save that produced by physical, social, mental, moral and spiritual culture. In brief, because it unfalteringly inculcates and practices all the essentials and virtues of humanity and of pure and undefiled religion.

—Voice of Masonry.

\* What a change forty-four years have wrought! Now Masons are everywhere in the Great North-west and West and South-west, and the railway has superseded the ox, the horse and the mustang, its fleetness exceeding them all.—Ed. V. of M.

## BROTHER CHARLES FREDERICK FORSHAW, LL.D., D.D.S.

IS not only a well-known Bradford poet, but is, par excellence, the biographer and historian of Yorkshire poetry, a walking encyclopædia of lore regarding the county poets and their writings. He has in this connection written almost a thousand biographies of poets and poetasters, which together with excerpts from their works have been published in various journals. He has also published five volumes of "Yorkshire Poets." Dr. Forshaw is equally productive, whether as editor, biographer, or original composer. Although still a young man, his name is attached to no less than twenty-five publications, the last of which is the "Holroyd Collection of Yorkshire ballads," just issued. The twenty-sixth, which he is now preparing for the press, is "The Leading Poets of Yorkshire," which is to be dedicated by special permission to His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, and this is to be followed by "The Poetesses of Yorkshire" and "The Poets of Halifax." Dr. Forshaw, we learn from "North Country Poets," published in 1888, by Wm. Andrews, F.R.H.S., president of the Hull Literary Club, and author of a number of standard Yorkshire Works, "was born at Bilston, South Staffordshire, January 1863, but has resided in Bradford since his childhood. At the age when most young men are commencing the work of marking out a career we find him established as senior partner in an extensive and well-known firm of dentists, a lecturer of some note, a writer of scientific articles and pamphlets; the author of two volumes of poetry, and a liberal contributor of verse to many of the leading papers in the north of England." "North Country Poets" is not the only book in which Dr. Forshaw's praises have been sung. He also figures in "Popular Poets of the Period," an expensive work published by a Brighton author; in the "American Magazine of Poetry," published at Buffalo, New York; and in the "Thousand Best Poems of the World," an Australian work printed at Melbourne. There are few readers of weekly papers throughout the British Isles to whom his name is not familiar as a poetical contributor, and sonnets and poems from his pen have appeared in a number of American journals, and also through the medium of translation in several German magazines. Amongst other regular poetical engagements he contributes at present a sonnet on Freemasonry, of which he is an ardent devotee, each week to the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE. Dr. Forshaw's assiduity and perseverance have not passed unrewarded either in the paths of literature or the more mundane fields of professional life. He "bears his blushing honours thick upon him." His early publications on the use of cocaine, the microscopic structure of the teeth and other allied matters have secured him the coveted distinction of Fellow of the Chemical Society of Berlin, an honour conferred only on six Englishmen, and also the fellowship of the Royal Microscopical Society of London; his literary labours obtained for him some years ago the honorary LL.D. of Tusculum and Greenville College, Tusculum University, Tennessee, a distinction so far conferred upon eight Britons only, although the university charter dates from 1794; and last year in connection with his dental patents and papers on dental matters the Faculty of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, the oldest and largest dental college in the world, granted him, in absentia, their honorary degree of D.D.S. This is the only honorary doctorate granted by the college within the British Isles for the last 33 years, and a dignity of which the holder may be justly proud. He is also a Fellow of the Geological Society of Edinburgh, and a member of the Society of Chemical Industry of London. Dr. Forshaw holds offices as honorary dental surgeon for four Bradford Charities and for the Ilkley College. As a poet Dr. Forshaw's tastes are of a most catholic type, but the subjects of his versification are to a large extent of a domestic character, or such as breathe of the gentler emotions, and are eminently calculated to appeal to the sympathies of the great Demos. He has published many songs, including a Masonic one, "The Mystic Tie," which, set to music, have had considerable vogue, and latterly has developed a great penchant for the sonnet style of composition. His poem on the "Silver Wedding" elicited a personal letter of thanks from the Prince of Wales, and for his sonnet on the death of the Duke of Clarence he received an autograph letter of thanks from Princess May, the bride-elect of the unfortunate young prince, as well as the praise of the Queen herself conveyed through her private secretary. We give three of Dr. Forshaw's sonnets, the first of which was contributed to a volume of "Sonnets on the Sonnet," published in Dublin by the editor of the "Irish Monthly;" the second from a series of sonnets, entitled "Sonnets of the Greek Mythology," and the third from his "Sonnet of Lakeland," published recently.

### THE SONNET.

I love to be "cribbed, cabined, and confined"  
Within the sonnet's fourteen lines of space;  
To me it seems the beau ideal of grace  
Into its limits to compress the mind.  
Though some assert its narrow boundaries bind,  
And stop the flow of thought's untiring pace,  
I would not add a line, nor one erase—  
To mar a feature that the gods designed.  
"A thing of beauty" 'tis, wherein the Soul,  
Finds blest enchantment, glorious, divine;  
With all the witchery that enthralled the Nine;  
No wonder, then, that all its charms extol—  
And that free praise is ever vented on it,  
Soft, soothing, sweet, stately, seductive sonnet!

### TO CALLIOPE.

Goddess of grace, I pray, impart to me  
That eloquence which none but thou hast got;  
Come when I call thee, coy Calliope;  
Come to me from thy sacred sylvan grot;

So that my words may issue full and free,  
In boundless buoyancy, serene and bright,  
Swift as the sun-beams' radiant, sparkling light,  
Unfettered as the restless surging sea.  
So that I sing, in brave heroic measure,  
Triumphantly and gloriously sublime;  
No dull despondency to mar my pleasure,  
Nought but one long, continuous, swelling chime,  
Vibrating with its majesty of motion,  
The highest heaven and the deepest ocean.

## DOVE COTTAGE.

(Written in the room formerly occupied as a study by Wordsworth,  
at Dove Cottage, Grasmere.)

Beneath this hallowed roof, for eight long years,  
A prince of poets lived, and gave to men  
Sweet tributes of his loved poetic pen;  
Rich gems that vie with any of his peers.  
Could I invoke from spirit realms afar  
Those blessings which to him were freely given,  
Then would my pen, like meteoric star,  
Shining more clear than any in high heaven,  
Strike out with sparkling language, choice, divine,—  
And give the world such garlands of delight  
That some, in coming days, would at my shrine  
Bow down and tender blossoms fair and white.  
But Wordsworth's mantle never can be donned,  
It went with him into the Bright Beyond.

## MASONIC RIFLE MATCH AT RUNNYMEDE.

IN dull and showery weather, of a most unfavourable character for shooting, an interesting rifle match was fired, on the 21st ult., on the ranges of the Metropolitan Rifle Range Company, at Staines, between teams of eight volunteers representing the Freemasons' Lodges formed in the following leading metropolitan corps, viz., the London Rifle Brigade, London Scottish, 1st Surrey, 2nd (South) Middlesex, Queen's Westminster, 19th Middlesex, and the Hon. Artillery Company. The conditions of the match were seven rounds at 200, 500, and 600 yards, Bisley targets and marking, but the contest lost some of the interest that has always attached to it in consequence of three corps being unable to get the requisite number of competitors down. At six o'clock, when the contest concluded, it was found that the Queen's Westminster were the victors with a grand total of 645 points, the London Scottish being second with 611, the London Rifle Brigade third with 589, the 19th Middlesex fourth with 492, the 1st Surrey fifth with 410, the Honourable Artillery Company sixth with 378, and the South Middlesex seventh with 281. The latter corps had only four men, the H.A.C. five, and the 1st Surrey six. The highest individual scores were those of Sergeant Hobbs, of the South Middlesex, a splendid total of 95; of Private Humble, for the London Scottish, 87; of Diminel, for the Queen's, 85; Turner, for the 1st Surrey, 81; Walker and Page, for the London Rifle Brigade, 81 each; Brooking, for the H.A.C., 80; and Marshall, for the 19th Middlesex, 73. The Queen's Westminster by this victory take the first gavel, and the London Scottish the second, both having been presented by Bro. Lambert P.G.S.B., formerly one of the colonels of the Queen's Westminster Rifles, for the purpose of affording brethren an opportunity of meeting in friendly rivalry as Masonic volunteers.

Very excellent and estimable Englishmen who happen to be Freemasons cannot understand why the Roman Catholic Church forbids her members to belong to that body. The Marquis of Ripon, who was Grand Master of England, was obliged to resign not only his exalted dignity, but even his membership of the Craft when he embraced Catholicism. But English Freemasonry is one thing, Continental Freemasonry is another. It must be obvious to any one who has lived abroad that Freemasonry and Catholicism cannot be friends. Nay, it is impossible that Christians of any confession can be Freemasons on the Continent. One has only to read the following account of the proceedings of the French Freemasons at their General Conference held in Paris recently to acknowledge that our assertion is proved up to the hilt:—The proceedings at the meeting were most important, for they resulted in the adoption of a resolution blaming and disavowing such Freemasons in Parliament as had voted credits for the Church. Several Deputies present, and among them M. Lombard de l'Isère and M. Faure, resigned their membership of the Council of the Order. Their example was imitated by some of their friends. This resolution was, however, only a first step, for it stipulated that all the members of the Council of the Order should undertake, in writing, that they would leave instructions for their civil burial in case of death. It is also decided that every Freemason who should become a candidate for Parliament should sign an engagement to his Lodge to vote for the separation of Church and State, the omission of the Budget of Public Worship, and the suppression of the Ambassador of the Republic at the Vatican.

—Galignani Messenger.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught Provincial Grand Master of Sussex has consented to fill the office of Provincial Grand Prior of Sussex. His installation will take place in November, when the ceremony will be carried out at Brighton.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our Correspondents.

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We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

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## PORTRAIT OF THE EARL OF LATHOM.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—On the occasion of the last Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge it was my pleasure to see the excellent painting of the Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master, and I think many would like a photographic copy from it to be published for the benefit of our Masonic Charities as suggested by "W.M.," and of which I thoroughly agree; but before copying it, may I be permitted to say that a copy from an oil painting, even by the Prochromatic process of photography, would be a miserable failure compared with one taken from life. It would only be a copy, and not an original, and thereby lose its value as a work of art. Would not our Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master give a sitting to some well known photographer, and have his portrait from life published as an original rather than a copy, for the above most worthy object?

Fraternally yours,

HENRY STILES P.M. 1507.

173 King Street West, Hammersmith.

## PROVINCIAL VOTES.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I did not intend to have taken any notice of the report of the Essex Masonic Charity Committee, thinking that it was circulated amongst the Essex Masons only, but I find that you, in your last issue, give the report a prominent position in your paper, and I cannot allow the same now to pass unnoticed.

My name is brought so prominently forward, and there are so many inaccuracies made, must be my excuse for taking up your space. 1st. The report says, "Bro. Dorling's case was worked by his county, Suffolk." This is not the fact, for the county of Suffolk never gave me a vote; and the reason given by Bro. Harvey (who represented Suffolk at the Election) was—that I had worked my own case up, and he must decline to help me; he stated further, that *next year* he might help me!

The report goes on to say that the Essex representatives were worried particularly with Dorling's friends. This is not a fact, for as soon as my friends found that no votes were coming from that quarter they were not troubled; Essex also takes credit for having given me 530 votes; this is not correct—the whole of these were sent into them *marked* for me, and all they did was to poll them. They also take credit for the safety of my election. How can that be, when neither I or my friends were asked a question as to how I stood, or the number of votes I had polled?

I certainly felt it very unkind of both Suffolk and Essex, both Provinces polling thousands of votes more than they required for their annuitants, to leave me out in the cold, after my being a subscribing member to the two Provinces for upwards of half a century, besides being a Life Governor of all the Charities.

To my own personal friends I owe a great debt of gratitude for their help; this I am proud to acknowledge.

Yours fraternally,

E. DORLING P.P.G. Secretary Suffolk,  
P.M. 376 650 959 1799.

Walton-on-Naze 26th September 1892.

A special meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Norths and Hunts will take place at the Masonic Hall, Northampton, on Monday, 24th inst., at two o'clock, for the purpose of consecrating the Kingsley Lodge, No. 2431. The ceremony of consecration will be performed by the Right Honourable the Earl of Euston, D.L., Provincial Grand Master, and the installation of the Worshipful Master by Butler Wilkins Deputy Provincial Grand Master. Bro. Geo. Butcher is the W.M. designate, Bro. James Currall the S.W., Bro. T. H. Vials the J.W., and Bro. T. Emery the Secretary.

Now that the very unpretentious little chapel attached to the St. George's, Hanover Square, burial-ground in the Uxbridge Road is being converted into a red-brick church, it will be curious to know whether anything will be done to bring more conspicuously into notice the much-neglected tombstone which marks the grave of the author of the "Sentimental Journey." Very few Londoners are aware that in this little-visited corner of the metropolis lies buried Laurence Sterne, the tombstone which draws attention to the fact bearing, strange to say, an incorrect date, having been erected to his memory, some years after his death, by two Freemasons, admirers of poor Yorick's talent.



## NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

## CRAFT.

CONSECRATION OF THE DOWNSHIRE LODGE,  
No. 2437.

It has often been suggested that a Masonic Lodge should be established at Wokingham, but it is only recently that steps have been taken to carry the idea into effect. One thing which probably stood in the way was the small number of Freemasons who are resident in Wokingham. The number is still very meagre, but the new Lodge, which was consecrated on Saturday, the 17th ult., seems likely to very soon have a fair share of members. The Downshire Lodge, is appropriately named, as a former Marquis of Downshire was the Provincial Grand Master of Berks and Bucks. What also makes the name suitable is that Lord Arthur Hill, M.P., the first Master of the Lodge, is a member of the Downshire family. The ceremony of consecration was performed on Saturday, by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Berkshire, Bro. John Thornhill Morland, M.A., who has been in charge of the Province since the death of the Duke of Clarence the Provincial Grand Master. The Lodge was held in the Town Hall, which had been handsomely arranged for the occasion, and in which the brethren will in future meet, on the third Saturday in every alternate month. The warrant of the Grand Lodge was granted by the Prince of Wales the Grand Master, on the petition of the following founders, such application being recommended by the Officers of Greyfriars Lodge, Reading, and the Deputy Provincial Grand Master:—Bros. Lord Arthur Hill, M.P., P.G.M. Down P.M. 66, Henry Baker J.W. 1360, Alexander C. A. Higerty P.P.G.J.D. Surrey P.M. and Secretary 1044, Henry Creed P.P.G. Registrar Berks and Bucks P.M. 1101, William Simpson Jackson P.M. 1564, James Mark Parsons W.M. 1564, John Samuel Turner S.W. 1044, George Crammer Treasurer 1360, George West Fortescue 1585, Frank Lowe 104, Henry George Pomell 340, John R. Rutter 1360, Francis A. Wells P.G. Steward Berks I.P.M. 1899, Francis J. Ferguson P.P.G.S.W. Berks P.M. 414, T. L. J. Moncrieff A.D.C. 1044, and Frank R. Hall P.P.G.D.C. P.M. 340. There was a large attendance of visiting brethren, including Bros. John O. Carter P.P.G.S. Warden P.M. 209, John Tomkins P.P.G. Warden P.M. 945, George W. Webb P.M. 2043, J. M. Guilding Chaplain 1101, Edward Margrett P.P.G.S.W. P.M. 1101, C. Stephens P.G. Treasurer P.M. 414, Thomas Cooke jun. P.G.R. and P.M. 2043, H. Sadler Grand Tyler, Thomas P. Stewart W.M. 1101, R. T. Hermon-Hodge, John W. Martin P.G.S. 414, E. K. Parnell P.G.S.B. Berks 1899, G. H. Stabington P.P.G. Assistant Sec., Secretary 2043, S. Jopp W.M. 1899, William G. Millar W.M. 414, Oswald Ball S.W. 1899, W. J. Garrick Ridgway 681, Arthur Welch P.P.G.R. P.M. 1101, C. E. Hewett S.W. 2043, C. F. Hawker 112, William Ferguson P.M. 1101, S. G. Kirchoffer P.M. 1899, William Hickie P.M. 1101, Henry Taylor P.P.G.O. 586, George May W.M. 771, F. H. Horscroft late 211, E. Dalzell P.M. 2000, F. W. A. Sarjeant 1101, G. M. Challenor 946, Frank Baker P.M. 1206, Geo. H. Morland 945, A. H. Apled P.M. 209, Charles D. Hams P.M. 209, R. R. Monger W.M. 1044, C. J. Powell S.D. 136, W. George Boswell 1963, Hugh Doherty 51, James Strong P.M. 1692, George T. Telerith J.D. 1043, T. Sawyer 1714, W. H. Kidgell Steward 1101, C. Gibbs 1360, Edward Curtis 834, F. Ryman Hall P.M. 340, A. Carter P.M. 1044. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master appointed the following Officers to officiate *pro tem*:—Bros. J. Tomkins as S.W., S. G. Kirchoffer as J.W., Rev. J. M. Guilding as Chaplain, J. W. Martin as Secretary, T. P. Stewart as Dir. of Cers., and W. Hickie as I.G. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master stated the objects of the gathering, after which the Chaplain gave an impressive oration, in the course of which he reminded the brethren of their responsibilities in setting forth the principles of the great institution which Masons believed had conferred such inestimable blessings on mankind, and which had before it a most beneficent future. Operative Masons would tell them that they should lay their foundations deep and sure if they were to be permanent and secure, and they as Speculative Masons should act on the same principle. A Lodge might be described as a Masonic temple. Symbolically it represented to them the world, which was primarily the temple of God—"Heaven is Thy throne and earth is Thy footstool." A temple was a place set apart for the contemplation and meditation of divine truth, and a Lodge reminded them whenever they entered it of the wisdom and power and providence of the Great Architect of the Universe. They might go a step further and say, that a Lodge represented the ark of the covenant, which was erected by Bezaleel on lines prescribed by God Himself, and which Solomon, their first Grand Master, made the pattern of that mighty and wonderful structure, the first temple at Jerusalem. A Lodge represented to a brother that he himself was a temple of God, and that whenever he entered the portals of the Lodge he must lay aside all mean and base and selfish thoughts and remember that God had made of one blood all the nations of the earth. It seemed to him that that was the spirit in which they should regard the Lodge which was to be consecrated and officially formed that afternoon, and if it was governed and conducted in that spirit and on those principles he felt convinced that it would be a blessing to its members and an honour to the Craft. Their Lodge, too, must be a temple of fraternal concord; that seemed to him to be the great witness which their Order had been raised up to promote in this world. A Mason must be a perpetual witness of the con-Fraternity of the human race; he had not to concern himself about distinctions of creed or race or class, or about those clashing and conflicting interests which in this world must to some extent exist, or about any political differences; the one question before him was, "I care not what views you hold upon those points. Are you a seeker after truth, are you a lover of justice and righteousness, and charity and

peace? If so then your heart is my heart and I am ready to give thee my hand." *Homo homini lupus* was the bitter sarcasm of Hobbes, *Homo homini vulpes* might be taken as the principle of modern life, but to the Mason the law of sympathy was supreme, *Homo homini frater*. They should also make their Lodge not only one of fraternal concord but of practical benevolence. That was the golden rule of the Masonic Craft and the Lodge must be moribund and useless if it contributed nothing to soothe the sorrows or relieve the necessities of others. Their Lodge must also be a temple of wisdom and moral instruction. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master then consecrated and dedicated the Lodge according to ancient custom, and installed Bro. Lord Arthur Hill as the first Worshipful Master. The other Officers were invested, as follow:—Bros. Francis Ferguson I.P.M., Henry Baker S.W., A. C. A. Higerty J.W., D. N. Heron Treasurer, Henry Creed Secretary, T. J. Moncrieff Assistant Secretary, Harry G. Powell S.D., J. W. Parsons J.D., F. R. Wells Dir. of Cers., G. W. Fortescue Assistant Dir. of Cers., J. S. Tavener Inner Guard, George Crammer and Frank Lowe Stewards, Stevens Tyler. After the Lodge, the brethren dined together at the Rose Hotel, a *récherché* repast being served by Mr. and Mrs. Churchman. On the removal of the cloth, the toast of the Queen and the Craft was given from the chair and duly honoured. In giving the toast of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales M.W.G.M., the Earl of Lathom Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Mount Edgcombe Deputy Grand Master, and the other Grand Officers Present and Past, the W.M. said the Prince of Wales was a most excellent Grand Master. Whatever his Royal Highness took up he did well, and worked with that zeal and assiduity which every one admired. The Grand Officers were well known and esteemed by the brethren. The Consecrating Officer, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and the Provincial Grand Officers Present and Past were next toasted, the Worshipful Master remarking that he was very much struck with the way in which the Consecrating Officer performed the ceremony that afternoon, ably assisted by the Provincial Grand Chaplain, and the other Provincial Grand Officers. Bro. Morland, in reply, said it gave him special pleasure to act as Consecrating Officer, for the first time, and wished the new Lodge with its estimable Master every prosperity. The Immediate Past Master (Bro. Ferguson) then gave the toast of the evening, the Worshipful Master Lord Arthur Hill, in whom he said they had a brother known throughout Great Britain and Ireland for the services he had rendered to the State as well as to the Craft, while locally he was well known for his good fellowship and for the interest he took in the good old town of Wokingham in particular and Berkshire generally. The Downshire Lodge was indeed fortunate in having for its first Master a brother who was so distinguished and so well qualified to fill the Master's chair, and they might with confidence look forward to a brilliant future for the Lodge. He hoped the W.M. would shortly have the pleasure of seeing his nephew, Lord Downshire, initiated into the Craft. The W.M., in reply, thanked the brethren for the way they had received the toast, and promised to do all he could for the Lodge. The Provincial Grand Chaplain gave the Masonic Charities, which toast was suitably responded to by Bro. S. G. Kirchoffer. The W.M. proposed the Visitors, and in the absence of Bro. Hermon-Hodge, who had just left to catch his train, Bro. A. Welch responded. The Tyler's toast closed the proceedings. The musical arrangements were under the direction of Bro. W. Hickie, and some delightful songs and glees were well rendered by Bros. E. Dalzell, F. H. Horscroft, H. Taylor, and G. May.

## NEW FOREST LODGE, No. 319.

At the monthly meeting of this Lodge, held at the Bogle Hotel, Lymington, on Tuesday afternoon, the 13th ult., there was a numerous attendance to witness the ceremony of the installation of Bro. Jackman as Worshipful Master of the Lodge for the ensuing year. Bro. Past Master Doman P.P.G.S.D. was the Installing Master, and he carried out the ceremony with impressive effect. The W.M. appointed his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Bist I.P.M., Hayball S.W., Jolliffe J.W., Doman Treasurer, Le Roy Secretary, Hambridge S.D., Masters J.D., Catt I.G., Young Dir. of Cers., Carnon Assist. Dir. of Cers., Saywell Organist and Standard Bearer, J. S. Doman and Savidge Stewards, Bailey Tyler. A Past Master's jewel was subsequently presented to Bro. Bist, in recognition of his valued services in the chair during the past year. Hearty thanks were voted to the Secretary and Treasurer, who have ably filled these offices for several years past. A banquet was held in the evening, when a very pleasant hour was spent together.

## SCIENTIFIC LODGE, No. 439.

The usual monthly meeting of this Lodge was held in the Masonic Rooms, Bingley, on Wednesday night. The Lodge was opened in the first degree by Bro. Wilkinson Greenwood W.M., who was supported by the following brethren:—Bros. Dr. McGregor P.M. I.P.M., Charles Hask S.W., Chas. Sugden J.W., J. A. Kershaw S.D., A. Platts J.D., J. C. Willis I.G., W. Shier Tyler, Ramsden P.M. Secretary, Wood P.M. Treasurer, S. Johnson A.P.S. Chaplain, Hollas P.M., Tillotson P.M., Ambler, Sheard, Wood, and Tillotson. Visiting brethren—Bro. W. Watson Past Master Provincial Grand Librarian West Yorks., and Bro. Chas. F. Forshaw, LL.D., 2417. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, and the bye-laws were read in open Lodge by Bros. P.M. Secretary and Chaplain. The Lodge closed in the first degree, and the brethren adjourned for supper. The rest of the evening was spent in the usual Masonic manner. Bro. Platts was toasted with musical honours, and a hearty vote of thanks accorded him for his liberality in presenting each member of the Lodge with a photo of the portrait of the members. Bros. Watson and Forshaw were similarly honoured when the visitors was proposed. Bro. Dr. Forshaw gave

the Worshipful Master, and musical fire given with the greatest enthusiasm followed. Recitations and songs were given by the Worshipful Master and Bros. Hallas P.M., Sheard, Willis, Stamps, and Forshaw, the latter brother offering the hospitality of the Bolingbroke Lodge to the brethren present.

#### CALENDAR LODGE, No. 1052 (MANCHESTER).

THE fourth meeting since the vacation was held in the Freemasons' Hall, on Tuesday, the 27th ult. The following brethren were present—Bros. P. W. K. Start W.M., Jno. Smith S.W., William Thorpe J.W., Seth Wrigley P.M. Treasurer, A. B. Outram P.M. Secretary, John Brierley J.D., R. Williams Organist; Past Masters—Samuel Warburton P.P.G.S.B., A. W. Williams, Ernest Jones, Roger Walker, and Jordrell; Bros. Levy, Ballard, Entwistle, Reilly, Roscoe, Roworth, Grocock, Todd, and Lisenden Tyler. The brethren met at six o'clock for tea, after which the Lodge was opened in due form and the minutes of the June meeting were read and confirmed. The W.M. expressed his sincere regret at the premature death of Brother Leach, aged 33, who died after a long and painful illness. A letter of condolence was ordered to be sent to Mrs. Leach by the Secretary. Bro. R. Williams, who has satisfactorily filled the somewhat unthankful but extremely valuable post of Organist, was appointed and invested J.D., and Bro. Thorpe J.D. was invested S.D. in the place of the late Bro. Leach. There being no further business the Lodge was closed.

#### CLAPTON LODGE, No. 1365.

THE installation meeting of the above Lodge was held on Thursday, the 15th ult., at the Great Eastern Hotel, Bishopgate, a large number of members and visitors attending. Bro. Luker ably installed his successor, Bro. Wm. Forty S.W., as Worshipful Master, the utmost enthusiasm being displayed in the ceremony. At the conclusion of the formalities the W.M. appointed Bros. Farries S.W., Donald Campbell J.W., Blackburn Treasurer, Church Secretary, Stanger S.D., Fairclough J.D., Robinson I.G., A. Church Organist and Steward, and Lintott A.S. Bro. Very was re-elected Tyler. The banquet, which was held in the Hamilton Room, was of a recherché character. The usual Masonic toasts were ably proposed from the chair by the W.M. and suitably acknowledged. Among the large numbers of visitors present were Bros. Gaskin, Cordell, Gordon, and Bunker. The entire proceedings were eminently successful.

#### GREYSTONE LODGE, No. 1915.

THE installation meeting was held at the Foresters' Hall, on Thursday, the 8th ult., when Brother Browning was duly installed as Master of the Lodge, the ceremony being performed by Bro. Saunders Provincial Grand Registrar, Bro. Reeves P.P.G.A.D.C. acting as Director of Ceremonies. A large number of the members of the Lodge and other brethren and Past Masters attended, including several Provincial Grand Officers. The Worshipful Master appointed his Officers for the ensuing year, as follow:—Bros. Wood I.P.M., London S.W., Southwell J.W., Rev. H. M. Maugham, M.A., P.M. Chaplain, Anderson Treasurer, Saunders P.M. Secretary, Harrison S.D., Driffeld J.D., Brown Dir. of Cers., Wood P.M. Organist, Wheeler I.G., Seager and Gibbs Stewards, and Kemp Tyler. After the business the installation banquet was held at the Bear and Key Hotel, under the presidency of the newly-elected Worshipful Master, supported by Past Masters of the Lodge and several distinguished visitors. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

#### LENNOX BROWNE LODGE, No. 2318.

THE installation meeting of this Lodge was held on Saturday, the 24th ult., at the Roebuck, Buckhurst Hill, when the newly built Masonic Hall was opened for the first time. The building, which is entirely separate from the Hotel, has been erected by Bro. A. C. Smith, the proprietor, who has not belied the energy and spirit he has thrown into the management of the parent establishment by the manner in which this work has been carried out. It has two principal halls, of similar size, and capable of holding a large number of guests, that on the first floor being intended for the Lodge room, that on the ground floor for banqueting. There is a commanding entrance hall and every accommodation in the shape of dressing rooms, &c., special Masonic requirements. Dr. Ernest W. Dring P.G. Senior Deacon the W.M. presided, supported by a full attendance of Officers and lay members of the Lodge, and Visitors. Bro. Edward Purkess 453 was elected a joining member, Brother George Thirling was passed to the second degree, and Bro. W. S. Bunting raised to the third degree, the latter ceremony and the installation of Bro. Lennox Browne as W.M. being ably performed by the outgoing Master. In the name and on behalf of the Lodge, Dr. Lennox Browne presented a handsome Past Master's jewel to Bro. Dring. The work of the Lodge was succeeded by an exceedingly choice banquet, provided by Bro. A. C. Smith.

#### HORWICH LODGE, No. 2324.

ON Thursday evening, the 15th ult., this Lodge had the pleasure of presenting their late W.M., Bro. D. G. H. Whitaker, with a splendid portrait of himself, encased in an elegantly mounted and costly frame. The presentation took place at the Ridway Arms, Blackrod, in the presence of a large number of the Fraternity, Bro. H. T. Thornton W.M. in the chair. Bro. G. Rufus S.D., on making the presentation on behalf of the brethren of the Lodge,

spoke of the courteous and gentlemanly bearing which Bro. Whitaker had always shown during his tenure of office, and which had always created a good feeling among the brethren. After Bro. Whitaker had suitably responded, the company sat down to a banquet, served in really first class style by Mr. Chesters. Following the repast, the brethren spent the evening in a very enjoyable and harmonious manner, the proceedings terminating with a hearty and unanimous vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding.

#### ST. OSWIN LODGE, No. 2327.

AT the regular monthly meeting held on Monday, the 19th ult., at the Masonic Hall, North Shields, Bro. Isaac Black W.M. presented the Lodge with a very handsome banner, which was designed and has been worked in silk by Mrs. Black as a gift to the members. The banner is a groundwork of azure blue silk, with crimson scrolls, letters in gold, "St. Oswin Lodge, No. 2327, North Shields." The centre is the borough Arms of Tynemouth, three silver crowns, emblazoned on a crimson shield, surrounded by a coil and a wreath worked in gold, the whole being surmounted by a figure of St. Oswin in ecclesiastical robes. The blending of the colours is most harmonious, and the effect produced very pleasing. It is a skilful piece of art needle work, and was greatly admired by the assembled brethren, on whose behalf Bro. W. B. McLearn I.P.M. P.P.G.S.B. accepted the gift in most appropriate terms, a committee of the brethren being appointed to convey the thanks of the Lodge to Mrs. Black.

#### MINNIEHAHA MINSTREL LODGE, No. 2363, (MANCHESTER).

THE first meeting since the vacation was held at the Victoria Hotel, on Monday, 26th September. Present—Bros. S. Wrigley W.M., F. Wollaston S.W., Brabner J.W., Harrop Treasurer, Fred Hilton Secretary, H. Nail Dir. of Cers., C. E. Beaver S.D., A. R. Ward J.D., A. B. Barlow, A. J. Schofield, Sam Luke, W. W. Hitching, Chas. Duckworth, Thos. Hamnett, and R. Lisenden Tyler. Visitors—Bros. A. A. Brett 2339, R. Brewer P.M. 152. The Lodge was opened at 5.45 and the minutes of the June meeting were read and confirmed. The Lodge was raised to the third degree, when the W.M. delivered the traditional history and explained the third tracing board to Bro. Hitching. The Lodge was lowered to the first degree. The Secretary read the whole of the Lodge Bye-Laws. This being the night for electing a new Worshipful Master, the choice of the brethren fell unanimously upon Bro. F. W. Wollaston S.W., who was warmly congratulated, and returned thanks for the honour conferred upon him. Bro. C. Harrod was re-elected Treasurer, amidst loud applause, and our worthy brother expressed his thanks also. Bro. Lisenden was re-elected Tyler. Bros. Barlow and Luke were appointed Auditors of the Treasurer's accounts. A Committee, consisting of the Officers of the Lodge, was appointed to make arrangements for the St. John's Festival. An Inventory Committee, consisting of the W.M., W.M. elect and Secretary, was also appointed. After discussing some private business the Lodge was close in peace and harmony.

#### MARK MASONRY.

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#### ST. MARTIN LODGE, No. 414.

THE second festival of this Lodge was held on Tuesday, the 13th ult., at the Masonic Room, Alfrston. This Lodge was consecrated in 1890 by Bro. C. Fitzgerald Matier Grand Secretary, assisted by Bro. Robert Berridge Grand Dir. of Cers., and the Rev. S. Wathen Wigg, and has now about 20 members, Bro. Schofield, one of the founders, being the first Master. The installation ceremony was performed by Bro. P. Wallis P.G.D. (England). He installed Bro. Holland Rowbottom, the S.W., as Worshipful Master in place of Bro. Fisher, the retiring W.M. Bro. Wallis was assisted by Bro. Edgar Horne P.P.G.J.W. The following visitors were present:—Bros. the Hon. C. W. Trollope, J. Cook, and others. The W.M. subsequently appointed the following Officers:—Bros. Fisher I.P.M., Fielding S.W., Diamond J.W., G. Wild M.O., Boag S.O., Dawes J.O., Schofield P.M. P.P.G.P. Treasurer, Lee Secretary and Registrar of Marks, Watson S.D., Lee J.D., the Rev. S. C. Hayward Chaplain, Lumley Inner Guard, Green and Barber Stewards, and G. Bunting Tyler. Bro. Hoskyns was also present, and Bro. the Rev. J. W. Maltby joined the brethren afterwards. The brethren and visitors subsequently sat down to their annual banquet at the George Hotel, when a sumptuous repast was served by Brother Schofield.

#### CHARITY LODGE.

THIS Lodge held its first meeting, under the presidency of the new Worshipful Master (Bro. Thomas Rowbotham) at the Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham, on Wednesday, 7th ult. The Worshipful Master signalled his entering into the chair by proposing, in felicitous terms, that the Lodge should pass a resolution congratulating the Provincial Grand Master, the most noble the Marquis of Hertford, who is the first and only honorary Past Master of this Lodge, upon the near attainment of the majority of his eldest son, the Earl of Yarmouth. The proposition, which has been entered upon the minutes of the Lodge, and will be transmitted to the most noble brother in a suitable form, was as follows:—That the Lodge offers its respectful congratulations to the Provincial Grand Master, the most noble the Marquis of Hertford, honorary Past Master of the

Lodge, upon the attainment of the majority of his eldest son, the Right Hon. the Earl of Yarmouth, and desires to express to the noble Marquis and noble Earl the sincerest and fraternal wishes of the brethren for their future health and happiness." This resolution was cordially seconded by Bro. Sir James Sawyer Master Overseer, and supported by Bros. Edward Mallard P.M., the Rev. W. H. Poulton Chaplain, Tom Houghton Senior Warden, F. E. Wallis, Walter Waters Junior Warden, and several other officers and brethren of the Lodge. Sir James Sawyer testified, in eulogistic terms, to the happy connection of the most noble Marquis with the Lodge of Charity, and to the condescension, brotherly love, and affability always displayed by him, not only to the brethren of the Lodge, but to every one of the brethren in Warwickshire. He also expressed a hope that the honourable Earl would see fit some time to walk in the footsteps Masonically of his noble father. These sentiments were echoed again and again throughout the Lodge. It was afterwards suggested that the resolution should be left in the hands of the Worshipful Master and Bro. Sir James Sawyer to be transmitted to the noble Marquis in a suitable form.

#### A VETERINARY SURGEON CHARGED WITH OBTAINING MONEY BY FALSE PRETENCES.

AT the Croydon Petty Sessions, on the 21st ult., George Robert James, described as a veterinary surgeon, of South Norwood, was charged on a summons with obtaining the sum of £10 11s from Mr. Joseph Spencer Davis by means of a fraudulent trick. Prosecutor, who stated he carried on the business of a tobacconist under the style of Spencer and Co., at 3 Imperial Buildings, East Croydon, deposed that about 4 p.m. on the afternoon of 24th August he went to the Railway Tavern, East Croydon, where he saw a man named Gardener, whom he knew well. Defendant was also there, and they all got into conversation. Gardener, whom James seemed to know, lent the latter 2s for refreshment, and they all then went to witness's shop, where cigars were tossed for, and James lost. As he had no money Gardener lent him another 1s, and he then produced a cheque, and made some Masonic signs. Witness supposing him to be a Mason, offered to change the cheque for him, the defendant having previously said that it was perfectly good. Witness gave him £4 in cash and a cheque on the City Bank, Ludgate Hill, for the remaining £6 11s. In drawing the cheque he inadvertently left out the date. The cheque which he received purported to be drawn by a Mr. Spiller in favour of the defendant. Two days afterwards witness paid it into his bank, and it was returned marked, "Drawer not known." Mr. Kent, barrister, who appeared for the prosecutor, wished the case to be adjourned for the attendance of an official from the bank to prove that the cheque was from a book issued to a Mr. Lambson, an old customer of theirs, who had since closed his account. He also wished to produce Mr. Chippy Norton to prove that Spiller was not his clerk. That was not the first cheque which had been cashed in that way by the defendant. The case was adjourned, the defendant being admitted to bail.

#### THE THEATRES, &c.

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After an unusually long holiday, during which the theatre has been, like the Frenchman's face in "Killaloo," closed for alterations and repairs, the Gaiety will re-open this (Saturday) evening, with a second edition of "Cinder-Ellen up too Late." Of this an account will appear in our next issue.

Terry's theatre will be opened on Monday evening, under the management of Mr. Sydney Alport, for so many years the courteous acting manager at the Vaudeville. His programme will consist of Richard-Henry's one act drama "Queer Street," and W. Sapt's farcical comedy "A Lucky Dog." Among the caste we notice Miss Helen Forsyth, Miss Rose Norreys, Mrs. Cannings; Messrs. G. W. Anson (long absent from London), Fred Thorne, John Tresahar, and Charles Fawcett.

Mr. Burnand's adaptation of Lecocq's comic opera, "Le Cœur et la Main," is fixed for production at the Lyric, on the 6th inst., and will be called "Incognita." The scene of the action is laid in Portugal, and in order to produce an absolutely realistic effect the scenery has been painted from photographs specially taken on the spot. Meanwhile "Cigarette" has been transferred to the Shaftesbury.

Monday, the 10th October, has been appointed for the reception of Works of Art intended for the autumn exhibition (the Twenty-eighth) of the 19th Century Art Society, at the Conduit Street Galleries.

We have been asked to notify that the boy E. A. Thorner, No. 9 on the list at the election of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, to be held on the 14th inst., has been withdrawn from election, he having gone abroad.

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#### Obituary.

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BRO. J. T. CAPON.

On Saturday, the 17th ult., the funeral of the late Bro. J. T. Capon a member of the Okeover Lodge, No. 1324, took place in the Ripley General Cemetery. The mourners, consisting of the five sons and daughter of the deceased, and other near relatives and friends, were conveyed in three mourning coaches, and the procession included the members of the Okeover Lodge, members of the Local, School, and Burial Boards, the Town and Trade Improvement Association, and a good proportion of the general public. The coffin was taken into the parish church, where the first part of the burial service was read by the vicar (the Rev. W. E. Bradstock, M.A., rural dean), assisted by the Rev. W. E. Rouse, the portion at the graveside being taken by the Rev. C. R. Round and the vicar. The coffin bore the following inscription:—"John Thomas Capon, born 14th February 1822, died 14th September 1892, aged 70 years." The deceased, who was universally respected, was managing and confidential clerk to Mr. A. Copson Peake, solicitor. He assisted in the formation of a Local Board when the Local Government Act was adopted twenty-five years ago, and held the position of clerk to that authority up to the time of his death. He was also clerk to the School Board since its establishment.

BRO WILLIAM ROBERTS.

On Saturday, the 17th ultimo, the funeral of Brother William Roberts, of 22 Spellow Lane, a well known and highly-respected resident of Kirkdale, took place, at Walton Church, Walton-on-the-Hill, in the presence of a large gathering of friends. The deceased gentleman was a prominent Freemason, occupying the position of Past Master of the Rock Lodge, No. 1289, and P.P.G.D. in Mark Masonry, Cheshire division.

#### MASONIC SONNETS.—No. 15.

BY BRO. CHAS. F. FORSHAW, LL.D., 2417.

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#### THE TROWEL.

As Speculative Masons we adore  
The precepts taught by this most honoured tool;  
And if we minded well its gentle rule  
Our hearts and minds would ever Heavenwards soar.  
In olden days our brothers firmly bound  
The stones and lime together by its aid;  
Until the edifice, compact and sound,  
Was in all points and parts completely made.  
But now we use it as an emblem great,  
That firmly binds each true Masonic heart;  
To join us in strong links that naught can part—  
A Mystic Tie, that Craftsmen consecrate  
To deeds that ever will their souls enshrine,  
With love for the Great Architect Divine.

Winder House, Bradford.

26th September 1892.

Bro. Sir R. Williams, Bart., the W.M. of the Loyal Lodge, No. 251 Barnstaple, Devon, will preside on the occasion of the second visit to that Lodge of Bro. James Stevens for the purpose of lecturing on the Ritual, Ceremonial and Symbolism of Craft Masonry, on Monday evening next, the 3rd inst. Lodge will be opened at 7 p.m., and many brethren from neighbouring Lodges in North Devon are expected to be present.

The Freemasons of Hawick made a brave show on the 15th ult., with their bazaar in the Exchange Buildings. It was a distinctly novel idea to fit the hall up like a street in Jerusalem. But did they include the new railway and the steam engine which is now to be seen puffing near the Sacred City? The Grand Master Mason of Scotland was there, of course, to assist on so auspicious an occasion, and his speech in opening the bazaar was neat and appropriate. His Lordship, whose full name is George Arden-Baillie-Hamilton, is the 11th Earl, and was born in 1827. The title dates from the earlier part of the 17th century, and was founded by Sir Thomas Hamilton a distinguished lawyer, and subsequently President of the Court of Session, who left one of the largest fortunes of his time. The second Earl of Haddington was a zealous Covenanter, and was blown up in the Castle of Dunglass, of which he was Governor, about the year 1640. The sixth Earl, who died in 1735, was appointed Hereditary Keeper of Holyrood Palace, and the office remained in the family for over a century. It was resigned in 1843 for the consideration of £10,000. The Grand Master Mason claimed that Freemasonry "enforced the highest principles of honour, morality, and virtue." But they will not admit women.—*Scottish Leader*.

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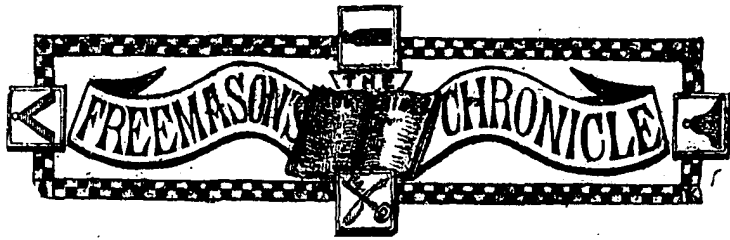
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SATURDAY, 1st OCTOBER 1892.

## PROV. GRAND LODGE OF CHESHIRE.

THE annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Cheshire was held on Wednesday, the 21st ult., at the Town Hall, Congleton. Lord Egerton of Tatton the Provincial Grand Master presided, supported by his Honour Judge Sir Horatio Lloyd D.P.G.M. Bros. W. Robinson and F. R. B. Lindsell were in the chairs of the Provincial Grand Wardens, and there was a large attendance of Provincial Grand Officers. Every Lodge in the Province was strongly represented numerically, and in all but three instances the Worshipful Masters were among the representatives. Among those who signed the attendance book were Bros. J. Terry Secretary of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, J. McLeod Secretary of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and the Hon. Henry Holbrook P.D.G.M. of British Columbia, James Salmon P.P.G.S.W., Rev. R. Hodgson P.G.C., Rev. T. W. Sturgess P.G.C., R. Newhouse P.G. Sec., Stanhope Ball P.P.S. of Works, H. Jackson P.G.S.D., M. Langridge P.G.A.S., Alexander Phipps P.G.O., T. Litherland P.G. Std., T. H. Annett P.G.T., Herbert Finch P.G.R., Henry Jackson P.G.S.D., Hy. Matthews P.G. Supt. of Works, W. H. Finchett P.G.S.D., John Lewis P.P.G.D.C., George Brown P.G.D.C., John Stainforth P.G.D.A.C., Meir P.G.A.D. of C., John Morris P.G. Sword Br., S. Fliteroff P.G.A.P., T. W. Markland P.P.G. Std., J. S. Jolley P.P.G. Std., Thos. Hadden P.G. Std., C. W. Phillyss P.G. Std., T. Smith Burgess P.G. Std., Thos. Lockitt P.P.G.S.D., Thos. Bowers P.P.G.A.D.C., Rev. T. Barton Spencer P.G. Chaplain England, W. Nicholls P.P.G.P., J. Wakefield P.P.G. Std., W. Harrison P.P.G.S., G. Wagstaffe P.P.G.S., W. Mellor P.P.G.J.D., Joseph Slack P.P.G.S.D., Joseph Kendrick P.P.G.S.B., John Lea P.P.G. Steward, T. Taylor P.P.G.S.W., J. Davenport P.G. J.D. (Staff.), Thomas E. Thorburn P.P.G.S. of Works, David Kinsey P.P.G. Steward, W. Astle P.P.G.P., W.



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The Committee of Benevolence, in their annual report, which was presented by Bro. Salmon, thanked the brethren of the Province for the munificent manner in which they had supported the committee during the year with respect to the London Charities. Last year's report made reference to the new organisation which had just come into operation, and expressed the hope that the good results of that year would not only be maintained, but would even be still further stimulated and developed. The hope had been

more than realised. At a meeting of the committee in November, in view of the Jubilee of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, it was decided that the support of the Province should be given to that Institution at its Festival in February. As to the question of the advisability of raising a fund for providing annuities within the Province for aged Freemasons and widows, the matter was referred to the Charity Council, and the committee had reason to believe that this council would devise some satisfactory scheme. The amount subscribed by the different Lodges and brethren at the Festival of Aged Freemasons was the very large sum of £1950. This had augmented the voting power of the Province from 900 votes last year to 2,530 votes this year, and was mainly instrumental in enabling the Election Committee to elect their two aged brethren on the list of annuitants. This splendid effort of the Lodges and brethren of Cheshire was so much appreciated by the committee of that Institution that at their first meeting after the Festival they unanimously elected Brother Newhouse P.G.S. as an Honorary Vice-President of the Institution, to mark their sense of thankfulness for his efforts on that occasion. The committee considered that, after having made two such exertions as that of the Boys' Festival in 1891 and of the Aged Freemasons in 1892, they should turn their attention this year to a strong effort towards the fund for providing the means of granting annuities to the aged Freemasons and the widows of aged Freemasons belonging to the Province of Cheshire, so as to assist them until they can be elected on the funds of the London Institution.

On the motion of Bro. Salmon, seconded by Bro. Clayton P.P.G.J.W., the report was adopted.

The Provincial Grand Master (Lord Egerton) said that during the past year they had been called upon to sympathise with the joys of one of the rulers of the Craft, the Duke of Clarence, and again soon afterwards they had been called upon to sympathise with the Royal Family on the occasion of his Royal Highness's sudden and early death. Such an experience they trusted might not be repeated for many years. They trusted that the rulers of the Craft might long hold their present positions, and that in the coming years there might be a renewal of the prosperity which had for so many years accompanied them. The general body of Masons had also had to deplore the loss of their excellent and energetic Secretary, Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke, and in their own Province of Cheshire, among leading brethren well known to them for many years, they earnestly deplored the death of Bros. Charles Dutton and Major Preston. These sad incidents apart, they had every reason to be satisfied with the progress of Masonry in the Province, and with the work that had been done. It was satisfactory to find that the number of members had increased from 1,856 to 1,963. At the beginning of the year they had 44 Lodges in Cheshire, with an average of between 40 and 50 members each, and quite recently a new Lodge had been consecrated at Birkenhead, making up the roll of Lodges to 45. The report of the Committee of Benevolence had shown that satisfactorily large sums had been raised for benevolent purposes. He thought it was very creditable to Masons generally that for one of the Masonic Charities £67,000 was raised in one year, and it was no less satisfactory that out of that sum their own Province of Cheshire contributed very nearly £2,000. He was glad to find that the Benevolent Committee of the Province proposed to raise another fund for the Province. They had been dealing with the question of education successfully, and they had now to deal with the question of making provision for Masons of the Province in their old age. The difficult question of making provision for men in their old age had been discussed in circles other than their own. As Masons were all carefully selected in their several Lodges, they were bound to regard the brethren as men whose misfortunes and adverse circumstances, when they occurred, were due not to their own fault, but to circumstances over which they had no control. Therefore, when misfortune or old age or sickness fell upon them, they were deserving of the consideration and support of all the Masons in the Province. He thought that Masons were strong enough to take care of brethren so unfortunately placed, and in order to do so it was absolutely necessary that they should consider what was the best way of raising a fund for the support of the aged Masons in their own Province, who could not be elected upon the Central Charities in London. The formation of a fund such as had been suggested was

well worthy of their consideration, and the Provincial Grand Secretary would, during the coming year, in his visits to the Lodges, endeavour to explain and develop a plan for the establishment of such a fund. There ought to be no difficulty in raising £1000 for its establishment, and he did not doubt that the new fund would receive hearty support. He (Lord Egerton) thanked them for the assistance given to him in administering the affairs of Masonry in the Province. A variety of causes had prevented him from going so much among the brethren as he would like to have done, but he always felt that he had their loyal support in his work as head of the Province. During the coming year a number of Cheshire Lodges would celebrate their Centenaries, and he hoped that in each instance so important an event would be marked by special efforts to promote the good of the Order.

Bro. J. Wilson, as the oldest member of the local Eaton Lodge, welcomed the Provincial Grand Lodge to Congleton, for the third time since the Lodge was formed in 1814. They wished to signalise the event by asking the Provincial Grand Lodge to appoint one of their most valued and cultured brethren, Robert Head as Provincial Grand Treasurer. Bro. Head was noted for two qualities—his antiquarian tastes and his juvenile appearance.

Bro. T. G. Sheldon seconded the proposal, and it was carried unanimously.

Bro. H. Gordon Small proposed Brothers Gibson, Ramsden, Wildgoose, Annett, and Finch as Auditors for the ensuing year, which was seconded by Bro. Finchett, and agreed to.

The Provincial Grand Master then invested the following brethren as Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year:—

Bro. His Honour Sir H. Lloyd	...	Deputy Master
T. O. Thornburn 477	...	Senior Warden
Dr. Thos. S. Sheldon 533	...	Junior Warden
Rev. R. Hodgson (re-appointed)	...	Chaplains
Rev. T. T. Higgins	...	
Thomas Drinkwater 1166	...	Registrar
R. Newhouse 1045	...	Secretary
O. A. Hordern 267	...	Senior Deacons
T. H. Maddocks 428	...	
Henry Smith 287	...	Junior Deacons
James Worsnup 322	...	
Thomas Bowers 1088	...	Superintendent of Works
G. H. Brown 537	...	Dir. of Ceremonies
H. D. Small 2368	...	Deputy Dir. of Cers.
W. G. Cronan 1289	...	Assistant Dir. of Cers.
J. Lee 2375	...	Sword Bearer
Edward Furnival 318	...	Standard Bearers
Alexander Owen 1408	...	
Hubert Ellis 721	...	Organist
J. Sheriff Roberts 425	...	Assistant Secretary
John Leigh 287	...	Pursuivant
J. H. Foster 1957	...	Assistant Pursuivant
W. Thompson 533	...	Stewards
Mark Stafford 361	...	
G. F. Adams 721	...	
Walter Brown 295	...	
Charles Clarkson 104	...	
Patrick Sword	...	

Invitations for the holding of next year's Provincial meeting were given from the Dee Lodge, No. 1,576, Parkgate, and the King's Friend Lodge, No. 293, Nantwich. The last named Lodge celebrates its Centenary during the year, and Lord Egerton therefore accepted its invitation. Provincial Grand Lodge having been closed in due form, the brethren walked in procession to St. Peter's Church, where a special service was held, presided over by the Vicar, the Rev. T. T. Higgins, M.A., Provincial Grand Chaplain, assisted by the Rev. R. Hodgson, M.A., and the Rev. Thomas Spencer, M.A., of Preston, Provincial Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of England. With infinite self-denial and good taste the Rev. Chaplain announced that owing to the lateness of the hour for service, he should omit the sermon, which, from the rev. gentleman's well known talents and eloquence, the brethren had hoped to hear.

In the evening there was the customary banquet at the headquarters of Eaton Lodge, the Masonic Hall, Mill Street, which was presided over by the noble Provincial Grand Master with his usual tact and kindness; and after his lordship's departure, rendered necessary by the inexorable train service, the chair was occupied with general acceptance by his Honour Judge Lloyd, the popular and genial Deputy Prov. Grand Master. The banquet, under difficulties of lateness and uncertainties, was well attended, and effectually catered for by Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins. The ever kind and genial Sir William C. Brooks, Bart., had

presented the brethren for the occasion with a fine haunch of red deer venison, which was much appreciated. The most was made of the scanty time allowed for the repast, and the glee singing, interspersed by songs by Brothers Blackshaw, Head, and Cockayne, added much to the general enjoyment.

### MASONS AT REVELS-TOKE.

SOME of the brethren of Lodge Charity, No. 223, had reckoned on a wet morning, for they had not taken their tickets and had left their wives and sweethearts at home! Sorry miscalculation, for the day broke lovely, and there was not room for more if they had turned out later than we did, which is saying something.

There was a soft September freshness about the morn, but the sun shone out with all the fervour of the glorious first of June—when it does not happen to be wet or blizzardy, as has occasionally been the case of recent years.

Princess Square, Plymouth, is very select and silent, so that we had no tempestuous crowd to witness our departure, gorgeous as we were as to state, and perfect as to trappings, for everything was on the square.

We were in charge of Harry Membrey—he loves to be called Harry, it is so brotherly like. Harry has been through it, and is none the worse for it. And we took our faithful fox with us—our Brother Fox—who left Plymouth with the stern determination to treat us all alike, and to see that we were treated as we liked, for its a way we have in the Order.

Spooner's shop girls looked out in a very wistful way as we whirled past the corner, where they were daintily dressing the windows. But there was not room to carry them all, and no good Mason—down to the youngest apprentice—ever makes an invidious distinction after he has once taken the mystic plunge. So we gave them the go-by, much to their, and still more to our bitter disappointment.

Most enjoyable the ride, but Bro. Lavers had not swallowed his morning paper. It did not take him long to do so, for it was full of nothing. So unlike the *Western Independent*, he observed. Thanks, awfully, you cannot finish that in five minutes.

Nice little railway bridge over the Laira, leading to Pamphlete. No necessity soon to engage the wagonettes. But where will Brother Harry be then? It does not matter. He will have made his pile, and invested it in rails, with a loving memory of the past. Ontrageous! Not so bad as some we heard in the course of the day.

Past Brixton, with its charming villas, and the dear little hamlets, until we arrive at Yealmpton. The fame of our visit has penetrated to the furthest barn, and the delicate little dumplings in petticoats were smiling the whole width of the doorways upon us. Now that's too bad, for they have rosebud mouths at Yealmpton. Whose got a rosebud month? Where does she live! Nonsense, you must ask the Yealmpton brethren, and, if they do not know, we will give it up.

Did you ever visit those caves just inside the entrance to Kitley? Not particularly well known are they? We went there by special invitation. Under an immense rock, so overgrown with moss, and fern, and wild flower, with trees sprouting from boulders, and with streams thrilling soft music down the broken course, that you are commanded by the guide to take your candle and see how caves are made.

Nothing very wonderful about the door mind you. Prolaic and nineteenth century like, the work of man—and not so much of a man, mind you, that is judging from appearances.

But, once inside the cave, what an interesting sight! Damp even unto dripping, so that we have to pull at our skirts and trousers—for we are sisters and brethren by this time, and nothing on earth shall part us. The way is so narrow and uncertain that we should stumble if we did not hang together.

Now we dive here and now we dive there. Look out for your head. Mind your eye. Be careful of your nob! Here a rock, there a pool, oh, what a gloomy haunt for pixies and snakes and uncanny creatures.

How we lost one another I have not the slightest idea. There were so many ways in which the feat could be accomplished. You found yourselves by yourselves before you knew where you were, and you came upon the other brethren and sistern before you could realize that they were witnesses to those tender interchanges which have gone on since the world began, and which no doubt were duly commemorated when the first stones of the temple of Solomon were well and truly deposited!

But, here we are at last, all in a crowd, in a huge cave, with overhanging stalactite, glistening like silver, amid the candled illuminations. Such a cave, with monstrous shapes of crawling horrors, of those dreadful animals who must have been swept in here by the floods thousands of years ago, before our ancestors had acquired the faculty of adapting the fig tree to the exacting claims of civilisation. There they all were, congealed with the eternal leakage of centuries, reminding us of that awful chapter of Rider Haggard's, in which he records the petrifying effect of the dreary desolate drip upon the heads and bodies of the kings of Egypt.

Ugh! But it was a wonderful sight—as of an amphitheatre underground, so large, so spacious, with its low roof, and those thousands of fine pointed stalactites, as of the ribs of fish, sharp and pointed, which had taken years to form, the tips of which no earthly fingers would ever snap, to find them crumbling like frozen snow, if the modern tourist did not violate the sanctity of the chamber from time to time by testing their durability.

Just the place for a Lodge meeting! Close tyled by nature, for no lady would dare to lurk in one of those mystic recesses, less some ossified leviathan should return to life and claim her for its own.

There was nothing in all this spectacular surprise to take away the appetite. Oh, dear, no. Some of the brethren could have swallowed the stalactite, for five hours had elapsed since breakfast, and the Mason, or Mason's wife and sweetheart who can stand outside food for that period without experiencing the fellow feeling which makes us wondrous hungry is no credit to the Order.

And yet some of our dear sisters wanted to wait by the bridge where stood, in perfect artistic repose, two of the brownest beauties it would be possible to meet in an average day's march on the Queen's highway. They wanted to tell our fortunes, and I verily believe our sisters would have foregone all their hopes of ever learning the mysteries of Freemasonry in order to know from these prophetesses in prismatic hues a little of their own futures. The gipsies were nothing loth, as their glistening eyes and shining teeth attested, to have their palms crossed with silver, and to tell the old old stories. But our frail sisters wanted to meet them by moonlight alone and had not the courage to learn the worst or the best whilst the males were standing by!

Oh! but here is another beauty—Italian, quite as picturesquely attired, inviting our contributions as she rattles her castanettes in our face. She is a member of a travelling troupe of performers, the male section of whom might fairly pass for outlawed brigands—they were clad with such delightful regard for their Bohemian prepossessions. Verily Yealmpton is the scene of sensations and surprises. Our coppers fall like leaves in Vallambrosa—only a little heavier—and some of the brethren—the lighter hearted—spin around in joyous sympathy to the novel strains of "Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay," rendered in the waltzing music of the seductive lady extortioner and her slouched hatted compatriots.

Such a luncheon! Brother Robins gave us ducks—tender ducks too—and he gave us chicken—and they were chicken,—and he gave us tongue—and so did the ladies,—and he gave us ham and lamb, and beef boiled and beef roast, and salad—such salad—and plenty of it, and sliced tomatoes—and no stint of those either—and hot potatoes—for such as were not on the Banting regimen. Bro. Fox had a high old time of it, until it came to the distribution of the grapes, and then human nature once more found itself in the garden of Eden, falling before temptation!

Really we shall always go to Yealmpton for a cold luncheon. If ever the village and its caves should be swallowed by an earthquake, Brother Robinson ought to come into town and start catering—assuming, of course, that Plymouth is spared, as it would be, for it is not as the City of the Plain, and there are more than ten good Masons in it.

If we had been compelled to walk around Bigbury Bay after that superb meal, penal servitude would have been a preferable alternative. But Brother Harry had plighted his truth and his quadrupeds were awaiting us with impatience worthy of well-bred animals!

Have you ever done that drive from the gateway of Membland to the point where the indolent Yealm empties its waters at Noss? If you have not, do it. If you have you will not regret doing it again. For it is magnificent.

Not much room, is there, for you are going along the edge of the cliffs, and, as Captain Price would say, there is scarcely anything between you and the Deep Sea—only Bro. Membrey and his merry men, each of them with three tons of horse and human flesh on his hands, and the ruins of Revelstoke Church beneath, laved by the very waves of the Channel.

Such a view of the open sea, for miles and miles. It is as calm as a millpond although the breeze makes us feel new men—that is those of us who are not women. Here a sailer, there a steamer, trawlers at their business—most picturesque of all that are afloat, with their ruddy sails fully expanded. We really were not quite sure whether we were ashore or afloat, for we seemed to be afloat until we heard Bro. Harry's mellifluous pleadings to his horses to keep the right side of the rocks!

The horses wanted lubricating at Noss and so did the brethren. The sisters kept their seats—they were so patient. After lubrication, another Church service—the second in one day, for we had most scrupulously inspected the edifice at Yealmpton. But Bro. Lemon wanted particularly to view the building which Lord Revelstoke built, and we all went in to admire the carving by Harry Hems, and the delightful windows, and the architectural perfection of the building!

By Jove, it was six o'clock, and Brother Robins was awaiting us, and we were awaiting Brother Robins. We had been so immersed in sight-seeing that we had forgotten that insatiable Nature had once more claimed us for its own. The undulations of the drive around Bigbury Bay, the Kaleidoscopic evolutions of the Yealm, the pathetic look of the deserted plantations, the hide and seek we played with the rabbit-hunted Mewstone, our coquetting with Newton as she ran in and out of the river, and our kiss-in-the-ring festivities with Noss, all these pleasant pictorial incidents rendered us oblivious of the flight of time and the wholesome ravages of sound digestion.

High Tea was a pretty excuse for renewing the luxurious indulgences of the feast. Brother Robins knows a thing or two as well as the excellent wife of the Worshipful Master of Lodge Charity, and, next to a luncheon, he understands how to serve a high tea. Do not make any mistake about it. If he professes to give you pigeon pie you get pigeon pie. The pigeon is not casual. It is consistent and invariable. It is the beef that flavours the dish and not the pigeon. Would that all caterers were like Bro. Robins! The pigeon fanciers would be delighted, for the birds would be at a premium. We had pigeon pie, and Bro. Fox saw that we had pigeon. So that we could pidge in with confidence. Oh, there were worse jokes than that during the meal, so those who were absent need not make faces at those who were present. For we were on the laughing side that day, I can tell you.

The proceedings became convivial. This means that we cleared away the tables and chairs, and danced—those of us who could

dance, and shouted encore—those of us who could not sing. What was wonderful was that none of us could sing at the commencement and that all of us wanted to sing before the close. And some of us, who could not dance at all at the outset, positively wanted to keep it up in the open air, whilst the frisky steeds were curvetting at the door, and eloquent Bro. Hoyten was congratulating himself on having failed in his duties as a committee man. But, as Bro. Biscoombe would say, we couldn't, we couldn't, the truth we won't deny. Worshipful Master Rogers had a good deal to answer for, and if Bro. Hannaford is to be credited, so had Bro. Blight—a not uncommon occurrence for that equally worshipful personage.

A very fine drive home—in time to enjoy the parting hospitality of the Masonic Club and to miss the last tram. Hansom is that handsome pays!—*Western Independence*.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Devonshire will hold a meeting in connection with the Fortescue Annuity Fund at the Masonic Hall, Exeter, on the 4th proximo, at 2 p.m. A circular setting forth the position of the fund has been sent to the Worshipful Masters of all Lodges in the Province with the view of bringing the claims of the Institution to the notice of the Craft. As the fund is designed to benefit Masons who, from no fault of their own, find themselves in their old age in reduced circumstance, it has an especial claim on the Province, having been established for Devonshire Masons.

Sigior Angelo Mascheroni, who has recently been a guest of Madame Patti, at Craig-y-nos Castle, has composed a new "Ave Maria" specially for the "Diva," and dedicated it to her. She is delighted with the new work, and intends to sing it at her forthcoming concert. "A Woodland Serenade" (Serenata Campestre), from the pen of the same maestro, will be introduced to the public by Madame Patti, at her grand evening concert at the Royal Albert Hall on 10th November next. Both these new compositions will be published by Messrs. Robert Cocks and Co.

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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, 1st October.

Council, Boys' School, F.M.H., 3  
1572 Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street  
1622 Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell  
1919 Brixton, Brixton Hall, Acre Lane, Brixton  
2202 Regent's Park, York and Albany, Gloucester Gate, Regent's Park  
R.A. 173 Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
209 Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor  
308 Pr. George, Station Hotel, Bottoms, Eastwood  
336 Benevolence, Jolly Sailor Inn, Murple  
1194 Villiers, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court  
1223 Amherst, Amherst Hotel, Riverhead  
1388 Canynge, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
1458 Truth, Wheatheaf Hotel, Manchester  
1550 Prudence, Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth  
1667 Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham

## Monday, 3rd October.

25 Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
69 Unity, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.  
72 Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
144 St. Luke's, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
1625 Tredgar, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street  
1660 Royal Leopold, Surrey Masonic Hall, S.E.  
1853 Caxton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
2020 St. Botolph's, Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C.  
2098 Harlesden, National School, Harlesden  
R.A. 28 Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
R.A. 91 Regularity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
R.A. 1056 Victoria, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue  
M.M. 221 Menatschin, Criterion, Piccadilly  
37 Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Bolton  
53 Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Bath  
61 Prohibity, Freemasons' Hall, Halifax  
86 Faithful, Swan Hotel, Harleston  
89 Unanimity, Astley Arms, Dinkinfield  
102 Unanimity, King's Arms, North Walsham  
113 Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Preston  
119 Sun, Sq., and Comp., F.M.H., Whitehaven  
136 Perpetual Friendship, Clarence, Bridgwater  
154 Unanimity, M.H., Zetland Street, Wakefield  
156 Harmony, 1 Princess Square, Plymouth  
199 Peace and Harmony, F.M.H., Dover  
251 Loyal, Masonic Hall, Barnstable  
264 Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley  
302 Hope, New Masonic Hall, Bradford  
307 Pr. Frederick, M.R., New Rd., Hebden Bridge  
328 St. John, Masonic Hall, Torquay  
331 Phoenix, Public Room, Truro  
338 Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire  
388 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Halesworth  
395 Guy, Victoria Hotel, Leamington Priors  
408 Three Graces, Masonic Room, Haworth  
428 Sincerity, Angel Inn, Northwich, Cheshire  
431 St. George, Masonic Hall, North Shields  
433 Hope, Swan Hotel, Brightlingsea  
441 Three Grand Principles, Red Lion Hotel, Camb.  
467 Tudor, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham  
482 St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Huddersworth  
529 Semper Fidelis, Masonic Hall, Worcester  
543 Cleveland, Golden Lion, Stokesley  
607 Chicheley, Lodge Rooms, Thrapston  
613 Unity, Masonic Hall, Southampton  
622 St. Cuthbert, Manly Hotel, Wimborne  
694 Oakley, Masonic Hall, Sarum Hill, Basingstoke  
699 Boscawen, Masonic Hall, Chacewater  
737 Wentworth, Masonic Hall, Wellingborough  
850 St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashborne  
928 Friendship, Masonic Hall, Petersfield  
959 Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Ipswich  
977 Fowey, Masonic Hall, Fowey, Cornwall  
985 Alexandra, Bridge Hotel, Sutton Bridge

1045 Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham  
1050 Gundulph, King's Head, Rochester  
1051 Rowley, Masonic Hall, Lancaster  
1071 Zetland, Masonic Hall, Saltash  
1077 Wilton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire  
1124 St. Oswald, Wynnstay Arms Hotel, Oswestry  
1180 Forward, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
1211 Goderich, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
1220 Solway, The Grapes, Aspatria, Silloth  
1239 Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield  
1254 Semper Fidelis, Masonic Hall, Exeter  
1261 Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1272 Tregenna, Masonic Hall, St. Ives  
1280 Walden, Rose and Crown Hotel, Saffron Walden  
1302 De Warren, White Swan, Halifax  
1312 St. Mary, White Hart Hotel, Bocking  
1434 Nottinghamshire, Masonic Hall, Nottingham  
1486 Duncombe, Masonic Hall, Knightbridge  
1542 Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Cusleford  
1564 St. John, Prince of Wales Hotel, Woking  
1573 Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer Street, Swansea  
1575 Olive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton  
1600 Hamilton, Masonic Hall, Alford  
1695 Thames, Masonic Rooms, Henley  
1977 Blackwater, Blue Boar Hotel, Malton  
2039 Londonderry, Masonic Hall, Sunderland  
2094 Elthorne and Midx., Town Hall, Hounslow  
2106 Cotehele, Masonic Hall, Calstock, Cornwall  
2187 Adur, Assembly Rooms, Henfield  
2240 Arrow, Burton House Hotel, Kingston, Hereford  
2290 Fairfield, 14 Fairfield Street, Fairfield, Lanc.  
2322 E. Lanc. Centurion, Victoria Ho., Manchester.  
R.A. 226 Benevolence, Red Lion, Littleborough  
R.A. 262 Salopian, The Lion Hotel, Shrewsbury  
R.A. 312 Britannia, Masonic Hall, Whitley  
R.A. 340 Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley  
R.A. 599 Clervell, Masonic Hall, Banbury  
R.A. 627 St. John's, Masonic Temple, Dowsbury  
R.A. 2117 Cray Valley, Institute, St. Mary Cray.  
M.M. 9 Fortescue, Masonic Hall, South Molton  
M.M. 37 Wyndham, Masonic Hall, Basingstoke

## Tuesday, 4th October.

Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, 1  
9 Albion, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
101 Temple, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street  
172 Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
217 Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street  
255 Harmony, Greyhound, Richmond  
765 St. James, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark  
1257 Grosvenor, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
1259 Du' of Edinburgh, G. Eastern Hotel, E.  
1381 Kennington, Horra's Tavern, Kennington  
1397 Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley  
1472 Henley, Three Crows, Woolwich  
1693 Kingsland, Old Cock Tavern, Highbury Corner, N.  
2032 Richmond, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, Surrey  
2157 Ut. and Northern Counties, Inns of Court Hotel.  
2150 Tivoli, Tivoli Restaurant, Strand  
2190 Savage Club, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
R.A. 1 G. Masters', Hotel Victoria, Northumber-  
land Avenue.  
R.A. 169 Temperance, White Swan, Deptford  
R.A. 1159 Marquis of Dalhousie, 33 Golden Square  
M.M. 355 Royal Savoy, Criterion, Piccadilly

52 Union, 47 St. Giles' Street, Norwich  
70 St. John, Hayshe M.H., Plymouth  
103 Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
120 Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford  
124 Marquis of Granby, M.H., Old Elvet, Durham  
126 Sile at Temple, Bull Hotel, Baraley  
158 Adams, Britannia, Mile Town, Sheerness  
160 True Friendship, Old Ship Inn, Rochford  
226 Benevolence, Red Lion, Littleborough  
252 Pat. monic, Freemasons' Tavern, Dudley  
265 Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Keighley  
294 Constitutional, Masonic Hall, Beverley  
315 Royal York, Royal Pavilion, Brighton  
364 Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath  
373 Socrates, George, High Street, Huntingdon  
386 Unity, Town Hall, Wareham  
393 St. David, Mas. Hall, The Parade, Berwick  
421 Loyal of Industry, F.M.H., South Molton  
457 Loyal Monmouth, F.M.H., Monmouth  
484 Faith, Gerard's Arms, Ashton-in-Makerfield,  
Newton-le-Willows  
493 Royal Lebanon, Ball, Gloucester  
510 St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Liskeard  
558 Temple, Masonic Hall, Folkstone  
624 Abbey, Hall, Union St., Burton-on-Trent  
660 Camalodunum, Freemasons' Hall, Malton  
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
685 Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Newcastle  
702 Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, Stroud  
731 Londesborough, M.H., Bridlington Quay  
779 Ferrers and Ivanhoe, M.H., Ashby-de-la-Zouch  
789 Dunheved, Masonic Hall, Lanchester  
794 Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield  
804 Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant  
817 Fortescue, Masonic Hall, Honiton, Devon  
913 St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Leighton  
960 Bute, 9 Working Street, Cardiff  
967 Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Pauryn  
974 Pentalfa, New Masonic Hall, Bradford  
979 Four Cardinal Virtues, Royal Hotel, Crews  
995 Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston

1002 Skiddaw, M.R., Challoner St., Cockmouth  
1023 Royal Albert, The George, Alfreton  
1072 Aberystwith, Masonic Hall, Aberystwith  
1134 Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford  
1197 Nyanza, Masonic Hall, Buxton  
1214 Scarborough, Station Hotel, Batley  
1244 Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar  
1266 Honour and Friendship, M.H., Blandford  
1282 Anchole, Masonic Rooms, Gray Lane, Brix  
1336 Square and Compass, Mas. Rooms, Wrexham  
1367 Beaminster Manor, White Horse, Beaminster  
1482 Isle of Axholme, Masonic Hall, Crowle  
1388 St. Elch, Castle Hotel, Amlwch, Anglesea  
1522 Olcanna, The Crescent, Ilkley  
1587 St. Giles, The Bank, Bank Street, Chardle  
1780 Albert Edward, Masonic Hall, Southampton  
1785 St. Petroc, Masonic Hall, Padstow  
1799 Arnold, Clifton (Dorling's) Hotel, Walton  
1807 Loyal Wye, Bullth, Breconshire  
1902 St. Cuthbert, King's Arms Inn, Bedlington  
1903 Cholmondeley, Commercial Hotel, Frodsham  
1970 Hadrian, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields  
1981 Arnold, The Castle, East Molesey  
1993 Wolsley, Trevelyan Hotel, Manchester  
2001 Narberth, Rutzen Hotel, Narberth  
2133 Swan of Avon, Union Club, Stratford-on-Avon  
2138 St. Michael's, Chequers Ho., Bishops Stortford  
2260 Ridley, Deuchar's Bldgs., Newcastle-on-Tyne  
2295 Scarisbrick, Masonic Hall, Stockport  
R.A. 203 St. John of Jerusalem, M.H., Liverpool  
R.A. 600 Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford  
R.A. 624 Abbey, Masonic Rooms, Burton-on-Trent  
R.A. 1611 Eboracum, Masonic Hall, York  
R.A. 1827 Lullington, Masonic Hall, Wilmington  
M.M. 11 Joppa, 55 Argyle Street, Birkenhead  
M.M. 69 United Serv., King's Arms, Old Brompton  
M.M. 161 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale

## Wednesday, 5th October.

Grand M.M. Lodge, Mark Masters' Hall, W.C.  
511 Zetland, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.  
1293 Royal Standard, Cock Hotel, Highbury, N.  
1491 Athenaeum, Athenaeum, Camden Road, N.W.  
1585 Royal Commemoration, White Lion, Putney  
1697 The Rothesay, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.  
1766 St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoreditch  
R.A. 55 Constitutional, Ship and Turtle, E.C.  
R.A. 1323 Granite, Holborn Restaurant, W.C.  
K.T. 129 Holy Palestine, 33 Golden Square, W.  
74 Athol, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
86 Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescot, Lancashire  
91 Phoenix, Masonic Hall, Sunderland  
128 Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bury, Lancashire  
137 Amity, Masonic Hall, Market Street, Poole  
159 Brunswick, Masonic Hall, East Stonehouse  
168 Mariners, Masonic Temple, Guernsey  
258 Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike  
292 Bedford, Bedford Square, Tavistock  
297 Unanimity, White Lion Hotel, Stockport  
298 Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Rochdale  
326 Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
327 Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton  
341 Wellington, George Hotel, Rye  
372 Harmony, Rollo Arms, Badleigh Salterton

380 Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley  
387 Airedale, Institute, Saltair, Shipley  
406 Northern Counties, Masonic Hall, Newcastle  
417 Faith and Unanimity, M.H., Dorchester  
429 Royal Navy, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate  
471 Silurian, F.M.H., Newport, Mon.  
533 Eaton, Masonic Hall, Congleton  
555 Fidelity, The Crown, Framlingham  
580 Harmony, Wheatheaf, Carnsark  
606 Segontium, The Castle, Carnarvon  
611 Marches, Masonic Hall, Ludlow  
615 Humphrey Chetham, F.M.H., Manchester  
678 E. Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Kersley, Farnworth  
697 United, George Hotel, Colchester  
838 Franklin, Peacock Hotel, Boston  
910 St. Oswald, M.H., Ropergate, Pontefract  
970 St. Anne, Masonic Hall, East Loos  
992 St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broughton

1003 Prince of Wales, Masonic Temple, Jersey  
1044 Athole, Masonic Hall, Douglas, Isle of Man  
1010 Kingston, Masonic Hall, Kingston Sq., Hull  
1013 Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1024 St. Peters, Masonic Hall, Maldon  
1033 Malling Abbey, Bear Inn, West Malling  
1085 Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower St., Derby  
1167 Alwicks, M.H., Prudhoe Street, Alwicks  
1206 Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich  
1274 Earl of Durham, F.M.H., Choster-le-Street  
1323 Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind St., Swansea  
1335 Lindsay, M.H., King Street, Wigan  
1354 Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh  
1363 Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sibley, Glou.  
1431 St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull  
1461 Clausentum, Masonic Hall, Woolston  
1520 Earl Shrewsbury, Local Bar, Cannock  
1532 Bective, County Hotel, Carlisle  
1543 Rosslyn, Saracen's Head Hotel, Dunmow  
1544 Mount Edgumbe, Masonic Hall, Camborne  
1549 Abercorn, Abercorn Hotel, Great Stanmore  
1620 Marlborough, Dorby Hall, Two Brook, L'pool  
1645 Colne Valley, Masonic Hall, Slough  
1660 Arlecdon, Freemasons' Hall, Frizington  
1738 St. John's, St. John's Road, Halifax  
1797 Southdown, New Inn, Harspierspoint, Sussex  
1803 Suffield, Angel, North Walsham  
1812 St. Leonard, Saxon Chambers, St. Leonards  
1851 Weald of Kent, Bore' Auc. Rooms, Tenterden  
1882 Stranton, Masonic Hall, West Hartlepool  
2042 Apollo, 23 Hope Street, Liverpool  
2193 Queen's Jubilee, Lord Nelson, Nelson, Lanc.  
2200 Pantiles, Pump Room, Tunbridge Wells  
2224 Fairfield, Pavilion, Long Eaton, Derbyshire  
2283 Euston, New Inn, St. Neots.  
2368 Alan, Queens Hotel, Alderley Edge, Cheshire  
2382 Loyal Hay, Hay, Brecknockshire  
2391 Orde-Powlett, F.M.H., Middlesbrough.

R.A. 51 Hope, Spread Eagle Inn, Rochdale  
R.A. 231 St. John, New M.H., Silverwell St., Bolton  
R.A. 342 Royal Sussex, 79 Commercial Rd., Portsea  
R.A. 409 Stortford, Chequers, Bishop Stortford  
R.A. 477 Fidelity, 55 Argyle Street, Birkenhead  
R.A. 759 Friendship, M.H., Whitcliffe, Colchester  
R.A. 1125 St. Peter's, Masonic Hall, Tiverton  
R.A. 1248 Denison, Masonic Hall, Scarborough  
R.A. 1351 De Grey and Ripon, M.H., Liverpool  
M.M. 36 Furness, Hartington, Bawtry-Furness

## Thursday, 6th October.

27 Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street  
45 Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.  
192 Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Hotel  
227 Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street  
538 La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
551 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stoney  
742 Crystal Palace, Crystal Palace, Weybridge  
1178 Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark  
1216 Macdonald, Hotel Quarters 1st Surrey Rifles,  
Camberwell  
1351 St. Clement Danes, 225 Strand  
1425 Hyde Park, The W. Bourne, Craven Road,  
Paddington  
1707 Eleanor, Gt. Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street  
1765 Trinity College, 61 Weymouth Street  
1772 Pimlico, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.  
1790 Old England, M.H., New Thorn in Heath  
1950 Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate  
2271 St. Pancras, Midland Hotel, St. Pancras, N.W.  
2291 West Ham Abbey, Town Hall, Stratford, E.  
2411 Clarence & Avondale, Red Lion, Leytonstone  
R.A. 174 Sincerity, Ches. Cheese, C.atched Friar  
R.A. 191 Universal, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
F.A. 1331 Kennington, Surrey Club, Kennington  
R.A. 1716 All Saints, Vestry Hall, Fairfield Rd., E.

24 Newcastle-on-Tyne, F.H., Newcastle  
31 United Industrious, Mas. Rooms, Canterbury  
38 Union, Council Chamber, Chichester  
41 Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Bath  
110 Loyal Cambrian, Mas. Hall, Merthyr Tydfil  
116 Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne  
123 Lennox, F.M.H., Richmond, Yorkshire  
195 Hoagist, Masonic Hall, Bournemouth  
203 Three Grand Principles, M.H., Dowsbury  
219 Prudence, Mascie Hall, Toimordon  
230 Fidelity, Ebrington Masonic Hall, Devonport  
249 Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
254 Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry  
266 Naphthali, Navigation Inn, Heywood  
269 Fidelity, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn  
276 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield  
278 Good Fellowship, White Hart, Cuckinstford  
283 Amity, Grey Mare Hotel, Haslingden  
289 Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
295 Combermere, Union Arms, Macclesfield  
300 Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne  
310 Harmony, Red Lion, Farnham  
317 Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
324 Moira, Wellington Inn, Salisbury  
332 Virtue & Silence, White Lion, Huddersfield, Suff.  
337 Candour, New M.R., Uppermill, Saddleworth.  
359 Charity, Railway Hotel, Moss Gate, Kersley  
360 Pomfret, Masonic Hall, Northampton  
361 Industry, Norfolk Arms, Hyde, Cheshire  
362 Doric, Masonic Hall, Grantham  
419 St. Peter, Star and Garter, Wolverhampton  
443 Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire  
450 Cornubian, Freemasons' Hall, Hales, Hales  
456 Foresters, Town Hall, Uttoxeter  
462 Bank Terrace, Hartreaves Arms, Acorn  
472 Friendship & Sincerity, F.H., 51



509 Tees, Fr. Masons' Hall, Stockton, Durham  
 531 St. Helen's, Masonic Hall, Hartlepool  
 539 St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall  
 625 Devonshire, Masonic Hall, Glossop  
 630 St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, Howden  
 633 Yarborough, Clarence Hotel, Manchester  
 637 Portland, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent  
 659 Blagdon, Mechanics' Institute, Blyth  
 703 Clifton, County and Lane Ends Hot., Blackpool  
 710 Frieate, Masonic Hall, Tynes  
 781 St. John, Old Bell, Dursley  
 787 Beaurep'r, Lion Hotel, Belper  
 792 Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Great Grimsby  
 856 Restormel, Duchy Palace, Lostwithiel  
 976 Royal Clarence, Blue Ball, Bruton, Somerset

1000 Priory, Middleton Hotel, Southend-on-Sea  
 1012 Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancs.  
 1032 Townley Parker, Town Hall, Chorley  
 1164 Eliot, Masonic Hall, St. Germans, Cornwall  
 1231 Savile, Masonic Room, Northgate, Elland  
 1235 Phoenix of St. Ann, Town Hall, Buxton  
 1284 Brent, Globe Hotel, Devonshire  
 1304 Olive Union, M.H., Farncastle, Lincolnshire  
 1324 Okeover, Market Hall, Ripley  
 1379 Marquess of Ripon, Masonic Hall, Darlington  
 1394 Equity, Central Hotel, Widnes  
 1473 Bootle, 80 Merton Road, Bootle, Lancashire  
 151 Walpole, 47 St. Giles St., Norwich  
 1504 Rod Rose of Lanc., Star & Arms, Padliham  
 1513 Friendly, M.H., Eastgate, Barnsley  
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 1770 Vale of White Horse, Savings Bank, Faringdon  
 1899 Wellesley, Wellington College Ho., Sandhurst  
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706 Florence Nightingale, M.H., Woolwich  
 1489 M. of Ripon, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N.  
 1677 Royal Kensington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 1815 Fence, Thicket Hotel, Anerley  
 2073 Quatuor Coronati, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 M.M. 8 Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.

44 Friendship, Albion Hotel, Manchester  
 242 St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster  
 291 Rural Philanthropic, Railway Hot., Highbridge  
 308 Alfred, Masonic Hall, Gt. George St., Leeds  
 375 Lambton, Lambton Arms, Chester-le-street  
 401 Royal Forest, Hark to Bountv Inn, Slaidburn  
 404 Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford  
 460 Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme

516 Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket.  
 521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield  
 574 Loyal Berkshire of Hope, Coun. Ch., Newbury  
 601 St. John, Charlton Arms, Wellington, Salop  
 652 Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmthorpe  
 709 Invicta, Bank Street Hall, Ashford  
 751 Eastnor, Masonic Rooms, Ledbury  
 837 De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon  
 839 Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester  
 836 Adair, Private Room, Alderburgh  
 998 Welchpool, Railway Station, Welchpool

1034 Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill  
 1074 Underley, Masonic Hall, Kirkby Lonsdale  
 1098 Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal  
 1102 Mirfield, Masonic Hall, Mirfield  
 1108 Royal Wharfedale, Masonic Rooms, Otley  
 1280 Barnard, Masonic Hall, Barnard Castle  
 1333 Athelstan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick  
 1375 Architect, Town Hall, Withington  
 1405 Southwell, Masonic Hall, Nottingham  
 1529 Duke of Cornwall, Masonic Hall, St. Colomb  
 1561 Morecambe, King's Arms, Morecambe  
 1648 Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford  
 1664 Gosforth, Freemasons' H., Gosforth  
 1739 Carnarvon, Market Hall, Swadlincote  
 2078 St. Lawrence, Masonic Hall, Scunthorpe  
 2376 Carnarvon, Eagle and Child Inn, Layland, Lancashire

2380 Beneventa, Wheatsheaf Hotel, Daventry

R.A. 355 Wiltshire, Masonic Hall, Swindon  
 R.A. 359 Peace, F.M.H. Albion Ter. Southampton  
 R.A. 832 Concord, Masonic Hall, Trowbridge  
 R.A. 712 St. James's, Masonic Hall, Louth  
 R.A. 1466 Hova Villa, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton

## Saturday, 8th October.

178 Cavenc, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate Street  
 1426 The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel  
 1607 Loyalty, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street  
 1612 West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing  
 1671 M'paph, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate Street  
 1685 Guelph, Town Hall, Leyton  
 1743 Perseverance, Anderson's, Fleet Street  
 1839 Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
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149 Peace, New Masonic Hall, Meltham  
 141 Union, Courtenay Arms, Starcross  
 1146 De Moulham, Mowlem Institute, Swanage  
 1415 Campbell, Mitre Hotel, Hampton.  
 1637 Unity, Railway Hotel, Harrow  
 1755 Eldon, Royal Hotel, Portishead  
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 2069 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
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## INSTRUCTION.

## Saturday, 1st October.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30  
 179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8  
 193 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8  
 1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8  
 1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8  
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7  
 1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney,  
 1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7  
 2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, W.  
 R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

## Monday, 3rd October.

22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30  
 27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8  
 45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St.,  
 174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7  
 180 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8  
 248 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon  
 382 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  
 1339 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, 232 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  
 1585 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney  
 1608 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8  
 1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7  
 1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8:30  
 1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8  
 1743 Perseverance, Deacons' Tavern, Walbrook, 7  
 1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8  
 1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8  
 2192 Walthamstow, Chequers Hotel, High Street, Walthamstow, 8

## Tuesday, 4th October.

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  
 188 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

551 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, Sideup, 7  
 860 Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Dalston, 8  
 861 Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle St., 7  
 1041 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8  
 1321 Emblematic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8  
 1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex  
 1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7:30  
 1446 Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8  
 1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30  
 1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich  
 1473 Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 6  
 1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.  
 1638 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8  
 1635 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N.  
 1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7  
 1949 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8  
 2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton  
 Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6:30  
 R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8  
 R.A. 1385 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8  
 R.A. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

## Wednesday, 5th October.

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 Tooteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30  
 1475 Peckham, 618 Old Kent Road, 8  
 1611 Alexandra, Hornsey, Hull

1601 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rusby Green, Catford, 8  
 1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7:30  
 1682 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7:30  
 1681 Londesborough Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8  
 1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8:30  
 1791 Creton, 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, 6th October.

141 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30  
 147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8  
 263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.  
 749 Belgrave, Albion Tavern, Russell St., W.C., 8  
 751 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8  
 879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolsley, Rotherhithe New Road  
 890 Hornsey, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8  
 1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8  
 1158 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, Commercial Road, Limehouse, E., 7:30  
 1278 Burdett Coutts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8  
 1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8  
 1300 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledn, '30  
 1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30  
 1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8  
 1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7  
 1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8  
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, 45 Upper Street, N., 8  
 1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7:45  
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8  
 1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8  
 1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7:30  
 1741 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8  
 1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7:30  
 1677 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem, St. John's Road, Clerkenwell, 9  
 1996 Priory, Constitutional Club, Acton  
 R.A. 753 Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, 8  
 R.A. 1471 North London, Northampton House, Canonbury, 8

## Friday, 7th October.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6  
 General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8  
 187 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park,  
 507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30  
 785 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  
 1298 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, Ladbroke 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

## Saturday, 8th October.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30  
 179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8  
 193 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav, Southgate Rd., N.E. 7  
 1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7  
 1238 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8  
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7  
 1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8  
 1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7  
 2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30  
 R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

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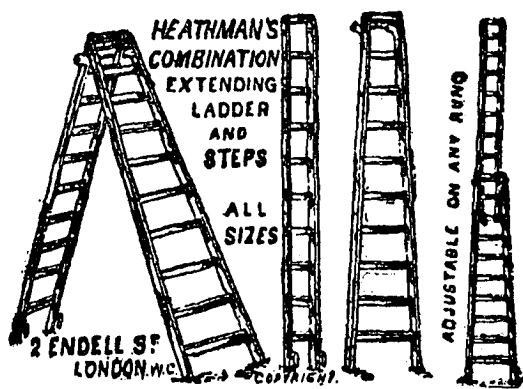
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