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THE POPE VERSUS FREEMASONRY.

SEVERAL of our readers have drawn attention to the correspondence that recently appeared in *The Times* on this very old and well worn subject, but bearing the up-to-date heading of "Home Rule and Freemasonry." Bro. Reginald C. Saunders writing from the Junior Charlton Club, refers to the probable position of our brethren in Dublin and the Northern Provinces of Ireland should the Home Rule Bill become law. He says, "In the proposed Home Rule Legislative Assembly there will be about seventy-five Roman Catholics and only twenty-eight Protestants. The Roman Catholics will be the nominees of the priests, who have recently shown their power in the Meath elections, and their intentions through the mouth of their Primate. Cardinal Logue, the Roman Catholic Primate of Ireland, stated on 17th March 1893, at Armagh, that the Pope should give directions in political as well as other questions. The Irish Freemasons will thus be placed at the mercy of an intolerant priesthood, who have both the power and the will to boycott, if not entirely suppress, an institution whose main object is charity." The institution referred to is the Masonic Orphanage at Dublin, and Brother Saunders quotes a letter that Archbishop Walsh addressed to the clergy of his diocese, which was read in the Roman Catholic churches in Dublin last April, prior to the holding of a bazaar in aid of its funds, on the occasion of its centennial anniversary. The Archbishop states that it is his duty "to point out that by the law of the Church, it is most strictly forbidden to Catholics to take any part in those proceedings, or to give countenance to them either by being present at the coming celebration, or by promoting in any other way the object for which the celebration is to be held. The Holy See, in its repeated condemnations of Freemasonry, has forbidden to Catholics, not only membership in the Society of Freemasons, but everything that could in any way tend to the furtherance of the interests of that society Faithful to their duty as Catholics, they will respect the stringest obligations under which they are placed—an obligation binding them, under penalty of incurring the severest censure of the Church, to abstain, not merely from membership of the Freemason Society, but from everything that could in any way tend to the advancement of the interests of that society, or to the promotion of any of its objects." This is plain speaking, and the injunction was doubtless obeyed by the faithful followers of the Archbishop. It is perhaps natural for an ardent Freemason to rebel against some unmerited interference with the grandest principles of his Order, and we do not blame Bro. Saunders for pointing out this additional slight. However, we do not see that any good purpose would be achieved by reiterating here the Masonic arguments against the dictum of the Holy

See. They are well known throughout the Brotherhood, especially the English speaking Freemasons. But we do most earnestly desire to caution our brethren against associating political matters with the affairs of the Craft. Not only is this injudicious, but it is contrary to the regulations of our Order, and has been the cause of much acrimonious feeling, particularly on the Continent of Europe, wherever it has been attempted. Freemasonry does not depend upon the goodwill of any religious sect, nor does it suffer much from the antagonism of bigotry. Still, its interests are better promoted by a calm and dignified demeanour and avoidance of every topic of political and religious discussion than by entering into a wordy conflict with our opponents. "Firm in truth and rectitude it will rise superior to all opposition." The vast strides that the Craft has made and continues to make year by year is the best reply to the calumny of its enemies; and though we may be unable to avert such lamentable fanaticism as recently wrecked a Masonic Lodge in a Peruvian city, the fact that most of the greatest and noblest men of our time are numbered among its members will surely cause the impartial to refrain from animadverting upon an Institution which is founded upon the purest principles of piety and virtue.

FREEMASONRY AND RELIGION.

OVER twenty years ago I travelled and visited Masonic Lodges for a short time, in company with Bro. Dr. Robert Morris, in Central Iowa. On one occasion, while at a meeting of Lodge, No. —, during the hour of refreshment, a number of brethren were enjoying a social chat with Bro. Morris, and among other things the subject of this article was referred to, when a brother, who evidently had more gush than dispassionate consideration, exclaimed quite excitedly, "Masonry is as good a religion as I want." Bro. Morris looked at him a moment with evident commiseration, and then in his quiet and brotherly manner said, "My brother, do not ever say that again. Masonry is not religion; it is a very high system of morality, but it is not religion." That brother very quietly subsided, and the subject was dropped. Much reflection upon that incident, and remarks that I have occasionally heard from members of the Craft, touching the same matter, suggest the propriety of preparing this article.

It is not desirable to provoke a heated discussion, but it may be profitable to elicit a careful examination as to the real status of these "Ancient and Honourable Institutions," viewing each in the light which surrounds it, examining them as to their unity and diversity, and then endeavouring to show that relationship which may properly exist between them, and that beneficial aid which each may render the other. There is, as we are well persuaded, a golden mean, if it can be found, between the extremes of that assertion on the one hand, that Freemasonry has nothing to do with religion, and on the other hand, that it is as good a religion as any man needs.

We'll try to find the golden mean,
And thus may safely pass between
The rocks on either hand;
As Scylla and Charybdis frown,
Truth's placid waters glide down,
And reach the quiet land.

Let us define Freemasonry and Religion. What is Freemasonry? "A science of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols." This is an old definition. It was deduced from the system by wise and well cultured brothers, who understood whereof they affirmed. We never weary of it. It will bear repeating as often as we rehearse our beautiful ceremonies and lectures. It comprehends the whole system, and, heart-like, throws its life-blood into all its parts. When fully exemplified and illustrated, it is the voice of the Omnipotent, whispering in hallowed utterances to our souls. Discharge every obligation growing out of your relationship to your fellow beings in this world. Do justly, love mercy, visit the widow and the fatherless in their affliction. Have a heart as large as the world, and one that is always

Ready to prompt the cheerful hand,
To strew God's blessing o'er the land.

This is Freemasonry; yet it is not religion. To attain to that we must advance one step farther—only one, as we think.

What is religion? In answering we first adopt the definition already quoted as applying to Freemasonry, and add what constitutes the one additional step. And secondly, with the highest veneration we ask you to attend, while God speaks in the clear and explicit language of the Great Light of Masonry. Answer. First: Religion is "A science of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols," and a system of spiritual communication existing between God, the Great Teacher, and man the attentive and obedient pupil, whereby God teaches, in His own way and by His own means, and man receives the knowledge and power to practise his whole duty to his Great Creator and to his fellow beings. Secondly: Listen to and treasure up the Divine Word. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world." My brethren, this is what I mean by saying that religion is one step beyond Freemasonry. In our beautiful and grand system of morals and duties, we are taught to reverence, to acknowledge, and to admire God in the works of His creation. In the wonderful system of pure religion we are taught and commanded to love God, and to obey Him in all things. In fine, to perform by an active and constant faith all the duties which grow out of that relationship which we as erring children sustain to our Infinite and Holy Creator, and to do all this, not in our own strength and wisdom alone, but by walking and talking with Him continually; by keeping the two great commandments; by loving God with all our hearts, and our neighbour as ourselves. Note the forcible illustration of this position, in that close personal conversation of Christ with the man who approached Him asking what he must do to inherit eternal life. The man candidly told the Master what he had done, and he was not condemned for that. So far he was religious. He had discharged his obligations to man. But the Master said, "One thing thou lackest." What could that be? Fulfil your obligation to God. Obey Him. That was the decisive point, and the man went away sorrowful. He failed to reach that standard which measures up to a discharge of all our obligations to God and man. Let me just add, that with an honest effort and a pure intention to do all this, yet through frailties and errors we may fail to attain to the required standard, unless we ask our Heavenly Father to cover our faults and imperfections with the broad mantle of His pardoning favour and forgiving love.

Please understand that whenever religion is referred to in this article, the term is used in its broadest sense, in no manner based upon or connected with the creeds or dogmas of men, only so far as they recognise God as our common Father, and that in His utterances, He declares that "In every nation he that feareth God and worketh righteousness is accepted with Him." With these, as we trust well and clearly defined definitions, let us consider some leading thoughts, as to the unity and diversity of these grand and time-honoured institutions. First, in what are they united? First: They are of ancient origin. Religion is coeval with the creation of man. At the fiat of the Great I Am not only stars and suns sent forth their

rays with royal splendour, but a greater light flashed from the eternal throne of God, to illumine the soul and guide the newly added race of immortal beings in their pathway in this life, and in their devotions to Deity. This religion that we write of is the same now as it was at the first. It consists in obeying God and keeping His commandments. It is, and will be the same, "yesterday, to-day, and for ever." Freemasonry was borrowed from and founded upon the pure moral principles of religion, and erected its noble system upon it. Viewed, then, from an ethical standpoint, it is a science and system of ethics, or moral philosophy, as old as the human race. And seen thus, we may endorse Bacon in the sentiment, "True ethics are a handmaid to divinity and religion." So far, then, we cannot resist the conclusion that they are not only of ancient origin, but equally so. The very first generation sought to ignore this position, as seen when the first fratricide answered God by saying, "Am I my brother's keeper?" but only to have the question thundered to his conscience, by a justly incensed Creator, "Where is thy brother?"

Second: They are both based upon the Word of God. This they receive as the sure rule and guide for human conduct. Whether that word comes in the light of tradition, or by vision or voice to the soul, or on the written and tangible page of Inspiration—in the first breaking of the morning, or in the full blaze of that Word at the sun's meridian height—once seen or heard they mutually cling to it as "The guide of faith."

It is a wonder to many that Freemasonry has withstood the opposition of its enemies in the past centuries, and comes forth, to-day, practically unharmed, and stronger than ever. You can cease to marvel at this when you remember that it is founded upon the Word of God as its first great light. The first discovery that the neophyte makes as he opens his eyes upon the beauties of Freemasonry is, that this Word is the rule and guide of faith. And if you follow a worthy Masonic brother to his burial, you will observe some aged Mason, bearing that Word in the funeral cortège and reverently standing with its open pages at the head of the grave, upon which is written, "Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return to God who gave it."

Third: As a consequence they unite in those leading and fundamental doctrines which affect man's well being in this world and the world that is to come: namely, belief and trust in God; the immortality of man; the resurrection of the dead, and a future state of recompense for our conduct in the present life.

Fourth: They are in accord as to their teachings. They both teach that every rational and sentient being should do all things possible to make every other similar being wise and good, and to add as far as in him lies to their moral, intellectual and spiritual enjoyment. They also both teach the duty and obligation of prayer to God, and that to keep His commandments constitutes the whole duty of man.

Fifth: They each have a body and a spirit. In Freemasonry the body is the ritual, lectures, symbols and outward forms. The spirit is that which is signified, without which the body is but "A sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal." In religion the body is termed the "form of Godliness." The spirit is that which bears testimony to our spirits that we are in communication with God, without which, we may also add, the form is dead, being alone.

Sixth: Finally, Freemasonry and religion, when conducted according to their true principles, have but one mission, and that is a common one, noble in its character and world-wide in its influence, which is, to make bad men good and good men better.

Secondly: We call attention to a few of the leading points in which these institutions differ. First: They differ in their appointments. God is the Author of all true religion and of all pure morality. He, immediately after the creation, instituted and endorsed a system of pure worship by outward forms, and He also held men accountable for their conduct toward each other on lines of pure morality. There is no more highly approved act of devotion to Deity than that exhibited by righteous Abel, and by it "He being dead yet speaketh." There is no breach of the moral law more severely condemned and punished than that of Cain, who for his awful crime went out upon the face of the earth a marked, branded fugitive and vagabond. Worship and morality were instituted in

the *beginning* and have continued by Divine appointment to the present hour.

No man will pretend to say that God instituted Freemasonry. Then, whence came it in its appointments? Men constituted the Lodge. They seized upon the great principles of brotherly love, relief and truth, to effect a closer union among themselves, and doubtless, from small beginnings have, far back in the centuries, we know not how far, erected their justly and lawfully constituted Lodges. And we, brethren, should be devoutly thankful to the Supreme Ruler and Governor of mankind, that He put it into the hearts of our ancient brethren to constitute this great system, which not only links our hearts in closer sympathy in this world, but whose every tendency, when properly conducted, is to lead us to *that standard* of Christian character before God, in whom every one of us professes to trust, that fits us for "that spiritual building, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

Second: They differ in their work. God makes men, religious, devout, and holy. "Man looketh upon the outward appearance," but God's all-seeing eye looks into the depth of the heart—the innermost recesses of the soul—and cleanses from all defilement. He alone builds within us a spiritual temple, of which all our outward temples and altars are but the symbol. Men make Freemasons. They administer the obligations, teach the lectures, and point to all the high and holy duties of the Fraternity, but they only *commend* their brothers, who are men of like passions with themselves, to be wiser and better, that they may be happier. They cannot, with all the appliances and teachings of the Lodge, change the heart, any more than the leopard can change his spots, or the sable son of Ham his skin.

Third: they differ as to their authority. God *commands* all men everywhere to repent, believe, and seek a pure heart and be His obedient and loving children. This great command contains all the elements of parental love as well as parental authority. To disobey this just and loving command incurs a fearful responsibility. God *demand*s that every one of us should, so to speak, come into Great Lodge. All are invited to knock at the door, and if done with sincerity, no fatal ballot will ever appear against any one making application for admission, regardless of the sex, race, colour, age, physical or intellectual qualifications of the applicant.

Freemasonry demands no man's fealty. It does not even invite a single votary. The Lodge has a door, and every man is at liberty of his own free will and accord to approach and knock on that door. The faithful officer has always an attentive ear to catch and report every alarm. The Lodge receives and carefully considers every application, and then either accepts or rejects the applicant. The Lodge may make a mistake and reject one worthy and well qualified to be admitted. Not so with God's true church. He makes no mistakes. His servants who manage the church may commit errors, and get in tares among the wheat, but the great Master will discriminate between the precious and the vile. Freemasonry cannot do that.

Fourth: These institutions differ as to their destiny. The Masonic Lodge is an institution of time. We hope and believe that it may firmly stand and flourish in the future, more than in the past. Still we must say we believe that a period is coming when the deputed Archangel will herald to the world the tidings, "That time shall be no longer."

By God's authority he'll stand
With one foot placed upon the sea,
And one upon the land,
Proclaiming, "Time no more shall be,"
By God's supreme command.

The Lodge will close for ever. For the last time the faithful Tyler will guard the outer door. The attentive Deacon will report no more alarms. The gavel will fall for the last time, and its pleasant echoes will be heard no more. Not so with the church of the living God—the grand and celestial communication, where the Supreme Grand Master of all created beings presides. When all earthly powers, principalities and thrones shall be dissolved, then shall His throne and dominion be just entering upon the threshold of its existence, so far as we are concerned. And if, as the cycles shall pass on, and some enraptured spirit shall for a moment pause in his ecstasy and inquire, "How long can these joys abound?" the faithful sentinel in the watch-tower of the Holy City will respond,

"Eternity!" Is it not written in the Holy Book, "And everlasting joy shall be upon their heads?"

Brethren of the Masonic Order and Brethren of the Church, have I fairly stated and made out my case? Many of you belong to both the Lodge and the Church. I am more than ever convinced that these ancient and established orders are promoting the moral and intellectual and spiritual welfare of mankind, each working in its own particular sphere, and it will be clearly seen that, as our best authorities represent, "By Speculative Masonry we learn to subdue the passions, act upon the square, keep a tongue of good report, maintain secrecy, and practise charity. It is so interwoven with religion as to lay us under obligations to pay that rational homage to the Deity which at once constitutes our duty and happiness."

Some professed ministers and laymen of the Christian church misrepresent, slander and malign Freemasonry; but still it prospers. Why is it so? It is founded upon the truth. It maintains its own pure principles and tries to present them to the world by an honest practice. It antagonises nothing but wrong, and, as far as possible, in its own humble way stretches out its kindly hands and endeavours to be a handmaid to the true church of God on this earth.

In conclusion, permit me to suggest that the true church of God in the world is the custodian of Religion. As such it has come down to us from the first, under the fostering and protecting hand of its great Author. Under different forms of organisation, but having constantly in view but one object, namely, to fit mankind for the work of this life, and finally for the joys of the eternal life beyond the grave. The Masonic Lodge is the custodian of the work of Freemasonry; it also having one object, and that in perfect sympathy, so far as it reaches, with that "pure and undefiled religion" defined in these pages. When a man becomes a Freemason he is sacredly bound and obligated to receive and practice the great principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth; and he is morally bound to acknowledge and reverence God, and to give his influence in favour of the right, and against all that is wrong. Accomplishing all this, there will be not only no antagonism between these two ancient and powerful institutions, but they will continue in the future as in the past, to work in harmony, each labouring in its own particular sphere, and enjoying the protection and blessing of God, and each receiving the commendation of "Well done, good and faithful servant."

COROLLARIES.

First: It is not possible that every man, or even every good man shall be a Freemason. Freemasonry, like every system of human arrangement, is not perfect enough to make it possible that this should be the case.

Second: It is possible, by the perfect arrangement and plan of our Great Creator, that every human being may be a member of His great family, and enjoy such a relationship to his family, as to be entitled to eternal happiness in the heavenly world. The true church was instituted by Divine appointment, and is, and ever will be, a perfect institution.

Third: All the institutions of human origin, no matter how wisely or well arranged by man, will finish their work and end their mission in this world; and their votaries will have the fruits of their labour in the eternal world, in accordance with the decisions of "the Judge of all the earth."—*Voice of Masonry.*

If a Lodge cannot aid in founding a school or an academy, it can still do something. It can educate one boy or girl at least, the child of some poor or departed brother. And it should never be forgotten, that in the poorest unregarded child that seems abandoned to ignorance and vice may slumber the virtues of a Socrates, the intellect of a Bacon or a Bossuet, the genius of a Shakespeare, the capacity to benefit mankind of a Washington; and that in rescuing him from the mire in which he is plunged, and giving him the means of education and development, the Lodge that does it may be the direct and immediate means of conferring upon the world as great a boon as that given it by John Faustus, the boy of Mentz; may perpetuate the liberties of a country and change the destinies of nations, and write a new chapter in the history of the world. For we never know the importance of the act we do. The daughter of Pharaoh little thought what she was doing for the human race, and the vast unimaginable consequences that depended on her charitable act, when she drew the little child of a Hebrew woman from among the rushes that grew along the bank of the Nile, and determined to rear it as if it were her own.—*Albert Pike.*

ROYAL ARCH.

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CENTENARY OF THE DOMATIC CHAPTER,
No. 177.

THIS event was celebrated on Thursday, the 23rd ult., at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C., when a large number of Companions were present to do honour to the occasion. A considerable amount of work was got through by Companion Harry Nelson Price, the outgoing M.E.Z., who was supported by Companion John Hattersley H., and William Bailey J. The M.E.Z. exalted Brothers Henry Sillick Woodd, Thomas Nixon Morris, W. Murrell, and William Ward to the degree of Royal Arch Masons, after which Companion Price installed Brothers John Hattersley Z., William Bailey H., and Nathan Salmon J. All the work was done in a praise-worthy and careful style, and the Officers are therefore to be congratulated. The other Officers invested for the year were:—Companions C. A. Cottebrune Scribe E., Richard Moody Scribe N., J. T. Briggs Treasurer, E. A. G. Smith P.S., Thomas Hobbs 1st A.S., Alfred Piper 2nd A.S., and James Verry Janitor. Companion W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Grand J., in presenting the centenary warrant said: I have very great pleasure in performing the duty assigned to me, to present the centenary warrant of the Chapter. It marks an interesting epoch in the annals of the Chapter when it has attained 100 years' existence. During that period no doubt much useful and valuable work has been performed. Though the agency of this Chapter many brethren have been exalted into Royal Arch Masonry, and obtained greater eminence in the Craft, and I trust that the distinction already attained will be increased. It augurs well for the Chapter that there is such a large attendance here this evening, because it shows the interest taken in the Chapter. The warrant I now present, which records the centenary of the Chapter, I hope will be an incitement to the Companions to persevere in that line of conduct which has acquired for this Chapter such great distinction. The M.E.Z. briefly responded on behalf of the Chapter. The M.E.Z. next presented a centenary jewel to Comp. H. N. Price, which he said was the first centenary jewel of the Chapter. The Companions ought to feel a great honour had been conferred upon them, and they felt it would not have come about had it not been for Comp. Price's exertions. Comp. Price had brought his endeavours to a successful issue, and he was to be congratulated upon it. Comp. Price said he thanked the M.E.Z. very cordially for his kind words. Anything he had done to conduce to obtaining the centenary warrant had been to him a labour of love. If the Companions were satisfied he was amply rewarded. He should like now to have the pleasure of presenting to the M.E.Z. a centenary jewel. There was no member of the Chapter who would render it more honour. Comp. Price then decorated the M.E.Z. with a centenary jewel. The M.E.Z. called up Comps. Cottebrune and J. T. Briggs, and presented each with a centenary jewel. He said that they had been many years in the Chapter, and he hoped they would be in it for many years to come. Comp. Kohry (British Burmah), on behalf of that district, congratulated the Chapter on the excellent work he had seen that night, and also on the Chapter obtaining a centenary warrant. When one came thousands of miles and saw the ceremonial of Masonry properly performed, it was extremely gratifying. It was very difficult to acquire the work. He had seen the working of a good many Chapters, but he had never appreciated it as he had that evening. That Chapter had flourished for 100 years, and he hoped it might go on for many more. The Chapter was afterwards closed, and the Companions adjourned to a repast, at which Comp. Price presided, the honour having been conferred upon him in recognition of his services in obtaining the charter. Comp. Price briefly proposed the Queen and Royal Arch Masonry, and also the health of the Grand Z. of the Order, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. Comp. Price said the next toast he had the honour to propose was that of the health of the Pro Grand Z., the Earl of Lathom, the Grand H., the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, and the Grand J., Comp. W. W. B. Beach, and the rest of the Grand Officers Present and Past. There was little necessary for him to say to recommend that toast to the consideration of the Companions, for it always received a hearty acceptance. In the Earl of Lathom they had a very old and worthy Mason, who was always ready and willing to take command of their ceremonial. They had also the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, who was equally enthusiastic in Masonry, and they next came to Comp. Beach the Grand J., who had honoured them with his presence that evening. It afforded him personally a great amount of pleasure to welcome Comp. Beach in the Domatic Chapter, seeing that he (Comp. Price) was initiated in the Province of Hampshire in the first year of Comp. Beach's rule over that Province as Grand Master. Therefore he felt peculiarly honoured by Comp. Beach coming to see one of his Masonic children. Whenever the Companions saw any of these Grand Officers occupying the position of President in Grand Lodge, they knew they occupied it with dignity. While they had such Officers at the head of Masonry, they were certain that Royal Arch Masonry would never waver, but would remain the same grand noble institution it ever was. They had, also, to hold out the right hand of fellowship in the name of the Domatic Chapter to Comp. Fenn Past President of the Committee of General Purposes. There were very few Masons who could carry out the ceremonies more efficiently than he, not only in their own language, but in other languages. Comp. Fenn was one of the most energetic Grand Officers. Then there was Comp. Letchworth, who was most enthusiastic in his work, and to him he returned thanks for his assistance in obtaining the centenary warrant. Comp. Letchworth had given up an important engagement to be present at the Domatic Chapter that evening. Then they came to Comp. Pendlebury, and there was another Grand Officer whom they claimed as a member of the Chapter (Comp. George Everett), and whom they were always ready to welcome. In all the

Chapters to which he belonged, there were none more thoroughly satisfied to see Comp. Everett than his old Chapter, the Domatic Comp. James Lewis Thomas came next: he was Past Grand Standard Bearer, and Comp. Henry Sadler Grand Janitor. He thanked them all for their attendance, and the Domatic Chapter must congratulate itself on being honoured with the presence of more Grand Officers than it ever had on any one evening of its existence. He called upon Comps. Beach and Fenn to respond. Comp. W. W. B. Beach replied, and thanked the Companions for the cordial reception they had given to that toast. It was a great privilege to him, and he was proud to be associated with such distinguished Masons as Lord Lathom and Lord Mount Edgcumbe, both of whom had done very much for Masonry in all its branches, and contributed very much to the success of Royal Arch Masonry. Companion Thomas Fenn also replied; he said the toast had been responded to so ably by their excellent and beloved Companion Beach, that a very few words would suffice from him. He was rather surprised that the M.E.Z. should ask him to respond, because their excellent G.S.E. took precedence of him. He had no doubt the M.E.Z. would have some toast slyly in the corner of his pocket in favour of the other Companions. That night he was permitted to tell them that Comp. Robert Gray, who was the real President of the Committee of General Purposes, had felt himself—very unwillingly—obliged to absent himself, as he was Chairman for the month of the House Committee of the Girls' School, and, unfortunately, he was compelled to be present at the School. Although he (Comp. Fenn) was one of the Committee, Comp. Gray had commissioned him to represent him as the only Past President of the Committee of General Purposes at present existing. He wished sincerely to convey to the Companions of the Domatic Chapter the regret of Comp. Gray at being unavoidably absent, more especially as one of the Vice-Presidents of the Board of Benevolence, who was an active member of that Chapter—Comp. Cottebrune—and Comp. Everett, formerly a member, was one of its Vice-Presidents. He should not forget himself, and he would say how gratified he felt at the first time of being in that Chapter, in which so many of his old and original friends who were Masons were members. Not the least of these was Comp. S. Barton Wilson, who was his instructor in Masonry, and with whom he was associated in the Emulation Lodge of Improvement many years; their Brother John Snelling, one of the most distinguished lights of that Lodge, and one of their highly esteemed Companions, Comp. James Brett. He thanked the Companions very much for the pleasure he had had, and he expressed his satisfaction at the way in which the work in Chapter was conducted. When he had been invited to Chapters it was usually for the purpose of doing the work, and it was an agreeable surprise to him as a guest to see the work so well performed by all the Officers. Comp. W. W. B. Beach next said a most pleasing duty had been assigned to him. They had met that evening on a most interesting occasion, and therefore the toast which he had to propose to the Companions was success to the Domatic Chapter. He felt that that toast ought to have been proposed by some one more intimately connected with it, who could have done more justice to it, who could have entered more intimately into the past history of the Chapter. But he had been only informed of one or two facts in regard to it. He understood it existed first of all in 1789, but not under authentic records, and it was not until 1793 that it began to exist under a warrant from the Athol Lodge. At that time Chapters under the Athol Lodge did not exist by themselves, but they existed by warrant of the Lodges under which they took origin, and therefore that was a very different mode of proceeding to that of the present time. Of course, after the amalgamation of the different Lodges and the United Grand Lodge was brought into being, all these things were changed. No doubt during that time the Domatic Chapter had done great and useful work. Many distinguished Royal Arch Masons had been members of this Chapter; they had done very active and solid work in the interest of Royal Arch Masonry. During this long series of years the Companions had handed down to their successors the traditions of the Chapter and had shown unbroken work which formed a record in the present day. He was sorry to say he was not able to be present at the time when the candidates were exalted that afternoon, but he had the pleasure of witnessing two of the installations, and he was delighted with the way the work was conducted. Comp. Fenn, who was present sooner, did justice to the way in which Comp. Price and the other Officers did their work. Therefore he thought they had to congratulate the Domatic Chapter on the way the work was carried out in it, and they had every reason to believe that in future years the Chapter would continue to flourish and be an ornament to the Craft and to the degree to which it belonged. It had received a centenary warrant. He understood there were only three other Chapters in London which had that distinction, and only 18 altogether. Of course it was a great distinction to be one of such a small number as that. He congratulated the members of the Committee heartily on the success which had attended their past efforts, and hoped it would be their object in the future to sustain it, and that they would have the same success as in the past. With the toast he coupled the name of Companion C. A. Cottebrune. Companion Cottebrune, in acknowledging the toast, said that to a certain extent he felt he was quite unable to answer the very high eulogium passed on him by their very distinguished Companion. However, he wished that one of their Companions would have been able to be amongst them, but, unfortunately, he was not able, through infirmity—it was their old friend Comp. Bass. Comp. Bass was a member of that Chapter some years before him (Comp. Cottebrune), and they worked together up to the time when he was called upon to take Comp. Bass's place as senior member and also as Scribe E. of the Chapter. He felt that a very high responsibility was falling on his shoulders, and he was not going to tell them a secret, because, no doubt, they were all aware of it already, that, being a foreigner, especially, he thought it was a great undertaking on his part to take the position of Scribe of such a distinguished Chapter; but knowing it was his mother Chapter, and

passing the chair, he thought, in 1864, it was his duty to endeavour to do the best he could for the Chapter, and his Companions had very kindly re-elected him from year to year. He was pleased to a certain extent, and he certainly felt highly honoured that they had conferred upon him that position for so long. The Domestic Chapter had always been to his heart very dear indeed. There he was exalted, and there he had found many very good friends. He had endeavoured at all times to be perfect—not always, perhaps, successfully—but to be in the estimation of all the members of the Chapter. Comp. E. Letchworth proposed the M.E.Z., Comp. John Hattersley. He extremely regretted that he had been unable to be present at the time when Comp. Hattersley was installed in the chair which he thought he would so worthily fill, and now he took the highest position he could in the Chapter. He most heartily congratulated Comp. Hattersley on occupying that position, and he also congratulated the Companions on being presided over by one so distinguished. During its centenary year the Chapter had been presided over by Comp. Price, whose exertions on behalf of the Chapter, as well as in obtaining its centenary warrant, the Companions all acknowledged. But he (Comp. Letchworth) had now to do with Comp. Hattersley, and he wished him a very happy year of office, feeling sure that during his rule he would carry out the objects of the Order in a manner worthy in every respect of the grand traditions which this Chapter inherited. The toast was most heartily drunk, after which Comp. Hattersley responded. He felt proud indeed to be M.E.Z. of a Chapter like the Domestic, and especially in a year when they celebrated such an eventful career as the centenary of the Chapter. He was more than pleased and delighted to see the company of visitors they had around them that evening, and he hoped that one and all had enjoyed themselves. On behalf of the Chapter, he offered them a kind reception. Through his year of office he should be pleased to carry out all the duties that appertained to the M.E.Z. in the chair. He would endeavour to do them to the best of his ability, and he felt certain that all the Officers under him would carry out the old traditions the Chapter was noted for. He thanked all the Companions for their good wishes. But before he sat down he would like to present the Past Principal Comp. H. N. Price with the P.Z. jewel of the Chapter. The Companions knew the good qualities of their Immediate Past Principal, and most Companions in London who knew Royal Arch Masonry also knew the good qualities of Comp. Price. Comp. Price took great interest in his work; he was always pleased to lend a helping hand to those who were going into office, and to promote the interests of Royal Arch Masonry in general. It was with great pleasure he presented Comp. Price with the P.Z.'s jewel; it was one which the Chapter had taken on itself to have specially made for him on that occasion, because of his working, and the time he had taken in proving the links that were required in establishing the centenary of the Chapter. But not only had Comp. Price done his work thoroughly and well, but the members of the Chapter had appreciated his good service. Comp. Price had felt within himself that he would not like to have all the honours thrust upon him, and he had asked the members of the Chapter when he heard they were likely to make some concessions towards himself—which they felt they were bound to make—for bringing out all these facts, that he asked them to let the honours be extended to his wife. Therefore, he then asked Comp. Price to allow him to present to him, for Mrs. Price, a very handsome dress ring, which the members of the Chapter took upon themselves to purchase for the purpose of presenting to their Immediate Past Principal's wife. On behalf of the members of the Chapter, he (Comp. Hattersley) took it as a great pleasure and honour to ask Comp. Price to accept from the members of the Chapter, for Mrs. Price, that present. Comp. Price had expressed his good wishes with his wife not only to that Chapter but to other Lodges and Chapters he was connected with throughout England. Whenever there had been a ladies' day Comp. Price and his wife had always been to the fore, and therefore the Companions hoped that that combination between the two would continue for many years to come. Again, on behalf of the Companions of the Chapter he wished Comp. Price and his wife many long years of happiness and enjoyment, and he hoped they would be with the Companions in their outings, not only in the Royal Arch, but in the Craft. He hoped Comp. Price would accept the ring as an expression of the good feeling of the members of the Chapter towards him and his wife. After the Companions had warmly received the toast, Comp. H. N. Price, in accepting the gift, said it afforded him a very great amount of pleasure and pride to be able to respond to the very enthusiastic manner the toast had met with, which had been so kindly proposed by Comp. Hattersley. He had to thank him for many things, and more especially for allowing him to occupy the position of President on that occasion. Of course it had been known to the Companions that during his year of office he had been able to prove the continuous working of that Chapter for 100 years. The Companions considered, as a reward for his efforts in that direction, that it would be a compliment to him to allow him to occupy the position of Chairman that evening that he might be able to add to his Masonic record, that he had the honour of presiding over the Companions on the occasion of the Chapter completing its centenary, and also as M.E.Z. during the 100th year. The Companions would say it was a singular coincidence that they would scarcely hear of at any time, where the same Companion or brother had occupied those two positions. Companion Hattersley had offered him the greatest compliment any Companion could offer him; it had been one of his great wishes for many years to occupy that position. And he was pleased to find that the Companions appreciated Comp. Hattersley's self-sacrifice in not allowing himself the pleasure to preside. However, he wished publicly to convey to Comp. Hattersley his most sincere and hearty thanks for his great kindness and self-denial. With respect to the centenary charter, he worked very hard for it, and at one time he was afraid he should not be able to prove continuous working, for on application to Grand Chapter they acknowledged

from 1793 to the present day the continuous working, but they had a break from 1797 till 1805, and they informed him in a melancholy manner they did not want to discourage him, but they were afraid it was a gap he could not bridge over. However, having been Master of the Domestic Lodge, and taking up the whole of the records from 1786, for the purpose of giving Brother George Blizard Abbott the minutes for getting up a history of the Domestic Lodge, he was able to refer to them, and by those very books he was able, fortunately, to bridge over that gap, as it was shown the Grand Royal Arch Chapter sent to the Lodge to attend a meeting of delegates. He was enabled to do this successfully, and he was told by the G.S.E. that the Chapter was entitled to a warrant. The Committee of General Purposes were pleased to recommend at the meeting of Grand Chapter in February that the Chapter should have a centenary warrant, and Grand Chapter confirmed it. He had drawn up a history of the Chapter, and Comp. Sadler recommended him to have it printed, but unfortunately it was too late to be given to the Companions at that meeting, but they would have it afterwards. He would, however, call attention to a few facts in the matter of the minutes from 1845. Companion Buss made a memorandum in the books that he had applied to the widow of Comp. Child G.S.E., but he (Comp. Price) fancied Comp. Child never had the books at all, but they belonged to Comp. Seton, who was Scribe for 10 or 11 years. Evidently there was a little unpleasantness because he was elected to the position of Scribe E., but he did not come up at the installation—in consequence of illness—therefore the minutes, so far as the election was concerned, were not confirmed. On account of that unpleasantness, therefore, the books might never have been in his possession. In 1846 they found Comp. Seton proposed a vote of thanks to Comp. Blount, a very old Past Principal, who had filled the position of M.E.Z. twice. He was some 29 years in the Chapter, and it was accorded to him, and also unanimously, a jewel was given to him for his services. In 1849 he was elected a third time to the chair. In March 1857 he was elected Janitor, which position he occupied for eight years. Comp. Price added that he did not wish to tire the Companions by going through that history, but in respect to their dear old friend, Comp. Buss, most of them were proud to be able to know him, and those who were not fortunate enough to know him would know his worth. He was exalted in that Chapter in 1851, and became M.E.Z. He was Scribe E. and Treasurer after a time, until unfortunately he had to retire on account of infirmity. The Companions best wishes were with Comp. Buss, and they trusted he would still live to be an ornament to Royal Arch Masonry. Then they came to their dear old friend, Comp. Cottebrune. During his year as M.E.Z. intimation came warning the Companions of the place they were meeting in. In consequence of a spurious Lodge being held there they went away. Then there was Comp. George Everett P.G. Treasurer, he became a joining member, and in 1880 he was Principal, and like all of the Principals, did his work thoroughly. He would not go further for fear of wearing the Companions, but he had to thank them sincerely for the exceedingly kind manner in which they had added to the value of the P.Z.'s jewel they had presented to him by the gift of a ring to his wife. On her behalf also he wished to express his most sincere thanks for the honour they had done her. It was a present she would always value. In giving the toast of the H. and J. the M.E.Z. said it must always be satisfactory to an M.E.Z. to have excellent Officers, and both the H. and J. were an ornament to Freemasonry. Comps. Bailey and Salmon both briefly replied. Comp. G. Everett said the duty had been delegated to him of submitting to the Companions the next toast. They were somewhat departing from the order of things that night, but it was necessary in consideration of the very large attendance they had had, and the amount of business to be gone through. The toast he had to submit was a very popular one, and he considered it a great privilege and pleasure on an occasion of that kind to propose it, as it was that of the Visitors, who had honoured them with their presence. No less than 102 had sat down to the banquet table, and of that number 60 were Visitors. The Domestic Chapter felt itself highly honoured that such a large number of Visitors should have come forward to assist to celebrate its centenary. The custom which prevailed in Freemasonry of visiting Lodges and Chapters, to his mind, was one of its most pleasurable phases; it afforded an opportunity of cementing old friendships and forming new ones, and did much to promote that brotherly love and regard which should at all times characterise Freemasons. On behalf of the Chapter he offered the Visitors a very hearty welcome indeed. There were too many present for him to describe the particular merits of each, but he hoped that no Visitor would take it as a slight if his name was omitted. He was requested to call upon Comps. James Lewis Thomas, Captain T. C. Walls, W. M. Stiles, Dr. Horne, and Dr. Jackson to respond. He had again to repeat how pleased the members of the Chapter were to see the Visitors, and he wished to add that he hoped that notwithstanding the large number who had assembled they had been comfortable. Comps. J. Lewis Thomas, Capt. T. C. Walls, William Stiles, Horne, and Dr. Jackson each in turn responded. Comp. Woodd, replying to the toast of the Exalted, said he appreciated the manner in which the honour of Royal Arch Masonry was conferred upon him, and he felt he could not value it too highly, especially when it had been conferred on the day the Chapter celebrated its centenary. The ceremony was very impressive, more impressive even than the ceremony of initiation. He hoped he should see more of it and to profit by it and the duties to be learned from it. Comp. Hattersley gave the Past Principals of the Domestic Chapter, and the Scribe E., and the Treasurer and the other Officers. They had a goodly array of Past Principals, and very good Past Principals they were; they paid great attention to the Chairman, and made excellent arrangements for the meetings. There were Comps. Austin, Hubbard, William Thomas, George Everett, Harrison, Nolan, and Charles G. Hill. Then there was the indefatigable Scribe E., Companion Cottebrune, and the genial and loving Treasurer, Companion Briggs. All the Officers were willing

and able to carry out all the duties. There was a good feeling between the Principals, and the Past Principals, and the Officers. Comp. Thomas Neton, in acknowledging the toast, said that called upon to respond to that most important toast on behalf of his services in the chair, he really did not know what to say. If somebody else had said something before him he knew he ought to say something to follow. He had been going to say that he intended to make the longest speech on record; that might have been if some one had preceded him, but he thought he had better leave unsaid what he should have said. Comp. Hobbs said he should endeavour to carry out whatever duties he was asked to perform, and he should do it to the best of his ability. He hoped the Principals would be satisfied with his endeavours. Comp. Smith said, for the whole of the Officers each would try to do credit to the Domestic Chapter in the office to which he was appointed. Comp. James Verry gave the Janitor's toast, and the evening's proceedings terminated. Among those present were the following: Comps. Harry Nelson Price, John Hattersley, W. Bailey, C. A. Cottebrune S.E., N. Salmon S.N., R. A. Moody P.S., Ernest G. Smith 1st A.S., Thos. H. Hobbs 2nd A.S., J. T. Briggs Z. Treasurer, F. C. Austin P.Z., Arthur Kubbard P.Z., William P.Z., George Everett P.G. Treasurer P.Z., F. Harrison P.Z., Thomas Neton P.Z., Charles G. Kilton P.Z., J. A. Thomas, W. G. Wynne, John Simpson, R. Ferguson, Arthur W. Thomas, Thomas Morris, J. Hill, J. H. Lewis, Alfred Pipe, J. G. Anthony, Waller F. Bull, T. Covill, F. C. Thomas, Raymond Tucker, H. F. Loftis, Arthur Grace, H. Sadler, John Rolfe, Henry G. Woodd, W. Murrell, W. Vagdt, J. Pullen, C. F. Williams, E. P. Worbridge, T. M. Morris, Wm. Wain, and E. White. Visitors: Bros. C. E. Piper 25, R. W. Forge P.Z. 1793, W. M. Stiles P.Z. 19, E. J. Khory P.P.Z. Dalhousie Singapore, William E. Chapman M.E.Z. 1615 and 2190, J. W. Murray 1st A.S. 145, S. Vallentine P.Z. 9 H. 1716, W. J. Ferguson P.Z. 1507 2056, F. J. Eedle P.Z. 141, George Elkington 1706 H. Black P.Z. 1273, Henry Morris P.Z. 1273, Edward Hire P.Z. 555, Edward Horne P.Z. 340, H. Ponking 343, Robert Maund Z. 1196, S. T. H. Saunders P.Z. 1503 P.P.G.J. Midax, Alfred Harvey 1216, J. Spiller J. elect 2256, Edwin W. Lewcock Z. 72, R. C. Davies H 1316, W. Rest P.Z. 185, Dr. Corrie Jackson P.Z. 534, F. W. Rath 185, T. C. Edmunds P.Z. 1507, W. Menthum 2262, M. Telford 1305, T. H. Duff J. 145, W. A. Brown 1839, D. H. slert P.Z. 145, R. Whiting 1507, J. W. Ryan 248, Alfred A. Pendebury A.G.S.E., J. Lewis Thomas P.G.S.B., W. Cleghorn P.Z. 185, Robert E. W. Goffin 1572, Edward Cole S.N. 1604 Samuel Wright P.S. 1348, James W. Cain S.E. 179, H. H. Sapworth P.Z. 946, George S. Weirs 101, W. A. Sennrah M.E.Z. 2271, G. M. Arkison 3 (I.C.), H. W. Davis P.Z. 173, J. Bundell S.N. 507, W. G. Cameron J. 25, C. R. Williams P.Z. 72, T. C. Walls P.Z. 3 185 and 1381, W. Harris 19, Thomas Fenn P.P.C.G.P., George Davis P.Z. 185, J. E. F. Tower 1591, J. Youldon P.Z. 548, Fred Carr Z. 1185, E. Leichworth G.S.E., W. W. B. Beach G.J., Manuel Hyman 188, John Kent 192, John Hyman, and H. Massey P.Z. 619 and 1928.

REVIEWS.

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A History of Bilston. By G. T. Lawley.

MR. LAWLEY is to be congratulated on having been the creator of this valuable addition to the shelves of the library of Staffordshire literature. In a volume of nearly 300 pages he has concentrated the labours of a life-time. The Archaeology, Ecclesiology, Parochialia, Folk Lore and Bibliography of Bilston is fully dealt with, and copious extracts given from the Parish Registers. The volume is interesting to Freemasons, inasmuch that it contains some account of several prominent Bilston Freemasons, notably, Bro. the Rev. Charles Lee, M.A., P.G.C., P.M. Vicar of Bilston, and author of a work entitled 'Freemasonry its Antiquity and Excellence,' and Brother Chas. F. Forshaw, LL.D., now of Bradford. Of Dr. Forshaw, Mr. Lawley writes:—"He was born in Bilston in 1863. His paternal grandfather, the Rev. Thurstan Forshaw, was Vicar for thirty-three years of Newchapel in this county. . . . Dr. Forshaw's contributions to poetic literature are regarded very highly by Yorkshire newspaper critics, and they are valuable for what they represent. . . . Dr. Forshaw has the 'makings' of a poet; his imagination is a structure of verse; his descriptive powers are good; his illustrations frequently expressive, and at times full of suggestiveness."

THEY ARE OUR GUESTS.—Do we always remember when we see a strange face in our Lodge room that we are at home and on us rests the duty, as it should be a pleasure, of making our Lodge room a pleasant Masonic home for the time being to the visiting Brother? We are apt to leave it to the Worshipful Master or other Officers. It is a duty and a pleasure we should all delight in. A visiting brother, having been duly examined and formally introduced, is too often left to his own devices in making acquaintances. Are we not his Masonic hosts? Is he not of the same "household of faith?" What better claim could he have to a brotherly grasp, a cheerful word, a kind attention to his comfort? Is he a sojourning brother? He may be making up his mind where he shall cast his lot. Your kindly greetings, Brethren, decide him, and you have "lengthened your cords and strengthened your stakes."—*Herald of Masonry.*

SCOTLAND.

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INSTALLATION OF THE PROV. GRAND MASTER OF STIRLINGSHIRE.

ON Tuesday afternoon, the 4th inst., there was a large gathering of brethren in Stirling on the occasion of the installation of Brother George Christie, ex-Provost of Stirling, into the office of Provincial Grand Master of Stirlingshire, which was rendered vacant through the resignation of Brother Shaw Stewart, M.P., who has been chosen to succeed his father as Provincial Grand Master of Renfrewshire West. The members of the Provincial Grand Lodge met at five o'clock in the Golden Lion Hotel, and when the Lodge had been formally opened, the following deputation from the Grand Lodge of Scotland was received:—Brothers the Earl of Haddington G.M.M. of Scotland, R. F. Shaw Stewart Past S.G.M., Colonel Campbell acting S.W., D. Murray Lyon Grand Secretary, D. Reid Grand Treasurer, Lieutenant-Colonel W. Ivison Macadam acting J.W., Allan Mackenzie, Captain Henderson Wick, R. J. Jamieson President Board of Stewards, Captain Meddon Grand Bible Bearer, General Boswell, C.B., Grand Director of Ceremonies, A. Mitchell, J. Carruthers, Mackenzie, W. N. Denholm, Barton Grand Stewards, W. F. Vernon Kelso, James Muir Vice-President of Grand Stewards, Lindsay Mackersey Grand Lodge Canada, G. Dobie Grand Bard, T. Halkett Past Grand Bible Bearer, John Davidson Past President of Grand Stewards. The installation of Brother Christie then took place, the ceremony being performed by Brother the Right Hon. the Earl of Haddington Grand Master Mason of Scotland. A banquet was afterwards held in the Golden Lion Hotel. There was a very large attendance; Brother Christie the newly-installed Provincial Grand Master presided, the compiers being Brothers John Taylor (Lodge St. John, No. 16, Falkirk) Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Senior Warden, and Brother Robert Crawford (Lodge St. John, No. 16) Right Worshipful Prov. Grand Junior Warden. Bro. Christie was supported on the right by Brother the Right Hon. the Earl of Haddington, and Bros. John Graham Prov. Grand Master of the City of Glasgow, James Berry Provincial Grand Master of Forfarshire, Sir James Buchanan, of Buchanan Castle, Depute Provincial Grand Master of Dumbartonshire, Major Allan Proxy Provincial Grand Master of Gibraltar, William Black Depute Provincial Grand Master of Stirlingshire, D. Murray Lyon Grand Secretary, Captain Sneddon Grand Bible Bearer, Rev. John Scott Provincial Grand Chaplain, and James Brown Provincial Grand Secretary; and on the left by Brothers R. F. Shaw-Stewart Past Substitute Grand Master, Colonel Stirling, of Kippendavie, Provincial Grand Master of Perthshire West, J. H. Forshaw Provincial Grand Master of Aberdeen, Colonel Campbell, Perth, Grand Junior Warden, Lindsay Mackersey Grand Lodge of Canada, Sir James Gibson Maitland, of Saggie, Substitute Provincial Grand Master, D. Reid Grand Cashier, Rev. W. E. Hall, Bridge of Allan, Provincial Grand Chaplain, Brother Dobbie Grand Bard, and Brother Galletly Past Grand Bible Bearer. Deputations were present from all the Lodges in the Province, the Lodges in Falkirk and district being well represented. Brother the Rev. John Scott having said grace, an excellent dinner, parveyed in Brother Lennox's well known style, was partaken of. The Chairman proposed the Queen and Craft and Brother H.R.H. Albert Edward Prince and Steward of Scotland Duke of Rothesay, and the other members of the Royal Family. In giving the toast of the Navy, Army, and Forces of the Reserves, he said it was satisfactory to note that although there had been a change of Government there was to be no change in regard to the efficiency of the British Navy. The latter toast was responded to by Sir James Buchanan, Bart., for the Navy, General Boswell for the Army, and Colonel Stirling, of Kippendavie, for the Forces of the Reserve. Brother the Rev. John Scott proposed the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Brother the Earl of Haddington replied in an able speech, in the course of which he dealt with the foundation, the principles, and aims of Freemasonry. Brother Sir James R. G. Maitland, Bart., gave the other members of the deputation of the Grand Lodge, and thanked the members of the Grand Lodge who had come forward to support Brother the Earl of Haddington in installing the Provincial Grand Master. Brother John Graham responded. Brother the Earl of Haddington afterwards proposed Brother Christie, the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master of Stirlingshire, and in doing so, said that Brother Christie was a man of whom they could justly be proud. He was the right man in the right place. They ought to be proud of him, and so help him that he might be proud of his Province. In Brother Christie they had secured a Provincial Grand Master who thoroughly understood his work. From what he had seen of him, not in his Province but in the rather larger sphere of the Grand Lodge, he could only say that he had always found him ready to help and willing to recommend always what was best. He was a brother whose opinion was worth consulting, and one who was a thorough Master of his Craft. He sincerely trusted that every member of every Lodge throughout the Province would give Brother Christie that cordial assistance and that co-operation, that allegiance, and that obedience which he, as Provincial Grand Master Mason of Scotland, most highly deserves. Brother Christie replied. Rev. Bro. Hall gave neighbouring Provincial Grand Lodges. Brother James Berry responded. Brother J. H. Forshaw submitted the daughter Lodges of the Province, and Brother Fred. Johnston R.W.M. Lodge St. John, No. 16, Falkirk, replied. Other toasts followed. Songs were rendered by several of the brethren, and an enjoyable evening was spent.

There were three Grand Lodges in New York in 1819, each watching the other with jealous eye, crimination and recrimination passed from month to month. This was anything but "brotherly love and affection."

Obituary.

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BRO. W. CARTER P.M. 141.

WE are sorry to have to announce the death of this well known and respected Brother, which sad event took place on Sunday, the 9th inst. Brother Carter was initiated in the Faith Lodge, No. 141, in 1852, and served the several offices. He was W.M. in 1857, and was elected Treasurer in 1859, which office he has held ever since. A few year's back Bro. Carter was presented with a splendid time-piece, and a silver tea pot to Mrs. Carter. He was the father of the Faith Lodge, and was universally respected, and deservedly so, for the true free spirit of Masonry was evinced in all his actions. He was a widower, but leaves a family of sons and daughters. Bro. Carter was buried at Brompton Cemetery yesterday (Friday), when a large number of friends attended to pay the last mark of respect to a much regretted friend.

They are passing one by one,
They are fading from our view;
With sad regret we feel the loss
Of those so loved, so true.
Time, like a river at our feet,
Ceaselessly doth flow,
While on its brink we sadly think
Of dear friends long ago.

BRO. J. J. SHERLOCK.

IN the little parish churchyard of Lantechell, near Anglesey, on Thursday, the 30th ult., were interred the remains of the late Bro. J. J. Sherlock, of Tregela, the Immediate Past Master of the St. Eleth Lodge, Amlwch. The deceased, who was in his 43rd year, was well known throughout Anglesey, his kindly and benevolent disposition having won for him a large circle of friends and admirers. The funeral was of a semi-public character. The service was read by the Rev. Mr. Jones rector, and at the graveside a number of young ladies gave a pathetic rendering of the well known hymn, "My God, my Father, while I stray."

BRO. WILLIAM ORMSON.

ON Tuesday, the 28th ult., the funeral of Bro. William Ormson, of the Uxbridge Hotel, Hednesford, took place, and was attended by brethren connected with several Lodges in the district, Bro. Ormson being a Past Master of the Rugeley Lodge. The service was conducted by Prebendary Grier. Brother Ormson died suddenly on Saturday night, having reached the age of 69.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught has graciously signified to Bro. Lennox Browne his pleasure to become Patron of the Central London Throat and Ear Hospital, Grays Inn Road, of which the Archbishop of Canterbury is President, and has headed the list of subscribers to the Building Extension Fund, rendered necessary by the increased demand for accommodation, by a donation of twenty pounds.

At a banquet given in New England, a clergyman was asked to pronounce the blessing; not being a Mason, his grace was: Oh, Lord, thou knowest why we are assembled together. I don't. Thou knowest the object of this organisation. I don't. If it be for thy good, O Lord bless 'em; but if they be for the evil, O Lord, cuss 'em. Amen.

"It is a long while since Spenser told us that Dan Chaucer was 'a well of English undefiled,' but ever since the Pilgrim Fathers first approached the storm-beaten shore of Massachusetts, the destiny of the English language as the dominant tongue of the future world was fixed, and the settlement of Australia by England confirmed this destiny, humanly speaking, beyond all revocation."

As showing a solid benefit of Masonry, a Brother in good repute, who was cut of employment and financially in a low condition, was left by will a sum of money amounting to several hundreds of pounds, to receive which it was necessary that he should at once proceed to England. In order not to trespass heavily upon the funds of the Board of Benevolence, a sufficient sum was speedily contributed by guinea subscriptions from a number of Brethren (one advancing £5), and the Brother despatched to England by the first steamer. The Board of Benevolence has generously granted a weekly sum to maintain his wife and family in Sydney until a remittance is cabled out by him. It is acts such as this which prove that Masonry is doing its work at the Antipodes, as it is all over the world.—*Sydney Freeman.*

MASONIC SONNETS.—No. 46.

BY BRO. CHAS. F. FORSHAW, LL.D., 295, 1214,
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THE MASONIC PRESS.

Drink deep, my brethren, with a right good will,
Long life, long health, to the Masonic Press,
And wish them more of well-deserved success;
For they e'er strive our longing minds to fill
With true fraternal knowledge, which doth thrill
And soothe and succour with a sweet caress,
Giving us joy—dispelling weariness.
So powerful is their strength, so great their skill,
Truth is their Watchword, Wisdom their device,
Light is their banner, it triumphant waves,
Their armour is a weak and puny pen;
Yet tho' 'tis weak—it kills all sin and vice,
And takes away the vileness that depraves,
And makes us feel once more that we are men.

Winder House, Bradford.
12th April 1893.

According to a cablegram from Washington, dated 8th April, it appears that the United States Minister in Peru had sent a dispatch to Mr. Gresham, the Secretary of State, informing him of the burning by a mob of a Masonic Temple, followed by an attack on the American Consulate. The incident occurred at La Paz, in Bolivia, on 27th March, when a number of American students were attending a service in the Masonic Temple on the occasion of the funeral of a Chilean merchant; the building was forcibly entered by an anti-Masonic mob, who drove away the mourners, assailing them with stones and firing upon them with revolvers. The populace then set fire to the Temple and burned it to the ground.

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AT A GENERAL COURT of this Institution, held at Freemasons' Tavern, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C., on Thursday, 13th April 1893,

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After the general business was disposed of, the Governors and Subscribers proceeded to the Election, by ballot, of 19 GIRLS into the Institution, from a list of 30 APPROVED CANDIDATES, when the following were declared duly ELECTED:—

No. on List.		Votes.	No. on Poll.
13	Ross, G. E.	3,035	1
3	Taylor, Marion	3,021	2
19	Field, Florence	3,018	3
25	Kemp, Ethel Rose L.	3,009	4
9	Sanders, Bertha Lucie E.	2,923	5
8	Vale, M. M.	2,848	6
10	Roof, Dorothy Maud	2,836	7
11	Richards, Jessie	2,801	8
27	Roach, Viola F.	2,786	9
20	Lendrim, Laura	2,781	10
30	Underwood, Evelyn Louise	2,775	11
18	Cook, Valentina Maud	2,652	12
12	Fawcett, Emilina	2,633	13
21	Archer, Esther T.	2,604	14
24	Milner, Florence	2,571	15
7	Plaskitt, Georgina	2,529	16
16	Curle, Jessie May	2,387	17
23	Prideaux, Dorothea Margaret	2,384	18
15	Harding, Gladys May	2,338	19

The number of votes recorded for Unsuccessful Candidates can be obtained on application at the Secretary's Office, and will be duly carried forward at the next Election, if eligible.

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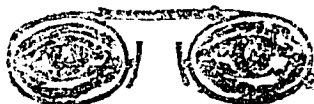
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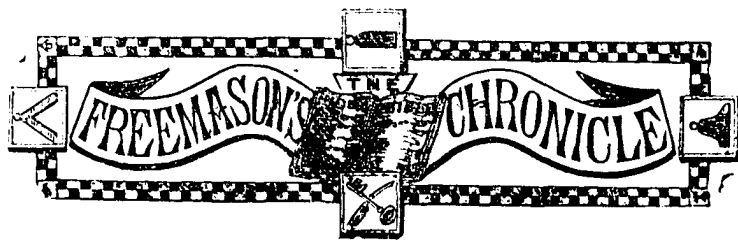
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SATURDAY, 15TH APRIL 1893.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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DE GREY AND RIPON LODGE, No. 837.

THE usual monthly meeting of this Lodge was held in the Lodge Room, Town Hall, Ripon, on Friday evening, 7th April last, Brother R. Wilkinson in the chair. There was also present Brothers Dr. S. Jacob P.G.O. S.W., J. W. Atkinson J.W., S. Evans S.D., W. Harrison J.D. and Treasurer, W. Steel I.G., T. Gell Organist, W. B. Smith Treasurer, E. Thorpe, and D. Spillman. Visiting brethren—Brothers Dr. Charles Forshaw, LL.D., S.D. 1214, J. Leyland Fielder P.M. 1032, and F. C. Rudd S.W. 1416. Brother Spillman was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason by the W.M., Brother Dr. Jacob giving the charge and explaining the tracing board. The Lodge was closed in peace and harmony, and the brethren adjourned for refreshments, after which the W.M. proposed the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts. Brother Dr. Forshaw responded on behalf of the visitors.

LODGE OF TRUTH, No. 1458.

THE Easter holidays caused the meeting of the above Lodge, held at the Wheat Sheaf Hotel, High Street, Manchester, on Saturday, 1st April, to be somewhat attenuated at the onset, but still it did not prevent the performance of three important ceremonies. At an early hour of the day, Brother James Archdale W.M. opened the Lodge, being supported by Brothers H. L. Burgess S.W. and G. T. Lenard J.W. Wilton Lodge, 1077. The minutes of the last regular meeting having been read and confirmed, the name of Mr. Herbert Hellowell was successfully put to the ballot, after which that gentleman was initiated into ancient Freemasonry by the Worshipful Master, he being assisted by Brother Hebden, who gave the N.E. charge. Brothers Sidney Ralph Muller and Sidney Drew, who were desirous of being raised to the sublime degree, were then proved as to their fitness, and this having been done to the satisfaction of the brethren, they retired, and Brother Archdale opened the Lodge in the third degree. Bro. Robert Caldwell P.M. P.P.G. Sword Br. having assumed the principal chair, he appointed Brother Hebden as J.W., Brother Lenard as S.D. (in place of Brother W. H. Worsley S.D., who was presiding at the organ), and Brother J. J. Dean as I.G. Brother Muller was then made a M.M. by Brother Caldwell, who also performed the same ceremony so far as concerned Brother Drew. The whole of the work was done without a hitch, and reflected very great credit upon those who took part in it. At the festive board which followed, the usual toasts were honoured, the same being interspersed with songs and sketches, from Brothers Buckley Carr, Worsley, Muller, Hebden, and Roberts. Brother Worsley proposed the health of Brother Hellowell, and referred to the splendid manner in which the W.M. had performed the ceremony of initiation. He also adverted to the solemn and remarkable language contained in the first degree, hoped it would sink deeply into the candidate's mind, and inspire him with a laudable ambition to act up to the principles which had been enunciated. Brother Hellowell responded. Brother Carr proposed the health of the newly-raised brethren, saying that he had no hesitation in asserting that they would duly appreciate the powerful lessons which had been taught them that day, and trusted that wherever their path might be, they would remember those impressions. He commended Brother Caldwell for the manner in which he had performed the ceremonies, and the candidates for giving attention to what had been imparted to them. He regretted the absence of so many brethren, saying that he attributed the cause to the festive time. Brothers Muller and Drew responded. The W.M. proposed the toast of the Visitors, which was responded to. Brother Lenard said the brethren knew how happy he was to be amongst them in the Truth Lodge. He had been glad to assist them that day in however small a degree; there was nothing like practice, and he always felt it to be a very great pleasure when he could be of service. Other toasts followed. There were present at the Lodge and festive board:—Brothers James Archdale W.M., H. L. Burgess S.W., Buckley Carr P.M. Secretary, Alfred Hebden P.M. P.P.G.D.D.C. D.C., W. H. Worsley S.D., James P. Wadsworth P.M., Robert Caldwell P.M. P.P.G. Sword Bearer, G. H. Needle P.M., S. R. Muller, Edwin Parker, John Joseph Dean, John Robert Lee, Sidney Drew, Jas. Hyde. Visitors:—Brothers Francis Connor 581, G. T. Lenard 1077, and Edward Roberts P.M. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.)

LONGLEAT LODGE, No. 1478.

THE interesting ceremony of installing Brother J. W. Titt J.W. took place on Wednesday, the 4th instant, in the Town Hall, Warminster. The Provincial Grand Master (Earl of Radnor) performed the ceremony with his usual vigour of style, and was ably assisted by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Brother C. N. P. Phipps. A banquet of a very high order was served by Mrs. Down, at the Bath Arms Hotel, which was well attended, visiting brethren from Salisbury, Westbury, Bristol, &c., helping to swell the number. The following is a list of the brethren invested for the ensuing year:—Bros. Low I.P.M., Thynne S.W., Corden J.W., Rev. G. H. S. Atwood Chaplain, Ponting P.M. Treasurer, Leaman Secretary, Cress S.D., Cozens J.D., Estridge Director of Ceremonies, Foreman Asst. Dir. of Cers., Ricketts Organist, Elling I.G., Eden and A. J. B. Titt Stewards, Tanswell Tyler.

URMSTON LODGE, No. 1730.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Victoria Hotel, Urmston, on Monday, the 10th instant, Bro. John Hardwicke Marsh W.M. There were also present—Bros. W. H. Jolliffe S.W., Fred Stretch J.W., Edward L. Littler P.M. P. Prov. G.P. Treasurer, George R. Lloyd P.M. Secretary, John Walton jun. S.D., Walter Bowers J.D., E. A. Myers P.M. Director of Ceremonies, George J. Monds Organist, R. Swindells I.P.M., Peter Heaton P.M. P.P.G.S., Bowers P.M., John Slyman P.M. P.P.G.D., J. Ormrod and J. Mallard Stewards; Adam Stott, J. S. Whiteley, J. Artingstall, W. Kirk, James Plowman, Hedley Jones, Nathaniel Jones. Visitors—Brothers A. H. Duffin P.M. 1134, A. Wild 317, J. M. Graham P.M. 935, T. Archer Lowe P.M. P.P.G.S.B. West Lancashire 1013, E. Archer Lowe 1013, Thomas M. Brown 1773, and Edward Roberts P.M. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE). After the confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting, Brother Swindells assumed the principal chair in deference to a wish expressed by the Worshipful Master, who, suffering from illness, had reluctantly to abandon the ceremony of raising Brother Kirk to the sublime degree of a M.M., which was accordingly performed by his predecessor, who was assisted by Brother Jolliffe, the latter presenting the working tools. During the evening Bro. Slyman presented to the Lodge a handsomely-framed portrait of the Earl of Lathom, G.C.B., Prov. Grand Master of the Western Division of Lancashire, for which he received a hearty vote of thanks, the same being proposed by Brother Littler, seconded by Bro. Lloyd, and supported by Bro. Hedley Jones. The W.M. explained that it had also been his intention to present a similar portrait to the Lodge, but he had been anticipated in this by Brother Slyman. The latter brother announced that Brother Lloyd Secretary was in the field as a candidate for the position of Provincial Grand Treasurer of West Lancashire, and hoped the brethren would give to him every support in their power. Bro. Littler submitted the name of Mr. Gerald Byron as a candidate for initiation, and the W.M. that of Bro. Abraham Wild as a joining member, both of whom will probably be balloted for at the next regular meeting of the Lodge. Heartly good wishes were expressed by visiting brethren, and the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony. At the festive board which followed, Loyal and Masonic toasts were drunk, that of the Provincial Officers being responded to by Bros. Heaton, Littler, and Slyman. The toast of the Visitors having been proposed by the Worshipful Master and responded to, that Officer also called for the usual recognition to be accorded to the newly raised brother. Brother Kirk, in response, said that he was not a man of many words; his ambition, however, was to make somewhat of a mark in the Order and in doing so he would endeavour to so justify the confidence which they had that evening reposed in him, and hoped he would not disgrace them. Bro. Slyman made a powerful appeal on behalf of the Masonic Charities. He stated that he was already a Steward for the Boys' Institution, and anticipated that he would soon act in the same capacity with regard to the Girls' Institution. He would like to see the various amounts realised from initiations (after payment of necessary dues) devoted to Charity, and hoped this principle would be embodied in their bye-laws. Bro. Lloyd also cordially supported these views. Bro. Swindells, in proposing the toast of the Worshipful Master, regretted that during the last month Bro. Marsh had been suffering from ill health, and had thus been precluded from performing the ceremony of raising, which, had he attempted, would certainly have been satisfactorily done. The W.M., in reply, said that if he had acted upon advice tendered to him, he would not have ventured away from home that night, but as he had never yet missed a regular meeting of his Lodge since he had joined it, he was anxious not to break the record. He mentioned the forthcoming pic-nic, asked the brethren to support it, and suggested the formation of a Committee to carry out the arrangements. He also suggested that after the Whitsuntide holidays the brethren should devote some Saturday afternoon to a drive, and indicated the route which might with advantage be taken. Other toasts followed, the same being agreeably relieved by songs, recitations, &c., from Bros. Bowers, Walton, Stretch, Lloyd, Roberts, and others.

WOLSELEY LODGE, No. 1993.

THE adjourned meeting of the above Lodge, held at the Freemasons' Hall, Manchester, on Tuesday, 4th inst., was the penultimate night of Bro. N. T. Holyoak's Mastership, and there is every appearance of his going out of office with flying colours, as, under existing circumstances, he has in anticipation a passing and four raisings. It is probable that he will leave as a heritage for his successor at least one ceremony, viz., the raising of Bro. Thomas Jephson into the sublime degree, Bro. Jephson having been initiated by Brother William Harris P.M. upon the afternoon of the 4th inst. Three other ceremonies, viz., those of Fellow Craft were also per-

formed upon the day in question, the names of the candidates being Bros. W. W. McGaffin, J. Caldwell, and Fred Perrin, who were passed by Bros. MacCallum, Crowther, and Hutton respectively, they being assisted in the presentation of the working tools and the rendition of the charges by Brothers Liddell Junior Warden and Griffiths Past Master. The election of Officers afterwards took place, Brother J. A. Harrison being unanimously chosen as Worshipful Master elect and also Treasurer, Brother Harris as Charity Representative, and Bros. Liddell and Newey as Auditors. A Tyler was also elected. It having been announced that a former member of the Lodge (Brother J. W. Rattray P.M.) had recently passed to the great majority, the Secretary was instructed to forward a letter of condolence to the widow. A social meeting afterwards took place in the large dining-room of the hall, and this being essentially a teetotal Lodge, the Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured and drunk in those domestic nepenthes, tea and coffee, to the total exclusion of every intoxicant. Bro. Harris, in a few bright and incisive sentences, proposed the toast of the visitors. Bro. Nicholls, in a somewhat lengthy speech, mentioned the difficulties which his Lodge in Liverpool had had to contend against, and how they had been chaffed on account of their temperance principles. They themselves had no wish to pose as Good Templars, and held aloof from those who differed from them, so with a desire to be hospitable, went into what he jokingly termed the hot-bed, viz., the Masonic Hall. As men they wanted simply to be respectable, and as a Lodge not aggressive, and they did not wish their wives to say that Freemasonry consisted of nothing but guzzling. He told a very funny story about a gaseous drink which had been impregnated with paraffin. He further said that there was manufactured in London, a temperance substitute for beer which looked like beer, had the smell of that beverage, tasted like it, yet which was not beer. He omitted, however, to give its name, but did suggest that a capital substitute was lemon juice, and strongly recommended it to all his teetotal brethren. Each visitor was enthusiastic with regard to the manner in which the ceremonies had been performed. Brother MacCallum proposed the healths of the newly-initiated and newly-passed brethren, and commended the beautiful tenets of Freemasonry to their consideration. Brother Jephson, in response, thanked the brethren for the manner in which the toast had been proposed and accepted. He said that years ago he had felt a desire to become a Mason, and congratulated himself upon the fact that his wish had been realised. He hoped sincerely that he would prove an honour to the Order. What he had seen of it he liked, and was doubly gratified in the fact that he had joined a temperance Lodge. Brother Crowther proposed the toast of the Worshipful Master, to which the latter replied, saying that if anything could give greater pleasure in not being a Worshipful Master of a Lodge, it was the fact being a Past Master, and he was gradually approaching that position. He reverted to his long connection with the Lodge, an evidence that he had Freemasonry at heart, and mentioned the important aid which the various Past Masters and other Officers had rendered to him on all occasions, saying that he felt grateful to them for the same. On this day it was a significant fact that the ceremonial work had been accomplished by five Past Masters, and it was with extreme pleasure that he proposed their healths. The Past Masters responded. Brother MacCallum said that as a body the Past Masters were always glad to help the Worshipful Master, and Brother Harris promised that they would not be fossils, but would be available upon all occasions when required. Work combined both pleasure and profit, and he sincerely hoped they would have a continuous run of Masonic work to do. The proceedings were varied by songs, recitations, &c., from the following: Brothers Nicholls, Sparling, MacCallum, and Crowther. There were present:—Brothers N. T. Holyoak W.M., Jno. MacCallum I.P.M., J. A. Harrison, J.P., S.W., W. W. Siddell J.W., R. Berresford P.M. Treasurer, John Hatton P.M. Secretary, Jno. Dean S.D., William Sharp J.D., William Harris P.M. Dir. of Cers., Walter Taylor I.G., William Collins Organist, Isaac Thompson and William Hodges Stewards, C. Crowther P.M., L. J. Griffiths P.M., W. M. McGaffin, G. Hargreaves, Thomas Newey, Thomas Quick, John Wilson, J. W. Hopkinson, Frederick Perrin, Nathaniel Jones. Visitors—Bros. W. Griffiths W.M. 2114, W. J. Woosey I.P.M. Dir. of Cers. 2114 1380, Henry J. Nicholls Treasurer 2114, T. J. Sparling Secretary 2114, and Edward Roberts P.M. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE).

ORDE-POWLETT LODGE, No. 2391.

ON Wednesday afternoon, the 5th inst., at the Freemasons' Hall Middlesbrough, the ceremony of installing Bro. Captain T. Gibson Poole Worshipful Master of the Lodge was performed in the company of a large number of the Craft by Lieut.-Col. the Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett. After the installation, the newly-elected W.M. invested his Officers for the ensuing year, as follows:—Bros. W. J. Watson I.P.M., F. Shepherd S.W., J. Holland J.W., T. R. Dent Treas., W. H. Johnson Secretary, R. W. Williams S.D., N. Collingwood J.D., Forbes I.G., R. W. Gibbs P.M. Dir. of Cers., J. W. Stewart P.P.G.O. Organist, W. H. Robinson Senior Steward, A. Thomas Junior Steward, J. Ingram P.M. Tyler, W. Holloway P.M. P.G.S.D. Charity Representative. The following brethren were present to open the Lodge:—Bros. W. J. Watson W.M., Henry Thompson P.M., W. Holloway S.W., T. G. Poole J.W., Frederick Shepherd Secretary, J. Holland S.D., W. H. Johnson J.D., R. W. Gibbs Dir. of Cers., J. F. Stewart Org., N. Collingwood and John Forbes Stewards, R. W. Williams I.G., Jas. Ingram Tyler, T. Hogg, W. H. Robinson, Robert Scotson, J. McDonald, R. E. Clayton, C. W. Jordan, A. E. Thomas, Alfred Scotson, R. Scapham, J. A. Manners, R. Braithwaite, W. J. Bruce, R. W. Goldsborough, George Garthwaite, W. Hulsman. Amongst the visitors were Bros. Robert Gest, C. F. Jarvis, W. A. Hutchin, W. H. Dixon, George Hood, J. Thomas, W. Thompson, W. Snaith, A. Kevighon, R. Davison, J. Graham, E. F. Wallace, Tom Henderson, James Hornsby, J. Winterschladen, C. Forster. In the evening a splendid banquet was partaken of at Mr. Scarlett's, Wellington Hotel, and during the post-prandial proceedings the Hon. Orde-

Powlett was presented with a magnificent jewel. An illuminated address was also presented to Past Master Watson, who has presided over the Orde-Powlett Lodge since its formation two years ago.

Robert Burns Lodge of Instruction, No. 25.—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 10th instant, at the Frascati, 30 Oxford Street, W. Present—Bro. E. C. Mulvey Preceptor, F. Klein W.M., J. J. Dixon S.W., F. Hewson J.W., J. Blundell Treasurer, F. Bonham Secretary, W. Truman S.D., A. Becker J.D., J. Grose I.G., F. Marx, F. Osborn, and M. Taylor. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The Lodge was opened in the second degree. Brother Osborn answered the questions leading to the third degree, and was entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the third degree, and the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Brother Osborn candidate. The Lodge was closed in the third degree. Brother Marx worked the first section of the lecture. The Lodge was closed in the second degree. Brother J. J. Dixon was unanimously elected Worshipful Master for the ensuing week and was pleased to appoint his Officers in rotation. All Masonic business being ended, the Lodge was closed in due form and adjourned.

Crusaders Lodge of Instruction, No. 1677.—On Friday, the 7th instant, at the Northampton Arms, Goswell Road, E.C. Present:—Bros. Weedon Preceptor, Blake W.M., Willison S.W., Wren J.W., Dimes Secretary, Edmunds P.M. S.D., Deacon J.D., Griffith I.G., White Steward, and several brethren. Lodge was opened in due form and with solemn prayer. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Bolton candidate. The Lodge was opened in the second and third degrees, and Bro. Humphreys was raised to the sublime degree. Several brethren were proposed, approved, and elected as members. Lodge was closed in due form and adjourned until the 14th inst.

Chiswick Lodge of Instruction, No. 2012.—Held on Saturday, the 8th instant, at the Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith. There were present Bros. A. Williams Preceptor, Spiegel (Secretary) W.M., R. J. Williams S.W., Hyde J.W., Powell S.D., Whiteley J.D., Tinker I.G., Brown, Walden W.M. 2012, Reid, Kirkham, Fox, Jobson, Hiscock. Lodge was duly opened and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed, Brother Walden being a candidate for passing was examined and entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed. The Worshipful Master worked the first and third sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. R. J. Williams was elected Worshipful Master for the next meeting, and the Lodge was closed in due form.

THE QUARTERLY COURT OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

THE Quarterly Court of Subscribers to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls was held on Thursday, at Freemasons' Tavern. Brother Henry Smith Deputy Provincial Grand Master for West Yorkshire, Treasurer of the Institution, presided. Bro. Hedges (Secretary) announced the receipt of letters from the Earl of Mount Edgecumbe, Earl Amherst, and Col. Peters, thanking the brethren for electing them as Trustees of the Institution. On the motion of Bro. James Brett P.G.P., seconded by Bro. W. Hopekirk P.G.P., Bro. Henry Smith was unanimously re-elected Treasurer of the Institution, and the Chairman acknowledged the compliment of the renewed confidence in him. Bro. Peter de Lande Long P.G.D. proposed that the rank of Vice-Patron be conferred upon Dr. Jabez Hogg P.G.D. (Hon. Oculist), in recognition of the eminent services rendered by him for many years past to the Institution. Bro. George Everett P.G. Treasurer seconded the motion, and it was put and carried. Scrutineers of votes for the election of 19 girls out of a list of 29 approved candidates were then appointed, and the election proceeded. After the poll had been declared, thanks were passed to the Scrutineers and the Chairman of the meeting, which were duly acknowledged. The result of the election will be found in our advertisement columns.

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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, 15th April.

715 Panmure, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
1364 Earl of Zetland, Guildhall Tav., Gresham St.
1641 Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
2641 West Kent Volunteers, M.H., Plumstead
R.A. 112 St. Thomas, Cannon Street Hotel
R.A. 1572 Carnarvon, Albion, Aldersgate Street
M.M. 251 Tenterden, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.

811 Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
1194 Villiers, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court
2035 Beaumont, Masonic Hall, Kirkburton
2318 Lennox Browne, Roebuck Ho., Buckhurst Hill
R.A. 308 Affability, Station Hotel, Todmorden
R.A. 2096 George Price, Greyhound, Croydon

Monday, 17th April.

1 Grand Masters', Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
8 British, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
21 Emulation, Albion, Aldersgate Street
185 Tranquillity, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
907 Royal Albert, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1506 White Horse of Kent, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
1694 Imperial, 24 Victoria Street, Westminster.

R.A. 12 Prudence, Ship and Turtle, E.C.
R.A. 1566 Highgate, Gatehouse Hotel, Highgate
R.A. 2060 La France, Regent M.H., Air Street, W.
M.M. 173 Temple, Green Dragon, Stoney
M.M. 239 Royal Naval, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C.
K.T. 131 Holy Sanctuary, 33 Golden Square, W.

77 Freedom, Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
236 York, Masonic Hall, York
249 True Love and Unity, F.M.H., Brixham
284 Shakespeare, Masonic Rooms, Warwick
312 Lion, Masonic Hall, Whitby
359 Peace and Harmony, F.M.H., Southampton
424 Borough, M.R., Half Moon Lane, Gateshead
466 Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron
725 Stoneleigh, Craven Arms, Coventry
872 Lewis, Masonic Hall, Whitehaven
925 Bedford, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
949 Williamson, Masonic Hall, Monkwearmouth
986 Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston

1030 Egerton, George Hotel, Heaton Norris
1113 Anglesa, Victoria Hotel, Carnarvon
1141 Mid Sussex, King's Head, Horsham
1170 St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1199 Agriculture, Ship and Turtle, Congresbury
1205 Metham, Metham Masonic Hall, E. Stonehouse
1208 Corinthian, Masonic Temple, Dover
1238 Gooch, Town Hall, Twickenham
1255 Dundas, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
1413 Salem, Masonic Hall, Dawlish, Devon
1502 Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1631 St. Andrew, St. Andrew's Hall, Gorleston
1814 Worsley, Court Hotel, Worsley
1909 Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
1973 Saye and Sele, Mas. Rooms, Belvedere, Kent
2049 Eilan Vannin, Masonic Hall, Douglas, I. of M.
2074 St. Clair, Masonic Hall, Landport
2086 Dacre, Assembly Rooms, Stevenage
2208 Horsa, Masonic Hall, Bournemouth
2289 Blundellsands, Alexandra Assembly Rooms, Great Crosby.
2327 St. Oswin, M.H., Norfolk Street, N. Shields
2349 West Lancashire Century, South Shore Hydropathic Establishment, Blackpool.
2425 Ecclesburne, White Hart, Duffield

R.A. 32 Jerusalem, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
R.A. 40 Emulation, Castle Hotel, Hastings.
R.A. 218 Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham
R.A. 296 Loyalty, F.M.H., Surrey St., Sheffield
R.A. 428 Sincerity, Angel Hotel, Northwich
R.A. 954 St. Aubyn, Ebrington M.H., Devonport
K.T. Prince of Peace, Bull Hotel, Preston

Tuesday, 18th April.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, 4
30 United Mariners, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
95 Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, E.C.
162 Cadogan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
164 St. Paul, Cannon Street Hotel
435 Salisbury, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

1339 Stockwell, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
1695 New Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury
2022 Haven, Lyric Hall, Ealing
2045 Wharton, White Hart Hotel, Willesden
2191 Anglo-American, Criterion, W.

R.A. 1017 Montefiore, Regent M.H., Air Street, W.
R.A. 1604 Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
M.M. 238 Prince Leopold, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
M.M. 284 High Cross, Liverpool Street Hotel, E.C.

213 Perseverance, 47 St. Giles Street, Norwich
223 Charity, Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth
381 St. David, Masonic Hall, Bangor
402 Royal Sussex, George Hotel, Nottingham
414 Union, Masonic Hall, Reading
418 Mentoria, Masonic Hall, Hanley
432 Abbey, Newdegate Arms Hotel, Nuneaton
468 Light, Great Western Hotel, Birmingham
637 Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
530 Endeavour, Queen's Arms, Dukinfield
960 Bate, 9 Working Street, Cardiff

1006 Tregulow, Masonic Rooms, Scorrier, Cornwall
1059 De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness
1225 Hindpool, Masonic Hall, Barrow-in-Furness
1276 Warren, Seacombe Hotel, Seacombe
1424 Brownrigg, King's Arms, Old Brompton
1427 Percy, Masonic Hall, Newcastle
1551 Charity, Masonic Hall, Birmingham

1570 Prince Arthur, Mas. Hall, Hope St., Liverpool
1761 Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Northampton
1787 Grenville, Town Hall, Buckingham
1838 St. Keyna, Lamb and Lark Hotel, Kayasham
1893 Lumley, Estate Office, Skegness
1904 Herschel, Masonic Room, Slough
1903 Pr Edward of Saxe Weimar, M.H., Portsmouth
1941 St. Augustine's, Shrewsbury Arms, Rugley
2146 Sarbiton, Maple Hall, Sarbiton
2155 Makersfield, Pied Bull, Newton-le-Willows
2407 Hicks-Beach, Imperial Hotel, Strand, Glos.

R.A. 41 Royal Cumberlan, Masonic Hall, Bath
R.A. 715 Royal Pavilion, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
R.A. 456 Dove, Town Hall, Exeter
R.A. 694 Oakley, M.H., Sarum Hill, Gt. Grimsby
R.A. 792 Oliver, M.H., Osborne St., Basingstoke
R.A. 829 High Cross, Bull Inn, Dartford
R.A. 970 St. Anne's, Masonic Hall, East Loos
R.A. 1055 Derby, Chester Bank, Prestwich
R.A. 1174 Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
R.A. 2134 Wilberforce, M.H., St. Luke St., Hall
M.M. 266 Amherst, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
M.M. 380 Temple, Masonic Hall, Folkestone
R.C. 54 Albion, Concert Hall, St. Leonards-on-Sea

Wednesday, 19th April.

Board of Benevolence, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
General Committee Grand Chapter, F.M.H., 4
Grand Stewards, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
7 Royal York of Perseverance, F.M.H., W.C.
174 Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham St. E.C.
190 Oak, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
700 Nelson, New Masonic Hall, Plumstead
969 Maybury, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.

1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth
1170 Buckingham and Chandra, F.M.H., W.C.
1349 Friars, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
1382 Corinthian, George Inn, Cabbitt Town
1673 Langton, Holborn Viaduct Hotel, Holborn
1681 Londeshorough, Regent M.H., Air Street, W.
2448 Lombardian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St.
2409 Woodgrange, Princess Alice, Forest Gate

R.A. 192 Lion and Lamb, Cannon Street Hotel
R.A. 2199 Savage Club, 33 Golden Square, W.
R.C. 44 Bard of Avon, 33 Golden Square

20 Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
121 Mount Sinai, Masonic Hall, Ponzone
127 Union, King's Head, Margate
137 Amity, Masonic Hall, Market Street, Poole
175 East Medina, Masonic Hall, Ryde, I.W.
178 Antiquity, Royal Hotel, Wigton
200 Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
210 Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton
221 St. John, Masonic Hall, Bolton
243 Loyalty, Masonic Temple, Guernsey
246 Royal Union, Freemasons' Hall, Cheltenham
311 South Saxon, Freemasons' Hall, Lewes
325 St. John's, Freemasons' Hall, Sudford
342 Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, Landport
376 Perfect Friendship, M.H., Seane St., Ipswich
451 Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem
537 Zetland, 9 Hamilton Street, Birkenhead
581 Faith, Grosvenor Hotel, Fairfield, Manchester
592 Cottesswold, King's Head Hotel, Gloucester
610 Colston, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
662 Dartmouth, Masonic Hall, W. Bromwich
683 Isen, Freemasons' Hall, Newport, Mon.
726 Staffordshire Knot, The Swan, Stafford
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
874 Holmesdale, Pump Room, Tunbridge Wells
934 Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield
938 Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
962 Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Worthington
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury

1019 Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Wakefield
1040 Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield
1086 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale
1129 St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
1138 Carew, M.H., Torpoint, Cornwall
1161 De Grey and Ripon, Freem. Hall, Manchester
1246 Holte, Victoria Hall, Aston
1301 Brighthouse, Masonic Room, Brighton
1334 Norman, Freemasons' Hall, Durham
1353 Duke of Lancaster, Masonic Hall, Lancaster
1511 Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull
1634 Starkie, Grant Arms, Ramsgate
1774 Mellor, Corporation Arms, Ashton-under-Lyne
1998 Mawdack, Masonic Hall, Brimingham, N. Wales
2050 St. Trinians, M.H., Loch Parale, Douglas
2135 Constance, Masonic Hall, Gosport
2153 Hope, India Arms Hotel, Gosport
2203 Farnborough and North Camp, Queen's Hotel, North Camp, Farnborough
2255 Western District United Service, Masonic Hall, Caroline Place, E. Stonehouse
2266 Cator, Public Hall, Beckenham
2330 St. Lawrence, M.R., New Inn, Putney.
2412 Ashfield, Town Hall, Sutton-in-Ashfield
2434 Anderida, Queen's Hotel, Eastbourne

R.A. 76 Economy, Masonic Hall, Winchester
R.A. 240 St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, S. Shields
R.A. 323 Charity, Florist Hotel, Stockport
R.A. 344 Beauty, Bull's Head, Rugeley
R.A. 361 Industry, Norfolk Arms, Hyde
R.A. 371 Nicholson, Freemasons' Hall, Maryford
R.A. 417 Faith and Unanimity, M.H., Dorchester
R.A. 539 Vernon, Dragon Hotel, High St., Walsall
R.A. 731 Truth, Masonic Hall, Derby
R.A. 1323 Talbot, Mackworth Hotel, Swans
R.A. 1357 Chorlton, M.H., Chorlton-cum-Hardy
M.M. 123 Callender, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire
M.M. 135 Hotspur, Freemasons' Hall, Alnwick

Thursday, 20th April.

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6 Friendship, Criterion, Piccadilly
23 Globe, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
43 Ghon, Guildhall, Tavern, Gresham Street
55 Constitution, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
64 St. Mary, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
169 Temperance, White Swan, Deptford
179 Manchester, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
657 Canonbury, Holborn Restaurant, W.C.
733 Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood
1475 Peckham, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell

1598 Lee Spring, Red Lion, Leytonstone
1613 Cripplegate, Albion, Aldersgate Street
1716 All Saints, 117 Regent Street, Poplar
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, Dulwich
R.A. 9 Albion, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St.
R.A. 79 Pythagorean, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
R.A. 1885 Guelph, Red Lion, Leytonstone
M.M. Bon Accord, Mark Masons, Hull, W.C.

42 Relief, The Grey Mare, Bury
56 Howard, Town Hall, Arundel
98 St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
100 Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Gt. Yarmouth
203 Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
230 Fidelity, Ebrington Masonic Hall, Devonport
245 Mechanics, Masonic Temple, Jersey
247 Unity, Macclesfield Arms, Macclesfield
268 Union, Queen's Arms Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne
322 Peace, Vernon Arms, Stockport
343 Concord, The Bull, Preston
345 Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn
363 Keystone, Red Lion, Whitehall
367 Probity and Freedom, M.H., Rochdale
425 Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester
523 John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester
609 Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
605 Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
663 Wiltshire Lodge of Fidelity, M.H., Devizes
758 Ellesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn
892 Repose, Masonic Hall, Derby

1011 Richmond, Old Bow's Head, Manchester
1037 Portland, Masonic Hall, Portland
1042 Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Leeds
1184 Abbey, Masonic Hall, Butha
1209 Pembroke, Shiel Park, near Liverpool
1327 King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross
1332 Unity, Masonic Hall, Cratitoun, Devon
1337 Anchor, Durham House, Northampton
1393 Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1432 Fitzalan, Wynnistay Arms, Oswestry
1459 Asbury, Justice Birch Hotel, West Gorton
1464 Erasmus Wilson, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
1470 Chiltern, Old Sugar Loaf, Dunstable
1534 Concord, Chester Bank, Preston
1562 Hoinfray, Masonic Hall, Riscu, Mon.
1776 Landport, Freemasons' Hall, Landport
1821 Atlingworth, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
1872 St. Margaret's, Mole Hall, Sarbiton
2153 Boscombe, 3 Carnarvon Crescent, Boscombe
2268 Hallamshire, M.H., Surrey Street, Sheffield
2302 St. Mary, Assembly Rooms, Southwell, Notts
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K.T. Grand Priory of Lancashire, Preston

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R.A. 1591 St. John's, Regent M. Hall, Air St., W.
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1098 Lord Warden, St. George's Hall, Deal
1311 Zetland, Masonic Hall, Gt. George Street, Leeds
1330 St. Peter, Three Swans, Market Harborough
1644 Alma Mater, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
1773 Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pen Tleon.
1794 De Vere, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
2231 Talbot, Talbot House School, Old Trafford, Stretford.

2371 Felix, Bath Hotel, Felixstowe, Suffolk.
2385 Godson, Talbot Hotel, Oldbury.
2418 Hedworth, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields
2417 Palatine, Palatine Hotel, Manchester

R.A. 61 Sincerity, F.M.H. St. John's Place, Halifax
R.A. 521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield
R.A. 555 Henniker, Crown Hotel, Framlingham
R.A. 537 Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
R.A. 539 Royal Gloucestershire, Bell, Gloucester
M.M. 65 West Lancashire, M.H., Hope St., L'pool
R.C. 19 Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.

Saturday, 22nd April.

1541 Alexandra Palace, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
R.A. 1329 Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, S.E.

1293 Burdett, Mitre, Hotel, Hampton Court
2353 Broxbourne, Crown Hotel, Broxbourne
2421 Carrington, Crown Hotel, Amersham
R.A. 1851 Ewell, Sun Hotel, Kingston

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Saturday, 15th April.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunehead Junction, 730

179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav., Southgate Rd., N. 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7
1298 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
2013 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7-30
R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

Monday, 17th April.

22 Neptune, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7-30
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Rope-maker St., 7
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7
180 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8
211 St. Michael's, Noland Arms, Addison Road, Notting Hill, at 8
243 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brisham, Devon
332 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
518 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, S
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7-30
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7-30
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8
1320 Blackheath, Milkwood Tav., Loughboro' June.
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, 202 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
1535 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho., Putney
1603 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8-30
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8
1743 Porverance, Deacons' Tavern, Walbrook, 7
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8
1901 Solwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8
2030 Abbey Westminster, Town Hall, S.W., 7-30
2192 Walthamstow, Chequers Hotel, High Street, Walthamstow, 8
2427 Hampden, Hampden House, St. Pancras, 8

Tuesday, 18th April.

25 Robert Burns, Frascati, Oxford Street, 8
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7
74 Athol, M.H., Severn Street, Birmingham, 6-45
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.
177 Domestic, 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
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7-30
753 Prince Fred, William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8
820 Lily of Richmond, Station Ho., Richmond, 7-30
829 Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Sidcup, 7
860 Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Dalston, 8
861 Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle St., 7
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8
1321 Emblematic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Gray's, Essex
1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7-30
1446 Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stars, Lambeth Rd., 8
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7-30
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1473 Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 8
1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.
1633 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N.
1767 Kensington, Sarsdale Arms Ho., Kensington
1859 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8
2146 Sarbiton, Made Hall, Sarbiton
2411 Clarence and Avondale, M.H., Leytonstone, E.
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6-30
R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8
R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8
R.A. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

Wednesday, 19th April.

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, Bulham Hotel, Bulham, 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
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8-30
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney
1356 Foxteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7-30
1475 Peckham, 518 Old Kent Road, 8
1511 Alexandra, Horsea, Hull
1601 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rusby Green, Catford, 8
1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7-30
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7-30
1681 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8-30
1791 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 Domestic, 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, 20th April.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7-30
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.
733 Westbourne, 112 Queen's Road, Bayswater, 8
749 Belgrave, Albion Tavern, Russell St., W.C., 8
754 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8
879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New Road

890 Hornsey, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8
902 Burgoyne, King's Arms, John Street, Bedford Row, W.C., 8
1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W.
1153 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 Courts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, S
1294 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
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1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, 45 Upper Street, N., 8
1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7-15
1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8
1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7-30
1673 Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 5-30
1744 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
1995 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, 21st April.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6
General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park,
507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7-30
765 St. James, Princess Victoria, Rotherhithe, 8
780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 8
834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
1056 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7
1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7-30
1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8
1293 Royal Standard, Castle, 81 Holloway Rd., N., 8
1365 Clapton, G.E. Hotel, Liverpool Street, 7
1381 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8
1457 Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton, Essex, 7-30
1612 E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8
1677 Crusaders, Northampton Arms, Goswell Road
1901 Solwyn, 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, 22nd April.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7-30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.,
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E.,
1298 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.

WHAT MAKES A MASON?

IF a brother should be asked by a qualified member of the Craft "What makes you a Mason?" he might be able to give such an answer as would satisfy the inquiry, and yet not tell the actual fact as to what makes a Mason.

Some think that after going through certain forms and ceremonies they are fledged Masons; nay, they believe that such is the case when their names are affixed to the Lodge roll. But it

requires a great deal more than this to make a man a Mason. He may become a member of the Lodge; he may attend the meetings and even take part in the work, and yet be no more of a Mason than if he had never joined the Fraternity. It is not membership that makes a man a Mason any more than the mere attendance at a church will make a person religious.

What, then, makes a Mason? It is the following out of the principles taught by Masonry. It is the throwing off of those selfish instincts which actuate the "man of the world," and becoming one of a society of friends and brothers. It is to set aside self interest and to devote the heart and soul to the true teachings of Masonry. It is to be charitable to all, not only in action, but in word and thought. It is to do unto others as would be wished for from them. It is to pay a proper reverence to the Creator, and never to mention his Holy Name except in a reverential manner. It is to avoid all intemperance and excesses, so as to keep the mind and body unimpaired, and fit to perform the necessary duties of life. It is to deal justly with all, and to walk uprightly before God and man. It is to preserve a spotless reputation, and so to conduct one self as to be beyond censure and reproach.

But some will say "I cannot spare the time from my business to do all that Masonry requires." There is no reason for a man to neglect his business in order to be a Mason; in fact Masonry teaches that the ordinary vocations of life must not be neglected. Yet it should be to act as a Mason even in the transaction of business. To be a good Mason there should be honesty of dealing, rendering to every man his just due without distinction.

The employer should act justly and fairly with those he employs, and the workman, to be a good Mason, should have the interest of those who pay him his wages as much at heart as if he were working for himself. He should be upright in all his dealings, and be worthy to be taken by the hand by every one and every where. He should be a man in every sense of the word, and render unto others those kind offices which he would, under similar circumstances, wish to be rendered unto him.

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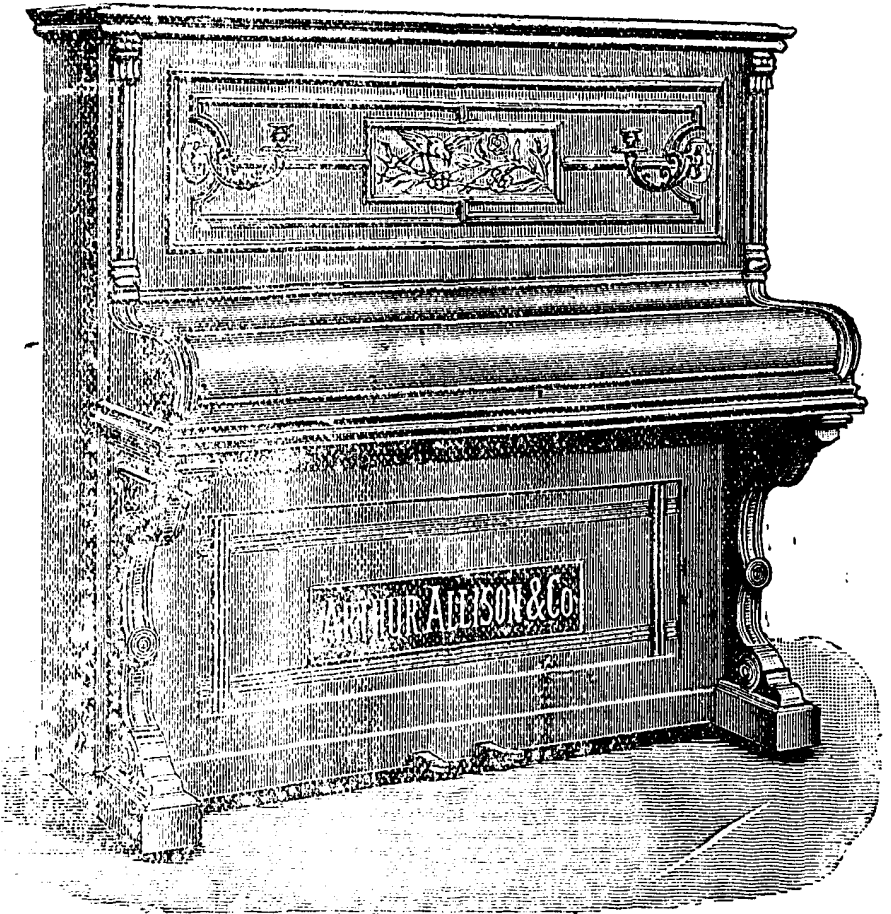
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