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## THE FORTHCOMING FESTIVAL OF THE BOYS' SCHOOL.

THE ninety-fifth Anniversary Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys will this year be held at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on Wednesday, the 28th of June, when Lord Brooke, the popular Provincial Grand Master of Essex will preside. The result of the Festival promises to be most satisfactory, inasmuch as the Province of Essex is a strong one, the members therein are working hard, while London and the other Provinces are sending up a good number of Stewards. We trust the sum that the Secretary of the Institution will be enabled to announce will be a large one, for at the present time the Boys' School requires a large amount to keep the Institution going. There is one thing against the Boys' School that should not be lost sight of. The permanent income is very small—about £1000—so that it would be highly gratifying if strenuous efforts were made to increase this. When we look at what the Institution is doing it will be seen that a large sum is required annually, for at the present time about 260 boys are being maintained, educated, and clothed; this means at least an annual outlay of something like £13,000. From these figures it will be seen what a large amount there is year by year to be made up, and unless a liberal response is forthcoming the good work that is now being carried on will have to be curtailed.

When we look at the vast good that is being done by our noble Institutions it certainly seems that no difficulty should be found in getting together the sum that is required to keep them going. To see the sharp and well educated lads that are sent out into the world to fight the hard battle of life get on must be very pleasing to the Subscribers of the Institution, and they must be thankful that by their help this or that boy has been taken care of and given a good start in life. The Board of Management are doing all in their power to work the Institution on a sound basis, and money subscribed is sure to be made the most of.

As we have already said Lord Brooke will preside at the Festival, and is sure to be well supported by the Brethren of the Province of Essex. When it was announced that his lordship would preside, it was generally admitted that the choice was a happy one. Lord Brooke is very popular in Essex, and the thirty-two Lodges that comprise the Province are sure to support their Provincial Grand Master. We wish success to the Institution, and hope that the result of the Festival will be gratifying to every one concerned.

Prize day at the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys has been fixed for Monday, the 26th inst.

## MASONRY'S ANTIQUITY AND SIGNIFICANCE.

*Freemasonry is a Speculative and Moral Science, illustrated by an Operative Art.—From first to last, Masonry is work.—The candidate in Masonry is ever advancing.—Light is to be sought until perfectly attained.—Address by Bro. Giles Mumford Hillyer, Past Grand Master, at the Public Installation of the Officers of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons in Mississippi, at its Fiftieth Annual Communication in Natchez, 24th January 1868.*

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GLORIOUS is the time when all, Christians devout, Israelites tied to the law, and those who are sceptical as to whether God can be triune in person, as He is indisputably in attributes, can celebrate in earnest and in truth these great anniversary days. As I have said, Masonry has nought to do with particular religious faiths. Its speculations are irrespective of the dogmas of any church or creed. Its operative influence is to practice friendship, to teach morality and exhibit brotherly love. Daily is it expanding its limits, and occupying, as we believe, its legitimate domain. It builds its Lodge rooms, in which its members can work; halls in which they can gather; temples in which men of every creed and faith, of every party and of every shade of opinion, can congregate to offer up to the Great Creator of all their adoration, and to draw upon the trestleboard of life the grand designs that soul inspires and human hands must execute. These Lodge rooms, halls and temples Masonry claims as its own. It superintends their erection; it dedicates and consecrates them; and its spirit, we all trust, animates and blesses the assemblies that gather therein. Masonry is still as strong, aye, far stronger, then when philosophy was taught in the schools of Alexandria and Egypt. It teaches the same great truths that were known to the Essenes by the shores of the Dead Sea, and taught by St. John the Baptist in the wilderness—truths gathered from the old traditions of the past and made glorious in the sunshine of the present. It looks forward to the realization of the vision of the Evangelist, who "saw the holy city coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away." And while it thus waits and hopes, teaches and trusts, it continues to perform its daily mission.

"—— To shed

On ears abused by falsehood, truths and power  
In words immortal—not such words as flash  
From the fierce demagogue's unthinking rage,  
To madden for a moment and expire—  
Nor such as the 'rapt orator imbues  
With warmth of facile sympathy, and moulds  
To mirrors radiant with fair images,  
To grace the noble fervour of an hour;—  
But words which bear the spirit of great deeds,

Winged for the future; which the dying breath  
Of truth's great teachers shapes as it exhales,  
And to the most enduring forms of earth  
Commits—to linger in the craggy shade  
Of the huge valley—neath the eagle's home,  
Or in the sea-cave where the tempest sleeps,  
Till some heroic leader bids them wake  
To thrill the world with echoes!"

But why do we make these claims, and why exercise these privileges? If mere pretence, then is Masonry only a child's plaything, not a labour fitted for a man. If its claims are unfounded, then is it a wicked thing. Should there be such an Institution as Masonry, and what is the Institution that passes under that title? Whence came it; how did it originate; at what year or era had it birth? These are interesting questions, and not unworthy a brief examination.

Shall we start from the great river of Masonic endeavour, as we see it flowing on almost in every land under the sun; silent, strong, and majestic; uttering no voice save that of benefaction; inviting no one to embark upon its waters save those who do so unbiassed by personal appeal; turning neither to the right nor to the left of its old channels; making no new landmarks; no human eye able to fathom its depths of knowledge, nor human tongue voluble enough to count the blessings it wafts upon its bosom? Let us ascend the stream and see, if we can, where it heads. Along the habitations of the white men of the land, we can trace back every mile. We find it flowing by state and church, by village and community, even by the very hill which General Warren, a Grand Master of Masons under English authority, consecrated by his blood to the cause of colonial and state independence.

Nor was Masonry only known among the white men of America, or transmitted alone from English teachings. Listen to an old tradition.

The Chickasaw Indians were once a powerful tribe. They belonged to a brave race. The land from which they came we know not; but according to tradition, which with them is authentic history, they travelled from the West towards the East. They desired to stand upon the first hill near to the rising sun, and watch it walking majestically through the heavens.

It is said that the whole nation started from their home in the West, and walked in a circuitous way towards the East. Light, they say, was their object. For awhile two dogs, young and sagacious, were their guides. Day after day passed. Suddenly and mysteriously the dogs were lost, and left the men of the nation in the bondage of ignorance. A council was summoned. The great prophet of the tribe spoke in his peculiar language, and advised by certain signs that they must continue their journey until they reached the living land. According to their instructions, they deputed some expert braves to fell a slim but tall tree, and set it up in their midst; and they had the special injunction of their prophet, to travel the next morning and every other morning in the direction that the tree leaned, and to travel until the tree stood perpendicularly, there stop, for that place was the living land. That place the Chickasaws found on the banks of the Mississippi, near the bluffs that bear their name. Before reaching this land, which they were told abounded in fish and game, a part of their nation was lost. The portion lost was called the elder brother, and that tribe now known in the West the younger brother. In and about the bluffs they heard strange noises, as so many voices coming as from out of caves. The voices sounded like thunders, and gave them evidence of approaching danger; and they heeded the warnings and prepared for battle. Their prophet looked toward the sunrise, and saw a large white ball rolling towards the West. He saw many pale-faced men stepping to the West, with the power to possess and govern the land. The white ball they saw rolling nearer and nearer to them. The pale men too were following it, and the red men had to retrace their steps and go from whence they came—even to the West, but ever travelling to the East, where they will finally return to light and find their elder brother, shake hands and weep with joy.

Crossing the waters, we find the Masonic element extending back through all English time. Our American Masonry of the York Rite came confessedly from England. Here pause a moment, while an exploring expedition starts forth into the dim obscurity of other ages, to find fountain heads for the streams which well up into deep and broad rivers in the era in which we live. The

grand tunneling of the Alps is only accomplished by working from both sides. In the very heart of Mount Cenis the French and Italian tunnels are to meet. Bear with me then, a few moments, while I revert to the history of the past.

The earliest authors we read speak of religious ceremonies and rites which commonly were called the mysteries. Their secrets were carefully concealed from the knowledge of the profane; could only be received after days and months, and sometimes years of trial, and were considered by those who attained them as of the highest moral, intellectual and religious value. Their traces are to be found in every ancient nation. The temples of India, the caverns near Thebes, the enclosures of Eleusis, have all given up their mysteries, and show that the existence and attributes of the Deity, the immortality of the soul, and the relations of man to his Maker and his fellow-creatures, were all there known to the initiated. Each mystery had its particular legend, funereal in its character and representing the death and resurrection of some fabled hero.

Moses we are told, was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians and was mighty in words and deeds. Educated at Pharaoh's court, the adopted child of the king's daughter, married to a daughter of the High Priest of On, he was early and fully initiated in all the mysterious knowledge that made the Nile eloquent for centuries on centuries before even the historic day. These legends early found their place in the Hebrew mind, and their esoteric meaning could not have been lost in the gifted line of leaders, prophets and judges the Hebrew nation boasted.

We have no time now, were it in place, to allude to the ancient books of India, and to the mysteries of Mithras, of Isis and Eleusis—all having legends of similar funereal character; different in their mythical story and in their adaptation, but still all alike children of the same family, sprung from the same source and directed to the same purpose.

Pass for a moment to the Solomonean period, and the erection of the first Temple. The holy writings tell us how Solomon, King of Israel, whose wisdom surpassed that of all the Orient of Egypt, had the aid of the wealthy Hiram of Tyre, King of Sidon and Phœnicia, in the erection of an edifice to be dedicated to the One God. That there was a unity of sentiment between those kings which enabled the worshipper of Jehovah and the worshipper of Bel to join together—the seeming idolator to aid the professor of a purer faith—there can be no doubt. Whence this strange association? Simply from both having been initiated in Egyptian mysteries, and the Tyrian ruler being as fully impressed with their esoteric doctrines as the Hebrew monarch was with the simpler faith in the God of Israel.

Am I asked to trace down Masonic genealogy from ancient mysteries to Solomonean legends, and from the builders of the Temple to the Craftsmen of modern Masonry? Or to show the priestly succession from those ancient times to the present? Let me remind the inquirer that tradition is rarely written; no parchment holds its secrets; when written, it becomes history. Traditions are confined to the few; history is open to the many. Let me answer still further by an illustration.

Standing upon any bluff of the lower Mississippi, and looking towards the mighty father of waters as he rushed down to the Gulf, we sometimes see the stream red with muddy water; at other times especially muddy, but of a different colour. Is there any hesitation in saying, in the one case, that the Arkansas is pouring down its angry torrent, or that, in the other, the Missouri is emptying her less-coloured sands? We meet a stream, we note its colour, and character of its water, its general direction; we travel on, and the next day cross another smaller one, marked by the same characteristics. Do we hesitate to assert that they are the same stream, and that we have but struck it nearer its source? Surely we need not travel each weary mile along its banks to convince ourselves that it is the same. A little fountain bubbles up near the foot of some mountain slope, the produce of the rain gathered in some hidden reservoir, and welling out through an invisible channel. Its waters, peculiarly marked, glide like a silver thread over rock and pebble until suddenly lost in a waste of sand. A mile beyond, we find water coming from the ground, marked precisely as the lost water was, but a little larger in extent, a little

wider, a little stronger in current. Do we hesitate to say that this water is from the same little fountain that welled up on the other side of the sandy plain? Why require more, then, of Masonic history than of natural phenomena?

Our traditions tell us that after the Temple's completion and dedication, the artisans engaged upon it travelled into foreign countries. They had liberty to go broad in search of the wages they had a right to earn as Master Craftsmen. Strange to say that but little over three centuries after, and but half a century before the destruction of the Temple by the Babylonish monarch, we find, according to Roman legend and history, colleges of artificers—in simpler language, Craftsmen's Lodges—organised and instituted at Rome by Numa Pompilius. These artisans are said to have been brought from Greece, for the purpose of embellishing the City of the Seven Hills. They brought with them, it is further said, the mysteries of Eleusis. They held their colleges or Lodges in private; had a symbolic language drawn from the implements of Masonry; possessed secret methods of recognition; were divided into classes of Apprentices, Craftsmen and Masters, and exercised certain privileges by virtue of their singularly associated character. These colleges, these Lodges, these associations of a Craft, continued through the consulships, the dictatorships, and the tribunates, and through the time of the emperors. They were employed in the erection of edifices, of public works, of temples of worship. Says an eminent writer: "They accompanied the Roman legions, and co-operated most powerfully in establishing Roman civilization in the fields of Roman conquest. They retained their character during the existence of the empire. They survived its fall. They ceased to build the pagan temples; they commenced to erect Christian churches. They reared alike the baron's stronghold and the king's palace. Their art was independent of the purpose to which it was appropriated." They received the countenance of the state and the church.

In the tenth century they were in Lombardy, and soon these travelling Freemasons, as they were termed, spread over adjacent countries with their science, their secrets and their organization. They were protected by the popes, in the decree of one of whom it is declared that the regulations concerning them have been made after the example of Hiram, King of Tyre, when he sent artisans to King Solomon for the purpose of building the Temple of Jerusalem."

Referring to the long range of architectural grandeur that once spoke the might and wealth of Rome—the Coliseum, the Arches of Sevres, of Titus and Constantine—the author whom I have just quoted says, truly, that both they and the minster and the spire which were rising slowly in grave and graceful beauty on the Rhine, the Seine and the Thames, "were alike due to the collegia—now known as Masons—who clustered around them until the last block of the entablature was placed upon the one, and the last finial on the other; to Masons, Freemasons, the music of whose infancy was the clink of the chisel on the stone, and whose graves, at mature age, were not unfrequently within the shadow of the yet unfinished pile. A common object, the same moral code, the same mode of illustrating it, the same secrecy of ceremonial, and the same general organisation, prove these Masons of the empire and the middle ages to have been of the same family."

In the year 926 of the present era, a charter or constitution was granted, or rather confirmed, by King Athelstane of England, whose brother, Prince Edwin, had summoned all the Masons of the realm for the purpose. They met at York, composed a general Lodge, and did frame from all the records extant, some in Greek, some in Latin, some in French and other languages, the Constitutions and charges of an English Lodge. That original constitution is still preserved at York. The beginning, we are told, forcibly reminds the reader immediately of the most ancient oriental church. Then follows a history of architecture, beginning with Adam, and comprising quotations from Rabbinical tales respecting the building of Babel, the Temple of Solomon, with mention of Hiram, limited, however, to the information contained in the Bible; then passing over to the Greeks and Romans, mentioned particularly Pythagoras, Euclid and Vitruvius. There the history of architecture, and

the oldest corporations in Britain, is told, agreeable to the accounts of the best historians; and among other things is mentioned that St. Alban, an honourable Roman knight, patronised the Art about A.D. 300; settled the fundamental institutions of the Masons, procured them employment, wages, and a charter from the Emperor Zarausius, according to which they should form a society in Britain, under the government of architects. The devastation of the country, and the destruction of the edifices by the northern tribes and the Angels and Saxons, is related, and how the pious Athelstane had resolved to restore the ancient and venerable society. After this follow the sixteen most ancient laws, which agree exactly with everything that careful investigation can find in the *corpus juris* relating to the college of architects. It is proved by historical documents that in Scotland and England, Lodges, labouring according to these constitutions, have existed in an uninterrupted series.

Another ancient document, yet extant, was written in the time of Henry VI. of England, and first printed in the *Gentleman's Magazine*, 1753. Another still is the ancient mode of admitting Masons, as it is still exercised by all the Masons of the ancient English system. It contains some customs of the Roman colleges, and of the most ancient Christian monks and ascetics.

It may be mentioned, too, at Ratisbon, in 1459, it was agreed that Grand Lodges of Masons or General Assemblies should meet at Strasburg, composed of Masters, Companions, and Apprentices. They were accordingly held in 1464 and 1469. In 1498 the Emperor Maximilian granted them certain privileges, which were renewed by subsequent Emperors. The diplomas conferring these were preserved with the regulations and statutes of Masonry in the house of the architect of the cathedral, for the time being, who was constituted Grand Master; they were kept in a chest with triple locks, of which he and the two oldest Masons kept the keys, so that it required the presence of all three before the chest could be opened. The duties of morality, charity, and brotherly love, were all there laid down as we have them now enjoined on us. The symbols were the same, the square, the level, and the plumb. The compasses then as now had their peculiar signification. These documents were in existence until the French Revolution, when they were destroyed to prevent their clandestine use.

Among the public works of the Masons of Europe in the tenth and subsequent centuries, may be mentioned the Cathedral of Cologne, in 950; the Cathedral at Strasburg, 1015; in 1137, at Kirkwall in the Orkneys. Canterbury Cathedral was built by them in 1179; they reared Glasgow Cathedral in 1240; in 1365 they were still at work at Cologne; in 1400 they were employed at the Convent at Balatha in Portugal; and thus they laboured, century after century, in organised societies, until the year 1717.

Are there any further gaps in this succession of Masonic history than may occasionally be found in the stream I alluded to, a few moments since, whose actual presence we see, whose general course we observe, and whose fountain-head we recognise, though we cannot point out each mile of its hidden current? Can we doubt that our Institution dates back to Athelstane's time, to the *Collegia Artificum* of Rome, and to the Solomonean period whence it derives its legends? If, standing at the base of the great structure of Masonry, we cannot see the apex of the pyramid, it is because the rolling clouds of centuries give us but scattered glimpses of the stately and magnificent surface that towers aloft from base to crowning point. It has stood at least for nearly thirty centuries—

"As some tall cliff that lifts its awful form,  
Swells from the vale, and midway leaves the storm,  
Tho' round its breast the rolling clouds are spread,  
Eternal sunshine settles on its head!"

(To be continued).

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## ANCIENT OR MODERN?

"If a saying has a proverbial fame, the probability is that it was never said."—De Quincy.

The question has been asked, "Who was the original story-teller? for in romance, history, and science, his stories seem to have had many imitators and adapters." Then follows the witty simile, "They have sometimes been disguised, as gipsies dye their stolen children in walnut-juice, that their parents may not recognise them."

Miss Edgeworth records many instances of jokes and stories, which have been ascribed first to one nation and then to another, to one celebrated character and then another, just to suit the demand and fashion of the day. Many jokes claiming various origins and nationalities, and attributed to all kinds of celebrities (some of which I shall refer to in future sketches), have been proved to possess a very ancient pedigree. One author even asserts that there never has been in the world more than a very limited number of jokes, and that every apparent new one is but an alteration of some one already in existence.

Hierocles, the Grecian Neo-Platinist, who lived in the middle of the fifth century, among other things compiled a book of jests and ludicrous stories which he had collected during the course of his lifetime. From this source is derived the following joke, with which Paddy is generally credited nowadays:—"A man, anxious to know how he looked when he was asleep, stood before a looking-glass with his eyes shut to see." Then who has not heard about the individual, who, wishing to teach his horse to do without food, actually starved him? In complaining to his friends that the animal had died under such treatment, he said, "I have suffered a great loss, for just when I had taught my horse to live upon nothing, he died." The next one is also familiar:—"A healthy-looking son of the soil, meeting a physician, ran and hid himself behind a wall. Upon being questioned as to his reason for so doing, he replied, 'It is so long since I have been sick that I am ashamed to look a physician in the face.'" Another had to cross a river, and went on board the ferry-boat on horseback. Upon being asked why he did so, he replied, "Because I was in a hurry." A friend having written to a pedant to buy him some books, and his commission having been neglected, when they met some time afterwards the pedant said (we have read it that Pat said) "The letter you wrote to me about the books, I never received."

The Greeks, apparently, were just as notoriously habituated to making bulls as our Irish neighbours are known to be. To judge from the following and other examples, our modern high-priest of metaphorical blundering and contrivance (Sir Boyle Roche) is merely a copyist:—"A man hearing that a raven would live two hundred years, bought one to try. A landlord who had a house to sell, went amongst his friends carrying a brick as a specimen. One of two twin brothers died; some one meeting the survivor asked, 'which is it, you or your brother, that's dead?' A citizen, seeing some sparrows in a tree, went beneath and shook it, holding out his hat to catch them as they fell. A man who had nearly been drowned while bathing, declared that he would not go again into the water until he had learned to swim." A similar remark to that of the latter is made by Crouch, in the seventeenth century.

The following sentiments with regard to women, strike us as having been repeated, although under another form. Aristophanes in his *Lysistrata* affirms that "there is no living with woman because of her caprice," but is also candid enough to admit that "there is no living without her—because of her charms." That was a piece of sarcasm on the part of Euripides, when he preferred a bill of indictment against Jove for having sent woman into the world, only to reduce man to bondage by her charms.

The censor Metellus Numidicus, whose duty was to persuade the citizens to marry for the good of the Commonwealth, thus sums up the excellencies of woman:—"If, Romans, we could do without a wife, we should all be free from that source of vexation; but as Nature has so ordered it that we cannot live without them happily, or without them at all, we had best take our physic as sensible men."

It is related in the *Curiosities of Literature* that "the learned Kelly formed a copious collection of Scotch proverbs, but was mortified at discovering that many which he had long believed to be genuine Scottish, were not only English, but French, Italian, Spanish, Latin, and Greek ones; many of his Scottish proverbs are almost literally expressed among the fragments of remote antiquity. It would have surprised him farther had he been aware that his Greek originals were themselves but copies, and might have been found in D'Herbelot, Erpenius, and Golius, and in many Asiatic works."

For every ancient saying that has become popular and axiomatic, another, equally so, can be found to qualify it. Thus: "Too many cooks spoil the broth," has as its opposite, "In a multitude of counsellors there is wisdom." Again, "Out of sight out of mind," is contradicted by "Absence makes the heart grow fonder." The expression, "Procrastination is the thief of time," is contradicted by one which tells you that "Second thoughts are best," and "Never act on impulse," has its antithesis in "Strike while the iron is hot."

It may be asked whether humorous sayings which are similar in all ages, have been handed down, or re-invented over and over again, the writers having by a similar train of coincidences struck upon the same idea. Some of the jokes given to us as new are more than two thousand years old. Porson said that he could trace back all the "Joe Millers" to a Greek origin. Sayings attributed to Frederick the Great, have also been attributed to Napoleon. The saying, "Trust a friend as though he would one day become an enemy," has been ascribed to Lord Chesterfield, to Publus Syrus, and even to Bias, one of the Seven Wise Men of Greece. We learn through the Venerable Bede, that the rope trick as performed by the notorious Davenport Brothers, was anticipated by Imma.

There is a well-known story of Raleigh's servant, who, going into

his master's presence one day, and finding him in the enjoyment of the weed, became alarmed at the incandescent appearance of the great man, and threw into his face the contents of a vessel which he carried. This incident seems to have been first ascribed to Raleigh in a periodical published at the commencement of the eighteenth century. The same story however is related in connection with Tarlton and others, just a hundred years previously as follows:—"How Tarlton took Tobacco at the first coming up of it." Tarlton, (as other gentlemen used), at the first coming up of Tobacco, did take it more for fashion's sake than otherwise, & being in a room, set between two Men overcome with Wine, and they never seeing the like, wondred at it; and seeing the vapour come out of Tarlton's nose, cryed out Fire, fire, and then threw a Cup of Wine in Tarlton's face. Make no more stirre, quoth Tarlton, the fire is quenched: if the Sheriffes come, it will turn to a fine, as the Custome is. And drinking that againe, Fie, sayes the other, what a stinke it makes, I am almost poisoned. If it offend, saies Tarlton, let's every one take a little of the smell, and so the savour will quickly goe: but Tobacco whiffes made them leave him to pay all."

Lord Bacon tells us a story of a Flemish tiler in Flanders, who by accident fell from the top of a house upon a Spaniard, and killed him, though he escaped himself. "The next of the blood prosecuted his death with great violence, and when he was offered pecuniary recompense, nothing would serve him but *lex talionis*; whereupon the Judge said to him, that if he did urge that sentence, it must be that he should go up to the top of the house and then fall down upon the tiler." Lord Bacon also relates another story about a young man in Rome who was very like Augustus Cæsar. "Augustus took knowledge of him, and sent for the man, and asked him, 'Was your mother never at Rome?' He answered, 'No, sir, but my father was.'" Both these stories have been repeated over and over again, each narrator claiming a fresh soil in which to plant them, giving at the same time a new local colouring.

In the *Wonderful Magazine*, published about a hundred years ago, there is an anecdote about Alphonso, King of Naples. He had a fool who recorded in a book the follies of the great men of the Court. The King sent a Moor in his household to the Levant to buy horses, for which he gave him ten thousand ducats, and the fool marked this as a piece of folly. Some time afterwards the king asked for the book to look over it, was surprised to find his own name there, and asked the reason. "Because," said the jester, "you have entrusted your money to one you are never likely to see again." "But if he does come back?" demanded the king, "and brings me the horses, what folly have I committed?" "Well, if he does return," replied the fool "I'll blot out your name and put in his." A similar story to the above is related of the present Shah of Persia, both narratives evidently being founded upon one related of Bresquet, jester to Francis the First of France, by Lord Bacon, or upon a pleasantry extracted from "Pasquil's Jestes with the Merriments of Mother Bunch."

Sydney Smith's reply, when it was proposed to pave the approach to St. Paul's with blocks of wood, "The canons have only to put their heads together and it will be done," was not original; Rochester made a similar remark to Charles II when he noticed a construction near Shoreditch.

There is the story of a man who complained that a chicken brought up for his dinner had only one leg. It was explained to him that if he would go and look into the roost-house he would see others like it. But when he did so, and caused them to regain the other leg by startling them with "Sh! sh!" the servant very coolly retorted, "But master, you should have said 'Sh! sh!' to the one you've eaten." This story is to be found in an old Turkish jest-book of the fifteenth century.

The almost archaic saying attributed to Joseph Brotherton, a former Member of Parliament for Salford:—"My riches consist not in the extent of my possessions, but in the fewness of my wants," is suspiciously like the saying of Socrates, when some one remarked it was a great thing to have one's desires. "It is still greater," said the philosopher, "to have no desires."

Iphicrates, when reproached with the absurdity of fortifying his camp every night, and taking the same precautions as if the country was hostile, when marching with his army through a friendly country, replied, "The worst words a general can utter are 'I never should have thought it.'" Lord Wolseley says in the "Soldier's Pocket-book," that the greatest disgrace a general can suffer is to have to say, "I never thought of it." The same sentiment is expressed by Plutarch.

"Book of Rarities," by EDWARD ROBERTS P.M.

(To be continued).

## JUNE.

June comes, in all the pride of womanhood,  
Dressed in a glorious garb of leaves and flowers;  
In ten thousand glens and meads and bowers  
She graceful reigns—the Empress of each wood.  
And, ah! her rule is beautiful and good:  
She fills the rills with soft refreshing showers,  
And gives to us those perfume-laden hours  
Which fly too soon from her fair habitude.  
Sweet is her breath—melodious her voice,  
Stately her form, yet gentle as the breeze  
That softly sighs through all her well-clad trees,  
Making her children—bird, bud, bee—rejoice.  
But radiant, rapturous June will quickly fly,  
Leaving her offspring, all forlorn, to die.

CHARLES F. FORSHAW.



## NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

## CRAFT.

## STRONG MAN LODGE, No. 45.

THE installation meeting of the above Lodge took place on Thursday, the 4th ult., at the Guildhall Tavern, Gresham Street, E.C., and was attended by a goodly array of members of the Lodge and visiting brethren. The Lodge was opened by the W.M. (Bro. W. F. Bruty), and the minutes of the previous meeting having been confirmed, and the Auditors' report received and adopted, the ballot was taken for Mr. S. Sedgwick, and proving unanimous, that gentleman was initiated by the W.M. in a most able manner. Bro. G. G. Symons then, by request, assumed the chair as Installing Officer, and the W.M. elect (Bro. A. M. Whitby S.W.) having been presented, was, in due course, and before a large and representative Board of Installed Masters, placed in the chair of K.S. and saluted. He appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. W. F. Bruty I.P.M., J. G. Cobb P.M. 2278 S.W., D. A. Langdon J.W., B. S. Liddall Treasurer, H. T. Nell P.M. Secretary, G. G. Symons P.M. Dir. of Cers., W. G. Mills S.D., Tom Taylor J.D., W. R. G. Emerson Organist, John Cner I.G., T. Ockleford, E. J. Stafford and S. Armfield Stewards, E. Mallet Tyler. Bro. Symons then gave the addresses splendidly, in fact the whole ceremony was most eloquently and faultlessly rendered, and for the excellence of which Bro. Symons was accorded a hearty vote of thanks, the same to be inscribed on the minutes of the Lodge. Bro. Symons returned thanks and the Lodge was closed. The banquet was, as it generally is at this hotel, well served and in good taste, and was generally commended. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts having been honoured, Bro. Symons rose and proposed the toast of the W.M., and in course of an eloquent speech, declared that he had never proposed a toast with greater pleasure than the one that evening committed to his charge. Their W.M. had now gained the position that he had striven so hard for, and all who had witnessed his working in the various offices he had filled in that Lodge, would agree with him, that in Bro. Whitby they had a good Mason, who would make a good Master, and so maintain the prestige and dignity of the Strong Man Lodge. They looked forward to a very prosperous year of office under the rule of their W.M., and he felt sure they would not be disappointed. He knew the time when the Lodge had but some twenty members, but there was a vast change now, and of that number a large proportion were Past Masters. They had now a good strong Lodge, and he felt sure that they would keep up its reputation as "second to none in the Craft." The W.M., in response, regretted and admitted that he was not a speech-maker, but could assure them that during his year of office he should do all in his power for the furtherance of Masonry and the best interests of the Lodge. The Initiate having been toasted, and he having suitably responded, the toast of the I.P.M. followed, and Bro. Bruty, in response, briefly thanked the brethren, and said that if he had deserved their hearty good wishes—and they seemed to think so—that was his best reward. He was then presented with a handsome and costly P.M.'s jewel, for which he thanked the brethren, and assured them that he should always wear and prize it with pride and pleasure. The Visitors, the Installing Master, the Past Masters, the Treasurer and Secretary, and the Officers were the remaining toasts, and were duly honoured. The Tyler's toast brought the proceedings to a close. The singing was very good indeed, especially that of Mr. Herbert Grover, who has a grand voice and knows how to use it. Bro. Gardner also contributed some capital songs, as also did Bros. A. Whitby, J. Harris, T. Taylor, and T. Burgess. Among the brethren present besides those already mentioned were Bros. H. Sadler P.M. G. Tyler, W. H. Liddle P.M., J. Smith P.M., R. E. Hunt P.M., E. H. Dove P.M., T. C. Cubbon P.M., T. J. Burgess, A. Liddle, F. Rake, W. Harrison, C. Chapman, J. Jenkinson, A. Flint, W. Edmunds, E. Hall, A. Hall, T. Inchbold, C. T. Jones, A. Langridge, E. Thorncroft, A. Preager, W. Finch, W. Byford, E. J. Vidler, T. Ockleford, F. Bristow, T. Mills, R. Medcalf, J. H. Selme, W. Cassap, W. Reed, W. T. Clarke, A. Whitby, A. Ingram, J. Rutter, and W. Ashford, all of the Lodge; P. Sharpe P.M. 869 P.P.G. Std. Bearer Herts, W. J. Mason P.M. 2150 P.P.G.P., R. Sturgeons W.M. 1558, J. Dipple W.M. 1598, A. Beale W.M. 59, T. S. Wildash W.M. 2374, H. Taplay P.M. 1076, T. Loring P.M. 171, W. Williamson P.M. 742, H. Cohen P.M. 1658, H. Gardener P.M. 2346, W. Hooker J.W. 538, G. R. Lambert S.W. 228, R. Fancloath J.W. 733, E. Evenden I.G. 1226, C. R. Higgins I.G. 1076, W. Holland 946, J. Cleave 256, G. Nibbett 704, W. A. Stevens 171, R. Hammond 463, C. Charteney 504, W. Jordon 1708, W. H. Bolt 1388, F. Bolt 1388, W. Wood 1672, H. Layton 1571, T. Churchill 463, F. Churchill 901, W. Elston 228, F. Dixon 171, J. Day S.D. 212, J. Medcalf 212, W. Medcalf 212, and C. Jolly P.M. and Secretary 1472 and 2134.

## ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 827.

THE usual monthly meeting of this Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, Dewsbury, on Monday evening last. The Worshipful Master Brother Alfred Harrison occupied the chair of K.S., and was supported by Bros. Lewis Lee I.P.M., W. H. Blackburn P.M., Herbert Fitton S.W., W. L. Fewster J.W., Martin Eisman P.M. Treasurer, D. Allison Shaw P.M. P.P.G. Registrar Secretary, Wm. Bailey S.D., Thomas Ward as J.D., Henry Hill I.G., J. N. Green D.C., C. P. Pickersgill, W. H. Ramsden Christopher Jarvis and T. Child Tyler. Visitor: Brother Dr. Chas. Forshaw, LL.D., S.D. 1214. The Lodge was opened in ancient form, and the minutes duly read by the Secretary. While the Lodge was in the second degree, Bros. Ramsden and Jarvis were asked the usual questions, and being pronounced proficient by the W.M., retired to be pre-

pared to be raised to the sublime degree of Master Masons. Bro. Shaw P.M. P.P.G. Registrar raised Brother Ramsden, and Bro. Lewis Lee performed a like service for Bro. Jarvis. Brother Shaw then, in a most masterly manner, gave the traditional history, and Worshipful Bro. Blackburn P.M. explained the working tools peculiar to the degree. By command of the Worshipful Master, the Senior Warden then invested Bros. Ramsden and Jarvis with the distinguishing badge of a Master Mason. The Lodge was then closed according to olden usage, and the brethren adjourned for refreshment, when a most happy evening was spent. Bro. Harrison is to be congratulated on having been installed W.M. of the St. John's Lodge, as he has every prospect of a successful and eventful year of office.

## SYMPATHY LODGE, No. 855.

THE installation festival of this Lodge was held at the Town Hall, Wotton-under-Edge, on Tuesday, the 30th ult., when Bro. F. Millman was installed as Worshipful Master. The Installing Master was Bro. R. V. Vassar-Smith D.P.G.M., the following Officers of the Lodge being present:—Bros. R. M. Worlock the retiring W.M., F. Millman S.W., C. M. Penly J.W., the Rev. P. Upstone Chaplain, W. T. Adams S.D., J. Jotcham I.G., W. Window P.G.T. There were also present—Bros. J. Samsion P.M. 855, W. F. Gould P.M., E. H. Henley, A. H. Perrin, H. Perrett, W. Heath, A. B. Harris, A. Ricketts, G. Hooper, A. Roach. The Lodge was visited by Sir Michael Hicks-Beach the Provincial Grand Master, and T. Barfield P.G.D. 326, E. J. Grubb P.P.G.S.D. 68, T. Nelson Foster P.G.T. 839, R. T. Sumner I.P.M. 839. The W.M. chose the following as Officers of the Lodge for the ensuing year:—Bros. R. M. Worlock I.P.M., C. M. Penly S.W., G. H. Perrin J.W., the Rev. P. Upstone Chaplain, A. Perrett Treasurer, W. T. Adams Secretary, W. Heath Director of Ceremonies, A. S. McKenzie S.D., J. Jotcham J.D., H. O. Lansdown Organist, G. Ricketts I.G., A. Roach Steward, W. Window Tyler. The brethren afterwards attended the banquet, which was served at the Swan Hotel.

## VALE OF BRISLINGTON LODGE, No. 1296.

THE installation of this Lodge was held at the White Hart, Brislington, on Wednesday, the 24th ult. The W.M., Brother H. F. Lewis, took the chair, and there were also present Bros. J. E. Storrow I.P.M., H. Hetling P.M., W. E. Parry P.M., C. J. Hill S.W., J. Northam J.W., F. L. Byrd Chaplain, L. Ashcroft Treasurer, W. Agnew Fedden Secretary, A. P. Chilcott J.D., Pierrepont Harris Director of Ceremonies. Among the Visitors were Bros. H. A. Benham, E. T. Collins, J. Fontaine Provincial Grand Chaplain Bristol, W. D. Hobkirk P.P.G. Standard Bearer, A. Barratt W.M. 326, H. Gough Prov. G.J.W. Bristol, Harold Lewis Prov. Grand Standard Bearer Bristol, W. K. Abbott P.P.G.J.W. Bristol, P. S. Allison Prov. Grand Assistant Secretary Bristol, and a large number of other brethren. The Provincial Grand Master, Viscount Dungarvan, was received in due form. The W.M. elect, Bro. C. J. Hill, was installed by Bro. Pierrepont Harris, and the charges were delivered by the Provincial Grand Master. The W.M. then invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. H. F. Lewis I.P.M., J. Northam S.W., W. A. Fedden J.W., L. Ashcroft Treasurer, M. V. Brazier Secretary, A. P. Chilcott S.D., D. J. Faulkner J.D., P. Harris Director of Ceremonies, T. West I.G., A. Miller Tyler. The brethren subsequently dined together.

## WAVERLEY LODGE, No. 1322.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Queen's Arms Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Thursday, the 25th ult., and was rendered specially attractive by the fact that it was the first after the bestowal of Provincial honours upon two of its members. The Lodge occurring in the week of Lancashire's great holiday festival (Whitsuntide), several brethren were conspicuous by their absence. The visitors, however, were numerous, and they were prompted by a desire to congratulate the Lodge and brethren upon their newly acquired honours. The principal chair was occupied by Bro. J. Mercer Jones I.P.M., and there were also present—Bros. Joseph Riley S.W., Albert Sumner J.W., Walter Newton P.M. P.P.G.J.D. Dir. of Cers. Treasurer, Walter Eastwood P.M. P.G.S. Secretary, H. M. Bowden S.D., Enos Andrew Organist, M. Newman acting I.G., D. Birkby, John Smith P.M. P.G.J.D., Warren P.M., James E. Wilde, James Mawdsley, Augustus Richard Hooper, and Hodgkiss. Visitors—Bros. Potter P.M. P.P.G.A.D. of C. 300, Bottomley P.M. 324, George W. Davies Secretary 1459, Kenworthy P.M. a Provincial Officer of Cheshire, J. Fitton P.M. P.G.S. 268, Henry Lees 1088. The principal business upon the circular was that of raising Bro. Hooper to the sublime degree of a M.M., and he having answered the usual questions most satisfactorily, the ceremony was afterwards performed by Bro. Jones I.P.M. At the festive board, under the presidency of Bro. Wright Wood W.M., the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, that of the Provincial Officers having coupled with it the names of Bros. J. Smith, and W. Eastwood, who with Bro. J. Fitton responded in felicitous terms, acknowledging the honours which had recently been conferred upon them. The toast of the newly raised brother (Bro. Hooper) was proposed by Bro. Jones, the former responding in a very admirable speech. Then followed the toast of the visiting brethren, the same eliciting suitable replies. Songs and recitations were given by Bros. Newton, Wild, Fitton, Bottomley, Mawdsley, and Jones, and a very pleasant evening was spent.

## CONCORD LODGE, No. 1534.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge was held at Chester Bank, Prestwich, on Thursday, the 18th ult. There were present:—Bros. W. H. Norton S.W., Wm. B. Midgley J.W., Jno. W. Thompson P.M. P.P.G.Std. B., John Wardle P.M. Secretary, Edwin S. Done J.D., Ed. Hilton I.P.M., Rd. Hothersall P.M. P.G.D.D.C., S. F. Simons P.M., E. Roberts P.M. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE), Robert Oliver, Alex Allan, Alderman George T. Stanley, Albert Summersgill. The minutes of the last regular meeting having been read and confirmed, and the ordinary business of the Lodge transacted, the brethren adjourned to supper, which was succeeded by the usual festive board, where Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, the same being agreeable varied by songs and recitations.

## ALBERT VICTOR LODGE, No. 1773.

THE regular meeting of the above Lodge was held at the Town Hall, Pendleton, on Friday, 19th ult., Bro. Thos. Threlfall W.M. There were also present Bros. Thomas T. Sefton S.W., Wm. Mosley J.W., S. Satham P.M. I.P.M., T. Chaplain, J. Clough Secretary, J. Clarkson S.D., Thos. M. Brown J.D., Wm. Lambert I.G., Wm. Thomas Blense and W. Allen Smith Stewards, Rd. Duxbury P.M. P.P.G.S.B., A. Harrop P.M. P.P.G.D., F. Townson P.M., Eli Winterbottom P.M., E. Holland P.M., T. Kay P.M., Edward Roberts P.M. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE), J. Harwood, Wm. Wodeson, Wm. Johnson, R. Hilton, P. B. Hayden, J. Handley, W. H. Lawless, W. Bransby, Ed. Hewitt. Visitors:—Bros. J. Bowers P.M. 1730, A. T. Forrest P.M. 1633, Wm. Dumville P.M. 2156, Wm. Jones P.M. 325, Isaac Thompson 1993, N. Jones 1496, Fred Morgan 2359, Thos. Shaw I.G. 1387. The principal business of the evening was the raising to the sublime degree of Bro. Harwood, which ceremony was duly performed by Bro. Duxbury P.M., who also presented the working tools and recited the traditional history. As will be seen from the list of those present, the circumstance had attracted an unusually large number of members and visitors, who were desirous of testifying their regard for such a popular man as Bro. Harwood. At the festive board which followed Bro. Harwood, in responding to the toast of his health, said that for the third time in a short period he found himself in that position. He felt himself unworthy of all that had been said of him, and at this late hour of his life could not reasonably hope to obtain distinction in this or any other Lodge, but he would try to become a humble, faithful, and useful member. He finished an excellent speech by saying that he had been very much impressed by the ceremony through which he had passed. Other toasts followed, and songs and sketches were rendered by Bros. Forrest, Norton, Dumville, Roberts, and others, a most enjoyable evening being spent.

## ARNOLD LODGE, No. 1799.

THE installation meeting of the above Lodge was held at the Marine Hotel, Walton-on-Naze, on Tuesday, the 30th ult., and in consequence of there being many visitors from London and elsewhere, who had to leave by the last train, 6:30, the Lodge was called for 2 p.m. sharp. Bro. Pengelly, Chief Officer of the Coast Guards, was raised to the sublime degree of a M.M., after which the installation ceremony was performed by the outgoing W.M., Brother W. E. Sutton, in a most beautiful and impressive manner. Amongst the members of the Lodge present were the W.M. and P.M.'s Bros. Scott, Dorling, Scarlett, Finer, Wilkinson; and Bros. Harman, Purvis, Osmond, Randall, R. Scarlett, Pengelly, Loomes, W. Wright, R. Wright, Dunn. Visitors—Bros. Boulton W.M. 2442, Hills W.M. 2154, Penny J.W. 1607, Buck P.G.S.W. 453, Starling W.M. 2063, Garrard Secretary 2339; Bros. Brown, Sparling, MacKensie, Game, Franks, Dowsett, Reed I.P.M., all of 2063; and the Provincial Grand Secretary, Bro. T. J. Ralling. After the W.M. elect, Bro. Harman, was placed in the chair of K.S., and had received the hearty congratulations of the brethren, he appointed his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Sutton I.P.M., Purvis S.W., Randall J.W., Osmond Treasurer, Scott Secretary, Chamberlain S.D., Wright J.D., Finer Director of Ceremonies, Scarlett Organist, Pengelly I.G., Cutter Tyler. All the necessary work having been got through, the Lodge was closed. At 4:45 the brethren, to the number of 40, sat down to a banquet well served by the new manager of the Marine Hotel, Bro. Boulton, late manager of the Great Eastern Railway Hotel, Liverpool Street. A very good menu was placed before the brethren. The W.M. most considerably presented each brother dining with his banquet ticket, exclusive of wine, he being from his birth a total abstainer. The musical portion of the banquet was delightfully rendered by Mrs. Wilkinson and Miss Wright, of Bentley, and most charmingly were the songs and accompaniments given. Before the Tyler's toast the Worshipful Master urged on the brethren to support the Provincial Grand Master, Lord Brooke, as the President at the Boys' School Festival, both with their attendance and subscriptions. After a delightful day the brethren left the table about nine, to enjoy a sniff of the briny ocean.

## GORDON LODGE, No. 2149.

THE installation of Brother W. J. J. W. Heath as W.M. of this Lodge took place at the Masonic Hall, Hanley, on Wednesday, the 24th ult. There was a large number of visiting brethren present, including Bro. Colonel Bindley D.P.G.M. The Rev. E. D. Boothman P.P.G.C. the retiring W.M. officiated as Installing Master, being assisted by Brothers T. Taylor P.P.G.S.W., John Bromley P.P.G.S.W., G. W. Bradford P.M. The following Officers were appointed:—Brothers J. Clare S.W., C. H. Phillips J.W., J. Lowe Treasurer, G. W. Bradford Secretary, Rev. E. D. Boothman Chaplain, Elijah Jones S.D., A. Goodwin J.D., J. Charlesworth D.C., A. Baines I.G., A. Fogg Steward, and W. Wood Tyler. After the close of the

Lodge, the brethren adjourned to the Town Hall, where a banquet was provided by Bro. J. Mauro. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed.

## MINNEHAHA MINSTREL LODGE, No. 2363.

THE date of the ordinary Lodge night falling upon Whit Monday, a day sacred to Saint Lubbock, and rendered doubly important by being the children's Saturnalia in connection with the Sunday Schools of the Established Church in and around the city of Manchester, the Minnehaba meeting was postponed until Tuesday, the 23rd May. As anticipated, there was a very sparse attendance of members, and the business of the Lodge was disposed of in an expeditious and purely formal manner. No refreshments were provided, and the usual festive board was in this instance dispensed with. There were present:—Bros. F. W. Wollaston W.M., Seth Wrigley I.P.M., W. A. Brabner S.W., Cyril H. Beever J.W., Fred Hilton I.G. Prov. G.D.C., A. J. Schofield Steward, W. W. Hitching, E. Roberts P.M. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE).

Chiswick Lodge of Instruction, No. 2012.—At a meeting held on Saturday, the 3rd inst., at the Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, there were present—Bros. A. Williams P.M. Preceptor, Hillier W.M., Reid S.W., Cox J.W., Spiegel Secretary, McDermott S.D., Powell J.D., Hyde I.G., Kirkham, Loco. The Lodge was opened, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The W.M. worked the first and the Preceptor the second section. Bro. Kirkham being a candidate was examined and entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the second degree and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. The Lodge was closed in the second degree. Bro. Reed was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and the Lodge was closed in due form.

## ROYAL ARCH.

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## FIDELITY CHAPTER, No. 230.

THE annual convocation of this Chapter was held on Friday, 26th ult., at the Ebrington Hall, Devonport. The Principals-elect were installed:—Comps. R. Pike P.Z., as Z., J. Bassett H., W. V. Harris J. Comps. R. Pike, Rev. Dr. Lemon P.P. 3rd G.P. P.P.G. Chap., J. Bray 202, were the installing Officers. The board of installed Principals also included Comps. F. Orchard, J. Whitford, A. Maddock, J. R. H. Harris, W. Coath, W. G. Swiss 230, E. Aitken-Davies P.P.G. Registrar 159, E. J. Knight 202, W. Sweet J. 2025. The Officers invested were:—Comps. A. Maddock I.P.Z., J. R. H. Harris S.E., E. H. Littleton Treasurer, R. H. Penberthy S.N., A. J. Vogwill P.S., J. G. Tucker 1st A.S., A. Voss 2nd A.S., C. Dyer Janitor.

## DUNDAS CHAPTER, No. 1255.

THIS Chapter held its annual convocation at the Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth, on Wednesday, 31st ult. Comps. J. Wallis P.Z. was installed as Z., S. J. Daniel P.Z. as H., and W. H. Botterell as J. The installing Officers were:—Comps. Rev. Dr. Lemon P.P. 3rd G.P., W. Allsford P.Z. 202 P.P.G.A.S., A. Trout P.Z. 223. The Officers invested were:—Comps. W. Lavers I.P.Z., J. Hammond P.P.G.D.S., as S.E., S. J. Hearle Treasurer, W. S. Warren S.N., Dr. E. G. Dutton P.S., A. J. Bracken 1st A.S., W. H. Phillips Janitor.

## MASONIC SONNETS.—No. 54.

By BRO. CHAS. F. FORSHAW, LL.D., 295, 1214,  
2417 (E.C.), 24, 761 (S.C.)

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TO BRO. SIR B. W. RICHARDSON, M.D., F.R.S.  
ON HEARING THAT HER MAJESTY HAD CONFERRED THE  
HONOUR OF KNIGHTHOOD UPON HIM.

Brethren, rejoice. Our Art to-day doth gain  
New and increasing power and majesty,  
And it is well that we give place to glee,  
Heedless of thoughts that would our joy restrain.  
Indeed, our gladness recks not of refrain—  
For we who are accepted and are Free  
Would still allow of mirth and jollity,  
Knowing our pleasure hath no pangs of pain.  
And he, our Brother of the fertile brain,  
Hath long adorned our Craft and Masonry;  
To Science he hath lent true dignity,  
As to all branches that to it pertain.  
So we are gay, for his ability  
Will ably tend this honour to sustain.

Winder House, Bradford.  
3rd June 1893.

## THE OLD MASONIANS.

THE seventh annual dinner of this rising Association was held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, on Thursday, the 1st instant, when some thirty to thirty-five friends and members were present. The good work that the "Old Boys" are doing should be most gratifying to the friends of the Institution, and if we may judge from the meeting under notice we shall in a few years be called upon to announce a list of subscriptions in aid of the Benevolent and Grant Fund of the Old Masonians that will be a credit to all concerned. On the present occasion the Treasurer was enabled to announce that he had received sums to the amount of £15 4s, so that it will be seen that the Old Masonians are receiving support. Dinner was served at seven o'clock, and reflected great credit on the management. Bro. Richard Eve P.G. Treasurer, Chairman of the Board of Management of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, presided, and he was supported by Bros. the Rev. H. Hebb (headmaster Boys' School), J. M. McLeod (Secretary Boys' School), G. Read P.M. 511, J. W. Parker J.W. 511, and J. L. Barratt. Among the others present we noticed Bros. W. A. Glass and R. Harold Williams; Messrs. W. J. Packer and E. A. B. Gough Hon. Secretaries, R. S. Chandler, C. Heward Uwins, C. P. O'Doherty, A. Drew Arundel, L. Scurr, and Walter F. Morgan. After grace had been said, the Chairman proposed the Queen, Grand Patron of the Institution; this was followed by the M.W. Grand Master, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, President of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys. Bro. Eve then proposed the toast of the Old Masonians. During the course of his remarks, the Chairman said that the title of the Old Masonians was a most appropriate one, as they were formed for the purpose of promoting the good of the old boys of Wood Green. He was pleased to see that the members had got so much spirit to persevere with the work that was started seven years ago, and trusted that they would go on as they had commenced, but with greater success as the years rolled by. Bro. Eve then spoke about the boys at Wood Green, and trusted that many of them as they left the School would join the Association, which he felt sure was doing good among its members. The social way in which members met together was most enjoyable, and it only wanted encouraging for the Association to become a most popular one. In conclusion Bro. Eve gave the toast of the Old Masonians, and coupled with it the names of the Treasurer and Secretary. Mr. R. S. Chandler returned thanks for the kind remarks of the Chairman, and said he was sorry that at the last meeting their late Treasurer, Mr. C. Heward Uwins, had been compelled to resign. However, he was pleased to say that the members had not lost Mr. Uwins altogether, for he was now Chairman of the Committee. Mr. Chandler then referred to what the members were anxious to do in the way of forming a Benevolent and Grant Fund, so that they might help any of their members should occasion arise. During the first year of their Association they raised a capital of seventeen guineas for that purpose, but now he was pleased to say they had £120, £100 of which was invested in the Three Per Cents. If this state of things was not altogether brilliant, said Mr. Chandler, it was at least satisfactory. He thanked all those present for the kind way in which they had received the toast, and he looked forward to the future with confidence. Mr. Packer followed. He said he was pleased to see Bro. Eve present that evening, inasmuch as he had been ill, but he hoped that he was now better. He was glad to see such a good gathering, which he had hoped would have been even larger, but he had received one or two letters and telegrams of regret at being unable to be present. He thanked all those brethren who had sent them subscriptions, and he hoped on future occasions to be able to announce many names of brethren who had rendered assistance. He (Mr. Packer) was pleased to be able to say the past season had been a great success; they, however, had not gained so many new members as they might wish, but they were not going back. He trusted that on future occasions many more brethren of the Craft would be present and give them the benefit of their advice. Bro. R. Harold Williams proposed in forcible terms the toast of the Past and Vice-Presidents, which was responded to by Bro. G. Read and Bro. J. M. McLeod. Mr. Uwins afterwards proposed prosperity to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and Bro. the Rev. H. Hebb responded. The health of the Chairman was proposed by Mr. F. L. Scurr, and the Visitors by Mr. E. A. B. Gough. Everything passed off most successfully, every one agreeing as to the enjoyable evening they had spent. Songs and recitations were given by Brother Richard Eve, Bro. W. A. Glass, Messrs. W. J. Packer, C. Heward Uwins, C. P. O'Doherty, A. Drew, and Arundell, while Mr. J. Fisher proved himself an able accompanist.

## THE THEATRES, &amp;c.

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Haymarket.—"A Woman of no Importance," a new and original play of modern life in four acts, by Oscar Wilde, is now being performed at the Haymarket. The basis of the play is shortly that Lord Illingsworth (a man about town and of little or no moral sentiments) when young, and before he came into the title, induced Mrs. Arbuthnot, as a girl, to go away with him under a promise of marriage, which he never fulfilled. She left him, and they do not meet again for 20 years, when Lord Illingsworth, who is going abroad, engages in ignorance his own son, Gerald Arbuthnot, as his private Secretary, who is also unaware that Lord Illingsworth is his father. Lord Illingsworth and Mrs. Arbuthnot meet and recognise each other, and he learns that Gerald is his son. He is proud of him and is more anxious than ever that he should be attached to him, while Mrs. Arbuthnot, still smarting under the wrong which Lord Illingsworth did her, endeavours to dissuade Gerald from accepting the situation. Gerald cannot see her grounds for objection,

as he considers himself very fortunate, and his mother dare not tell him the true reason for her disapproval, for on her threatening Lord Illingsworth that if he persisted in taking Gerald away with him she would tell him the truth of his birth, he pointed out to her that a child begins by loving, then judging, and afterwards despising a parent. While, however, Mrs. Arbuthnot is pleading with her son not to go, Miss Hester Worsley, a young and rich American Puritan, with whom Gerald is deeply in love, enters hurriedly into the room, having been insulted by Lord Illingsworth, who follows her. A scene ensues, and Gerald then learns the history of his birth, and absolutely refuses to go away with his father. He eventually marries the young American heiress. Gerald seems to be about the only person Lord Illingsworth has any genuine feeling for, and he offers anything to Mrs. Arbuthnot, even so far as to marrying her, if she will persuade Gerald to attach himself to him, but she will not relent. The play is admirably mounted, and Mr. Tree as Lord Illingsworth, Mrs. Tree as the gay young society dame, Mrs. Beere as Mrs. Arbuthnot, and Mr. Fred Terry as Gerald Arbuthnot, are all that can be desired. Miss Julia Neilson as Hester Worsley once more shows what improvement she is making in her art, while able support is given by Messrs. Holman Clark, Lawford, Allan, Kemble, Hay, Montagu. Miss Rose Leclercq is as good as ever, while the Misses Le Thérè, Horlock, and Miss Kelly also suit themselves admirably to their parts. We congratulate Mr. Tree on once more securing a splendid play, which should run for some months to come.

On Monday last, at the Avenue, "A Scrap of Paper" was revived. When this piece was presented at St. James's it met with great success, and, judging from the reception it received on the present occasion, there is every reason to believe that it will meet with equal favour at the Avenue.

Miss Annie Rose's matinée at the Trafalgar Square, at which will be presented Messrs. Pollock and Davey's version of "St. Ronans Well," will take place on Monday next. We understand that Mr. Henry Irving has promised to help Miss Rose in the mounting and dressing of the piece.

"The Banble Shop," which has had so successful a run at the Criterion, is to be shortly withdrawn.

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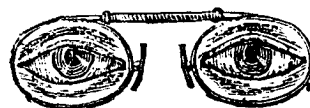
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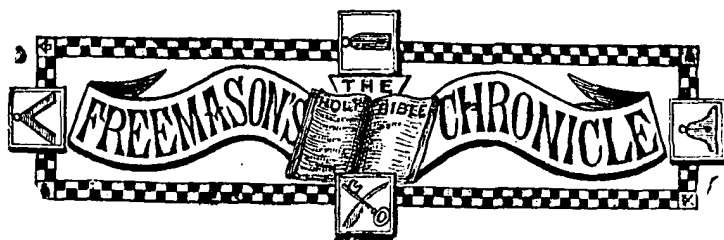
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Hon. Secretary Board of Stewards.

6 Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.  
8th June 1893.

The services of Ladies and Brethren as Stewards representing Lodges or Provinces on this important occasion are earnestly solicited, and will be gratefully acknowledged.



SATURDAY, 10TH JUNE 1893.

### MARK MASONRY.

#### GRAND LODGE.

THE Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and the Colonies and Dependencies of the British Crown was held at Mark Masons' Hall, Great Queen Street, W.C., on Tuesday, the 6th instant, when a goodly assemblage of brethren was present. In the unavoidable absence of the Prince of Wales, the Marquis of Hertford Pro Grand Master presided.

After the minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 28th February last had been read and confirmed, the report of the General Board was presented and taken as read, and on a motion it was received and adopted. The report is as follows:—

During the three months ending 31st March, there have been issued Mark Certificates, 531; total number registered, 31,000. Seven warrants for new Lodges, viz.:—

- No. 455—St. Paul, Cyprus.
- No. 456—Royal George, Bermuda.
- No. 457—Legiolium, Castleford, W. Yorks.
- No. 458—Prince Frederick William, London.
- No. 459—La France, London.
- No. 460—Avondale, Antigua.
- No. 461—George Graveley, Leytonstone.

Royal Ark Mariner Certificates, 75; total number registered, 3,868.

Four Warrants for new Ark Mariner Lodges:—

- Bedford Charity, to be attached to the Bedford Lodge, No. 115.
- Mount Moriah, to be attached to the Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 251.
- Martyn, to be attached to the Youell Lodge, No. 317.
- Bolingbroke, to be attached to the Bolingbroke Lodge, No. 451.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales M.W. Grand Master has been pleased to appoint—

R.W. Bro. Rear Admiral Albert Hastings Markham to be District Grand Master for the Mediterranean, in succession to the late Col. Marmaduke Ramsay, and to re-appoint for a further term of three years—

R.W. Bro. A. F. Powell, J.P., Provincial Grand Master for Bristol.

R.W. Bro. the Right Hon. Sir H. Stafford Northcote, Bart., M.P., Provincial Grand Master for Devon.

R.W. Bro. Charles Hunter, Provincial Grand Master for North Wales.

R.W. Bro. the Hon. Mr. Justice Henry James Parsons District Grand Master for Bombay.

The Board Having been informed that Bro. Charles Jolly W.M. of the Excelsior Lodge, No. 226, had been installed in the chair of the Saye and Sele Lodge, No. 309, contrary to Art. 304, which provides that a brother shall not be Master of more than one Lodge at the same time, without a dispensation from the Grand Master, which, in this case, had not been applied for, it was ruled that the so-called installation was null and void, and the Lodge was directed to proceed to another election.

The M.W. Grand Master has been pleased to grant the prayer of the petition of the members of the Tenterden Lodge, No. 251, and has authorised the name being changed to the Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 251.

The Carnarvon Lodge, No. 7, formerly in the Province of Middlesex and Surrey, and meeting alternately at Hampton Court and the Café Royal, Regent Street, has been permitted to relinquish the meetings at Hampton Court, and will in future be attached to the London district.

#### FUND OF BENEVOLENCE.

The Board have great pleasure in announcing that the Twenty-fifth Annual Festival will be held at the Freemasons' Tavern, on Wednesday, 19th July.

The Right Worshipful Colonel G. Noel Money, C.B., Provincial Grand Master for Surrey, has most kindly consented to preside, and the Grand Secretary will be happy to receive the names of brethren willing to act as Stewards.

The Board have elected on the Annuity Fund, without a poll:—

Bro. Henry Preston, Hull (No. 12).

Bro. Benjamin Robinson, London (No. 72).

The following cases have been relieved:

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| Bro. C. H. R. (Lodge No. 284)                    | £20 0 0 |
| Bro. I. F. (Lodge No. 276)                       | 15 0 0  |
| Mrs. E. A. (Widow of a Brother of Lodge No. 165) | 10 0 0  |

The Board recommend the following grant to Grand Lodge:—

£15 to Mrs. A. M. (Widow of a Brother of No. 209 and 326).

R. LOVELAND LOVELAND, President.  
FRANK RICHARDSON, Vice-President.  
C. FITZGERALD MATIER, G. Secretary.

6th April 1893.

At the conclusion of the ordinary business the following resolution was passed:—"That the cordial thanks of the members of the General Board be tendered to their President, V.W. Bro. R. Loveland Loveland, for the very able and courteous manner in which he has presided over the meetings of the Board during the past year."

(Signed) FRANK RICHARDSON, V.P.

A portrait of the Earl of Euston was then presented to Grand Lodge by the Grafton Lodge, No. 415, after which H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was declared again installed as Most Worshipful Grand Master, he having been elected at the last meeting. After the usual proclamation, the Earl of Euston was invested as Pro Grand Master, having been appointed to that post by the Prince of Wales in succession to the Marquis of Hertford, who, having served the usual three years, was presented with the collar and jewel of a Past Pro Grand Master. The other Grand Officers appointed and invested were:—

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| Bro. Viscount Dungarvan                          | Deputy Master              |
| Lord Amptill                                     | Senior Warden              |
| Right Hon. Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., M.P. | Junior Warden              |
| Col. E. C. Malet de Carteret                     | M.O.                       |
| Sir George D. Harris                             | S.O.                       |
| Arthur Roger Carter                              | J.O.                       |
| Rev. Arnold W. Oxford, M.A.                      | Chaplains                  |
| Rev. C. Mitford Weigall, M.A.                    |                            |
| Frederick Mead (elected)                         | Treasurer                  |
| Frank Richardson                                 | Registrar                  |
| R. Loveland Loveland                             | Pres. Board Gen. Purposes  |
| C. Fitzgerald Matier                             | Secretary                  |
| Peter de Lande Long                              | Senior Deacons             |
| Thomas A. Argles                                 |                            |
| James D. Bels Adam                               | Junior Deacons             |
| Vincent P. Freeman                               |                            |
| C. H. Driver                                     | Inspector of Works         |
| Robert Berridge                                  | Director of Ceremonies     |
| Benjamin H. Watts                                | Assist. Directors of Cers. |
| Col. Wyndham Hart                                | Sword Bearer               |
| William Ravenscroft                              | Standard Bearer            |
| William R. T. Morton                             |                            |

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| Bro. William S. Bambridge, Mus. Bac. | Organist              |
| Capt. William A. Weston              | Inner Guard           |
| Richard Glasspool                    | Assistant Inner Guard |
| Elias Bree                           |                       |
| Charles Iles Oxford                  |                       |
| Samuel Leach Kilpin                  |                       |
| Edwin Lea                            |                       |
| George Ellard                        |                       |
| W. H. Glazier                        |                       |
| G. Walton Walker                     | Stewards              |
| Robert Main                          |                       |
| John Barnett                         |                       |
| General Albert Williams              |                       |
| E. J. Conlon                         |                       |
| R. Percy Clowes                      |                       |
| Fleet-Engineer T. W. Traill, R.N.    |                       |
| Alexander Stewart Brown              |                       |

Rear Admiral A. H. Markham was duly appointed as District Grand Master for Malta.

The nominations of members to serve on the Board only amounted to five, and there only being five brethren to be elected, the following will serve:—C. W. Carrell P.M. 431 W.M. 406, Richard Clowes P.M. 145 409 413, Robert Main W.M. 294, A. Stewart-Brown P.M. 354, A. Woodi-wiss P.M. 302.

Grand Lodge was then closed, and the brethren shortly after adjourned to a banquet, which was served in capital style by the manager of Freemason's Tavern. The usual Loyal and Mark Masons' toasts were given, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent.

### PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF CORNWALL.

**T**HE Provincial Grand Lodge of Cornwall met at the Lecture Hall of the Penzance Public Buildings, on Monday afternoon, the 5th inst., to transact their annual business.

The hall was charmingly decorated with plants, flowers, and banners, the work of decoration having devolved on Major Ross, Messrs. J. M. Cornish, P. T. Chirgwin, W. Colenso, R. Colenso, G. R. Mockridge W.M., W. H. Hancock, and J. H. Rowe.

The Lodges comprised within the Province are:—73, Meridian, Redruth; 78, Fortitude, Truro; 87, Cornubian, Hayle; 94, Love and Honour, Falmouth; 101, Boscawen, Chacewater; 175, St. Michael, Helston; 206, Fort, St. Columb; 275, St. Austell; 325, Lebanon, Lostwithiel; 351, St. Agnes, Loe; 379, St. Martin's, Liskeard; 404, St. John the Baptist, Penzance; 417, Mount Edgcumbe, Camborne. St. Michael was the only Lodge not represented.

Amongst those present were:—

Bros. Sir Charles Graves-Sawle, Bart., W. K. Baker, J. M. Cornish, the Rev. R. F. Frazer-Frizell, J. Dingle, George Timmins, John Langdon, T. Michell, T. R. Mills, John Brewer, W. H. Knight, Richard Rowe, E. M. Milford, T. C. Mack, C. Slade, Norman Gray, John Whitworth, Hugh P. Vivian, George Williams, R. H. Williams, W. A. Bennet, William Huthnance, Edmund Venning, Christopher Slade, Aitken Davies, John James Ross, Richard Pearce Couch, Edward Boase, G. H. B. Reed, W. G. Hancock, Charles Truscott, H. W. Hockin, G. R. Mockridge, Sol. Rogers, Sholto Hare, W. J. Watts, Charles P. Richards, Percy T. Chirgwin, John Adams, John E. Rogers, M. Sampson, William Colenso, Richard Carbis, Fred. Rodda, John H. Rowe, Charles J. Mabbott, John Symons, John F. Dingle, J. Andrew, Walter Grose jun., Edwin J. Pengelley, Thomas Udy, Herbert T. Moore, W. L. Chegwiddden, William Parkin, H. Tonkin, W. E. Grose, G. H. Axford, James Pope jun., G. P. A. Robinson, A. O. Michell, T. H. Cornish, I. Oppenheim, W. J. Collins, G. King, W. C. Wickett, George Stevens, B. Spray, John Paul, Charles Sergeant, E. W. W. Flint, B. M. Pooley, E. A. Short, John Hocking, A. Walters, A. Dunkin, R. Colenso, A. W. Steer, R. Walters, and Wellington Dale.

The Provincial Grand Treasurer reported a balance in hand of £12 16s. Eight Lodges had increased their members, three had decreased, two had not changed. On the whole the membership in the Province had increased 32, and now stood at 386.

The Provincial Grand Secretary announced that Lodge Lebanon, No. 325, had been removed from Fowey to Lostwithiel. At Fowey it had seriously declined in membership; at Lostwithiel it was expected it would much improve through the zeal and activity of some worthy brethren.

Bro. M. Milford was unanimously re-elected Treasurer of the Province; and, at his suggestion, five guineas were voted to the Mark Benevolent Fund, and five guineas to the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund.

Three guineas were voted the St. John the Baptist Lodge, Penzance, towards the cost of entertaining the Provincial Grand Lodge, but the Worshipful Master of the Lodge stated that it was not required by the Lodge.

After a short discussion it was decided to maintain the vote and pay the money to the Lodge whose members might devote it to what charity they pleased.

Bro. Sir Charles Brune Graves-Sawle was again unanimously recommended to the Grand Master for reappointment as Provincial Grand Master.

The following Provincial Grand Officers were appointed and invested by Sir Charles G. Sawle:—

|                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Bro. T. Chirgwin 79     | Deputy Master       |
| Wellington Dale 404     | Senior Warden       |
| Norman Gray 94          | Junior Warden       |
| F. Rodda 404            | M.O.                |
| G. R. Mockridge 404     | S.O.                |
| W. Chegwiddden 73       | J.O.                |
| Rev. Frazer-Frizell 101 | Chaplain            |
| E. M. Milford 73        | Treasurer           |
| T. H. Cornish 404       | Registrar           |
| W. Johns 78             | Secretary           |
| J. M. Cornish 404       | Senior Deacon       |
| B. M. Pooley            | Junior Deacon       |
| A. Dunkin 417           | Asst. Dir. of Cors. |
| T. Sergeant 78          | Standard Bearer     |
| C. J. Mabbot 404        | Organist            |
| W. E. Grose 101         | Sword Bearer        |
| J. E. Rogers 404        | Inner Guard         |
| J. Langdon 78           | Tyler               |
| G. King 78              |                     |
| A. O. Mitchell 404      | Stewards            |
| B. Spray 87             |                     |

The banquet was held at the Union Hotel, the dining hall being decorated with mottoes, "God bless our Provincial Grand Master" and "Remember the widow's son."

The toasts proposed were the Queen, by Sir Charles Sawle, the Prince of Wales Grand Master of England, and the usual Loyal and Masonic ones, including that of the Provincial Grand Master.

### PHENIX LODGE, No. 2.

**A**N emergency meeting of this Lodge was held on Monday evening, the 5th inst., at 110 High Street, Portsmouth, Brother W. Bruttell W.M. in the chair. There were also present amongst others Bros. J. E. Buck P.M. Secretary S.W., Bevis J.W., James Hewitson M.O., Captain Blagie acting S.O., Buck acting J.O. Visitor—Bro. J. Hood-Williams P.M. 297 (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE). Lodge was opened in due form and with solemn prayer. Bro. Henry Williams, Royal Sussex Lodge, No. 342, and Bro. Saxly were regularly introduced and advanced to the honourable degree of Mark Master Mason. After the completion of the ceremony the W.M. gave the charge in a very impressive manner. Being an emergency meeting there was no further business, and Lodge was closed in due form with solemn prayer. We understand that the installation of W.M. will take place at the next regular meeting in July. As the Phoenix is a very prosperous Lodge and has some seventy members on its roll, there will doubtless be a large muster on that occasion.

A meeting of the General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls took place on the 25th ult., Bro. A. C. Spaul in the chair. The minutes of the previous meetings of the General, House, and Finance Committees having been read and confirmed, the following brethren only were nominated for the House Committee: Bros. Ralph Clutton, T. Fenn, Robt. Grey, C. Hammerton, H. A. Hunt, E. Letchworth, Peter de Lande Long, J. H. Matthews, Sir J. B. Monckton, Frank Richardson, A. C. Spaul, and Ed. Terry. The following were elected on the Finance Committee also without a contest: Bros. W. Bailey, W. M. Bywater, E. C. Davies, E. Johnson, W. G. Kentish, Thos. Kingston, Dr. George Mickley, E. M. Money, H. F. Nash, Dr. H. W. Roberts, W. Vincent, and Colonel J. Ward, C.B. Bros. Col. Hugh M. Gordon, J. H. Matthews, E. M. Money, W. Morley, H. F. Nash, A. C. Spaul, Wm. Vincent, C. H. Webb, and F. Wright, were elected on the Petitions Committee. Messrs. Schröder and Chappelow were elected accountants for the ensuing twelve months. In consequence of the lengthened period of the holidays caused by the recent outbreak of fever at the Institution it was resolved that an allowance should be made to the parents and friends of the girls who asked for it as was made under similar circumstances by the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, viz., after the rate of 10s per week for the time in excess of the ordinary summer holidays.

## Obituary.

### BRO. GEORGE HUBERT EDMONDS.

WE regret to have to record the death of Brother George Hubert Edmonds, C.C., J.P., at the age of 59, the sad event occurring on Thursday morning, the 25th ult., at Canterbury House, Gravesend. Bro. Edmonds had not been well for two months past, having suffered from a bad attack of influenza, from the effects of which he never wholly recovered. Shortly after resuming his business duties he caught a chill and laryngitis ensued. This was followed by pneumonia, to which the unfortunate gentleman succumbed. Bro. Edmonds leaves a widow and three children—two sons and a daughter—to mourn his loss. The deceased took a great interest in all matters affecting the interests of the port of London, having been Chairman of the Port Sanitary Committee three years ago, while he was also a member of the City Lands and the Central Markets Committees. He was a liveryman of the Loriners' Company, a Past Master of the Erasmus Wilson Lodge, No. 1464, and for three successive years was the Mayor of Gravesend. He was also a Fellow of the Zoological Society, and a member of the Royal Agricultural Society. Bro. Edmonds, at the time of his death, was an Auditor of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway, the Victoria and Pimlico Railway, and the Newhaven Harbour Company. The Lord Mayor of London attended the funeral, which took place on Monday, at Gravesend Cemetery, at three o'clock. We are sorry to add that on Wednesday, 30th ult., Mrs. Edmonds died.

### BRO. THOMAS IBBETSON P.M. 974.

WE are sorry to have to record the demise of this distinguished brother, which took place at his residence, Claremont, Bradford, on the 2nd inst., in his 37th year. Bro. Ibbetson was a Past Master of the Pentalpha Lodge. The interment took place on Wednesday, at Undercliffe Cemetery, and was largely attended. The remains were conveyed about noon from deceased's late residence in Claremont to St. John's Church, Horton Lane, where the burial service was performed, the Rev. A. J. G. Nash, M.A., being the officiating clergyman. The funeral cortege was here re-formed, and proceeded to the cemetery by way of Market Street and East Parade, headed by about 150 of the male employes of the firm, and a number of members of the Order. A number of gentlemen connected with the printing and stationery business also took part in the procession, and assembled in the church were many of the female employes of the firm of Messrs. Armitage and Ibbetson and others.

The monthly meeting of the Council of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys was held at Freemasons' Hall, on Friday, the 26th ult., the chair being taken by Bro. Major Le Feuvre, Vice-President. Amongst those present were Bros. John Barnett, A. B. Bennett, R. D. Cummings, G. S. Cummings, Geo. Corble, G. Fairchild, J. J. Thomas, W. Thomas, James Terry, R. Glasspool, B. Kauffmann, F. W. Levander, W. J. Mason, A. Moore, P. A. Nairne, Charles Shepherd, J. Stevens, W. H. Saunders, R. P. Stevens, W. A. Tinney, D. H. Jacobs, A. Howell, G. Greiner, R. T. Redfearn, J. M. McLeod Secretary, and others. An extraordinary election for a London member of the Board of Management, in place of Bro. Edward Terry (resigned in consequence of exigencies of business preventing his attendance) took place. The candidates were Bros. Robert Martin, a former member of the Board, nominated by Bro. Pritchard, and Bro. R. D. Cummings P.M. Sec. 2168 W.M. elect 2427 (both being Life Governors), nominated by Bro. S. Cochrane Grand Treasurer. Bro. Cummings was elected by a considerable majority, and will serve until April 1895, being the unexpired time of his predecessor. Four petitions were accepted and placed on the list for the October election, two being London and two Provincial cases. Eleven cases were deferred for completion of various certificates. Notice of motion by the Prov. Grand Secretary of Warwickshire was given for the Quarterly Court of

July, to take up a right for a perpetual Presentation granted as far back as 1876. Some discussion took place on the proposed new laws, and a verbal alteration made in Law 34, the word "removed" being substituted for "expelled" in the last line.

### TABLE D'HOTE DINNERS IN RAILWAY TRAINS.

THE Midland Railway Company's announcement in April last that the third class dining carriages (which they had for some time contemplated introducing) would be a *fait accompli* from the commencement of July, has been followed within the last few weeks by notices of a kindred nature issued by the other large English railway companies. In the case of the Midland trains, we are now in a position to announce some further particulars, which will be of special interest to travellers between London and other English commercial centres, and Glasgow. Commencing on Monday, 3rd July, the Midland Company, in conjunction with the Glasgow and South Western Co., will place on the Scotch service additional afternoon expresses, which will run between London (St. Pancras) and Glasgow (St. Enoch), starting from each end at 1.30 p.m., and serving Leicester, Nottingham, Sheffield, Leeds, and other towns *en route*, and giving connections with some of the principal centres in the West of England, Lancashire, &c. To these trains will be attached specially constructed dining carriages, one of which will be for the use of first class, and the other for third class passengers. Luncheons, dinners, teas, and other refreshments will be served *en route* in the best style at moderate charges:—from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m., first class luncheon, 2s 6d; third class joint luncheon, 2s (inclusive charges); also *à la carte* at Midland Buffet charges as per daily bill of fare. From 4.30 to 6.0 p.m., afternoon teas will be served at 6d, to include a pot of tea and roll and butter, other viands being obtainable at the usual buffet tariff. The Table D'Hote dinner will be served in the down train on leaving Hellifield, and in the up train on leaving Leeds, at about 6.30 p.m. in each case, at a charge of 3s 6d to first class and 2s 6d to third class passengers. To pleasure-travellers and tourists between Scotland and England, the prospect of the new privileges shortly to be enjoyed will be hailed with satisfaction, whilst to the commercial man whose business engagements deny him an opportunity of taking his lunch before the trains leave, the fact that he can eat his meal at leisure and in comfort *en route* will be an immense boon.

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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, 10th June.

1446 Mount Edgecumbe, Swan, Battersea  
1685 Guelph, Town Hall, Leyton  
2208 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon  
2369 Cornish, Mark Masons' Hall, Gt. Queen St.  
R.A. 2182 Sterndale Bennett, Surrey M.H., S.E.

869 Gresham, Great House, Cheshunt Park  
1347 Lorne, Greyhound Hotel, Sutton, Surrey  
1415 Campbell, Mitre Hotel, Hampton.  
1637 Unity, Railway Hotel, Harrow  
1755 Eldon, Royal Hotel, Portishead  
2008 Tilbury, Tilbury Docks Hotel, Essex  
2069 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
2096 George Price, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon  
2246 Cyclist, Castle Hotel, East Molesey.  
2359 Doric, Didsbury Hotel, Didsbury.  
R.A. 811 Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton  
R.C. 43 Eureka, Masonic Rooms, Brighton

## Monday, 12th June.

1305 St. Marylebone, Criterion, W.  
R.A. 58 Felicity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St.  
R.A. 1118 University, Café Monico, Piccadilly  
R.A. 1789 Ubique, Criterion, Piccadilly  
M.M. 104 Macdonald, Mark Masons' Hall.  
K.T. 140 Studholme, 33 Golden Square, W.

40 Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings  
68 Royal Clarence, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
75 Love and Honour, Masonic Hall, Falmouth  
104 St. John, White Lion Hotel, Stockport  
105 Fortitude, 1 Princess Square, Plymouth  
108 Sun, Royal Beacon Hotel, Exmouth  
151 Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.  
189 Sincerity, St. George's Hall, East Stonehouse  
237 Indefatigable, Masonic Hall, Swansea  
240 St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields  
296 Royal Brunswick, F.M.H., Sheffield  
297 Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln  
303 Benevolent, Masonic Hall, Teignmouth  
314 Peace & Unity, Militia Mess Rooms, Preston  
330 One and All, Masonic Hall, Bodmin  
339 Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Sunderland  
481 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Newcastle  
589 Druids of Love and Liberty, M.H., Redruth  
685 Montagu, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis  
671 Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Llanelli  
787 Hauley, Hauley Hall, Dartmouth  
884 Derwent, The George, Winksworth  
893 Meridian, Masonic Hall, Millbrook  
941 De Tabley, Royal George, Knutsford

1021 Hartington, Masonic Hall, Barrow-in-Furness  
1174 Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham  
1221 Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds  
1408 Stamford and Warrington, M.C., Stalybridge  
1436 Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate  
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury  
1474 Israel, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
1496 Trafford, Western Hotel, Moss Side, Lanc.  
1592 Abbey, Masonic Hall, Bury St. Edmunds  
1611 Eboracum, Masonic Hall, St. Saviourgate, York  
1618 Handyside, Private Rooms, Saltburn-by-Sea  
1656 Wolsey, Greyhound, Hampton Court  
1691 Quadratic, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court  
1730 Urmston, Victoria Hotel, Urmston  
1792 Tudor, Masonic Hall, Harborne  
1802 Vernon, Exchange Buildings, East Retford  
1885 Torridge, Market Hall, Great Torrington  
1948 Hardman, Queen's Arms, P. wtenstall, Lanc.  
1952 High Peak, Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith  
1966 Fidelity & Sincerity, M.H., Wellington, Som.  
2034 Masefield, Moseley and Belsall Heath Institute, Moseley, Worcester  
2144 De Tatton, Stamford Arms, Bowden, Cheshire  
2185 Ardwick, Midland Hotel, Ardwick, Lanc.  
2197 Spencer Walpole Temperance, Masonic Hall, Douglas, Isle of Man  
2237 Earl of Leicester, New Hall, Wells, Norfolk  
R.A. 156 Harmony, Huyshe Mas. Tem., Plymouth  
R.A. 264 Nelson of the Nile, M.H., Batley  
R.A. 377 Hope and Charity, M.H., Kildermister  
M.M. 171 Union, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham  
K.T. 5 Jerusalem, Queen's Hall, Manchester  
K.T. 52 Richard de Vernon, Dudley Arms, Dudley  
K.T. 56 Hugh de Payens, Old Bull, Blackburn

## Tuesday, 13th June.

167 St. John, Jack Straw's Castle, Hampstead  
834 Ranelagh, Criterion, W.  
2427 Hampden, Hampden House, St. Pancras  
R.C. 71 Bayard, 33 Golden Square, W.

80 St. John, Masonic Hall, Sunderland  
131 Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Truro  
184 United Chatham of Benevolence, Masonic Temple, New Brompton, Kent  
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
272 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Ridge, Boston  
319 New Forest, Bugle Hotel, Lyminster  
473 Faithful, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
495 Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Wakefield  
502 Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Rugby  
503 Belvedere, Freemasons' Hall, Maidstone  
603 Zetland Masonic Hall, Tofts, Cleckheaton  
626 Lansdowne of Unity, Town Hall, Chippenham  
696 St. Bartholomew, Anchor Hotel, Wednesbury  
723 Panmure, M.H., Barrack Road, Aldershot  
764 Labour of Refuge, M.H., West Hartlepool  
829 Sydney, Black Horse, Sidcup  
877 Royal Alfred, Masonic Temple, Jersey  
892 Royal Edward, Royal Oak Hotel, Leominster  
897 Loyalty, Mas. Chambers, Hall St., St. Helen's  
903 Gosport, India Arms Hotel, High St, Gosport

954 St. Aubyn, Ebrington M.H., Devonport  
973 Royal Somerset, M.H., North Parade, Frome  
1073 Greta, Keswick Hotel, Keswick  
1250 Gilbert Greenall, Masonic Rooms, Warrington  
1267 Kenlis, Oldfellows' Hall, Egremont  
1369 Bala, Plas Coch Hotel, Bala  
1412 Jordan, Masonic Hall, Torquay  
1476 Blackpool, Clifton Arms, Blackpool  
1528 Fort, M.H., Newquay, Cornwall  
1545 Baildon, Masonic Rooms, Northgate,  
1713 Wilbraham, Black Horse, Walton, Liverpool  
1837 Lullingstone, Masonic Hall, Wilmington  
1847 Ebrington, Mas. Temple, Stonehouse, Devon  
2099 Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Heron Bay  
2104 Whitwell, F.M.H., Stockton-on-Tees  
2134 Wilberforce, Masonic Hall, Hull  
2222 Frederick West, Castle Hotel East Molesey  
2324 Horwich, Bridge Hotel, Horwich, Lancashire  
2360 Victoria, F.M.H., Eastbank St., Southport  
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R.A. 43 Fortitude, Great Western, Birmingham  
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R.A. 289 Fidelity, Mas. Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds  
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## Wednesday, 14th June.

Committee R.M.B.I., Freemasons' Hall, 3  
13 Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, Woolwich  
1260 John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
1586 Upper Norwood, White Hart Ho., U. Norwood  
1610 Northern Bar, Regent M.H., Air Street, W.  
1629 United, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
R.A. 1446 Mount Edgecumbe, St. Fitolph Chambers  
R.A. 1524 Duke of Connaught, Araratton's Hotel  
R.A. 1624 Eccleston, Criterion, Piccadilly.  
R.A. 1900 Montague Guest, Inns of Court Hot, W.C.  
R.C. 1 Grand Metropolitan, 33 Golden Square, W.

84 Doyle's of Fellowship, M.H., Guernsey  
125 Prince Edwin, Bank Buildings, Hythe  
146 Antiquity, Masonic Hall, Bolton  
187 Royal Sussex of Hospitality, F.M.H., Bristol  
204 Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
225 St. Luke's, Masonic Hall, Ipswich  
244 Yarborough, Masonic Temple, Jersey  
250 Minerva, Masonic Hall, Hull  
277 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham  
281 Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Lancashire  
288 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Todmorden  
323 Concord, Florist Hotel, Stockport  
483 Sympathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend  
681 Fawcett, M.H., Seaham Harbour  
686 Benevolence, Wes. School Rooms, Princetown  
679 St. David, Masonic Hall, Aberdare, Glam.  
708 Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court  
731 Arboretum, Masonic Hall, Derby  
755 St. Tudno, Freemasons' Hall, Llandudno  
854 Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, near Oldham  
906 Royal Albert Edward, Masons' Hall, Bath

1018 Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall Bradford  
1031 Fletcher, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
1060 Marmion, 14 Church Street, Tamworth  
1091 Erme, M.H., Chapple Place, Ivybridge, Devon  
1094 Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1107 Cornwallis, Bull Hotel, Chislehurst  
1140 Ashton, Reform Club, Heaton Moor  
1181 De la Pole, Masonic Hall, Seaton  
1209 Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate  
1248 Denison, Masonic Hall, Scarborough  
1331 Aldershot Camp, Masonic Hall, Aldershot  
1342 Walker, Freemasons' Hall, Newcastle  
1356 Toxteth, 80 North Hill Street, Liverpool  
1398 Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Furness  
1400 Cuxwen, Masonic Rooms, Worthington  
1503 Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham  
1547 Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1582 Llanidloes, Trewythen Arms, Llanidloes  
1588 Prince Leopold, Masonic Hall, Stretford  
1643 Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hebburn-on-Tyne  
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent  
1798 Zion, Grand Hotel, Manchester  
1848 Ferrum, Masonic Hall, Middlesbrough  
1855 St. Maurice, Working Men's Hall, Plymouth  
1879 Lord Warworth, Masonic Hall, Ambly  
1932 Whitworth, Masonic Hall, Spennymore  
2046 Robinson, Bell Hotel, Maidstone, Kent  
2156 Arthur Sullivan, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Corporation Street, Manchester

2294 Waverley, Coffee House, Church Road  
2389 Ayndale, King's Arms, Middlewich, Cheshire  
2404 Lord Charles Beresford, Prince of Wales Hotel, Railway Street, Chatham.

2423 St. Mark's, Rooms, Connah's Quay, S. Wales  
2450 Loxfield, Maidens Head Hotel, Uckfield

R.A. 77 Hermes, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend  
R.A. 89 Pythagoras, Red Lion Hotel, Cambridge  
R.A. 251 Loyalty and Virtue, F.M.H., Barnstaple  
R.A. 258 Amphibious, F.M.H., Heckmondwike  
R.A. 350 Meribah, Church Hotel, Kearsley  
R.A. 393 Berwick-upon-Tweed, M.H., Parade, B./T.  
R.A. 673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
R.A. 703 Clifton, Clifton Arms Hotel, Blackpool  
R.A. 709 Invicta, Bank Street Hall, Astford  
R.A. 758 Bridgewater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn  
R.A. 1793 Sir Charles Bright, Clarence Hotel, Fiddington

R.A. 1973 Saye and Sele, Rooms, Belvedere, Kent  
M.M. 192 St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, Berwick

## Thursday, 15th June.

6 Friendship, Criterion, Piccadilly  
1020 Blackheath, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark  
1681 Londesborough, Regent M.H., Air Street, W.  
1716 All Saints, 117 High Street, Poplar  
R.A. 63 St. Mary, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge  
M.M. 7 Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court

93 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  
323 Peace, Vernon Arms, Stockport  
343 Concord, The Bull, Preston  
345 Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn  
367 Probity and Freedom, M.H., Ryshdale  
600 Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford  
605 Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead  
753 Ellesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn  
802 Repose, Masonic Hall, Derby

1011 Richmond, Old Boar's Hall, Manchester  
1037 Portland, Masonic Hall, Portland  
1042 Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
1184 Abbey, Masonic Hall, Battle  
1299 Pembroke, Shiel Park, near Liverpool  
1327 King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross  
1332 Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon  
1337 Anchor, Durham House, Northampton  
1393 Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1459 Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, West Gorton  
1464 Erasmus Wilson, Old Falcon Hot., Gravesend  
1534 Concord, Chester Bank, Prestwich  
1562 Homfray, Masonic Hall, Risca, Mon.  
1776 Landport, Freemasons' Hall, Landport  
1872 St. Margaret's, Maple Hall, Surbiton  
1892 Wallington, King's Arms, Carsbalton  
2159 Boscombe, 3 Carnarvon Crescent, Boscombe  
2261 Armitage, M.R., Market St., Milsbridge  
2268 Hallamshire, M.H., Surrey Street, Shalford  
2302 St. Mary, Assembly Rooms, Southwell, Notts  
2305 Stour, Bank Street Hall, Ashfield  
2341 Clemency, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham  
2352 Universities, Masonic Hall, Durham  
2430 Runnymede, Anglers' Rest, Wraybury

R.A. 38 Cyrus, Council Chambers, Chichester  
R.A. 317 Affability, F.M.H., Copper St., Manchester  
R.A. 603 Zetland, Masonic Hall, Tofts, Clockseaton  
R.A. 1145 Equality, Red Lion, Accrington  
R.A. 1273 St. Michael's, M.H., Sittingbourne  
R.A. 1395 Gladsmuir, Red Lion Hotel, Barnet  
M.M. Canynges, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
M.M. 17 Portsmouth, Masonic Hall, Portsmouth  
K.T. William de la More, Rooms, St. Helen's

## Friday, 16th June.

143 Middlesex, A Lion Tavern, Alder-gate St.  
1975 Rose of Denmark, Horns, Kennington  
2157 St. Mark's College, Holborn Restaurant, W.C.  
R.A. 10 Westminster and Keystone, F.M.H., W.C.  
R.A. 1591 Studholme, Regent M. Hall, Air St., W.  
K.T. 6 St. George's, The Ab'ion, E.C.

152 Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.  
271 Royal Clarence, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.  
347 Noah's Ark, Wagon and Horses, Manchester  
541 De Lorraine, F.M.H., Grainger St., Newcastle  
993 Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme

1098 Lord Warden, St. George's Hall, Deal  
1311 Zetland, Masonic Hall, Gt. George Street, Leeds  
1773 Albert Victor, Town Hall, Penilton.  
2005 Brooke, Forest Hotel, Chingford  
2371 Felix, Bath Hotel, Felixstowe, Suffolk.  
2385 Godson, Talbot Hotel, Oldbury.  
2418 Hedworth, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields  
2417 Palatine, Palatine Hotel, Manchester  
R.A. 52 Royal George, Norfolk Hotel, Norwich.  
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R.A. 521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield  
R.A. 837 Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon  
M.M. 65 West Lancashire, M.H., Hope St., L'pool  
R.C. 120 White Rose of York, F.M.H., Sheffield

## Saturday, 17th June.

1185 Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green  
1641 Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell  
2041 West Kent Volunteers, M.H., Plumstead  
M.M. 251 Mount Moriah, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
M.M. 357 Chiswick, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge

1194 Villiers, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court  
1326 Lebanon, Railway Hotel, Feltham  
1597 Musgrave, Greyhound, Hampton Court  
2035 Beaumont, Masonic Hall, Kirkburton  
2228 Dene, Pr. Rms., Winter Hill, Cookham Lane  
R.A. 441 Union, Courtenay Arms Hotel, Starecross  
R.A. 2096 George Price, Greyhound, Croydon  
M.M. 205 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow  
M.M. 354 Rose & Lily, Four Swans, Waltham Cross

## INSTRUCTION.

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## Saturday, 10th June.

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

## Monday, 12th June.

22 Neptune, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7'30  
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8  
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Romemaker St.,  
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., Brixham, Devon  
332 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge  
543 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8  
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7'30  
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8  
1320 Blackheath, Milkwood Tav., Loughboro' Junc.  
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  
 1803 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8  
 1823 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7  
 1893 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8:30  
 1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8  
 1743 Perseverance, Deacon's Tavern, Walbrook, 7  
 1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8  
 1901 Selwyn, 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, 13th June.

25 Robert Burns, Frascati, Oxford Street, 8  
 55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7  
 74 Athol, M.H., Severn Street, Birmingham, 6:45  
 177 Domatic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30  
 188 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8  
 212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, 8  
 241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
 554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8  
 700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7:30  
 753 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8  
 920 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, Grays, Essex  
 1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7:30  
 1446 Mount Edgumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8  
 1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30  
 1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich  
 1473 Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 6  
 1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.  
 1838 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8  
 1895 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N.  
 1767 Kensington, Scarsdale Arms Ho., Kensington  
 1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7  
 1940 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8  
 2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton  
 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, 14th June.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8  
 30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30  
 65 Prosperity, Old Parr's Head, Knightbridge St.  
 72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8  
 73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8  
 193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 8  
 228 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8  
 538 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8  
 594 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7  
 673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8  
 720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7  
 733 Westbourne, 112 Queen's Road, Bayswater, 8  
 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 Toxteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30  
 1475 Peckham, 516 Old Kent Road, 8  
 1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull  
 1801 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rusby Green, Cat-  
 ford, 8  
 1804 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant,  
 S.W., 7:30  
 1882 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7:30  
 1881 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  
 1983 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7:30  
 2206 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 8  
 R.A. 177 Domatic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8  
 R.A. 720 Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, E.C., 7  
 R.A. 933 Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., 7:30  
 M.M. Grand Masters, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C.

### Thursday, 15th June.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30  
 147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8  
 263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.  
 749 Belgrave, Albion Tavern, Russell St., W.C., 8  
 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.,  
 1158 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8  
 1178 Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, S.E. 7  
 1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7:30  
 1259 Duke of Edinburgh, Eastern Hotel, Commer-  
 cial Road, Limehouse, E., 7:30  
 1278 Burdett Coutts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8  
 1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8  
 1380 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 7:30  
 1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30  
 1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8  
 1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7  
 1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8  
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, 45 Upper Street, N., 8  
 1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7:45  
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8  
 1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8  
 1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7:30  
 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  
 1998 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, 16th June.

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  
 1298 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 Selwyn, Montpelier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8  
 2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The  
 Criterion, W., 8  
 R.A. 95 Eastern Star, Hercules Tavern, E.C.  
 R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Grayhound, Richmond, 8  
 R.A. 890 Hornsey, Prince of Wales's Hotel, corner of  
 Eastbourne Terrace, and Bishop's Road, W. 8  
 R.A. 1275 Star, Stirling Castle, Church Street,  
 Camberwell, 7

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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  
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 1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8  
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7  
 1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney,  
 1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7  
 2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Mammersmith, W.  
 R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

The annual Sports of the Royal  
 Masonic Institution for Boys will take  
 place at Wood Green on Saturday  
 next, the 17th inst.

We are asked to state that the  
 meetings of the Faith Lodge of Instruc-  
 tion, No. 141, are postponed until the  
 1st Tuesday in October next.

We regret to notice that Bro. Henry  
 Lindfield, P.M. of St. Michael's Lodge,  
 No. 211, has sustained a sad loss by the  
 death of his wife. The deceased lady,  
 who has been an invalid for some time,  
 passed away last Monday, at her resi-  
 dence, at Notting Hill.

Prince Alfred of Edinburgh commences to  
 make progress towards recovery, and his  
 Royal Highness's condition gives no cause  
 whatever for anxiety.

The London Tilbury and Southend Railway  
 Company's new line from Southend to  
 Romford was opened for public traffic on  
 Wednesday last.

After a close match the Hon. T. W. Legh,  
 M.P., won the final heat of the Parliamentary  
 Golf Handicap, defeating Mr. Howe Browne  
 by one hole.

It was agreed by the Common Council to  
 present the Duke of York and Princess May  
 with a silver dinner service and a diamond  
 collar, together of the value of £2,624,  
 and to invite the Duke and his bride to the  
 Guildhall to receive the gift, the occasion to  
 be celebrated by suitable festivities.

Edwin Booth, the celebrated American  
 actor, died at a quarter-past one o'clock on  
 Wednesday morning, at the Players' Club,  
 New York. He became unconscious on Sun-  
 day, and remained so to the last. The doctor  
 in attendance was surprised that death did  
 not come sooner.

The first meet for the season of the Four-  
 in-Hand Club took place in Hyde Park, on  
 Wednesday, in the presence of a large and  
 fashionable assemblage. The teams, of which  
 there were eighteen, drove up to the  
 Magazine shortly before one o'clock. The  
 Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke of  
 York, and Princess Victoria were present in  
 an open coach.

Lord Stalbridge has accepted a contract for  
 building a new mansion at Motcombe, Dorset,  
 at a cost of £50,000.

Princess Victoria of Edinburgh and  
 Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein  
 witnessed the performance of a "A Scrap of  
 Paper," at the Avenue theatre, on Wednesday.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased  
 to become Patron of the Up-country Nursing  
 Association for Europeans in India, and has  
 sent a donation of £25 in aid of its funds.

The Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh,  
 Princess Christian, and Prince Louis of  
 Battenberg visited the St. James's theatre on  
 Wednesday, to witness the performance of  
 "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray."

His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh  
 has accepted the presidency of the Incor-  
 porated Society of Musicians, which was  
 established in 1832, and now numbers more  
 than 1000 members, including the most  
 eminent musicians of the country.

The Prince of Wales (Colonel-in-chief of  
 the 2nd Life Guards) was present, on Thurs-  
 day, at the annual dinner of the 2nd Life  
 Guards Club, held at the Whitehall Rooms,  
 Hôtel Métropole. General Earl Howe  
 presided, and covers were laid for fifty-six.

The Tredegar Masonic Buildings Company,  
 Limited, has been registered with a capital  
 of £1500 in £1 shares, the objects of which  
 are to establish and maintain a Masonic hall  
 and club at Tredegar, Monmouthshire. The  
 first directors are G. A. Brown, J.P., J. Lewis,  
 C. Widdowson, T. Morgan, N. Bradley, T.  
 Campbell, J. Johnstone, and W. H. Rout-  
 ledge.

THE MANCHESTER SHIP CANAL.—At a  
 meeting of the Manchester Council on  
 Wednesday, Sir John Harwood reported that  
 the London and North-Western and the  
 Great Western Railway Companies insisted  
 on a deposit of half a million sterling before  
 they would give up their old lines to the  
 Manchester Ship Canal Company. The  
 council had arranged with a bank to advance  
 that amount.

ROYAL COLONIAL INSTITUTE.—Mr. F. C.  
 Selous will give an address on "Incidents of  
 a Hunter's Life in South Africa" at the  
 evening meeting, to be held at the Whitehall  
 Rooms, on Tuesday next. Sir Frederick  
 Young, K.C.M.G., will preside. Amongst  
 those who have accepted invitations to be  
 present are Mr. H. M. Stanley, Sir Arthur  
 Havelock, K.C.M.G., Governor of Ceylon;  
 Sir Francis Fleming, K.C.M.G., Governor of  
 Sierra Leone; Sir Alfred Moloney, K.C.M.G.,  
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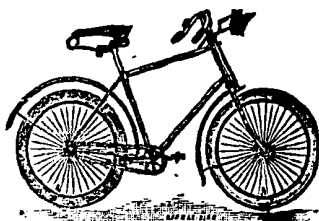
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