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PLEASURABLE ANTICIPATIONS.

WHATEVER the result of the Festival to be held on Wednesday, on behalf of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, there is no gainsaying the fact that its prospects look most encouraging, and we earnestly hope that the outcome will be such as to justify the pleasurable anticipations we are now able to entertain in regard to it; further, that the efforts of the Board of Stewards, which is something like 430 strong, may result in such an addition to the funds of the Institution as will enable the good work of the School to be continued, even if it is not possible, at no very distant date, to attempt something in the way of an extension.

It must be recognised at the outset, however, that the surroundings of this year's Festival are of an exceptional character, and calculated to take the result outside the usual course, so much so that it would be most unwise to count on the regular average being realised per Steward. In the first place there are an exceptional number of unattached Stewards on this year's list, and previous experience has taught us that these independent workers do not produce as high an average as others who work with a Province, a Lodge, or some recognised organisation behind them. This is not cause for surprise when we bear in mind that very many of these special Stewards are unattached solely because some other member of their Lodge is already on the list of Stewards, and they personally object to any action which seems to encroach on the rights of their Lodge representatives, while, at the same time they desire to give their best personal attention to the object of the Festival, and rightly believe they may accomplish this by swelling the roll of Stewards for the year, even if they are unable to bring up more than their personal donation to increase the annual fund. But a much more forcible obstacle is to be found in the general trade depression of the country; complaints of bad times are universal, and it is feared this feature alone will have a marked effect on the result, which is hardly to be wondered at, for it is difficult to imagine equal liberality being displayed throughout the Craft at a time when every class is suffering from bad trade as is the case when all is prosperity.

On the opposite side we may point with gratification to the exceptionally strong Board of Stewards—speaking of them from a numerical standpoint—and the prospects of a special contribution from the Chairman's Province of West Lancashire. These two factors will more than compensate for any shortcomings under the two heads we have mentioned, so far as the total of the contributions is concerned, if they do not wholly restore the average per Steward to its normal figure, so that, on the whole, we can, with the greatest confidence, look for-

ward to an exceptionally brilliant result, one which may well be referred to as marking the appreciation of the English Craft of their Pro Grand Master, and the Fund to which he is this year devoting his best efforts.

It is hardly necessary to again refer to the fact that the Earl of Lathom will preside on Wednesday next; his presidency has been frequently referred to in our pages, and is, we imagine, well known to Brethren throughout the country, who generally recognise that a particular effort is desirable in connection with the event, which, we may again remind our readers, takes somewhat the form of a special recognition of his lordship's coming of age as a Provincial Grand Master. As we have said above, there is every probability of the most satisfactory results attending the efforts of the Stewards, and we are convinced every Mason in the Kingdom sincerely hopes the Festival may be one of the most successful ever known.

No doubt the Earl will be supported by his eldest son, Lord Skelmersdale, the new Junior Grand Warden of England, and as that nobleman has already displayed his interest in Charity matters, by presiding at a Festival in aid of his local Masonic Fund, we hope he will not be disappointed in witnessing the reception accorded his much respected father, by the English Craft as a whole.

As mentioned in our last week's issue, the annual visit of Stewards to the Institution will take place on Monday, when the various prizes will be distributed by Lady Lathom, the proceedings commencing at 4 o'clock. Those who have witnessed these displays in years gone by will agree that the only thing necessary to ensure the success of these particular gatherings is fine weather, and this we hope is in store for the first of the celebrations on behalf of "Our Girls" for 1894. Our best wishes go with the Chairman, the Stewards, and the Executive Officers of the Institution, and we sincerely hope that next week we shall be called upon to record such a success as will fully justify our favourable anticipations of to-day.

The installation meeting of the Samson Lodge, No. 1668, will be held on Tuesday next, at the Regent Masonic Hall, Café Royal, Regent Street, when Bro. J. Nash will be installed as Master for the year. In addition to the Installation, there is a Passing and two Initiations on the agenda. Lodge is called for 3.30 p.m.

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Lord Henry Cavendish Bentinck, brother of the Duke of Portland, and son-in-law of the Earl of Bective, has been appointed Provincial Grand Master of Cumberland and Westmoreland, in the room of his late father-in-law. His lordship will be installed during the summer.

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

THE Quarterly Convocation of Grand Chapter was held on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall, London, when the Principals' chairs were occupied by Companions W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Grand Superintendent Hampshire and Isle of Wight; Colonel Gerard Noel Money, C.B., Grand Superintendent Surrey; and William Harling Sissons, J.P., Grand Superintendent Lincolnshire.

After the confirmation of the minutes Companions Sir Lionel Darell and William Mason Stiles were nominated for the post of Grand Treasurer, the unusual event of an election for this post in Grand Chapter being necessary in consequence of the Treasurer of Grand Lodge, Alderman Dimsdale, not being qualified for a seat in Grand Chapter. The result was closer than was anticipated, but sufficiently marked to secure for Companion Stiles the coveted honour, the poll being declared as 112 to 102 in his favour, a result on which we tender him our heartiest congratulations, and trust it may be but a forerunner of what is in store for him at no very distant date in Grand Lodge.

The Earl of Lathom was confirmed in his post as Pro Grand Z., and the Earl of Mount Edgecumbe in that of Grand H., while the other appointments were announced as follows, the different Companions being regularly invested:

W. W. B. Beach, M.P.	-	J.
Edward Letchworth	-	Scribe E.
Rev. Canon Kynaston	-	Scribe N.
Robert Grey	-	Pros. Com. Gen. Purp.
F. A. Philbrick, Q.C.	-	Registrar.
Thomas Lean Wilkinson	-	Deputy Registrar
William B. Coltman	-	Principal Sojourner
Alfred Cooper	-	1st. Assist. Sojourner
Gabriel P. Goldney	-	2nd. Assist. Sojourner
Major-General Frederick Gadsden	-	Sword Bearer
Lieut-Col. James T. Ritchie	-	Deputy Sword Bearer
His Honour Judge Masterman	-	
Reginald St. A. Roumieu	-	
Lennox Browne	-	
E. Wallaston Stanton	-	
James Salmon	-	
George Read	-	
Frank Richardson	-	Director of Ceremonies
Capt. Thomas C. Walls	-	Deputy Dir. of Cers.
Lieut-Col. J. H. Bentham	-	
John S. Cumberland	-	
Thomas Minstrell	-	Assistant Dirs. of Cers.
Frederick Hilton	-	
Henry F. Frost	-	Organist
Alfred A. Pendlebury	-	Assistant Scribe E.
Henry Sadler	-	Janitor

Grand Chapter afterwards granted the Warrants and agreed to the other matters set out in the agenda, as published in our last issue, and the proceedings terminated in the usual way.

HIGH GRADE MASONRY.

THE Convent General of the Knights Templar (patron, Her Majesty the Queen) is convened for Friday, 11th inst., at 4.45 p.m., by order of the Grand Master, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, at the Mark Masons' Hall. An important proposition by the Earl of Euston will be considered, in relation to the present position of the Great Priories forming the united body. The Arch Treasurer will be elected, and the newly-appointed and elected Officers will be invested. An investiture of Knights Grand Cross and Knights Commander of the Temple will also take place.

The National Great Priory (the Earl of Lathom Great Prior) will be held in the same hall, on the same evening, at six o'clock, when the Officers for England will be appointed and invested, and the formal business transacted. The annual banquet will be served at Freemasons' Tavern, at seven o'clock, those intending to dine having to send word to General J. C. Hay, C.B., the Vice-Chancellor, before the 8th.

The Installation meeting of the Frederick West Lodge, No. 2222, will be held on Tuesday next, at the Castle Hotel, East Molesey, at 4.30 p.m.

ROYAL
MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

The 106th ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL

WILL BE HELD AT THE

FREEMASONS' TAVERN, LONDON, W.C.

ON WEDNESDAY, THE 9TH MAY 1894.

THE RT. HON. THE EARL OF LATHOM, G.C.B.,

Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master and Provincial Grand Master West Lancashire, in the Chair.

HONORARY PRESIDENTS OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS:

The Right Hon. The EARL OF EUSTON, D.L., Prov. G.M. Norths and Hunts.

The Right Hon. W. L. JACKSON, M.P., Prov. G.M. West Yorks. R.W. Bro. J. BALFOUR-COCKBURN, Prov. G.M. Guernsey and Alderney.

LORD SKELMERSDALE W.M. St. George's Lodge of Harmony, No. 32.

W. Bro. Col. JAMES PETERS TRUSTEE, PATRON, P.G.S.B.

V. W. Bro. Rev. C. J. MARTYN PATRON, P.G.C., D. Prov. G.M. Suffolk.

" " H. B. MARSHALL PATRON, P.G. Treas.

" " EDWARD TERRY VICE-PRES., P.G. Treas.

" " Capt. J. D. MURRAY P.G. Treas. P. Prov. G.D. of C. West Lancs.

W. Bro. ROBERT WYLIE P.G.D. Deputy Prov. G.M. West Lancashire.

CHAIRMAN:

R. W. Bro. Sir JOHN MONCKTON VICE-PAT., F.S.A., P.G.W.

TREASURER:

W. Bro. W. GOODACRE P.G.S.B. Prov. G. Sec. West Lancs.

CHAIRMAN OF THE LADIES STEWARDS:

W. Bro. C. E. KEYSER PATRON, P.G.D.

Brethren willing to act as Stewards on this most important occasion are earnestly requested to send in their names to the Secretary as early as convenient, Stewards being urgently needed.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

Offices—5 Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.

CANDIDATES FOR THE INSTITUTIONS.

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Announcements are inserted under this head at the rate of five shillings per inch, to appear each week from the time the ballot papers are issued up to the day of election, for cash with order.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

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BRO. JAMES WILLIAM AVERY

Past Master 619, 1178, 1314. Past Z. 619, 73.

Life Governor of the Masonic Institutions.

The case is strongly recommended by several distinguished Craftsmen.

Further particulars of Bro. Avery,

16 Hatcham Park Road, New Cross, S.E.

BRO. THOMAS ALCOCK (Aged 67 Years).

P.M. 1228, P.Z. 55.

Who was initiated in the Westbourne Lodge, No. 733, in 1867—joined, as one of the founders, the Beacontree Lodge, No. 1228, in 1868—was W.M. in 1872, and afterwards Secretary—is still a subscriber—is a Life Governor of this Institution and Royal M.I. for Girls—was an Inspector on the G. E. Railway 29 years. Unable to work for three years, being crippled with Rheumatism. Invalid wife dependent upon him. Resources nearly exhausted. Votes will be gratefully received by Bro. Alcock, 142 Graham Road, N.E.

BRO. WILLIAM HENRY MYERS (Aged 73 Years).

P.M. 820, 1445.—P.Z. 820, 933, and 1598.

Was initiated in the Lily Lodge of Richmond, No. 820, in 1870—twice W.M. and ten years Secretary; also Founder of Prince Leopold Lodge, No. 1445, and twice W.M.; and a Founder of Ley Spring Chapter, No. 1598. Is a Life Governor and has served as Steward of the three Masonic Institutions, and otherwise a large contributor thereto. He has Chronic Rheumatism and Bronchitis, Failing Sight and Debility. Votes will be thankfully received by Bro. Myers, 196 Whitechapel Road, E.

CONSECRATIONS.

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THOMAS RALLING LODGE, No. 2508.

THE consecration of this Lodge, named in compliment to the esteemed Provincial Grand Secretary of Essex and Past A.G.D.C. of England "The Thomas Ralling Lodge, No. 2508," took place at the Victoria Hotel, Chingford, on Tuesday afternoon, when there was a large attendance of Brethren from various parts of the county.

The consecration ceremony was to have been performed by the Earl of Warwick Provincial Grand Master, but his lordship being unable to attend, the function devolved upon Bro. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., Grand Reg. Deputy Prov. G.M. The S.W. chair was occupied by Bro. Hoddinott P.G.S.W., and the J.W. by Bro. J. Salter P.P.J.G.W.

Among the Brethren present were,—Bros. Thomas J. Ralling P.M. and Sec. 51 P.A.G.D.C. Prov. G. Sec., Charles Lewis 1706, R. J. H. Jennings 1706, E. Parrington Salvage 1706, Walter J. Tull 1706, Isaac C. Griffith 1706, C. H. Kempling 1706, Frank Griffith 1853, J. Pinder Prov. Grand Treas. Essex, Rev. Thomas Varney Prov. Grand Chap., M. T. Tuck 1343 P.P.G. Stand.B., H. E. Dehane P.M. 1543 P.P.G.S.D., F. White 1347 P.P.G.R., F. H. Meggy 276 P.P.G.A.D.C., F. Wood P.Prov.G.S.W., Harold Francis P.M. 51, R. Haward Ives P.M. 51, Henry P. Ralling 51, Thomas Rix P.M. and Sec. 697, E. Booth W.M. 967, James F. Ralling P.M. 1332, Claude Egerton Green W.M. 2477, Rev. T. Lloyd P.P. Grand Chap. Essex and Staffordshire, Sir William Abdy, Bart., 2342, S. Sleigh 376, &c.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master said that in consequence of the unavoidable absence of their beloved Provincial Grand Master, the Earl of Warwick, the duty of Consecrating the Lodge had devolved upon him. He knew that it was a matter of great regret to his lordship that he was compelled to be absent on that occasion. He had received a letter from his lordship, dated from Warwick Castle, asking him to inform the Brethren that he had been summoned to America on important business, and obliging him to start on the previous day. Brother Philbrick went on to speak of the peculiar interest the Consecration of a new Lodge had to the Fraternity. It was giving effect to, and calling into active life the Warrant of the Most Worshipful Grand Master for a new organisation, a new centre of brotherhood, and fraternal union, to be planted where the warrant directed, and which it was to be hoped would tend to the diffusion of those principles to which they were so much attached. The Lodge bore the name of a well-known and largely-respected Brother; and it was a fortunate matter that the Lodge had for its first Master, their Bro. Ralling, the Provincial Grand Secretary, and who had also been honoured by the Grand Master with an appointment as Officer of Grand Lodge. He was sure that if the work of the Lodge was carried out with anything of the assiduity, the courtesy, and the Masonic feeling with which the duties of the Provincial Grand Secretary had been discharged by the new Worshipful Master, the Lodge had a career of success before it.

After the consecration, which the Deputy performed with much impressiveness, Bro. A. Lucking P.G.P. Eng. Prov. G.D.C. Essex installed Bro. Ralling Master of the Lodge. The following Officers were subsequently appointed,—Fred Bevan I.P.M., Charles Lewis S.W., R. J. Hennings J.W., Richard Clowes Treasurer, W. Clifford Sec., Walter J. Tull S.D., Charles H. Kempling J.D., Frank Griffith I.G., Isaac C. Griffith Organist, George Page and Edward P. Salvage Stewards, Freeman P.M. Tyler.

The Consecration banquet followed in the evening at the Victoria Hall, where the Lodge is held. The W.M. (Bro. Ralling) presided, supported by Bro. Philbrick and other influential Brethren, including several Grand Officers.

The usual Masonic toasts were given, and in proposing the Provincial Grand Master, the Deputy, and the Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge, the W.M. spoke with regret at the absence of the Earl of Warwick, whom he was sure all wished a pleasant voyage across the Atlantic, and speedy return to his native country.

It was very important to them as a young Lodge that they should have a good start, and this they certainly had in the manner in which the Deputy Provincial Grand Master had performed his duties. They would consider Brother Philbrick, Q.C., for all time as their sponsor, and they wished him the best of health to exercise the great influence he did over the destinies of the Craft.

Bro. Philbrick, in responding, said that he knew from correspondence he had had with the Earl of Warwick, the interest his lordship took in the formation of the Lodge, and he was sure that there would be carried out in that Lodge that which its Founders meant, and that which its name merited, namely, to become a shining light in Masonry, and an example to the Lodges of the Province.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, in submitting the health of the Worshipful Master, observed that they all knew that the Lodge was highly favoured in having Bro. Ralling as its first Master. They felt that an honour had been done to the Lodge, and an honour had been done him in selecting his name as the name which was to be inscribed on the roll of Lodges. To a certain extent their Brother had placed his reputation in the hands of the Lodge, and he need not say that they would be jealous of that reputation. Bro. Ralling's past career was a guerdon to his future success, and they all, while they felt glad to see him in that position, were proud that he reflected upon the Lodge the credit and the lustre which during so many years he had so well gained by his unfailing urbanity, by his great knowledge of Masonry, and above all by the kindness of his heart amongst the Brethren of the Province.

The Worshipful Master appropriately acknowledged the toast, which was followed by several others.

DE PERCY CHAPTER.

ON Tuesday of last week a new Royal Arch Chapter called the De Percy Chapter was, says the "Newcastle Daily Journal," consecrated in connection with the De Ogle Lodge, in the Masonic Hall, Morpeth. The ceremony was performed with great solemnity and impressiveness by Comp. Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. Bentham P.P.G.H. Prov. G.S.E., assisted by Comps. Rev. John Walker P.Z., Thomas Purvis Prov. G.D.S.E., George Spain P.P.G.H., and Jacob Barker P.Z. The Principals of the new Chapter were afterwards installed, viz.,—Comps. W. Davidson Z., John Watt H., Thos. Appleby J. The Chapter begins under the most promising auspices.

A large number of the Companions dined together at the Black Bull Inn. The chair was occupied by Comp. Davidson, and the vice-chair by Comp. Turner. An excellent dinner was served in the well-known style of the hostelry.

The Lodge of Hope, No. 302, Bradford, will complete the 100th year of its existence this month, and arrangements have been made to celebrate the Centenary in due Masonic fashion. On Sunday next a special service will, with the consent of the vicar and churchwardens, be held at the Bradford Parish Church at 10.30 a.m., when the sermon will be preached by the Rev. Brother Canon Bullock P.Prov.G. Chaplain, vicar of Holy Trinity, Leeds. It has been arranged that the Masonic Brethren shall assemble in the Masonic Hall, Rawson Square, at ten o'clock, and walk in procession to the church, wearing Masonic clothing. On Monday, the Centenary will be further celebrated at a special Lodge meeting to be held in the large hall of the Church Institute, at 4.0 p.m. After the Lodge a banquet will be served at the Great Northern Victoria Hotel, when the distinguished Masonic guests will include Brother the Right Hon. W. L. Jackson, M.P., the Prov. G.M. of West Yorkshire; the Deputy Prov. G.M. Henry Smith P.G.D., and the other Provincial Grand Officers of West Yorkshire. The Centenary celebrations are expected to mark an important epoch in the Masonic history of Bradford, and the gathering will probably be the largest yet held under the banner of any Lodge in the town.—"Yorkshire Post."

ANTIQUITY OF MASONIC REGALIA.

VERY many learned and recondite essays have been written on the antiquity of our whole Masonic system, and the rites, ceremonies and usages dependent thereupon. No archaeologist has, however, so far as we are aware, ever discussed at any length, or with any degree of research, the antiquity of Masonic clothing. Is it, indeed, ancient in its origin?

It is impossible to view any great gathering of Masons for ceremonial purposes, or for Masonic festivals, without being impressed with the elaborate gorgeousness of our varied and beautiful paraphernalia. We do not now refer to the ornate branches of our Order; we simply confine our remarks to the degrees recognised as "pure ancient Masonry." On such occasions as those to which we allude, the eye is dazzled with the brilliant sheen of jewels, embroidery, silks, golden fringes, and lace. The highest ingenuity of embroiderers and workers in the precious metals appears to have been taxed for the adornment of the persons of those who prize honour and virtue beyond the external advantages of rank and fortune.

We see no objection to this; on the contrary, there can be no reason why position and merit should not be adorned by suitable bravery of costume if desired.

Moreover, there is in all this no more than the manifestation of an inherent weakness of poor human nature which rejoices now and again in the assumption of bright colours and scintillating raiment. But, the question that arises in the mind of the reflective is, whether our paraphernalia is really ancient?

The ritual will not help us much in this. After the first exordium upon the Entered Apprentice apron (and a very impressive one it is), our ritual is altogether silent.

The Fellow Craft apron, the candidate is informed, is to mark the further progress he has made in the science; he is told no more when invested as a Master Mason, except that the badge is to remind him of a certain moral obligation. In the Royal Arch, indeed, there is more instruction. In this, as in all other respects, that supreme and beautiful degree is minute in all its details; and the postulant is informed of the precise signification of his apron and sash and their ornamentation, whilst the jewel forms the subject of a lecture in itself. However, we referred more expressly to our very highly elaborate and ornate collars and cuffs, and our much befringed aprons, with their purple environment. Are they ancient? Is our private lodge clothing ancient?

The ordinary Master Mason's apron worn by craftsmen under G. L. of N. S. W. is simply a replica of that worn by all English and Irish Master Masons. But in Scotland there is no such uniformity, and every Lodge selects its own colours; besides which the apron varies slightly in shape. So also with the Grand Lodge clothing; that of the Grand Lodge of Scotland differs materially from that of Grand Lodge of England in pattern and design, and the jewels are dissimilar in many respects.

Then, at what time were these patterns fixed upon, and when did the gold lace, embroidery, and ornamentation begin to make their appearance? We have in our possession an apron which belonged to a Brother (now many years gone over to the great majority) who wore it when the century was young. This badge consists of the plain lambskin square with a flap, and three blue rosettes—one on each lower corner and one on the flap. It is, in fact, precisely similar to an ordinary Fellow Craft apron, with the addition of a third rosette. Is it not probable that this was actually the original Master Mason's apron; and that the fringe and silk decorations were the additions of a subsequent age?

Probably many of our readers have seen a famous eighteenth century engraving, from an original picture, of Robert Burns in the Kilwinning Lodge. The poet is surrounded by a great crowd of Craftsmen, whom he so pathetically eulogised in his famous "Farewell" to the Lodge; and the picture gives us a very good idea of what such a gathering at that time must have been. But one very noteworthy feature of it is the extreme simplicity of the regalia. The Brethren wear lambskin aprons without adornment of any kind; the Master and Wardens are alone distinguished by plain collars. No vestige of jewel or blazonry of any description appears. Yet there can be no doubt that the limner faithfully portrayed the

scene he attempted to depict; and in all probability it would have served to represent hundreds of others at that period.

Whence do we derive the authority for the Past Master's breast jewel, which is so universally worn? Not from the ritual; nor yet from the Constitutions of our Order, which do not recognise anything beyond the badge worn for twelve months by the Immediate Past Master, on his broad collar. Certainly this jewel forms a convenient outlet for presentations involving a maximum of sentiment and a minimum of individual expense. We doubt, however, whether the recipients gain by this, because, formerly, before this custom, Masonic testimonials (which were matters of rare occurrence) took the form of substantial presents of plate.

We thoroughly acquiesce in the sentiment that "whatever is right." It is the fashion of the present day for Masonry to be profuse in its ornamentation, and this profusion is sanctioned by custom and authorised by our rulers in the Order. Therefore, no person can take exception to it; nor, indeed, is there any reason why anyone should. It is brilliant and becoming to most people; and it is probably also a factor in stimulating young Masons to work their way on. The latter, however, should carefully avoid the evils of what may be termed "over-dressing," and the assumption of extra Masonic badges.—"Sydney Freemason's Chronicle."

MASONRY APPRECIATED.

WHEN our fathers made long journeys to and from the Lodge, they appreciated and valued Masonry at its truest worth; the number was limited to a few choice spirits, and it was counted a very honourable thing for a man to be known in the community as a Freemason. It is not to be denied that we have not gained in proportion to our increase of numbers in the public estimation, nor has our moral strength grown with our numerical. I recollect as a youth seeing all the people uncover when the Masonic Lodge passed in procession; it was the sterling worth of the men that comprised that moving body which compelled the act of homage. If Freemasonry were to guard its doors with flaming swords and admit within its sanctuaries none but those whose characters had been established, it would not have to lament the fact that stones unfitted for the builders' use are to be found in its walls.—Frederick Speed, in "Masonic Tidings."

If the Kansas lady who has embarked upon the mission of founding an order of Freemasonry for women in America succeeds in her object, as she very probably will, we shall, no doubt, soon find the institution taking root in England also. It is not to be antagonistic to the existing male order; but the two are to co-operate for all the "wonderfully uplifting and educational" ends for which Freemasons are supposed to labour. Coming down from this transcendental plane, however, the argument of the American ladies who have joined her in the hobby is that if Freemasonry is a good thing there is no reason why women should not enjoy all the benefits of it. That will be an unanswerable argument here at home among all those members of the fair sex who are on the point of revolting, not only against their mothers, but against their husbands and society as well. Half a dozen daughters coming home from a Masonic Lodge at midnight might well upset the patience of the most long-suffering of fathers; but the latter may as well make up his mind for the inevitable in time, and the disruption of family life will be all the lighter a blow when it comes.—*Liverpool Mercury*.

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A great change has come over the relations between Freemasons and the females, and it seems they are likely, ere long, to be allowed to become members of the craft, also to be fully initiated into all the mysteries. This we shall believe when we see it being done; see them in their aprons, sitting side by side with us; till then, having no prejudice, we—er—wish—er—them all well.—*Court Journal*.

PROPOSED KENTISH TESTIMONIAL.

THE proposal which has been set on foot at the instance of the Charity Committee of the Province of Kent, to present a suitable testimonial to Bro. Alfred Spencer (ex-mayor of Maidstone), upon completion of twenty-one years of gratuitous services he has rendered to the Province, is being taken up very heartily, and is, we venture to think, a very befitting way of recognising good and faithful services to the Craft. The proposal has been placed before the Masons of Kent by Earl Amherst, chairman of the Committee, and the Countess Amherst has, we believe, consented to act as Secretary of the fund. The subscriptions from Lodges are limited to £3 3s, and from individual members £1 1s, and the result of the invitations issued will probably be the collecting of a handsome sum. The form the testimonial will take is, of course, not decided upon yet, and probably the recipient will be consulted before the Committee make any selection. The presentation is proposed to be made at the next Provincial Grand Festival, at Canterbury, in the summer.

The Province of Kent, of which Bro. Spencer is Grand Secretary, is one of the most important in the country, and comprises no fewer than 59 Lodges. This one fact will indicate the amount of work that Brother Spencer has been performing for so many years in the promotion of Freemasonry. We may say without fear of contradiction that few Masons in the county are better versed in the details of the work of the Craft than the Prov. Grand Secretary, who has always been willing to afford help and instruction to the Secretaries whenever they have required to consult him. Not only is Bro. Spencer closely connected with the Provincial work, but locally he is Treasurer of the Douglas Lodge, a P.M. of the Malling Abbey Lodge, and a subscribing member of the Robinson Lodge; while in the wider circle of Masonry he is well-known as a Past Grand Sword Bearer of England.

The position of Freemasonry in Kent may be judged from its charitable subscriptions. We learn that the amount of Masonic subscriptions to charities from the Province of Kent during the past six years amounts to £16,346 8s 6d, which does not include the dues which every subscribing member of a Lodge pays to the Grand Lodge and the Provincial Lodge charities.

This goes to prove how actively Masonry has been pursued in the Province of Kent, and particularly in the local district with which Bro. Spencer is connected. The testimonial will, we are sure, be a popularly approved one, and will do something, we should say, to further the Craft in the Province.—“Kent County Standard.”

WESTERN MASONIC ASSOCIATION.

A LARGELY-ATTENDED and widely representative meeting of the Masons of the Three Towns was held on the 27th ult., at the Masonic Club, Princess Square, Plymouth, to consider a proposal of Bro. C. G. Withell P.M. 70 Treas. 2025 Preceptor Plymouth Lodge of Instruction, to form a Western District Masonic Association. Bro. Captain G. Strode-Lowe P.G.J.W. was voted to the chair. Bro. Withell having explained his scheme, it was resolved to form an association of the W.M.'s, Wardens, and P.M.'s of the Three Towns, to be called the Western District Masonic Institution. The Officers appointed were:—Bros. Strode-Lowe President, J. R. Lord Vice-chairman, W. Allsford Treasurer, and J. Gifford Secretary. The Brethren at a previous meeting revised the laws of the Fortescue Annuity Fund, with a view to increasing its usefulness. The alterations suggested will, says the “Western Mercury,” have to be submitted to a meeting of the governors and subscribers of the Institution, and, if adopted, be confirmed by Provincial Grand Lodge.

It was decided to recommend that in the future all special general meetings of the fund shall be held alternately at Exeter and Plymouth, that two auditors shall be appointed instead of one, that donors of five guineas instead of ten guineas shall be governors, that the election of candidates on the fund shall occupy a shorter time,

and the rules be more clearly defined, and that at each election the subscribers, as well as the governors, shall be entitled to vote and to take part in the general management of the Institution.

WEST YORKSHIRE.

THE following Officers were appointed at the annual meeting of this Province, which was reported in our last issue:—

Jno. R. Armitage, J.P.	-	-	Senior Warden
Alfred Arnold, J.P.	-	-	Junior Warden
Rev. Jas. Geo. Williams	-	-	Chaplains
Rev. Thos. Michael Turnbull	-	-	Treasurer
Thomas Richards	-	-	Registrar
Thomas Brayshaw	-	-	Secretary
Herbert G. E. Green	-	-	Senior Deacons
William Colver	-	-	Junior Deacons
John Taylor Simpson	-	-	Sup. of Works
Thos. Henry Vernon	-	-	Librarian
Alfred Scarth	-	-	Dir. of Ceremonies
Wm. Edward Smithies	-	-	Deputy D.C.
Wm. Henry Bradford	-	-	Assistant D.C.
Thomas Wrigley	-	-	Sword Bearer
William Watson	-	-	Standard Bearers
John Wm. Bailey	-	-	Organist
Edward Jno. Massie	-	-	Assistant Sec.
John Dawson	-	-	Pursuivant
Howgate Holroyd	-	-	Asst. Pursuivant
Wm. Hy. Dawson	-	-	Stewards.
Henry Mitchell	-	-	
John Hy. Roper	-	-	
John Spencer	-	-	
Walter Bailey	-	-	
Joseph Matthewman	-	-	
Jno. Archibald Heastio	-	-	
James Oldroyd	-	-	
Isaac Kaberry	-	-	
Asa Fawthrop	-	-	
Fountain Read	-	-	
Frederick C. Robinson	-	-	
Joseph Hartley	-	-	
Charlesworth Goldthorpe	-	-	

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GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.**WHITSUNTIDE HOLIDAYS.**

EXCURSION TRAINS will leave PADDINGTON as under:—

FRIDAY, 11th May, 7.55 a.m.—For GLOUCESTER, Cheltenham, &c., the principal stations in South Wales, Waterford, and other stations in South of Ireland. Passengers return 19th May, except those to Ireland, who return any week-day to 26th May inclusive.

SATURDAY, 12th May, 7.55 a.m.—For Weston-Super-Mare, Barnstaple, ILFRACOMBE, EXETER, Torquay, PLYMOUTH, Falmouth, Penzance, &c., returning 19th May.

9.5 a.m. for NEWBURY, Marlborough, Devizes, Frome, Yeovil, DORCHESTER, WEYMOUTH, &c., returning 19th May. Passengers will be booked to Guernsey and Jersey by any ordinary train. Return tickets, available for 14 days, 25/-.

11.10 a.m.—For SHREWSBURY, Hereford, Manchester, Chester, Birkenhead, Liverpool, &c., to return 14th or 17th May, also for Cheltenham, Worcester, Malvern, &c., returning 17th May.

12.5 p.m.—For Bridgwater, Taunton, Minehead, Barnstaple, &c., returning 19th May.

12.35 and 5.50 p.m.—For BATH, BRISTOL, &c., returning 14th, 15th or 19th May.

6.55 p.m.—For OXFORD, Leamington, Birmingham, Wolverhampton, &c., returning 14th or 17th May.

WHIT SUNDAY, 8.20 a.m.—For Swindon, Stroud, GLOUCESTER, Cheltenham, &c., returning same day or 14th or 19th May.

WHIT SUNDAY, 12.0 midnight.—For OXFORD, Leamington, BIRMINGHAM, Wolverhampton, &c., returning 14th or 17th May.

WHIT MONDAY, at 6.5 a.m.—For Swindon, Stroud, GLOUCESTER, Cheltenham, &c., returning same day or 19th May.

6.15 a.m.—For BATH, BRISTOL, &c., to return same day or 15th or 19th May.

7.40 a.m.—For READING, Newbury, Hungerford, Pangbourne, Didcot, &c., to return same day.

CHEAP THIRD CLASS RETURN TICKETS are issued by certain trains to Windsor 2/6, Maidenhead 3/6, Henley 3/6, Goring 6/6, &c.

Pamphlets can be obtained at the Company's Stations and Offices. Tickets are issued at the following Receiving Offices: 193 and 407 Oxford Street; 181 Tottenham Court Road, W.: 23 New Oxford Street; Cambridge Circus, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.C.; "The Piazza," Covent Garden; 269 Strand; 26 Regent Street, Piccadilly Circus; 29 Charing Cross; 17 Brompton Road; Holborn Circus; Minories (opposite Goodman's Yard); 5 Arthur Street East, London Bridge, E.C.; 82 Queen Victoria Street; 67 Gresham Street; 4 Cheapside; and at the L.B. and S.C. Company's Excursion Office (under Grand Hotel), Trafalgar Square.

HY. LAMBERT, General Manager.

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LONDON & NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY.**WHITSUNTIDE HOLIDAYS.**

TICKETS for all principal places on the London and North Western system, available from either Euston or Kensington (Addison Road), and dated to suit the convenience of Passengers, can be obtained at the Spread Eagle Office, Piccadilly Circus, and other principal Town Receiving Offices of the Company, and at Messrs. Gaze & Sons' Offices, 142 Strand, W.C., and 4 Northumberland Avenue, as well as at the Railway Stations. On Friday, 11th May, a Special Train will leave Euston Station at 6.25 p.m. for Holyhead and Ireland. On Saturday, 12th May, a Special Express Train will leave Euston Station at 4.25 p.m. for Birmingham, calling at Willesden Junction and Coventry only. Special Express Trains will also leave Birmingham (New Street) on this date at 2.8 p.m. and 4.8 p.m. for Coventry, Rugby, and Northampton; the ordinary trains leaving Birmingham at 2.0 p.m. and 4.0 p.m. will not convey Passengers to these places. A special Express will leave Willesden at 2.57 p.m. for Bletchley, Wolverton, Blisworth, Weedon, Rugby, principal Trent Valley Stations, and Stafford. On Whit Monday, 14th May, the 4.30 p.m. train from Euston will not be run; Passengers will be conveyed by the 5.0 p.m. train, except those for Peterboro' Line, Market Harboro', Melton Mowbray, Nottingham, and the G.N. Line, who must on this date travel by the 3.15 p.m. train from Euston. Numerous residential trains will not be run.

For full particulars see Special Notices issued by the Company.

WHITSUNTIDE EXCURSIONS.

CHEAP Excursions will be run from London (Euston), Broad St., Mansion House, Kensington (Addison Road), Willesden Junction, &c., as follows:—

On Thursday, 10th May.

To Dublin, Limerick, Cork, Killarney, Roscommon, Galway, Sligo, &c., for 16 days.

On Friday, 11th May.

To Belfast, Londonderry, and Portrush (for Giant's Causeway), via Holyhead and Greenore, via Carlisle, Stranraer and Larne, or via Holyhead and Dublin, for 15 days.

On Friday Night, 11th May.

To Holyhead, North and South Wales, Chester, Shrewsbury, Blackburn, Bolton, Southport, Wigan, Crewe, Nantwich, Stafford, Stoke, Macclesfield, Batley, Dewsbury, Huddersfield, Bradford, Halifax, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Oldham, Stockport, Warrington, Buxton, Oswestry, Newtown, Llanidloes, Preston, Blackpool, Lancaster, Morecambe, Carnforth, Carlisle, the English Lake District, etc., for 3 and 6 days.

To Abergavenny, Dowlais, Merthyr, Tredegar, Builth Wells, Brecon, Rhayader, Swansea, Llandilo, Carmarthen, etc., for 8 days.

To Carlisle, Dumfries, Stranraer, Newton Stewart, Wigtown, Whithorn, Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbright, Edinburgh, and Glasgow, for 4 or 8 days.

On Saturday, 12th May.

To Belfast, Londonderry, and Portrush (for Giant's Causeway), via Fleetwood, or via Liverpool, for 15 days.

To Birmingham, Coventry, Leamington, Kenilworth, Warwick, Dudley, Dudley Port, Walsall, Wednesbury, Wolverhampton, Lichfield, Tamworth, Leicester, Nuneaton, Rugby, Leek, Harecastle, Burslem, Hanley, Etruria, Ashbourne, Uttoxeter, Longport, Stone, Dolgelly, Barmouth, Aberystwyth, Towyn, Aberdovey, etc., for 3 and 6 days.

On Whit Monday, 14th May.

To Birmingham, Coventry, Leamington, Kenilworth, Warwick, Dudley, Dudley Port, Walsall, Wednesbury, and Wolverhampton, for 1 and 3 days.

For times, fares, and full particulars see small bills, which can be obtained at the Company's Stations and Town Parcels Receiving Offices.

FRED HARRISON, General Manager.

London, May 1894.

HOTELS, ETC.

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EALING—Feathers Hotel.

EASTBOURNE—Pier Hotel, Cavendish Place. View of Sea and Pier. A. TAYLOR, Proprietor.

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MIDLAND RAILWAY.

WHITSUNTIDE EXCURSIONS

From St. Pancras and City Stations.

IRELAND.

THURSDAY, 10th May, to DUBLIN, via Liverpool.

FRIDAY, 11th May, to DUBLIN, via Morecambe.

SATURDAY, 12th May, to BELFAST, LONDONDERRY, &c., via Barrow, also to LONDONDERRY, via Morecambe, returning within 16 days.

GENERAL EXCURSIONS, SATURDAY, 12th May.

To LEICESTER, BIRMINGHAM, NOTTINGHAM, Derby, Newark, Lincoln, Burton, Staffordshire Potteries, &c., MATLOCK, BUXTON, MANCHESTER, LIVERPOOL, Bolton, BLACKBURN, Bury, ROCHDALE, Oldham, Barnsley, Wakefield, LEEDS, BRADFORD, YORK, HULL, SCARBOROUGH, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, Lancaster, MORECAMBE, LAKE DISTRICT, and Carlisle. Returning 14th or 17th May. See Bills for times.

SCOTLAND, 12th May.

To EDINBORO', GLASGOW, Greenock, Helensburgh, Ayr, Kilmarnock, etc., for 3 or 7 days, leaving St. Pancras at 7.55 p.m.

WHIT-MONDAY, 14th May.

To BIRMINGHAM for 1 or 4 days and KETTERING for 1 day, leaving St. Pancras at 6.35 a.m.; to St. ALBANS, HARPENDEN, and LUTON (Day trip), leaving St. Pancras at 10.10 a.m., 11.0 a.m. and 1.0 p.m., and to BEDFORD (Day trip), at 10.10 a.m.

FRIDAY, 19th May.

To MANCHESTER (for the Races), leaving St. Pancras at 12.5 a.m., and Kentish Town at 12.10 a.m.

EARLY ISSUE OF TICKETS.

TICKETS and BILLS may be had at the MIDLAND STATIONS and City Booking Offices, which will be open for the issue of tickets all day on Friday and Saturday, 11th and 12th May, including 445 West Strand; 5 Charing Cross (corner of Northumberland Avenue); 1 Shaftesbury Avenue, Piccadilly Circus; 33 Cannon Street; 495 Oxford Street; 13 Aldersgate Street, &c., &c.; and from THOS. COOK and SON, Ludgate Circus; 99 Gracechurch Street; 33 Piccadilly; 82 Oxford Street; and front of St. Pancras Station, Euston Road.

GEO. H. TURNER, General Manager.

Derby, May 1894.

The Theatres, &c.

Drury Lane.—8.30, Gentleman Jack. Tuesday morning, Maritana. Thursday morning, Cavalleria Rusticana.
Trafalgar.—8.15, Go-Bang. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Lyceum.—8, Faust. Matinée, Saturday, 2.
Lyric.—7.40, Weatherwise. 8.15, Little Christopher Columbus. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30. Other afternoons, at 2.45, The Little Squire.
Garrick.—8.15, Mrs. Lessingham.
St. James's.—8.15, The Masqueraders. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Savoy.—8.15, Utopia Limited. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Comedy.—8.10, Frou-Frou.
Adelphi.—7.55, The Cotton King.
Gaiety.—8, Second Edition of Don Juan, with Tableaux. Matinée, Saturday, 2.
Prince of Wales's.—8.15, A Gaiety Girl. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Daly's.—8, As You Like it. On Monday, La Dame aux Camelias.
Vaudeville.—8.20, The Gentleman Whip. 9, The New Boy.
Terry's.—8.15, King Kodak. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Globe.—8, In the Eyes of the World. 9, Charley's Aunt. Matinée, Saturday, 3.
Haymarket.—8.15, A Bunch of Violets. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Toole's.—8, Hester's Mystery. 8.50, The Best Man. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Avenue.—8.10, The Land of Heart's desire. 8.50, Arms and the Man.
Strand.—8.0, Best Man Wins. 8.30, Jaunty Jane Shore. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.30.
Criterion.—8.30, Mrs. Hilary Regrets. 9.0, An Aristocratic Alliance. Matinée, Saturday, 3.
Alhambra.—8, Variety Entertainment. 9.30, The New Victoria Cross. 10.30, The Revolt of the Daughters.
Palace.—8, Variety Entertainment, Ballets, &c.
Empire.—7.45, Variety Entertainment, two Grand Ballets, &c.
Oxford.—7.30, Variety Entertainment. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Crystal Palace.—Varied attractions daily.
Egyptian Hall.—3 and 8, Messrs. Maskelyne and Cooke's Entertainment.
Royal.—7.30, Variety Company. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
London.—Variety Entertainment, every evening.
Madame Tussaud's (Baker Street).—Open daily.
Royal Aquarium.—Open at 10; close at 11.30. Constant round of Amusement.
St. James's Hall.—Moore and Burgess Minstrels, at 8. Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday, 2.30 also.
Olympia.—Open at 12 and 6, Constantinople. Grand spectacle at 2.15 and 8.15.

LONDON, CHATHAM, & DOVER RAILWAY.

WHITSUNTIDE HOLIDAYS ON THE CONTINENT.

SPECIAL EXCURSION RETURN TICKETS

FROM

VICTORIA (L.C.D.) and HOLBORN, and other LONDON Stations

TO

PARIS, via Dover and Calais, 37s 6d (2nd class), 30s (3rd class), at 8.10 p.m. each day, from 9th to 14th May (valid 14 days).

ANTWERP, via Queenboro' and Flushing, 30s (1st class), 20s (2nd class), daily at 8.25 a.m., also Fridays and Sundays 8.30 p.m. (valid 30 days).

BRUSSELS, via Dover and Calais, 54s (1st class), 40s 6d (2nd class), 8.0 a.m. and 8.10 p.m. each day from 10th to 14th May; also 3rd class by 8.10 p.m., 25s 9d (valid 8 days).

BRUSSELS, via Dover and Ostend, 40s 7d (1st class), 30s 1d (2nd class), 8.0 a.m., 5.25 (not Suns.) and 8.10 p.m. each day, from 10th to 14th May; also 3rd class by 8.10 p.m., 19s 11d (valid 8 days).

CALAIS, Saturday to Monday, 22s (1st class), 13s 6d (3rd class), at 8.0 a.m. on Saturday, 12th May, returning from Calais at 1.30 a.m., on Tuesday, 15th May.

HOLLAND, via Queenboro' and Flushing, Eight-day Return Tickets at greatly reduced rates, by 8.25 a.m. service each day, 9th to 14th May, to Amsterdam, Arnheim, The Hague, Rotterdam, and Utrecht.

OSTEND, 32s 6d (1st class), 25s 6d (2nd class), 8.0 a.m., 5.25 p.m. (not Suns.) and 8.10 p.m. each day, from 10th to 14th May (valid 8 days).

For full details, see Special Handbills.

CHEAP DAY EXCURSIONS

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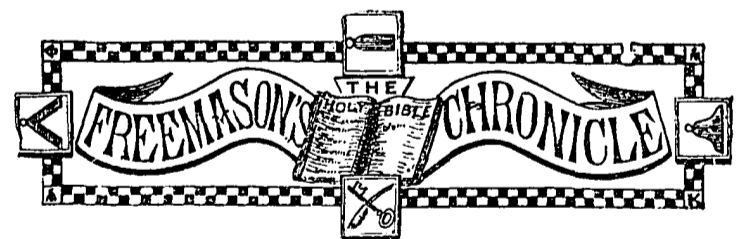
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Handbills free by post on application to L. C. and D. Ry., Victoria, and Messrs. Cook, Ludgate Circus, and 33 Piccadilly, &c.



SATURDAY, 5TH MAY 1894.

On Tuesday next a paper on Freemasonry in Architecture will be read before the Society of Architects at St. James's Hall, Piccadilly, by Mr. D. F. Ranking, M.A., LL.D., illustrated with lime-light views. Freemasons may obtain tickets from the Society's Secretary.

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We are glad to be enabled to state that consequent upon the number of initiations which are due in connection with the Ardwick Lodge, No. 2185, it will be necessary to hold an emergency meeting, which will take place at the Lodge house (Clarence Hotel, Manchester), on Monday next. The extraordinary increase in numbers which is announced for that occasion, is due to two causes, viz., the change in situation of the Lodge, and the undoubted satisfaction which Bro. Braun the host has given, by his attention to the wants of the Brethren.

REPORTS OF MEETINGS.

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MARK MASONRY.

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CORNUBIAN LODGE, No. 87.

A PAST MASTER'S jewel was recently presented to Bro. J. G. Osborn P.M. Treas. P. Provincial J.G.D., at the Masonic Temple, Hayle. Bro. Viall W.M. presided.

Bro. Frank Harvey P.M. P.Prov. S.G.W., who was to have performed the ceremony of presentation, wrote regretting his inability to attend and testifying from long experience to the worth of Bro. Osborn as a man and a Mason.

Bro. Baker accordingly made the presentation. In doing so he testified to the great services rendered to Masonry by Bro. Osborn, of whom he spoke as "a consistent and persistent Mason, a Brother right, straight and true, morally, socially, and intellectually." The jewel, Bro. Baker continued, was a very handsome one, but not too handsome for the occasion. It was one of which anybody might be proud, and yet Bro. Osborn was worthy of a much better one. The jewel bears the following inscription.—

Presented to

Bro. J. C. OSBORN P.M. Treasurer, by the
Cornubian M.M.M. Lodge,

as a mark of their esteem for his valuable services.

A sumptuous supper was laid in the banqueting hall, to which the Brethren, members, and visitors sat down.

After the usual toasts had been honoured, Bro. G. Stevens I.P.M. proposed long life, health, and prosperity to Bro. Osborn, to whose merits he testified in suitable terms.

Bro. Osborn, in returning thanks, said he had spoken on many occasions, but never with more feeling than on the present. When he looked at their beautiful gift he felt he did not deserve it. It was one which he would always show with pride. Any little services he had performed were rendered as a labour of love. In the course of a very interesting speech, Bro. Osborn mentioned that he had been advanced in the year 1870 at Fortitude Lodge, No. 78, in Truro, by no less a personage than Bro. Hughan. In 1880 he was elected W.M. of Cornubian, No. 87. In 1882, when still W.M., there were ten candidates advanced. In 1884 he was elected Treasurer, and continued such ever since. The kindness of the Brethren he would never forget. He intended to work for Mark Masonry in the future as he had done in the past, and while he was able to do any business at all for No. 87, they would always find him in his place.

The Brethren, who responded to the other toasts, one and all testified to their esteem and regard for Bro. Osborn, and their satisfaction at his merits being so suitably recognised.

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BOSCAWEN LODGE, No. 101.

AT the annual meeting, held at the Masonic Rooms, St. Day, on Tuesday, the 17th ult., Bro. George Simmins J.W. P.P.G.J.D. was unanimously elected W.M. for the coming year. Bro. W. A. Bennett P.M. P.P.G.I. of Wks. was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. J. Paull Tyler. The installation will take place at the Masonic Rooms, Chacewater, in June, and the annual banquet will be held at St. Day, in August.

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UNION LODGE, No. 124.

THE annual meeting was held at the Masonic Hall, Park Terrace, Sunderland, on Thursday, the 26th ult. The W.M. Bro. F. S. Cowper P.G.S.D. presided.

The W.M.-elect Bro. Jno. Scarborough S.W. was presented by Bro. F. Maddison P.M. D.C., and was installed by the retiring W.M.

A letter of condolence had been sent and a reply received from the widow of the late Robt. Kinmond P.M. and it was agreed, on the motion of Bro. Fred Maddison P.M. that letters of condolence be sent to the relatives of the late Bro. Benjamin Levy P.M. and Bro. Wm. Liddell P.M., whose services to the Craft were feelingly alluded to.

The Brethren afterwards sat down to dinner in the banqueting hall.

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FIDELITY AND UNANIMITY LODGE, No. 348.

THE festival in connection with this Lodge was celebrated on Tuesday, the 24th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Taunton, when Bro. F. B. Wickenden S.W. was duly installed Master for the ensuing year.

The ceremony was impressively performed by Bro. R. C. Else the Provincial Grand Mark Master for Somerset; and the newly-installed Master afterwards appointed and invested the Officers.

After the ceremony the Brethren sat down to dinner under the presidency of Bro. F. B. Wickenden, and there was a large gathering of Brethren and visitors to welcome him on the occasion.

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GLOUCESTER LODGE, No. 439.

THE third Installation Festival was held at the Masonic Hall, Bell Hotel, Gloucester, on the 19th ult., when Bro. A. V. Hatton was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony being ably performed by Bro. S. Moss P.G.J.W., assisted by Bro. W. C. Ferris P.P.G.M.O. The W.M. invested the Officers.

It was the intention of the Prov. G. Master, Bro. R. V. Vassar-Smith, to have performed the ceremony of installation, but owing to ill-health he was unable to be present.

After the Lodge business the Brethren sat down to a banquet, which was excellently served, and reflected the highest credit upon the catering of the manageress (Miss Grimsted).

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ROYAL ARK MARINERS.

THE annual meeting and installation of the St. John's Lodge of Ark Mariners, No. 28, attached to the Langley Lodge of Mark Masters, took place on Wednesday, 18th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Working Street, Cardiff. The Worshipful Com.-elect, Bro. Henry Frazer P.P.G.S. Works, was installed into the chair of N. by Bro. John Sheridan P.P.G.S.W. The retiring and Installing Commander Bro. John Sheridan was presented by Bro. N. D. Marks, on behalf of the Brethren, with a magnificent Past Commander's jewel, in recognition of the valuable services he had rendered the Lodge since its resuscitation three years ago.

This Ark Mariner's Lodge, says the "Western Mail," is the only one of the degree in the Principality, and was founded in 1874, but had remained in abeyance for seventeen years. Since its re-opening in 1891 by the Grand Master's Royal Ark Council, it has had an unexampled degree of prosperity, and numbers now upwards of 100 members.

After labour, the Brethren adjourned to banquet, provided by Bro. Dunn in his best style, at which the W. Com. Bro. Frazer, presided. The usual toasts were honoured.

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CRAFT: METROPOLITAN.

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DORIC LODGE, No. 933.

THE regular meeting was held on the 10th inst., at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, Bro. W. A. Moss W.M. presiding. Lodge was opened, and after formal business, closed and adjourned until October.

The Brethren subsequently sat down to an excellent supper, after which the usual toasts were honoured, a pleasant evening being spent, with the assistance of Bros. Cates, Calver, Cullen, Heavens, and Scott, who contributed songs and recitation.

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JOHN HERVEY LODGE, No. 1260.

THE installation meeting took place on Wednesday, the 11th ult., at Freemasons' Tavern, when about eighty Brethren assembled. Bro. Varley the outgoing W.M. installed Bro. E. G. Packman, Bro. Major Heaton being D.C. The charges were faultlessly delivered by Bro. J. B. Sorrel P.M. the Treasurer of the Lodge.

Mr. Ernest A. R. Adams, second officer and comptroller to the Shoreditch Vestry, is, says the "Hackney Mercury," one of the latest additions to this Lodge, having been regularly initiated therein.

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ST. JOHN LODGE, No. 1306.

THE installation meeting was held on the 12th ult., at the Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate, Bro. A. F. C. Dickson W.M. Lodge being opened, a ballot was taken for Mr. F. W. Perry, which proved unanimous in his favour, and that gentleman being in attendance, was duly initiated. The W.M. next raised Bros. Austin and Imber. The Auditors' report was presented, which showed that the Lodge funds were in a highly satisfactory condition, there being a balance at the bankers of three figures, and all liabilities discharged.

The W.M. now vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Oxley P.M., and Bro. C. Dawe S.W. being presented, was very ably installed into the chair for the ensuing year, and appointed his Officers.

Bro. J. G. Twinn P.M. and Secretary was appointed to represent the Lodge at the Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and a sum of ten guineas voted from the funds to be placed upon his list. All Masonic business being ended, the Lodge was closed, and the Brethren withdrew to another apartment and dined together.

In proposing the toast of the I.P.M. the W.M. mentioned how efficiently Bro. Dickson had performed his duties during his year of office.

Bro. Dickson, in response, thanked the Brethren for the kindly feeling expressed towards him, and also for the handsome jewel which they had been pleased to present him with, and said the welfare of the Lodge of St. John would always be his study.

A cordial welcome was extended to the Visitors, a number of whom responded, speaking in high praise of the way they had been entertained, and the good working in the Lodge.

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GALLERY LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 1928.

THE usual bi-monthly meeting was held at the Press Club, on the 18th ult., Bro. J. C. Manning W.M. Gallery Lodge in the chair, G. E. Saunders P.M. No. 1257 S.W., P. W. Husk J.W., Tarran S.D., C. Basil Cooke I.G., Hurdell acting Preceptor. The third degree was rehearsed, Bro. Lane acting candidate. Bro. Saunders was elected W.M. to preside at the next meeting. This Lodge of Instruction is held on the first and third Wednesday in each month, and, having its meetings at the Press Club, is found to be a great convenience to journalists seeking Masonic improvement.

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INTEGRITY LODGE, No. 163.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Manchester, on Wednesday, the 25th ult., there being present:—J. M. H. Blamey W.M., T. H. Scholfield I.P.M., J. Wildgoose P.M. P.P.G.D., John Studd P.M. P.P.G.D.C., H. H. Warburton P.M., B. Williams P.M., Richard Simister P.M., R. Alfred Hepworth S.W., Saml. Gaskill J.W., J. M. Sinclair P.M. P.P.J.G.D. Treas., Jos. Clemmy Secretary, H. A. Owles S.D., Fred Walmsley J.D., John Allen I.G., Edward Roberts P.M. Asst. Prov. G.T. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE); J. H. Studd, Robt. Race, Isaac Tayler, W. Pearson, Arthur Nield, J. G. Mead, E. Buzzard, H. R. Yates, Jno. Thornton, A. Dunn, B. Eastwood, C. Slee, F. Nield, John Bolton, T. B. Bolton, Wm. Morton, A. Willing. Among the Visitors were Bros. W. Campbell Prov. A.G.D.C. 1357, W. Wildgoose P.P.G. Treas. 941, Wm. Baynes P.P.G.C. 1061, W. Dale W.M. 941, H. J. Owen W.M. 2447, Rev. F. H. Mentha Chaplain 1357, Th. Fennell P.M. 941, J. T. Appleby P.M. 941, Wm. Bagot P.M. 1061, A. Hall P.M. 1061, S. Kelly P.M. 645, Nathan Heywood 44, J. T. Whittle 1219, G. Bell and W. Forrest 1588, R. E. Stringleman 2231, G. Brierley 2482.

After the minutes had been confirmed a successful ballot was taken for Bro. Jas. W. Shaw Duchess of York Lodge, No. 2482, who thus became a Joining Member. Following this, Bro. Robert Race and Thomas Boardman Bolton, who expressed their wish to become Master Masons, were questioned and duly raised. The first ceremony was performed by Bro. Wildgoose P.M., and the second by Bro. Sinclair P.M., the latter presenting and explaining the working tools in both instances.

At the festive board, the Worshipful Master proposed the health of the newly-raised Brethren, which received suitable responses from the candidates, Bro. Race being particularly happy in his reply. He said that at the risk of being considered premature and having attributed to him by older Masons the impetuosity of youth and inexperience, he did not hesitate to say that he was proud that evening of being a member of this noblest of Brotherhoods. He felt particularly happy in having made his entrance through the medium of such an excellent Lodge as Integrity. He would not readily forget that when he entered that building two months ago, for the purpose of initiation, the Worshipful Master lost no time in seeking out his fellow-initiate (Bro. Bolton) and himself, in order to give them the right hand of good fellowship and a hearty Masonic welcome. And as time had passed on he had not failed to note that no pains had been spared to make them comfortable in the Lodge, every Brother showing kindness and good feeling towards them. Taken in conjunction with such treatment, the toast they had just proposed, although a stereotyped part of the evening's proceedings, lost all its formality, and he would not be acting as a true Mason were he content with merely returning formal thanks, while he neglected to express his deep sense of their kindness. He had already seen much good in Masonry, and he was convinced that if it did not make a better man of him, the fault would lie with the Man and not with the Craft. But he trusted that with the blessing and aid of the Great Architect of the Universe, he might, as time went on, make such good progress, both in the Masonic art and in general uprightness of life, that they might not merely be satisfied with him as a member of that Lodge, but might become as proud of him as he was of them.

The above remarks were received with the warmest indications of pleasure from all who were assembled in the room.

Bro. John Studd P.M. proposed the toast of the Worshipful Master, saying that Bro. Blamey would have taken his part in the ceremonial of the evening but for a bereavement which had unfitted him for the task.

Bro. Blamey in reply said that under the circumstances he had scarcely expected to have been called upon, but Bro. Wildgoose, in an insinuating manner had gained possession of the gavel and had passed it over to Bro. Studd, who had taken the opportunity of proposing his health. He assured his auditors that this, his year of Mastership, was the proudest of his life. He praised the Officers for the manner in which they had performed their tasks, and sincerely hoped there would be more initiations for them to take part in.

Songs, recitations, etc., were given by Bros. Owles, Gaskill, John Studd P.M., B. Williams, Morton, Mentha, Roberts, Slee, and Taylor, a very pleasant evening being spent.

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FAITH LODGE, No. 581.

THE regular meeting was held at the Gransmoor Hotel, Openshaw, on Wednesday, the 18th ult. There were present: Bros. Henry B. Brown W.M., G. H. Barnes I.P.M., H. J. Harrison S.W., Joseph Lever J.W., W. Jones S.D., Robert Adshead J.D., G. H. Scott I.G., J. C. Brown Treasurer, J. M. Frost Secretary, B. Swift P.M., William Kay P.M., Edward Roberts P.M. Asst. Prov. G.T. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE), James Robinson P.M., John Chadderton, Samuel Andrew, Joseph Harrison, Harry Crellin, Charles H. Griffiths, Stephen J. Watson, Dr. Edwin E. Jones, J. T. Moorhouse, J. G. Hewson, W. W. McLeod, W. B. Gleave.

After the reading and confirmation of minutes, a ballot was successfully taken for Mr. Jabez Hibbs, Music dealer, Openshaw, who was afterwards initiated by the W.M., the working tools being presented and explained by Bro. Harrison S.W. Bro. Stephen Watson was then questioned as to his proficiency in the former degree, and having answered satisfactorily he was passed, this ceremony being also undertaken by the W.M. In this instance, Bro. Lever J.W. explained the working tools.

At the festive board which followed, Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, that of the newly-initiated Brother being proposed

by the W.M., who stated that Bro. Hibbs would not be likely to forget this day in 1894, and if he had any faults at all, the ceremony through which he had passed might induce him to mend his ways. He concluded by welcoming him most cordially amongst them.

Bro. Hibbs, in response, said that he was unaware until that moment that he would be called upon to make a speech, assuring them that it was quite an ordeal for him to pass through. He characterised what little he had seen of Freemasonry as good, and calculated to bring individuals in unity together. As he progressed, he hoped to understand its best points, and sincerely trusted that it might be in his power to do something to promote the interests of the Lodge.

Bro. Swift proposed the health of the W.M., saying although this was a stale toast, it would be impossible to overrate the merits of Bro. Brown, nor would he personally tire of extolling his good qualities. Bro. Swift reverted to the social meeting recently held, stating that the ladies were unanimous in declaring that they had enjoyed themselves, and were wishful for a repetition of the pleasure. With regard to the ceremonies of that evening, the W.M. had performed them in a manner which not only reflected credit upon himself, but upon the Lodge.

Bro. Brown, in reply, said that it gave him much pleasure, although it was a difficult task, to respond to such flattering remarks as those just uttered. He was glad to say that at the present time he was in better health than he had been during the year. At one time he feared that he would be obliged to relinquish the social part of their meetings, but happily his medical adviser had kept him up. He assured Bro. Swift that the ladies would have an early opportunity of joining the Brethren, this time in connection with a picnic, which was being organised.

Some most enjoyable songs and sketches were given by Bros. Crellin, Hewson, Moorhouse, Roberts, Harrison, and Griffiths. Bro. E. E. Jones presided at the piano.

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EGERTON LODGE, No. 1030.

THE regular meeting was held at the George Hotel, Heaton Norris, on Monday, the 16th ult., Bro. Henry Wilson W.M. There were also present:—Bros. G. B. Goodfellow S.W., Henry Smith P.M. P.P.J.G.D. Treas., Thos. Knott I.P.M. Secy., Jas. W. Abbott P.M. P.P.G.D.C., E. G. Lingard P.M. P.P.G.W., Wm. A. Vaughan P.M., Geo. Lingard Vaughan P.M., Edward Roberts P.M. Asst. Prov. G.T. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE), H. G. Fisher, T. B. Brooks, Geo. Ed. Wright, Dr. Wm. B. Bale, Dr. Frank C. Rogers. Visitors:—Bros. Chas. W. Southwell W.M. 1009, J. Bell P.M. Secy. 104; J. S. Hargreaves 1357, Cuthbert Blacow 2156.

After the confirmation of minutes, Bros. T. B. Brooks and F. C. Rogers, who had expressed their desire to make further advances into Freemasonry, were duly questioned as to their proficiency, the former with regard to the first degree, and the latter with regard to the second. Bro. Brooks was afterwards advanced as a F.C., and Bro. Rogers as a M.M., both ceremonies being performed by the W.M. The working tools were presented and explained by Bro. Goodfellow S.W. The usual festive board followed.

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SYKES LODGE, No. 1040.

BRO. J. KIRBY W.M. installed Bro. G. W. T. Purchas, M.A., P.P.G.C. at the last meeting, held at the Masonic Hall, Driffild. The new Master invested the Officers for the ensuing year.

The Brethren afterwards had tea together at the Buck Hotel, the excellent repast being provided by Bro. John Holtby.

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FRATERNITY LODGE, No. 1418.

THE annual festival was celebrated at the Masonic Hall, Stockton, on the 26th ult., when Bro. Charles W. Anderson S.W. was installed as Master for the ensuing year. To witness the ceremonial, which was admirably conducted by Bro. Will Hutchinson (the retiring Worshipful Master) and Bro. W. J. Watson P.M. P.P.J.G.D., there was a large assemblage of Brethren, not only of the town and locality, but from Lodges ranging from Newcastle to Hull. The Board of Installing Masters numbered no fewer than twenty-seven, of whom sixteen held high Provincial honours in the Provinces of Durham or Northumberland, or North and East Yorkshire. The beauty of the ceremony was materially enhanced by the excellence of the musical accompaniments, Bro. Tweedy, Fraternity, Bro. Biddlecombe, Tees, and Bro. Readman, Whitwell, respectively presiding at the organ, and Bro. Dunstan, of Middlesborough, rendering a solo with exceptional sympathy.

Having been duly installed, the Worshipful Master appointed and invested the Officers.

Bro. Past Master W. J. Watson then, on behalf of the Lodge, presented Bro. Will Hutchinson with a finely framed address of thanks for his services during the past year, and the gift having been appropriately acknowledged, the Worshipful Master, feelingly alluding to the illness of Bro. T. Bowman P.M. and his valued work in connection with the Craft, moved a vote of sympathy with him, which being seconded by Bro. S. E. Thorold P.M., was passed unanimously.

General and cordial felicitations having been expressed to the Worshipful Master, the Lodge was closed in due form, and afterwards the Brethren, with numerous later arrivals, dined together in the Banqueting Hall.

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URMSTON LODGE, No. 1730.

AT the last meeting of this Lodge there were present: Bro. W. H. Jolliffe W.M., John Walton jun. J.W., Edwd. Lewis

Littler P.M. P.P.G.P. Treas., Geo. R. Lloyd P.M. Prov. Gr. Treas. Secretary, Walter Bowers S.D., Geo. G. Mends J.D., J. Bowers P.M. Org., Jas. Ormrod I.G., J. Hardwicke Marsh I.P.M., R. Swindells P.M., J. Milton P.M., Edwd. Roberts P.M. Asst. Prov. G.T. (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE), J. Artingstall, G. G. R. Mends, James Plowman, W. Kirk, E. W. Barratt, W. H. Ashworth, Hedley Jones, Thos. French, Arthur Hawkins, Geo. Stott. Visitors: Bros. W. Pearson W.M. Victoria 1345, Wm. B. Midgley S.W. Concord 1534, Wm. F. Farrington P.M. Avon 1633, U. L. Desai, L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S., St. Stephen 145 (Edinburgh).

Bros. William H. Ashworth and Edwd. W. Barratt were raised to the sublime degree, the work being undertaken by Bros. Lloyd and the W.M. respectively. Bro. Littler explained the working tools.

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ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 2025.

THE annual meeting was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth, on Tuesday, the 24th ult., for the purpose of installing Bro. T. J. Cole S.W. as W.M. for the year. There was a large attendance of Brethren. The installing Officers were Bros. C. F. Matthison (the retiring W.M.), J. Gifford P.P.G.D.C., G. R. Barrett P.P.G.D., Jas. Griffin P.P.G.S.D., C. G. Withell, F. Crouch, and John Griffin, who were supported by a large board of installed Masters.

At the close of the installation ceremony, which was very impressively carried out, the W.M. invested his Officers.

The accounts showed that the Lodge was, financially, in a highly satisfactory state, there being a balance to its credit of over £150—an increase of £30 during the year. At the close of the Lodge business the Brethren adjourned to the dining-hall, where the annual banquet was held. Over eighty Brethren were present, and a very pleasant evening was passed.

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BEAUMONT LODGE, No. 2035.

THE Members recently dined together in the Masonic Hall, Kirkburton, on the invitation of Bro. Dr. Lownds, who is leaving the town.

The health of Bro. Lownds was drunk on the proposition of Bro. Collins, in a hearty manner, amongst great expressions of regret on his severing his connection with Kirkburton, where he has established himself with great success and become most popular. Bro. Lownds replied to the toast in a feeling manner, stating that nothing but the sickness of his family would have induced him to leave Kirkburton, where he had made a large number of friends, and none more so than the Brethren of Beaumont Lodge, whom he had always met with the greatest pleasure, and he hoped in the future to have many opportunities of coming amongst them again. Other toasts followed, and a pleasant evening was spent.

The members held their annual social gathering in the Masonic Hall the next evening, when there was a brilliant gathering. Dancing commenced at 8.30, and was kept up with great spirit until the early hours of the morning, to the intense enjoyment of everyone present. Mr. Wigglesworth, Huddersfield, supplied the musical part of the entertainment in his usual well-known style, and Mr. J. Lodge made an excellent M.C. During the evening Miss Gelder, Miss Midgley, and Miss Bradbury sang several vocal pieces in a very pleasing manner.

The usual children's party was held the following afternoon, when about seventy children and adults were present. After tea the youngsters, as well as the upgrown people, spent an enjoyable evening in dancing and games. Mr. Charles Shaw, for Mr. Manley, optician, Huddersfield, gave an exhibition by limelight of funny pictures, which pleased the whole company very much.

Altogether both the ball and the children's party have been the most successful held in Kirkburton.

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CONSTANCE LODGE, No. 2135.

THE eighth anniversary was celebrated on the 18th ult., in the Masonic Hall, Consett, when about fifty members of the Lodge and visiting Brethren were present.

Bro. G. T. Hyden S.W. was installed Master for the ensuing year, the ceremony being ably performed by Bro. Geo. J. Christopher P.M., assisted by Bro. N. Elsdon P.M., and Bro. W. I. Mackay I.P.M.

Afterwards, the festival of St. John the Evangelist was commemorated, all the Brethren partaking of a most excellent repast. The new W.M. occupied the chair, while Bros. Coulthard and T. D. Dryden were in the vice-chairs.

The chairman announced that telegrams or letters of apology for absence had been received from Bros. Wm. Logan P.M., T. Dunn P.M. (Bishop Auckland), Wanless (Witton-le-Wear), Jackson (Newcastle), and Sterling (Annfield Plain).

The usual toasts were honoured, and Bro. Cole, in replying for the Visitors, said that if it had not been for the St. Nicholas Lodge there would not have been a Constance Lodge. The greatest sympathy prevailed between these two Lodges, and he hoped they would be able to pay one another fraternal visits with more frequency than heretofore.

Bro. Holme also responded, and gave a most interesting history of Freemasonry, graphically tracing its existence to an epoch anterior to the Pharaohs. He enumerated the distinguished men who had been initiated into the mysteries of the Craft, instancing philosophers like Plato and his contemporaries, down to General Roberts.

During the proceedings, Bro. Mackay the retiring W.M. was presented on behalf of the Lodge with a gold jewel, for his valuable services during the past year.

STOUR LODGE, No. 2305.

ON Thursday, 19th ult., Dr. Wilks was installed W.M. at Ashford, by Bro. Julius Kingsford P.M. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Kent Bro. J. S. Eastes was among the large number of Brethren present. The annual banquet was served by Bro. Sargent at the Saracen's Head Hotel.

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WIGAN LODGE, No. 2326.

ON Saturday, 14th ult., the installation took place of Bro. W. Taberner as W.M., the ceremony being performed by Bro. Captain J. D. Murray P.G. Treas. Eng.

The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were afterwards honoured.

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ST. ANNE'S LODGE, No. 2457.

THE installation of W.M. was celebrated on the 11th ult., at St. Anne's-on-Sea. The Installing Master was Bro. W. H. Hampson W.M. 1476 and I.P.M. 2349.

The banquet was served at the Hotel, where a splendid menu was provided by Mrs. Holloway. The usual toasts of the Craft were honoured, Bros. Bradley, Atkins, Luke, and Dr. Whittaker contributing the music. The W.M. presented the I.P.M. with a Past Master's jewel, as a token of the high appreciation in which he was held, and of the services he had rendered the Lodge. The inscription ran—

Presented to

Bro. JAS. LAWRENCE P.M.,

a founder and first W.M. of the St. Anne's Lodge, 2457, from the Brethren.

The jewel bore a representation of the St. Anne's lifeboat memorial.

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BOOTLE-WILBRAHAM LODGE, No. 2463.

SINCE its consecration last year this Lodge, which has its headquarters at the Village Hall, Knotty Ash, Lancashire, has had a successful career. The number of members has nearly doubled, and the funds are in a satisfactory condition. The first Worshipful Master was Bro. Charles Fothergill Prov. G.J.D., who on Thursday of last week, in the presence of a numerous assembly of members of the Lodge and visiting Brethren, gave place to Bro. Edward H. Cookson P.Prov. G.W., his successor in the chair.

The Worshipful Master-elect was presented for Installation by Bros. Bucknell P.P.A.G.D.C. (Staff.), and R. G. Bradley P.D.G.D.C., and the ceremony of installation was efficiently performed by Bro. Fothergill. Having been duly installed, Bro. Cookson invested his Officers.

The post-prandial proceedings were of a most enjoyable and interesting nature, made the more so by the contributions of musical Brethren, headed by Bro. Walter Burnet.

During the evening Bro. Fothergill was made the recipient of a Past Master's jewel with a suitable inscription, and with a handsome tea and coffee service for his wife.

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WHITSUNTIDE RAILWAY FACILITIES.

THE Midland Railway Company have arranged, with a view to the greater convenience of the public, for the Booking Offices at St. Pancras and Moorgate Street Stations to be open for the issue of Tickets all day on Friday and Saturday, 11th and 12th May, when Tickets to all principal Stations on the Midland Railway can be obtained beforehand at their Offices, a list of which can be had on application. The Tickets obtained at these Offices will be available from St. Pancras Station, and will be issued at the same fares as charged at that Station, and dated to suit the convenience of Passengers.

Cheap Excursion Trains will be run from London to Dublin via Morecambe, on Friday, 11th May, to return 15th, 17th, 19th, 22nd, 24th, or 26th May; to Dublin via Liverpool, on Thursday, 10th May; to Belfast, Londonderry, and Portrush for Giant's Causeway, via Barrow, on Saturday, 12th May, for 16 days; to Londonderry, via Morecambe, on Saturday, 12th May, to return 14th, 17th, 21st, or 24th, as per bill of Lading; to Leicester, Nottingham, Newark, Lincoln, Birmingham, Walsall, Wolverhampton, Burton, Derby, Manchester, Liverpool, Blackburn, Bolton, Oldham, Sheffield, Leeds, Bradford, Scarboro', Newcastle, the Furness District, Carlisle, &c., &c., on Saturday, 12th May, returning the following Monday or Thursday; to Carlisle, Castle Douglas, Dumfries, Helensburgh, Edinburgh, Greenock, Glasgow, &c., on Saturday, 12th May, returning the following Tuesday, or Saturday; to St. Albans, Harpenden, Luton, Bedford, and Birmingham, on Whit-Monday, 14th May, for one day; and to Manchester, for the Races, on Thursday, Midnight, 18th May, returning Saturday, 21st May, and Tickets for these Trains for starting from St. Pancras Station can be obtained on the two previous days to the running of the Trains at the Company's City and West End Booking Offices.

Cheap Excursion Trains for five or eight days will also be run to London from Carlisle, Bradford, Leeds, Sheffield, Liverpool, Manchester, Blackburn, Burnley, Bolton, Bury, Rochdale, Oldham, Lincoln, Newark, Derby, Nottingham, Birmingham, Walsall, Wolverhampton, Leicester, &c., on Saturday, 12th May, and for 6 days on Monday, 14th May. Passengers will be booked by these Trains at cheap fares to Brighton, Hastings, St. Leonards, Eastbourne, &c.; and to Paris and other places on the continent, having the privilege of returning by any ordinary train within 16 days.

THE Great Western Railway Company announce that an Extension to Gloucester, Cardiff, Newport, Swansea, New Milford, Waterford, and other stations in South Wales and the South of Ireland will be run on Friday, 11th May, and that a fast Excursion train for the West of England will leave Paddington at 7.55 a.m. on Saturday, 12th May, reaching Exeter in 5½ hours and Plymouth in 7½ hours. Excursions will also be run on the same day to Bath, Bristol, Dorchester, Weymouth, Worcester, Malvern, Hereford, Oxford, Leamington, Birmingham, Wolverhampton, Shrewsbury, Chester, Liverpool, Manchester, &c. Return tickets at 25/- will also be issued to Guernsey and Jersey.

On Whit Sunday a cheap train will run to Swindon, Stroud, Gloucester and Cheltenham, leaving Paddington at 8.20 a.m. At Midnight on Sunday an Excursion for 1 or 5 days will leave Paddington for Oxford, Birmingham, Wolverhampton, &c.

On the Bank Holiday, cheap trains will be run to Reading, Bath, Bristol, Stroud, Gloucester, Cheltenham, &c.

Excursions will be run to London from most of the principal stations, and cross country trips have also been arranged.

Cheap tickets are now issued daily from London and many suburban stations to Staines, Windsor, Taplow, Maidenhead, Henley, Goring, Wallingford, and other riverside resorts. These tickets can be obtained throughout the Whitsuntide Holidays, and in fact during the whole of the Summer months.

To meet the expected additional traffic by the ordinary trains on Saturday, 12th May, the Company will run in duplicate, the 3.0, 5.0 and 9.0 p.m. trains from London to the West of England, and the 12.0 noon, 3.15 and 9.15 p.m. trains to Weymouth, Hereford and South Wales. The first portions of the 5.0 and 9.0 p.m. trains will leave Paddington at 4.55 and 8.55 p.m. respectively, but the first parts of the other trains will leave at the advertised times, and the second a few minutes afterwards, the long distance passengers being as far as possible taken in the first portion, but with a few exceptions both trains will stop at the advertised stations to take up and set down passengers.

Ordinary and Excursion tickets are issued at the Company's City and West-end Offices, viz.:—193 and 407 Oxford Street; 181 Tottenham Court Road, W.; 23 New Oxford Street; Cambridge Circus, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.C.; "The Piazza," Covent Garden; 269 Strand; 26 Regent Street, Piccadilly Circus; 29 Charing Cross; 17 Brompton Road; Holborn Circus; Minorities (opposite Goodman's Yard); 5 Arthur Street East, London Bridge, E.C.; 82 Queen Victoria Street; 67 Gresham Street; 4 Cheapside; and at the L.B. and S.C. Company's Excursion Office (under Grand Hotel), Trafalgar Square. Tickets can also be obtained at Victoria, L.C. and D. Railway; Kensington (Addison Road); Uxbridge Road; Hammersmith, and other stations.

The booking offices at the Paddington Station will be open all day on 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th May, so that passengers wishing to obtain tickets for any destination on the Great Western Railway can do so at their convenience. Ordinary tickets will be dated to suit the convenience of passengers.

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THE London and North Western Company announce that the Ticket Offices at Euston, Broad Street, Kensington, and Willesden Junction will be open throughout the day, from Monday, 7th May, to Whit Monday, 14th May inclusive, so that Passengers wishing to obtain tickets for any destination on the London and North Western Railway can do so at any time of the day prior to the starting of the trains.

Tickets, dated to suit the convenience of passengers, can be obtained at any time (Sunday and Bank Holidays excepted) at the town Receiving offices of the Company:—Cross Keys, 1 Wood Street, Cheapside, E.C.; 15 Queen Street, Cheapside, E.C.; 22 Aldersgate Street, E.C.; 8 and 9 Clerkenwell Green, E.C.; Swan-with-Two-Necks, 65 Gresham Street, E.C.; 30 West Smithfield, E.C.; Bolt-in-Tun, 64 Fleet Street, E.C.; Palmer's, 79 Knightrider Street, E.C.; Spread Eagle, 3 Whittington Avenue, Leadenhall Market, E.C.; 13 Eastcheap, E.C.; 116 Holborn, E.C.; George and Blue Boar, 285 High Holborn, W.C.; Atlas Office, 167 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.; Golden Cross, Charing Cross, W.C.; 70 St. Martin's Lane, W.C.; 43 New Oxford Street, W.C.; 3 James Street, Covent Garden, W.C.; Spread Eagle Universal Office, Piccadilly Circus, W.; 34 Pallament Street, Westminster, S.W.; Hotel Windsor, Victoria Street, S.W.; Griffin's Green Man and Still, 241 Oxford Street, W.; 496 Oxford Street, W.; 231 Edgware Road, W.; Lion, 108 New Bond Street, W.; The Eclipse, 169b Fulham Road, S.W.; 33 Hereford Road, Bayswater, W.; 34 Albert Gate, Knightsbridge, S.W., &c., &c., at the same fares as at Euston Station.

On Friday, 11th May, a special train will leave Euston Station at 6.25 p.m. for Holyhead and Ireland; a Special train will leave Manchester (Exchange) at 12.55 p.m. and Liverpool (Lime Street) at 1.5 p.m. for Rhyl and Llandudno.

On Saturday, 12th May, a Special train will leave Willesden Station at 2.57 p.m. for Bletchley, Wolverton, Blisworth, Weedon, Rugby, principal stations on Trent Valley Line, and Stafford; a Special Express train will also leave Euston Station for Birmingham at 4.25 p.m.; a Special train will leave Manchester (Exchange) at 12.55 p.m. for Rhyl and Llandudno; and Relief trains will leave Birmingham at 2.8 p.m. and 4.8 p.m. for Coventry, Rugby, and Northampton, and passengers for those places will not be conveyed by the 2.0 p.m. and 4.0 p.m. trains, respectively.

On Whit Monday, 14th May, the 4.30 p.m. train from Euston Station to Birmingham, Wolverhampton, Walsall, &c., will not run. Passengers will be conveyed by the 5.0 p.m., except those for Peterboro' Line, Market Harboro', Melton Mowbray, Nottingham, and the Great Northern Line, who on this date will travel by the 3.15 p.m. train from Euston; the 8.10 a.m. train, Wolverhampton to London, will not run. On Whit Monday, 14th May, numerous residential trains will not be run.

The Company also announce that they will run Excursions to

and from London, Birmingham, Wolverhampton, Leamington, Coventry, Walsall, Leicester, Macclesfield, Stoke, Stone, Liverpool, Manchester, Chester, North Wales, Shrewsbury, Hereford, Oswestry, Preston, Wigan, Blackpool, Morecambe, Carlisle, the Lake District. Excursions will also be run from London and other principal towns to Scotland and Ireland for the Whitsun Holiday week.

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THE London, Chatham, and Dover Company's Whitsun Programme includes a variety of Cheap Bookings and Excursions. Cheap Return Tickets will be issued on Friday and Saturday before Whit-Sunday, from London to Margate, Ramsgate, Deal and Dover, and other places, available to return up to and including Wednesday, 16th May. Day Excursions will be run on Whit-Sunday and Monday, from Holborn Viaduct and Victoria to the principal Kentish Watering Places. Those desiring to visit the Crystal Palace on Whit-Monday will find ample accommodation in the shape of special trains to convey them to the High Level Station.

The special facilities for passengers to the Continent are this year more numerous than ever. Fourteen day excursion tickets will be issued from Victoria and Holborn, to Paris and Brussels, via Dover and Calais, by the night mail service, and the Company's newest boats "Empress" or "Calais-Douvres" are announced to cross on 11th and 12th May. Other cheap tickets to the Ardennes, also to Brussels (via Ostend), to Calais, and the principal towns in Holland are announced.

Those desirous of visiting the Antwerp Exhibition can obtain return tickets, via Queenboro' and Flushing, available for 30 days, at very low rates. All these tickets enable the holder to return on any day within the period of validity by fast services.

It may not be out of place to mention here that the services by the Queenboro' and Flushing route have, from the 1st May, been greatly accelerated, especially in the homeward direction. The through fares have lately been reduced, and new tickets added to meet the increasing demands of the travelling public. The splendid paddle vessels of the Zeeland Steamship Company running from Queenboro' to Flushing are too well known to need any description, and passengers crossing by these boats will not fail to observe their smooth and steady running, ensuring as it does the best guarantee against sea sickness.

PERSEVERANCE CHAPTER, No. 300.

THE most interesting feature in connection with the meeting of this Chapter, which was held at the Pitt and Nelson Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Tuesday, the 17th ult., was the balloting for and exaltation of Bros. Joseph B. Pownall S.W., Henry Shaw S.D., Thomas Cook, John Pollitt, and George H. Coop, all members of the Fidelity Lodge, No. 430.

The whole of the ceremonies were performed in a remarkably careful and finished manner by Companion R. Gornall P.Z. P.Prov. G.P.S., who had travelled from Blackburn for the purpose.

After the close of the Chapter, which occurred rather late in the evening, the Companions sat down to a substantial supper, this being followed by the usual festive board.

Besides those above mentioned, and others whose names our representative did not obtain, there were present:—Companions John Preece Z., Alfred D. Rayner S.E., Joseph Leech S.N., S. Newton Prin. S., F. W. Bromley P.Z., Thos. T. Broadbent P.Z. Visitors:—Comps. Ernest Moss P.Z. P.P.G.S.B., and Henry L. Holland.

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ROYAL EDWARD ENCAMPMENT, K.T.

AFTER several years of inertia, this Encampment, which formerly had a very active existence at the Astley Arms Hotel, Dukinfield, Cheshire, has lately been resuscitated, principally by the efforts of Bro. John Clayton, a former Eminent Preceptor thereof, and P.G.J.W. of Cheshire in the Craft Degree. He got together a few Sir Knights of neighbouring Encampments and with their assistance a meeting of emergency was called and preliminaries arranged and settled. The first regular meeting was held at the above hostelry on Tuesday, the 24th ult.

Those present were: Sir Knights Jno. Clayton P.E.C., Richd. Newhouse P.E.C., H. Gordon Small, Geo. Sam Smith E.C. Pr.G. Swd.B. (Lancs.), Allen Shaw Capt. of the Guard, A. W. Siddall P.E.C. P.G.A. (Lancs.), Fred. N. Lowenson Pr. Chancellor Grosvenor, Robt. W. Bourne, Grosvenor and Alpess, G. H. Brown Grosvenor and Jacques de Moloy, Walter Newton P.E.P. Loyal Volunteers, Jas. Andrew St. Josephs, Alfred Clayton Captain of the Guard, F. W. Bromley P.E.P. Loyal Volunteers, and others.

The Warrant is a small and unpretending document, bearing date 1806, but of this we may be enabled to say more upon a future occasion. Business commenced at an early hour of the afternoon, and consisted principally in the appointment of Officers, Sir Knight Clayton being inducted into the position of P.E.C. in the usual manner.

A very excellent banquet was provided by Host Alfred Barret, and after several Loyal and other toasts had been honoured the meeting was brought to a close.

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Bro. Thomas Sims, who has been manager for 25 years in the Masonic department of the firm of Messrs. Edward Stillwell and Son, has left that firm, says the "Draper's Record," and has taken offices at 75 Little Britain, E.C.

The Prince of Wales was the other night affiliated as an honorary member of St. John's Lodge of Freemasons of Gotha. His Royal Highness, in accepting the membership, expressed the hope that there would be close personal relations between German and English Freemasons. The ritual of German Masonic Lodges varies somewhat from the English working, but the signs, tokens, and pass-words of the first degree, fellow craft and the third "sublime" degree are exactly the same. The figurative death ceremony in many German Lodges is made more real, and the candidates are placed in coffins and lowered through a trap-door in the floor of the Lodge room into the form of a newly-made grave.—"Modern Society."

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Of no creed or nationality, Freemasonry has embraced the Jews. In East London the Hebrew element offers exceptional facilities for the study of the world-wide cult. Several good Lodges exist, and last week a ceremony of particular interest took place at the Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, where Bro. Charles Eschwege was installed as W.M. of the Friars Lodge, 1349, for the

ensuing year. Few East End Jews are so well-known as Mr. Eschwege, whose friends are to be found in every quarter of the globe. His interests are cosmopolitan, and his knowledge of South African affairs and mining work has raised him to the status of an expert.—"Eastern Post."

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The appeal from the Freemasons of Argentina to the Prince of Wales certainly gives a comic aspect to the South American troubles. One wonders what they imagine it is in his power to do for them. Do they fancy he holds a position over here in some way analogous to that attributed by Frenchmen to the Lord Mayor of London? The attitude of this secret society to the world at large has changed so much since the days when it was an enemy of Governments in all countries that some confusion may be pardoned. However, a large number of the old-fashioned folks on the continent still look upon Freemasonry as but one point or so less objectionable than Anarchism. The present Pope, for instance, would probably hesitate to concede even that amount of difference between the two.—"Sketch."

NEXT WEEK.

Monday.

- 16 Royal Alpha, Hotel Métropole
- 72 Royal Jubilee, Anderton's
- 188 Joppa, Freemasons Tavern
- 256 Unions, Freemasons-hall
- 1319 Asaph, Freemasons-hall
- 1996 Priory, Acton
- 2098 Harlesden, Harlesden
- 2242 Tyssen Amherst, Hackney
- 53 Royal Sussex, Bath
- 107 Philanthropic, Lynn
- 113 Unanimity, Preston
- 119 Sun, Square, Compasses, Whitehaven
- 135 Perpetual Friendship, Bridgewater
- 154 Unanimity, Wakefield
- 156 Harmony, Plymouth
- 199 Peace and Harmony, Dover
- 251 Loyal, Barnstaple
- 328 St. John, Torquay
- 331 Phoenix of Honour & Prudence, Truro
- 338 Vitruvian, Ross
- 395 Guy, Leamington
- 1211 Goderich, Leeds
- 1239 Wentworth, Sheffield
- 1254 Semper Fidelis, Exeter
- 1264 Neptune, Liverpool
- 1302 De Warren, Halifax
- 1312 St. Mary, Bocking
- 1452 St. Margaret, Lowestoft
- 1573 Caradoc, Swansea
- 1924 Wickham, Brockley
- 1954 Molesworth, Wadebridge
- 2039 Londonderry, Sunderland
- 2163 Jersey, Southall
- 2166 Cotehele, Calstock
- 2240 Arrow, Kingston

Tuesday.

- 167 St. John, Hampstead Heath
- 235 Nine Muses, Grand Hotel, Charing +
- 1593 Royal Naval College, Greenwich
- 1604 Wanderers, Freemasons-hall
- 1668 Samson, Café Royal
- 1769 Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern
- 80 St. John, Sunderland
- 93 Social, Norwich
- 131 Fortitude, Truro
- 184 United Benevolence, New Brompton
- 241 Merchants, Liverpool
- 272 Harmony, Boston
- 319 New Forest, Lymington
- 371 Perseverance, Maryport
- 1220 Solway, Aspatia
- 1250 Gilbert Grenall, Warrington
- 1267 Kenlis, Egremont
- 1314 Acacia, Bromley, Kent
- 1402 Jordan, Torquay
- 1414 Knole, Sevenoaks
- 1476 Blackpool, Blackpool
- 1528 Fort, Newquay
- 1560 Albert Edward, Leicester
- 1713 Wilbraham, Walton-on-the-Hill
- 1782 Machen, Coleshill
- 1837 Lullingstone, Wilmington
- 1847 Ebrington, Stonehouse
- 2099 Ethelbert, Herne Bay
- 2104 Whitwell, Stockton-on-Tees
- 2134 Wilberforce, Hull
- 2164 St. Germans, Peel

- 2222 Frederick West, East Molesey
- 2324 Horwich, Horwich
- 2360 Victoria, Southport
- 2400 Brentford, Brentford
- 2487 St. Michael, Stone
- 2492 Concordia, Wendover

Wednesday.

- 3 Fidelity, Freemasons-hall
- 15 Kent, Freemasons-hall
- 1629 United, Freemasons-hall
- 1803 Cornhill, London Tav., Fenchurch St.
- 1827 Alliance, Guildhall Tavern
- 1986 Honor Oak, Norwood
- 2345 Duke of Fife, Clapham Common
- 2347 Grafton, Blanchard's Restaurant
- 2362 Bloomsbury Rifles, Chenies Street
- 2470 Telegraph Cable, Ship and Turtle
- 13 Union Waterloo, Plumstead
- 54 Hope, Rochdale
- 84 Doyle's Lodge of Fellowship, Guernsey
- 125 Prince Edwin, Hythe
- 146 Antiquity, Bolton
- 187 Royal Sussex of Hospitality, Bristol
- 204 Caledonian, Manchester
- 225 St. Luke, Ipswich
- 244 Yarrowburgh, Jersey
- 250 Minerva, Hull
- 274 Tranquillity, Newchurch
- 277 Friendship, Oldham
- 281 Fortitude, Lancaster
- 288 Harmony, Todmorden
- 323 Concord, Stockport
- 1209 Lewises, Ramsgate
- 1242 Tynwald, Douglas
- 1248 Denison, Scarborough
- 1331 Aldershot Camp, Aldershot
- 1342 Walker, Newcastle-on-Tyne
- 1356 Toxteth, Liverpool
- 1398 Baldwin, Dalton-in-Furness
- 1400 Curwen, Workington
- 1547 Liverpool, Liverpool
- 1582 Llanidloes, Llanidloes
- 1588 Prince Leopold, Stretford
- 1643 Perseverance, Hebburn-on-Tyne
- 1692 Hervey, Bromley, Kent
- 1703 Windrush, Witney
- 1715 Arthur John Brogden, Grange-over-Sands
- 1798 Zion, Manchester
- 1848 Ferrum, Middlesbrough
- 1855 St. Maurice, Plympton
- 1879 Lord Warkworth, Amble
- 1932 Whitworth, Spennymoor
- 1947 Stanford, Hove
- 2046 Robinson, Maidstone
- 2156 Arthur Sullivan, Manchester
- 2284 Smyth, Grimsby
- 2294 Wavertree, Wavertree
- 2389 Avondale, Middlewich
- 2404 Lord C. Beresford, Chatham
- 2423 St. Mark, Connahs Quay
- 2450 Loxfield, Uckfield
- 2483 Hadrian, Westham

Thursday.

- 19 Royal Athelstan, City Terminus Hotel
- 91 Regularity, Freemasons-hall
- 206 Friendship, Ship and Turtle
- 238 Pilgrim, Freemasons-hall
- 1558 Duke of Connaught, Camberwell

- 1642 Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall
- 1826 Sir Thos. White, Holborn Restaurant
- 2033 University of London, Freemasons-h.
- 2168 Derby Allcroft, Midland Hotel
- 2397 Columbia, Criterion, Piccadilly
- 2417 Bolingbroke, M.H., Clapham Junction

- 35 Medina, Cowes
- 50 Knights of Malta, Hinckley
- 97 Palatine, Sunderland
- 130 Royal Gloucester, Southampton
- 139 Britannia, Sheffield
- 191 St. John, Bury
- 216 Harmonic, Liverpool
- 333 Royal Preston, Preston
- 344 Faith, Radcliffe
- 369 Limestone Rock, Clitheroe
- 381 Harmony and Industry, Darwen
- 1204 Royd, Malvern
- 1213 Bridgewater, Eccles
- 1273 St. Michael, Sittingbourne
- 1387 Chorlton, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
- 1416 Falcon, Thirsk
- 1429 Albert Edward Prince of Wales, Newport, Monmouth
- 1457 Bagshaw, Loughton
- 1495 Arkwright, Matlock Bath
- 1583 Corbet, Towyn
- 1697 Hospitality, Waterfoot
- 1750 Coleridge, Clevedon
- 1863 Priory, Tynemouth
- 1915 Graystone, Whitstable
- 1992 Tennant, Cardiff
- 2016 Shalden, Alton
- 2038 Portcullis, Langport
- 2109 Prince Edward, Heaton Moor
- 2132 Egerton, Seacombe
- 2217 Windermere, Windermere
- 2227 White Horse, Westbury
- 2234 Onslow, Guildford
- 2261 Armitage, Milnsbridge
- 2262 Dagmar, Wraybury
- 2278 Kingswood, Broxbourne
- 2285 Eden, Workington
- 2343 Sir William Harpur, Bedford
- 2372 James Terry, Waltham Cross
- 2420 Ferdinand de Rothschild, Waddesdon
- 2440 Duke of York, Manchester

Friday.

- 134 Caledonian, Ship and Turtle
- 1997 John Carpenter, Albion
- 2399 Ordnance, Plumstead
- 36 Glamorgan, Working-at-Cardiff
- 81 Doric, Woodbridge
- 170 All Souls, Weymouth
- 1289 Rock, Birkenhead
- 1428 United Service, Landport
- 1536 United Military, Plumstead
- 1605 De La Pole, Hull
- 1661 Newton, Newark-upon-Trent
- 1676 St. Nicholas, Newcastle-on-Tyne
- 1826 Parthenon, Croydon
- 1983 Martyn, Southwold

Saturday.

- 173 Phoenix, Freemasons-hall
- 1755 Eldon, Portishead
- 1990 Hampshire of Emulation, Landport
- 2069 Prudence, Leeds
- 2359 Doric, Didsbury