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## THE SCHOOL COURTS NEXT WEEK.

THE Quarterly General Courts and half-yearly elections of the two Educational Institutions will be held next week, that of the Boys on Friday, and that of the sister Charity on Saturday.

At the meeting of the Boys a notice of motion given by Bro. Richard Eve, on behalf of the Board of Management, will be first considered, the object being to confer well-merited honours on Bros. Thomas Fenn, Jabez Hogg, and Wharton P. Hood, for the services they have respectively rendered to the Institution, Bro. Fenn in various ways, Bro. Hogg as Honorary Surgeon-Oculist, and Bro. Hood as Honorary Medical Officer. It is needless to say that the services of these Brethren are so generally appreciated as to leave no doubt as to the unanimity with which the proposal on their behalf will be received.

Bro. Bodenham proposes a small addition to the Law of the Institution which deals with the question of Salaries of the Secretary, Head Master and other Officials, he desiring to make the preliminaries prior to any increase more stringent than at present, by requiring the Board of Management to "recommend" any proposed increase before it can be considered at any meeting of the Council. In dealing with public funds such as are concerned in this direction too much caution cannot be observed, so we imagine this proposition will be favourably considered.

The election of a Treasurer, Members of the Council and Members of the Board of Management is the other business set down for the meeting, in addition to the election of Boys into the Institution. For this latter contest there is an approved list of forty-seven candidates, reduced to forty-five by two withdrawals, and there are twenty-three vacancies to fill, so that just over half the candidates can be admitted.

On Saturday, the Girls Court will be first asked to recognise, by a presentation of votes, the gifts Brother Hammerton has made to the Institution, in the form of beer, which he has for many years past supplied to the Institution free of charge; and will afterwards proceed to the election of twenty-two Girls into the Institution, from an approved list of forty-one candidates. It is thus seen that in this case also, upwards of one half of those before the Craft can be admitted—a very satisfactory position of affairs.

While congratulating the Craft on this latter point it is also desirable to urge on Brethren generally the desirability of making some special effort during the next few weeks on behalf of the Festival of the Girls School, which will take place on the 8th of next month, under the presidency of the Deputy Grand Master of England.

It is true a large number of Brethren have signified their intention of supporting Lord Mount-Edgumbe on that occasion, but the number does not by any means favourably compare with the record at the corresponding period of last year, and a falling off in the result of the Festival would seem to be likely, and that too at a time when the actual expenditure to which the Institu-

tion is pledged not only requires that no diminution should take place, but would even seem to call for increased patronage.

As we say elsewhere in this issue the Chairman's Province of Cornwall will loyally support its chief, but it must be remembered that Cornwall is but a small Masonic division, and it is not fair to expect the members of its thirty Lodges to come forward with anything like so large a total as would certainly follow the presidency of so popular a ruler as Lord Mount-Edgumbe if he had a larger following at his back.

But is not only for the Provincial Grand Master of Cornwall that we urge kindly consideration for "Our Girls." The President of the year's Festival is also Deputy Grand Master of England, and as such should enlist general support, but above all this there is the fact that two hundred and sixty-three Girls are being educated, clothed and maintained in the School, and the amount annually required to meet the expenses of this small army of children is virtually dependent on the free-will offerings of Brethren, on the occasion of the Annual Festivals of the Institution. It is not yet too late for any of our readers to offer themselves as Stewards, and we feel convinced their services in that office would be greatly appreciated.

It is announced the Earl of Mount-Edgumbe will also preside at the prize distribution and annual visit of Stewards to the School, on the Monday preceeding the Festival.

A ball was given on the 5th inst., at the West Ham Town Hall, by the Woodgrange Lodge, No. 2409, Forest Gate, in aid of the funds of the West Ham Hospital, and everything was done by the Lodge members to ensure success. Dan Godfrey's Orchestral Band was engaged, while the management of the whole was placed in the capable hands of Bro. G. F. Hardwick, well-known in connection with the Premier Cinderellas. There were some 300 ladies and gentlemen present, says the "Morning Advertiser," and the dresses of the ladies were light and pretty, while the gentlemen, who were for the most part Masons, wore Craft costume. This is the first ball the Lodge has given in aid of the local hospital, a most deserving institution, and it is expected that it will be greatly benefited by this praiseworthy effort on the part of the Brotherhood. A word of praise is due to Bro. F. J. Brown, Hon. Secretary of the Ball Committee, and to the Stewards for the excellent way in which they performed their duties.

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The dislike of the Roman Catholic Church for Freemasonry has found expression in the publication of a series of violent attacks on Freemasons, in a Lyons newspaper called "La France Libre," which has a Roman Catholic editor. Freemasons in Lyons have been the subject of personal denunciations. Lists of names have been given, and employers have been exhorted to have nothing to do with those who were thus denounced. Among the persons thus brought into prominence is an Organist at one of the Lyons churches, and the result was that he was dismissed from his employment. In consequence of this he has brought an action for libel against the paper, claiming 3,000 francs damages. A printer who is also aggrieved in the same way has brought an action to recover 2,000 francs. The case, which attracted to the court a large gathering of priests and friends of the Clerical party, resulted in a verdict for the plaintiffs for the amounts claimed, but judgment was postponed.—"Levant Herald."

### CONSECRATION: PICCADILLY LODGE.

**A**NOTHER addition has this week been made to the Lodges of the metropolis, by the consecration of the Piccadilly Lodge, No. 2550, on Monday, at the Café Monico, Piccadilly Circus, the ceremony of ushering the new Lodge into existence being performed by Bro. E. Letchworth Grand Secretary, who also installed Bro. F. Arnold P.M. 1624 as the first Master. It is proposed to restrict the membership of the Lodge to forty Brethren, a number that is regarded as the most "workable" quantity by many Brethren qualified to form an opinion on the subject. We wish the Lodge every success, and a permanent full complement of members of the right description.

### ORDER OF THE SECRET MONITOR.

**T**HE Consecration of the Champion Conclave, No. 26, will take place at the Palatine Hotel, Hunts Bank, Manchester, on Monday afternoon at 3 p.m. It is announced that Bro. F. A. Philbrick S.C. P.G.S.R. P.S.R. No. 1 and 2, Grand Registrar of the Craft, will perform the ceremony, with the assistance of Bros. Japheth Tickle, C.C., P.G.G. P.S.R. No. 8 as C., Joseph Ragdale P.G.C. No. 8 as G., John Marshall P.G.C. No. 8 as Chaplain, W. J. Spratling B.S. G. Recorder S.R. No. 2 and No. 8 as D.C., and I. I. Pakes G. Visitor P.S.R. No. 5 and No. 8 Commissioning Officer.

There are fourteen candidates for induction, and the first Officers are announced as follow:—Bros. Thos. H. Scholfield S.R. Designate, Buckley Carr C. Designate, Fletcher Armstrong G. Designate, John Marshall acting as Secretary pro tem.

A banquet will follow at 6 p.m.

We hope to give full particulars of the Consecration in an early issue of the *CHRONICLE*.

As bearing on our remarks of last week, under the heading "Free from debt," we may quote the words of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of West Yorkshire, at the meeting held at Halifax, on the 3rd inst. Bro. Henry Green then called attention, amongst other matters, to the duty of Worshipful Masters and Treasurers, declaring that as all Lodge subscriptions were due in advance, on the first of January, they were therefore in arrear if not paid on the second. He would not, however, draw the line too tightly, but when he told them that out of 4,000 Brethren, notwithstanding all that had been previously said, there were last year 235 in arrear, he did hope that Treasurers would exercise more diligence.

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West Yorkshire has long enjoyed the reputation of being particularly smart in many of its arrangements, and we think it deserving of a high place in this matter of finance, for with 4,000 subscribing members and only 235 in arrear it is probably better off than the majority of other English Provinces.

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It is now officially announced that the Earl of Yarborough has been appointed Provincial Grand Master of Lincolnshire, in succession to Bro. Major W. H. Smyth, who has resigned the office, after holding it since 1878. We announced in our issue of 23rd ult. that this appointment was likely, and rumour has thus proved correct, despite the contradiction, on "indisputable authority," that appeared in a contemporary. Lord Yarborough's installation will take place at Lincoln, in June next.

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Hearty congratulations to the St. Michael's Lodge, No. 211, which will complete its one hundredth year of continuous working in September next, and the members of which propose to celebrate the event by, among other matters, endowing the three Principal Chairs as Governors of the Masonic Charities. This is an illustration of that most commendable Masonic spirit which, no matter what the occasion of rejoicing, turns first of all to see what can be done in the cause of Benevolence.

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The annual dinner of the old Masonians will take place at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, on Thursday, 25th inst., at 6:30 for 7 p.m., under the chairmanship of Bro. George Everett P.G. Treas. Vice-Chairman of Board of Management and Vice-Patron of R.M.I. for Boys, supported by Bro. Jas. Morrison McLeod P.P.S.G.W. Derbyshire Secretary and Vice-President of the Institution. Tickets and information may be obtained on application to Mr. C. P. O'Doherty, the Hon. Secretary, at the Hotel.

### DEVON MASONIC EDUCATIONAL FUND.

**T**HE annual meeting of subscribers was held on Tuesday, 2nd inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth.

Brother F. B. Westlake, a Vice-Patron of the Institution, presided during a greater portion of the meeting, and, having then to leave, his place was taken by Bro. C. S. Stebbing, also a Vice-Patron.

The Treasurer's report showed that the net value of the Fund to the end of 1894 was £1,484 13s 9d. Four children were elected on the Fund, viz., the daughter of a deceased member of Lodge Charity, who headed the poll with 926 votes; a daughter of a deceased member of St. Aubyn Lodge, polled 699; a daughter of a deceased member of Lodge Erme, 549; and a daughter of a deceased member of Lodge Harmony, No. 372, 481 votes. There are now twenty-three children receiving the benefits of the Fund.

The Treasurer, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary were re-elected, and thanked for their services, and the Finance and General Purposes Committees were elected for the ensuing year.

Bro. C. Mutton P.M. and Charity Steward of 1550 had given notice of his intention to move the adoption of a bye-law giving the Committee discretionary power to reject nominations of candidates from Lodges which did not subscribe to the Educational Fund. Brother Mutton was, however, unable to attend the meeting through family affliction, and wrote a letter, in which he explained that his resolution was not primarily directed against Lodges which did not contribute to the funds of the Institution, but rather sought to make clear that which for some time had been in dispute, namely, the right of the Committee to refuse to accept nominations if in their opinion the circumstances justified them in so doing. Since he gave notice of his motion, the Hon. Solicitor to the fund had been invited to give his opinion as to the power conferred by the existing bye-laws, and a reply having been received which definitely set the question at rest he did not propose to carry the matter any further, and would therefore withdraw his motion.

The letter of Bro. J. Brewer, referred to by Bro. Mutton, and a further letter from the Provincial Grand Secretary on the same subject having been read, it was resolved, after full discussion, that the whole of the bye-laws should undergo careful revision.

Bros. Allsford and Stanbury were re-elected Auditors, and the meeting concluded with the usual vote of thanks.—"Western Morning News."

Not long ago we were present at a sort of "Experience Meeting," where several Brethren who have been members of the Fraternity for many years gave their testimony as to the charm and benefits of Freemasonry. They told of friendships formed, of social occasions enjoyed, and of important lessons learned, which were so many items to be entered on the credit side of the Masonic organisation. Most certainly there are gifts and privileges attaching to our membership in the Ancient Fraternity which ought not to pass unfelt, and for which, sometimes, we should make grateful acknowledgments.—"Keystone."

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A bazaar held in connection with Lodge Plantation, No. 581 (Scotch Constitution), brought in gross returns amounting to £2,070, which yielded a net sum of £1,420. It was pointed out that although the expenditure had been large, it was necessary, and without it the result could not have been so satisfactory.

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Five thousand shares having been taken up in the Masonic Hall Company, Limited, the directors, says "The Mallet" in "Glasgow Evening News," feel sufficient confidence in the ultimate success of the undertaking to justify them in going on with the building on the site in West Regent Street, Glasgow.

### "A SPRIG OF ACACIA."

**T**HE funeral of Bro. John Walker, of the Criterion, Retford, took place on the 2nd, at the Retford Cemetery. The deceased was a Past Master of the Vernon Lodge, Past Principal of the R.A. Chapter, and a Past Provincial Officer of Nottinghamshire. A large number of Brethren attended the funeral, and all the principal shops of the town were closed. At the grave-side, after the chief mourners had retired, the Freemasons passed by the head of the grave, and cast sprigs of acacia on the coffin. There were numerous beautiful wreaths and Masonic devices.

**T**HE death is announced of Bro. John Rosewarne, of Hayle, who was the oldest Past Master of the Cornubian Lodge, of that town and in his youthful days was well-known for the interest he showed in the Craft. The deceased, who was eight-one years of age, leaves a widow.

WEST YORKSHIRE.

AS reported in our last issue, an address was agreed to at the meeting of this Provincial Grand Lodge, held last week, recording the regret of the Brethren at the death of Bro. T. W. Tew, the former P.G.M. In introducing the Address the Provincial Grand Master said he took it that it would be in accordance with their wishes that a communication expressing their sorrow and sympathy should go from the meeting to Mrs. Tew and her family, and, subject to modification, he should suggest that it take some such form as this :

"We, the Provincial Grand Lodge of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of West Yorkshire, desire to offer to Mrs. Tew and her family our earnest condolence and heartfelt sympathy for the irreparable loss which they have sustained by the death of our dear friend and R.W. Bro. Thomas William Tew, J.P., Past Grand Deacon of England, Past Provincial Grand Master, Grand Superintendent and Grand Prior, and fervently hope that the Most High will support them in their grief and sorrow.

We look back with gratification to the pleasure and benefit we, individually as well as a Province, have derived from our association with Bro. Tew, first in his capacity as Deputy, and latterly as Provincial Grand Master.

Personally known to many by his kindness of heart and courtesy of manner, he won the affection of all, and we deeply deplore his death."

The following is a list of the Officers appointed at the annual meeting held on the 3rd inst., as already reported :

Bro. C. L. Mason 304	-	-	-	Senior Warden
J. J. Brook 290	-	-	-	Junior Warden
Ven. Archdeacon Donne 1019	-	-	-	Chaplains
Rev. William Wilkinson 2069	-	-	-	
Isaac Kaberry 910	-	-	-	Registrar
Herbert G. E. Green 1019	-	-	-	Secretary
Alfred Stephenson 2321	-	-	-	Senior Deacons
Walker Dyson 2261	-	-	-	
Herbert Nixon 1239	-	-	-	
G. H. Robinson 275	-	-	-	
F. C. Robinson 1648	-	-	-	Junior Deacons
Fountain Read 1034	-	-	-	
William Dickie 904	-	-	-	Superintendent of Works
William Watson 61	-	-	-	Librarian
G. F. Sunderland 1736	-	-	-	Director of Ceremonies
Joseph Hartley 495	-	-	-	Deputy Dir. of Cers.
C. Goldthorpe 242	-	-	-	Assistant Dirs. of Cers.
H. S. Sutherst 1018	-	-	-	
Godfred Woodhead 1645	-	-	-	
Herbert Columbine 1221	-	-	-	
Asa Fawthrop 1302	-	-	-	Sword Bearer
W. M. Tate 306	-	-	-	Standard Bearers
Simeon Whiteley 974	-	-	-	
Joseph Matthewman 1019	-	-	-	Organist
William Bingham 1042	-	-	-	Assistant Secretary
Thomas Lawrence 1001	-	-	-	Pursuivant
H. H. Bedford 139	-	-	-	Assistant Pursuivant
James Sugden 1301	-	-	-	Stewards
W. R. Bates 1522	-	-	-	
H. S. Wood 439	-	-	-	
W. R. Hinings 600	-	-	-	
William Wilson 1102	-	-	-	Tyler
Thomas Leighton 139	-	-	-	
Thomas Chester 904	-	-	-	Assistant Tyler.

EAST LANCASHIRE.

A CONVOCAION of Provincial Grand Chapter of the Eastern Division of the County of Lancaster was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Manchester, on Monday, 25th ult.

The meeting, which was under the presidency of Colonel LeGendre N. Starkie Grand Superintendent, was a very successful one, and was attended by over 120 Companions.

The new Officers were invested for the year as follow:

Comp. J. H. Sillitoe	-	-	-	H.
James Hellis	-	-	-	J.
John Chadwick	-	-	-	S.E.
Tom Garnett	-	-	-	S.N.
W. T. Allitt	-	-	-	Treasurer
S. Butcher	-	-	-	Registrar
Col. H. J. Robinson	-	-	-	Deputy Registrar
N. Nicholson	-	-	-	Principal Sojourner
S. W. Shorrocks	-	-	-	First Assistant Sojourner
J. Thornley	-	-	-	Second Asst. Sojourner
W. Bolt	-	-	-	Sword Bearer
Dan Lord	-	-	-	Deputy Sword Bearer
R. L. McMillan	-	-	-	Standard Bearers
J. Garside	-	-	-	
John Heap	-	-	-	Director of Ceremonies
W. H. Peak	-	-	-	
J. Kay	-	-	-	Assistant Dirs. of Cers.
F. Armstrong	-	-	-	
R. Wrigley	-	-	-	Organist
James Newton	-	-	-	Assistant S.E.
A. H. Flower	-	-	-	Janitor.

A grant of £20 was made to the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Educational Institution, and other business transacted.

The annual banquet was afterwards held, Comp. Starkie again presiding.

STAFFORDSHIRE.

A MEETING of this Provincial Grand Chapter was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Hanley, on Tuesday of last week, under the presidency of Lieut. Colonel Bindley Provincial Grand Superintendent.

All the Chapters in the Province were represented, and after the formal business of the year had been disposed of, the Prov. G.S. appointed the following as his Officers for the ensuing year :

Comp. J. F. Pepper	-	-	-	H.
R. Gibson	-	-	-	J.
G. Walker	-	-	-	Scribe E.
George Bennion	-	-	-	Scribe N.
C. A. Newnham	-	-	-	Treasurer
H. Windle	-	-	-	Registrar
F. Mountford	-	-	-	Principal Sojourner
G. M. Bond	-	-	-	First Assistant Sojourner
George Salter	-	-	-	Second Assist. Sojourner
C. A. Loxton	-	-	-	Sword Bearer
E. H. Clarke	-	-	-	Standard Bearer
George Vaughan	-	-	-	Director of Ceremonies
E. J. Nevitt	-	-	-	Assistant Dir. of Cers.
H. Palethorpe	-	-	-	Organist
G. Hoskinson	-	-	-	Assistant Scribe E.

New Lodge quarters have been recently erected in Mint Street, Lincoln, by the members of the Witham and St. Hugh Lodges, and they were formally consecrated on the 28th ult., the ceremony of consecration being performed by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. Sissons, of Barton-on-Humber (owing to the absence of the Provincial Grand Master) and his Officers. The meeting was largely attended, and the ceremony was accomplished in a most impressive and successful manner. During the ceremony the anthem "Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is, Brethren, to dwell together in unity" was sung in Masonic style by ten members, Bro. Shaw singing the bass solo, and Bro. Peck the tenor solo. The address given by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master was much appreciated by those present, and a hearty vote of thanks from both Lodges was subsequently accorded him.

Among the Brethren likely to receive honours on the occasion of this year's Festival of Grand Lodge is Bro. Lieut.-Colonel W. Newton Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Nottinghamshire, who will probably be invested as one of the Grand Deacons of the year. News of Bro. Newton's approaching preferment has caused general satisfaction in the Province with which he is chiefly associated.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the formation of the Ryburn Lodge is to be celebrated on 5th May, when the members will attend at Christ Church, Sowerby Bridge, to hear a special sermon by the Rev. Canon Bullock Past Grand Chaplain of England. Friendly Societies are to be invited to join the procession, says the "Halifax Guardian."

ROYAL  
Masonic Institution for Girls,  
ST. JOHN'S HILL, BATTERSEA RISE, S.W.

INSTITUTED 1788.

Chief Patroness :  
HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.  
Grand Patron and President :  
His Royal Highness THE PRINCE OF WALES, K.G., &c., M.W.G.M.  
Grand Patroness :  
Her Royal Highness THE PRINCESS OF WALES.

The 107th ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL  
WILL BE HELD AT THE  
FREEMASONS' TAVERN, LONDON, W.C.,  
ON WEDNESDAY, THE 8TH MAY 1895.  
THE RT. HON. THE EARL OF MOUNT-EDGCUMBE  
Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, and Provincial Grand  
Master Cornwall, in the Chair.

Brethren willing to act as Stewards on this most important occasion are earnestly solicited to send in their names to the Secretary as early as convenient. Stewards are very greatly needed and their services will be very gratefully received.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

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### BELFAST MASONIC CHARITIES.

THE annual meeting in support of the Belfast Masonic Charity Fund and Belfast Masonic Widows' Fund was held in the Ulster Hall, on the 29th ult., and is described by the "Belfast News Letter" as a great success.

Bro. Thomas Valentine, J.P., Deputy Provincial Grand Master Antrim, occupied the chair, and was received with enthusiasm. He apologised for the absence of the Provincial Grand Master the Marquis of Hertford, who, he said, had fully intended to be present at the annual meeting of the two Masonic charities, but circumstances over which he had no control had prevented him carrying out his intention. It was most gratifying to see such a large audience assembled in the interests of the charities, which administered relief to poor and distressed brother Masons and the widows and orphans of deceased Masons. As would be seen by the report, their income for both funds for the past year had been larger than in the previous year, and, of course, the aid dispensed was proportionately greater. They did not confine their charity to the Masonic province of Antrim, but they aided the Masonic Orphan Schools in Dublin, of which they were so proud, and in which orphans were clothed, fed, and educated in a superior manner, as the results of the Intermediate examinations showed. Then, again, their charity was not confined to Masonic circles, for as far as his experience went Masons were not behind other citizens in the city of Belfast or elsewhere in contributing liberally to public charities when called upon to do so. Not only did they render pecuniary assistance to their brethren, but their advice and counsel were given when needed, and this was as important as financial assistance.

The reports of the two charities, which were in printed form, were taken as read. They are—

**Belfast Masonic Charity Fund.**—In submitting the thirty-third annual statement of accounts of the oldest organised Masonic charity in Belfast the Committee have pleasure in referring to the continued prosperity of the Trust. The total receipts amounted to £429 5s 10d. The disbursements amounted to £479 4s 6d, as against £404 19s 8d last year, being an increase of £74 4s 10d, showing on the year's working an excess of expenditure over income of £49 18s 8d. From the statement of accounts it will be seen that although the personal subscriptions and donations have slightly fallen off there has been an increase in the income from other sources. Since the last annual meeting Bro. Wm. M. Bullock has resigned his position as Secretary. For fifteen years he discharged the difficult duties with fidelity, courtesy, and marked ability, and he will be gratefully remembered for his arduous services. The Committee have conveyed to him their warmest thanks for his untiring efforts on behalf of the poor and distressed. There has been an increase in the number of subscribing Lodges meeting in Belfast, but there are still a few blanks in the list, and it is to be hoped that these will be filled up in the coming year, and that with fuller knowledge of the work done will come a higher standard of responsibility, and that Lodge will vie with Lodge and Brother with Brother, who can labour best and do most for the noble cause of Masonic charity.

**Belfast Masonic Widows' Fund.**—In presenting the twenty-second annual report of the Belfast Masonic Widows' Fund the Committee beg to return their sincere thanks to those members of the Order who have so generously subscribed the funds necessary to carry on the work, and for the liberal support which has been accorded to them. The year was remarkable for the increased interest taken in the fund by the various Lodges, as well as for the great increase in the applications for assistance brought before the Committee, amounting to no less than eighteen new cases, and adding £73 to the expenditure. How to meet this urgent cry for help without encroaching upon the invested capital was the task set before the Committee. They felt that the sum invested so carefully during the past twenty-two years—amounting to £5,700—should be preserved intact, the interest accruing therefrom making up fully one-third of their income. The position of affairs was laid before the Lodges, with the pleasing result that the subscriptions were very largely increased, and the total income the largest ever recorded. The income for the years 1893 and 1894 was: 1893, £727 6s 11d; 1894, £1,018 3s 1d. During the year the Committee devoted some time to the revision of the Bye-laws, and they have formulated a scheme whereby the amount of each grant will be governed by the length of time the deceased Brother was a member of the Order, and which they believe will simplify their labours in the future. Eighty-nine widows and their families were assisted during 1894, seventy-two claiming through Lodges belonging to County Antrim, grants amounting to £572 12s; and seventeen through Lodges belonging to County Down, grants amounting to £101 10s, making a total of £674 2s. Last year the amount was £601 12s, and the grants voted for the year 1895 up to date amount to the large total of £748 2s. Of this sum £617 2s is for County Antrim cases, and £131 for County Down.

Brother Wakefield H. Dixon P.P.S.G.W., in moving the

adoption of the Report and statement of accounts, congratulated that large community on the gathering there that night, which told them how well their Masonic body stood in that land, and he congratulated them on the fact that they had during the year received more money and had spent more money than in the preceeding year. He did not want to advocate more than was necessary the claims of their Masonic body. They were friends with all the world, and they were friends with everybody who was in distress. Many years ago individual Masons were called upon to give personal assistance to distressed ones, but a great improvement had been effected since then by the formation of these two Masonic bodies—two bodies which had done their duty well.

The reports were adopted.

Brother H. H. Parker, LL.D., then moved the following resolution: "That this meeting, recognising the continued usefulness of these funds, feels it to be its duty to urge upon Lodges and Brethren the necessity of sustaining them by a liberally increased pecuniary aid, in order to meet their ever-increasing claims, and hereby promote the noble virtue of charity, the keystone of the Masonic Order." He said they could not have too clearly before them the fact that they were there that night to celebrate the anniversary of two distinct charitable funds. One of them had charged itself with relief of the wants of the poor and distressed Brethren, and also, as they could see pathetically stated in the report, of performing for those whose means would not allow it to be done out of their own resources the last sad rites demanded by their poor, frail humanity, and seeing they had a decent burial. During the past year that particular charity had, as they had heard, disbursed £464, and they were told that the claims upon that fund were increasing. Now, he thought that was a trumpet call to that meeting to do their best during the year on which they had entered that that helpful fund would be enabled to discharge the functions for which it was called into existence. It had for fifty years been scattering broadcast works of beneficence and charity, and it was their business there that night, as a meeting, to say, "Go on and prosper, and we will see you are supported in the work you are doing."

Bro. Rev. J. A. Greer, LL.D., in seconding the motion, said that the resolution would commend itself to the whole of that assembly, composed as it was of two classes, those who were Masons and those who were sympathisers with and supporters of the Order; but he found that their system of charity was one of the reasons why some people took exception to the Institution. They were called selfish people, but they would find that the persons who described them thus and complained of them constricting their charity made that an excuse for covering individual meanness and uncharity. They would find that the man who did not give in charity this way did not give in charity in any other way, and the apostle had told them to do good unto all men, but specially unto them that were of the household of faith. They endeavoured to constrict their charity in a narrow circle, and so make it more real and a more living and effective influence. If they would look to the various charitable organisations and societies they would find that the leaders in this charitable work and those who took part in those good deeds were Masons. Another objection against the Order was that they did not admit ladies into their society. Well, he did think the ladies felt that deprivation, seeing their large attendance that evening. He supposed they knew the Masons were bound neither by political creed nor by religious sect. They were ready to take all comers, no matter what their politics or religion might be—Home Ruler or Unionist, Radical or Conservative, whether Anglican or Roman Catholic, Presbyterian or Methodist, but they drew the line at atheists. There was one principle they hold in common with the members of the Reformed faith, and that was this:—Angel worship was prohibited within the precincts of the Masonic Temple, and since angel worship was so prohibited they found it would be perfectly impossible to enforce that rule unless they excluded ladies from the precincts. There was one other subject he would like to allude to. It was a danger that was becoming more and more obvious every day to the existence of these tried charities; and as an outsider he ventured to speak a word of warning to those in authority. There was a tendency to turn the Masonic Order into a hugh benefit society. People were joining Masonry not from any adherence to the true ideas of Masonry, but simply in order to secure a certain provision for themselves in time of sickness, and for their widows and orphans after they were dead. Now that was cutting away the ground from under Masonry altogether. The true object of Masonry was not that. It was to combine them into a common brotherhood for truer and nobler ideas of life, for the spread of real love and charity, and to develop a kindly social feeling amongst men who would not otherwise be brought into contact. If this tendency went on it would tend to place Masonry on a footing with the Foresters, the Free Gardeners, and other societies of that kind, against whom he had not a single word to say, but they made this the main object of their existence, and they did not. After



referring to the system upon which the grants were given, Dr. Greer spoke in terms of praise of the economy which characterised the management of these funds. The working expenses of these charities was something under 3 per cent., and the Brethren gave their time, their intellect, and their services willingly in order to avoid expense. Every case was personally investigated, and for these and other reasons he would ask the Brethren assembled that evening to support the charities warmly, largely, and generously.

Bro. R. J. Hilton, J.P., P.G.S., in moving a vote of thanks to the chairman, said he was the embodiment of what a true Mason should be. He had done an immensity of good by his painstaking care in seeing that everything in connection with the society was carried out in order and harmony, and he was the embodiment of a good ruler in Masonry.

### A PRIEST ON FREEMASONRY.

To the Editor of the "Kilmarnock Herald."

SIR,—In your Masonic columns of issue 22nd you give a few extracts from a lecture delivered in Glasgow by the Very Rev. Father John, on "Freemasonry." He says in his opening remarks that there was "no society so antagonistic to the Catholic Church as the Freemasons." I can give Father John the lie direct. Freemasons make no religious distinction; all are welcome if they are good-living, law-abiding, moral men. We have ranging under our banners men of every religious body in the world. Of its aims and objects on the Continent I am unable personally to speak, never having been there, but from various Brethren who visited both Belgium and Germany I have learned that its aims and objects are the same as in this country, the universal Brotherhood of man.

As for the Freemasons using their influence against the Catholic Church that I deny; but the Church has used, and does use, its influence, against the Freemasons. I am a Freemason and proud of the name, and when our popular Father here—Dean Power—sought public honours I have voted for him, and will do again, so long as he continues to discharge these public duties to my satisfaction. We have certain signs, words and grips by which we know each other, and why not?

Father John says "There are 17,000,000 Freemasons in the world banded together to carry out by fair means or foul the objects of their Order, but out of this number only 200,000 know its real aims and objects"—a very small percentage surely. Such a display of ignorance I never read or heard of before. Why, in a Lodge of say 150 members, there would be scarcely one to teach the other. That kind of thing may be allowed in a Catholic congregation, where the father reigns supreme—none daring to contradict him, and perhaps Father John is judging from the amount of intelligence in his own congregation, and classing us altogether. Such a state of matters may be found in a Catholic church where members, indeed, are not even encouraged to read the Bible. No such thing would be tolerated in a Freemasons' Lodge, as every candidate, after receiving his first degree, has to make himself proficient in that degree, before the second one is conferred on him, and so on to the other degrees.

Father John again says "Freemasonry is the greatest danger to Christianity and next to that the Jews." Why here is a wholesale order. Let me inform Father John that no man can, or will, be admitted into Freemasonry who would be a danger to Christianity. Are some of our leading Churchmen a danger to Christianity? They may be to the Catholic church, but not to Christianity. Freemasonry is a help to Christianity and Christianity a help to Freemasonry. Father John, to quote him again, says "The proofs for all his statements were abundantly furnished in speeches of the principals of the Freemason body." I should like Father John to tell me where these speeches are to be found. I would again like to ask Father John if he considers Sir Michael Shaw Stewart, Lord Blythwood, the Earl of Haddington, Sir Charles Dalrymple, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Connaught, the Duke of Abercorn all opposed to law and order? The thing is ridiculous to think of.

To show more of Father John's ignorance of his subject, he goes on to tell his audience how Freemasons are made, and how many degrees there are in our Order. He says between forty and fifty. Why! Sir, in America, there are ninety degrees. He also tells them that Freemasons don't know anything about it till they get the twenty-fourth degree, and these must all be tried and trusty members, but a good many only get the first and stop there. I have seen hundreds of members initiated, and never yet saw one who only took his first degree and stopped there—they all take three or four degrees.

My dear Sir, I know some thousands of Freemasons by name and most all have taken thirty degrees. In the twenty-fourth degree, it seems, Freemasons are made acquainted with coffins, skulls, and daggers, and the ceremony is of the most revolting description; the initiate is lowered deep down into the earth and strange words are heard; daggers gleam around them, but they are in the dark. Father John tells also how they are raised up again to a considerable height with similiar accompaniments, and this goes on for six or eight hours, with the result that the nervous system is shattered, and for the rest of their lives the initiated are entirely in the hands of their leaders. Now, let me ask Father John how he can account for this, as all Masonic meetings are held in halls—sometimes of their own, and sometimes hired. If such confessional means were taken, all the outside world would know of it. I have never seen a trap for such a purpose in the floor of any hall I have been in, and I speak with authority, as I have attained to the thirty-first degree, and never had such a revolting experience.

He accuses Freemason leaders of bigotry and a zeal for trying to keep their Brethren in ignorance of the Order. No such thing. But, sir, that is priesthood. In conclusion, let me inform Father John that I know several members of the Catholic church who are Freemasons, and whether they make good members of the church or not, I am unable to say, but this I do know, they make good members of our Order, in spite of the church's condemnation.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

PLUMB LINE.

[We re-produced the remarks of our contemporary that called forth the above letter, in our issue of 30th ult.—Ed. F.C.]

### RAILWAY BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

THIS Institution is established to afford the opportunity for those who sympathise with Railway Servants to help them in the time of need. The extent of its usefulness depends in a very large measure upon public support. It provides for necessitous Members, and Widows of the Railway Officers and Servants in the United Kingdom, and clothes, maintains, and educates Orphan Children; relief by Annuities and Money Allowances is granted to members who, from old age, disease, or accident, may be unable to work for their livelihood, and to the Widows of those who may be left in distressed circumstances.

Since the establishment of the Institution in 1858, upwards of £275,000 has been distributed amongst the Widows of 3,221 men killed, 6,190 dying of sickness, and 53,898 injured in the performance of their duties; 1,210 Widows and disabled Servants have received pensions; and 985 children have been educated and sent forth into the world fit and useful members of society. At the present time 845 Members and Widows are receiving annuities of from £10 to £30 each, and 310 children are being reared, trained and educated in the Orphanage and other Schools.

One hundred and sixteen thousand railway men of all grades subscribe to one or more of the funds of this Institution, which is open to all classes of men on all lines of railway in Great Britain and Ireland. It has no political objects.

The Railway Benevolent Institution is recognised and assisted by the Railway Companies, controlled and managed by their chief officers, and every proper case is carefully investigated, and promptly relieved as far as the funds will allow.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, when presiding at the fifteenth annual dinner of the Institution, said:

"The railway companies give this Institution in every way their official support, and they may indeed well do so, because there is no institution which more heartily deserves our support than this. Though I but feebly express what others would much better have laid before you, I hope you will believe that nobody feels more deeply for this Institution than I do, that nobody advocates its claims more ardently than I, and nobody will continue to take a greater interest in everything connected with our great railways. To show you that I am not using mere stereotyped phrases, I may tell you that no week elapses without my travelling once or twice at least by train. I have, therefore, the opportunity of seeing, as well as anybody can see, how admirably our railway system is worked; not only the managers and directors, but the officers and servants, have my warmest admiration for doing their utmost in the execution of their duty, and also for their unvarying courtesy and attention. I will ask you once more to open your purses as freely as you can in support of the Railway Benevolent Institution."

There are many of our readers who can fully endorse these remarks of the Prince of Wales, as to the way in which the Railway Officials of the country perform their duties, and we hope some of them may see their way to show appreciation of those efforts by subscribing to the funds of the Institution on the occasion of the annual dinner, to be held on the 29th May next, under the presidency of Lord Emlyn, Deputy Chairman of the Great Western Company.

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The Prince's Hall, Penzance, long tenanted by the local Billiard Club, has been bought by the Mount Sinai Lodge, who will adapt it for the purposes of Freemasonry.

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**A** QUARTERLY COURT of the Governors and Subscribers will be held in the Large Hall, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on Friday, the 19th day of April 1895, for the transaction of the ordinary business of the Institution:

To consider the following Notices of Motion, given at the Quarterly Court held 11th January:—

By the V.Wor. Bro. Richard Eve P.G. Treasurer Patron and Trustee, on behalf of the Board of Management:—1. "That in recognition of the valuable services so generously rendered to the Institution by the V.W. Bro. Thomas Fenn P.Pres. B. of G. Purposes, Vice-Patron of Institution; the rank of Honorary Patron be conferred upon him under Law 15." 2. "That in recognition of the eminent services so generously rendered to the Institution during the past thirty-two years as Honorary Surgeon-Oculist, the Vice-Presidency conferred upon the W. Bro. Jabez Hogg, F.L.S., M.R.C.S., &c., P.G. Deacon, on October 14th 1892, be extended to an Honorary Vice-Patronship in accordance with Law 15." 3. "That in recognition of the eminent services so generously rendered to the Institution during the past twenty-seven years as Honorary Medical Officer, the Vice-Presidency conferred upon Bro. Wharton P. Hood, M.D., on October 14th 1892, be extended to an Honorary Vice-Patronship in accordance with Law 15."

Also by W. Bro. John Bodenham P.A.G.D. of C. Vice-President (given at Council held 29th March):—"To insert after the word 'entertained' in Law 95, the words 'unless recommended by the Board of Management and'"

To elect a Treasurer for the ensuing twelve months.

To elect as Members of the Council, Twelve Brethren not being Life Governors.

To elect Ten Life Governors to fill vacancies on the Board of Management.

To elect twenty-three Boys from an approved list of forty-seven Candidates, reduced to forty-five by the withdrawal of (No. 19 on List) Cooper, Archibald Frederick, and (No. 31 on List) Evans, Lawrence Tom (withdrawn for presentation.)

The Chair will be taken at Twelve o'clock at noon precisely.

The Ballot for the Election of Boys and for members of the Board of Management, will open at One o'clock, or so soon as the General Business of the Court shall have terminated, and will close at Three o'clock precisely.

By Order, J. M. McLEOD, Secretary.

6 Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.,

9th April 1895.

\* \* The Ninety-seventh Anniversary Festival will be held in July next, under the distinguished Presidency of the Right Hon. the Lord Egerton of Tatton R.W. Prov. G.M. for Cheshire. The services of Brethren representing Lodges or Provinces, and of Ladies as Stewards on this important occasion, are earnestly solicited and will be gratefully acknowledged.

## The Theatres, &c.

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Drury Lane.—7.45, English Opera.

Lyceum.—8, King Arthur.

Avenue.—8.15, Dandy Dick Whittington. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.

Terry's.—8.30, Keep your own Counsel. 9, The Blue Boar. Matinée, Saturday.

Comedy.—On Wednesday, Delia Harding.

Princess's.—8.30, Hansel and Gretel (in English). Matinée, Saturday, 2.30. (Monday last night).

Strand.—8.15, The Backslider. 8.45, Fanny.

Globe.—8, The Journey's End. 9, Charley's Aunt.

Prince of Wales's.—7.50, A Woman's Caprice. 8.30, Gentleman Joe. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.

Haymarket.—On 27th April, John-a-Dreams.

Gaiety.—8, The Shop Girl. Matinée, Saturday, 2.

Daly's.—8, Dinner for Two. 8.30, An Artist's Model. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.

Garrick.—8, The notorious Mrs. Ebbsmith. Matinée, Saturday, 2.

Criterion.—8.30, An ideal Husband. Matinée, Saturday, 2.

Adelphi.—8, The Girl I left behind me.

Vaudeville.—On Thursday, The Ladies' Idol.

Savoy.—On Tuesday, Hansel and Gretel.

Toole's.—8, The Secret. 8.45, Thorough-bred.

Opera Comique.—8, Before the Dawn. 9, A Loving Legacy.

Alhambra.—8, Variety Entertainment. Grand Ballets, Living Pictures, &c. 10.10, Ali Baba.

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**A** GENERAL COURT of the Governors and Subscribers of this Institution will be held in the Large Hall of the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on Saturday, 20th April 1895, at Twelve o'clock precisely, on the General Business of the Institution; to consider the recommendation of the General Committee "That equivalent votes to value of Beer supplied be granted to Bro. Hammerton;" and to elect twenty-two Girls into the School, from a list of forty-one approved Candidates. The election will commence at one o'clock, or after the usual business is over.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

5 Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, W.C.

13th April 1895.

**T**HE 107th Anniversary Festival will take place on Wednesday, 8th May next, under the presidency of the Right Hon. The Earl of Mount-Edgcombe R.W. Deputy Grand Master and R.W. Prov. Grand Master of Cornwall.

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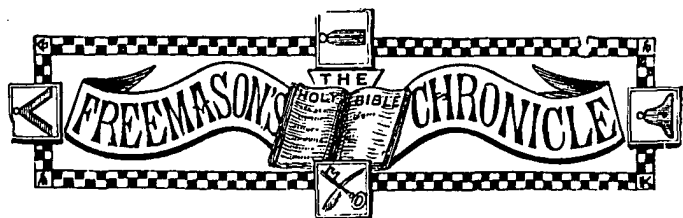
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SATURDAY, 13TH APRIL 1895.

## THE BOYS SCHOOL.

**A** VERY interesting account of the Boys School at Wood Green is given in this month's number of the "Ludgate Illustrated Magazine," which has included a series of articles

under the title of "Young England at School" among its other attractions. Some fine photographic views of the School, both inside and outside, are given, together with portraits of Bro. J. M. McLeod, the Secretary; Bro. H. Hebb, the Head Master; a group of the Masters; and a group of the Managing Committee. The article is one of the best written sketches we have seen descriptive of the School and its work, and, taken together with the illustrations, forms a memento of the Institution that we feel sure every Brother interested in it would like to possess. The article is written by Mr. W. C. Sargent, who specially refers to the altered surroundings of the property at Wood Green, speaks of the suggestion to remove the Institution into the country, and boldly asserts that the School will be greatly benefited as soon as that proposal can be carried into effect. We should have liked to reproduce some of the comments of the writer, but it would be unfair to the magazine in which they appear, and which is within the reach of all.

**T**HE following shows the results of the Cambridge Local Examinations held in December 1894, in connection with the Boys in the School at Wood Green:

Seniors (Age, 16 to 19).

One Second Class. (Total number successful in First and Second Classes:—83 out of 484 candidates). This boy is only 15½ years of age.

Juniors (Up to 16).

Three Second Class, Three Third Class, Twenty Passes.

Total:—27 Certificates; 7 with Honours.

One ex-pupil (left Midsummer 1894) also passed.

Note:—Six Candidates were under 14 years of age.

Eleven Candidates were under 15 years of age.

(The oldest was under 15½).

The thirty Masonic Lodges in Cornwall had, at the close of last year, 1,171 members, while 130 initiations took place during the twelve months. The Grand Master of the Province (the Earl of Mount-Edgcumbe) will be well supported by his Province when he presides at the Anniversary Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, some 500 guineas being likely to be subscribed by its members.

## PALINDROMES.

**A** PALINDROME, from the Greek *palin*, "back," and *dromos*, "a course or race," is a word or sentence which reads the same backwards as forwards, letter by letter, or sound by sound. It is possible to obtain many instances from the Latin, but there are very few worthy palindromic sentences in the English Language. They are not easy to form, and probably this is the reason for their scarcity. The palindromic effort "draw pupils' lip upward," is an evidence of the difficulty which students in this particular line of amusement find in constructing sentences of the intelligent kind.

Many of our English words, such as Ada, Hannah, &c., are perfect palindromes, although at the same time they are very insignificant. The following, which was made by Taylor, the Water-poet, is obtained by a quaintness in the spelling of the last word, and by the use of the sign "&" for the word "and."

"Lewd did I live, & evil I did dwell."

A writer in "Notes and Queries" contributed the following very clever palindrome:—

"Roma ibi tibi sedes—Ibi tibi Amor;  
Roma etsi te terret et iste Amor;  
Ibi etsi vis te non essi—sedes ibi  
Roma tenet et amor."

Thus translated:—

"At Rome you live, at Rome you love;  
From Rome that love may you affright;  
Although you'd leave, you never move,  
For love and Rome both fear your flight."

A lawyer once chose for his motto:

"Si nummi immunis,"—Give me my fee, and I warrant you free.

In the following palindrome, the spirit of the First Napoleon is supposed to be loquitor:—

"Able was I ere I saw Elba."

The subjoined lines on our first parents are considered to be a most unique example of epigram, conundrum, and palindrome combined:—

"'Tis known that palindromic wit,  
Should backwards read as forwards writ.  
When Adam saw in Eden fair  
A lovely nymph his joys to share,  
What introduction then began  
Before Eve took on trust her man?  
'Give me your name,' the maiden cried,  
'Madam, I'm Adam,' he replied."

"Book of Rarities," by Edward Roberts P.M.

## REPORTS OF MEETINGS.

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We shall be pleased to receive particulars of Masonic meetings for insertion in our columns, and where desired will endeavour to send a representative to report Lodge or other proceedings.

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## CRAFT: METROPOLITAN.

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## ST. MICHAEL'S LODGE, No. 211.

THE last regular meeting of the season was held at the Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C., last Tuesday, when Bro. Geo. Cockrell W.M. presided, and was supported by Bros. Dyer I.P.M., Copley S.W., Spawforth J.W., Mount S.D., Collings J.D., King I.G., P.M. Green Treasurer, P.M. Radcliffe Secretary, P.M. Cooper D.C., and a large number of the members.

Bro. George Francis Johnson was raised to the sublime degree by the W.M., who performed the ceremony in a most admirable manner.

As the Lodge will have completed one hundred years continuous work on 11th September 1895, it was decided to petition the Grand Master to grant the usual Centenary Charter, the expense of which Bro. Cockrell generously offered to defray. It was further resolved to mark the occasion by endowing the three Principal Chairs as Governors of the Masonic Charities. The Senior and Junior Wardens kindly offered to provide the music for the festival, which will be celebrated in November, in a manner worthy of so important an event.

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## TEMPERANCE IN THE EAST LODGE, No. 898.

A REGULAR meeting was held at the Assembly Rooms, Poplar, on Wednesday, 27th ult., Bro. E. F. Williams W.M.

Mr. Hans Wedge was initiated, says the "East London Observer," and in the required degrees Bros. G. R. Jones and W. Armstrong were passed, and Bro. Kleiss, J. T. Bigg, and G. R. Bigg raised.

During the whole of the ceremonies the beautiful ritual was enhanced by the musical accompaniments, vocal and instrumental, which form such a distinctive feature in the Lodge.

Bro. Williams, now restored to health, worked the various degrees with earnestness and precision.

The Lodge being closed, and the Brethren having partaken of refreshment, the Loyal toasts and those of the Grand Officers were received in the usual manner.

Bro. Bigg I.P.M. said the W.M. was the right man in the right place. They had worked together and had climbed the ladder together. As his Installing Officer, he felt a fatherly interest in the W.M.

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## ROYAL STANDARD LODGE, No. 1298.

THE Installation meeting was held at the Railway Hotel, Highbury Corner, on Friday, 5th inst., under the presidency of Bro. W. Blankley W.M., who was supported by Bros. E. Linfoot J.W., H. Cooper Treas., H. Dunn Secretary, R. Richardson S.D., Pearsall J.D., Powell Organist. P.M.'s Carver, Stead, Cull, Airey; Bros. H. Smith, Dean, Myers, Baker, Nash, Ward, Humphries, Wilkinson, Badman, Smith, Seager, Gould, Baker, and others.

Visitors: Bros. Angell S.W. 179, A. Humphries 1677, E. Martin 238, W. Stead 1563, R. Malpass 1702, A. Briscoe P.M. 1922 P.P.G.Org. of Surrey, A. Staley 185, G. Nash 1489, A. Chevalier 2021.

The Lodge was opened and the minutes confirmed, after which Brother Dean was raised to the M.M. degree, and Bros. Nash, Ward, and Smith were passed to that of Fellow Craft.

The principal event of the evening was the Installation of Bro. Edwin Linfoot the J.W., and this ceremony was most ably performed by Bro. P.M. Carver in a very earnest and faultless manner.

Bro. Linfoot is a very excellent and earnest worker, and his being installed W.M. of the Royal Standard Lodge was a source of pride and gratification to his many friends both inside and outside Masonry.

The W.M. invested his Officers as follow: Bros. Blankley I.P.M., T. Cull P.M. 1446 S.W., F. C. Richardson J.W., H. Cooper P.M. Treas., Hanes Dunn P.M. Secretary, S. H. Pearsall S.D., F. W. Tew J.D., J. Cuthbertson I.G., J. E. Carver P.M. D.C., J. A. Stone Std., F. Humphries Organist.

The addresses were delivered in a very impressive manner and listened to with great attention.

The W.M. subsequently initiated Mr. Smith, in a manner that must have convinced his Brethren that he is thoroughly competent to carry out any duty he may be called upon to perform during his year of office.

Hearty congratulations were tendered by the Visitors, and the Lodge was closed.

The Brethren adjourned to a very elegant banquet superintended by Bro. M. Tuck P.P.G.Std.B. of Essex, Manager of the Hotel, and that Brother deserves the highest praise; his efforts were crowned with success.

The W.M. set the good example of short speeches. The Loyal toasts were heartily received.

That of the W.M. met a grand reception. Brother I.P.M. Blankley, speaking with great feeling, alluded to the high attainments of the W.M., and testified how zealously he had worked in the past to qualify himself to discharge the duties of the chair to his own credit and their satisfaction.

The W.M. replied, thanking the P.Ms. and Brethren for their kindness. It was a great day of his life, and he felt truly pleased to know he had so many friends. He was very proud of his position, and nothing should be wanting on his part to make the Royal Standard Lodge as successful in the future as in the past. He earnestly hoped the Brethren would attend the Lodge of Instruction associated with it, in order to attain that knowledge which was so necessary in order to carry on the duties of the Lodge successfully.

The toast of the I.P.M., the Past Masters and Installing Officer, and the Officers of the Lodge were each heartily proposed and received.

The musical arrangements, under the direction of Bro. F. Humphries, were of the most perfect order, and gained unbounded applause from the Brethren. Among the artistes giving so much pleasure must be mentioned the names of Miss Winifred Parker, Miss Luie Jenkins, Bros. F. W. Tew, J. A. Stone and the Curfew Glee Singers.

The Tyler's toast concluded a very happy evening.

## FRIARS LODGE, No. 1349.

THE members of this Lodge had a successful ball on the 21st ult., at the Cannon Street Hotel, when Bro. Charles Eschwege W.M. and his Officers were most energetic in securing the comfort of the guests.

At the supper, says the "East London Observer," Brother P.M. Basil Stewart proposed the toast of the Friars Lodge and its W.M., which was accorded an enthusiastic reception.

The W.M., in responding, said how pleased he was in presiding over the first ball held in connection with the Friars Lodge, and trusted that it would be but the forerunner of many such happy events.

The toast of the ladies was proposed by Bro. P.M. Harry Marks, and very appropriately responded to by Bro. P.M. Weston.

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## PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 573.

THE annual festival was held on the 9th inst., at Halesowen, when there was a large attendance of members and visiting Brethren. Bro. Bryce S.W. was installed W.M. for the ensuing year. At the conclusion of the ceremony a banquet took place, at which the usual toasts were honoured.

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## UNITED LODGE, No. 697.

AT a monthly meeting, on Wednesday, 3rd inst., at Colchester, Bro. F. J. Motum S.W., was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year. Bro. G. J. Booth P.M. was elected Treasurer, and Bro. A. Wright re-elected Tyler.

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## GUNDULPH LODGE, No. 1050.

THE members held their annual festival on Wednesday, 3rd inst., under special dispensation from the Provincial Grand Master Earl Amherst.

The special meeting of the Lodge was held in the Guildhall, Rochester, kindly placed at the disposal of the Freemasons by the Mayor and Corporation of the city, and was attended by several distinguished Brethren of the Province as well as visitors from a distance.

The new Master is Bro. J. W. Nash, who was unanimously elected to Office. The interesting ceremony of installation was carried out by Bro. G. H. Russell the retiring Master, in a singularly able manner, which at a later period drew forth the unqualified encomium of the Past Masters and Brethren, Bro. Russell being at the same time presented with a valuable P.M.'s jewel in recognition of the able manner in which he had carried out the duties of his Office during the past year.

The business of the Lodge ended, the Brethren partook of their annual banquet at the King's Head Hotel, High Street, presided over by Bro. J. W. Nash.

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## MALLING ABBEY LODGE, No. 1063.

AT the meeting held at the Freemasons Hall, Malling, on the 3rd inst., Brother C. W. Sofer Whitburn was unanimously elected Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, to succeed Brother T. Scott, who has so ably presided over the Lodge for the past year. It was also unanimously agreed to present Bro. Scott with a Past Master's jewel, as some recognition from the members, of the kind and considerate way he had carried out the duties of his Office.

Subsequently the first three sections were gone through, Bro. Wagon P.M. being Preceptor.

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## TRUTH LODGE, No. 1458.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Wheat Sheaf Hotel, High Street, Manchester, on Saturday, the 6th inst. There was a good attendance, the following, amongst others, being present:—Bros. E. M. Shepherd W.M., W. H. Worsley S.W., T. P. Cooper J.W., A. B. Taylor S.D., W. Kempston as J.D., J. J. Dean I.G., Sandiford Org., T. H. Hall P.M. Sec., Alfred Hebden P.M. P.P.G.D.D.C. D.C., H. L. Burgess I.P.M., Past Masters R. Caldwell P.P.G.S.B., G. Needle, M. Davies, Jas. Archdale, J. H. Vincent; Bros. G. T. Lenard, H. Hellewell, J. Parkyn, &c., T. Hyde Tyler. Visitors: Bros. D. G. Miles 121, and Geo. Thomas Lee.

After the reading and confirmation of minutes, a ballot was taken for Messrs. John Pearce and Wm. Dewhurst, and being successful these gentlemen were afterwards regularly initiated into ancient Freemasonry, the former by Bro. Hebden, the latter by Bro. Caldwell, both ceremonies being excellently well performed. The Working Tools were presented and explained by Bro. Cooper J.W., and the E.A. Charge delivered by Bro. Worsley S.W. We have spoken of Bro. Worsley's careful efforts upon previous occasions, and may here assert that his present exposition of the Charge was all that could be desired.

After Lodge was closed, the Brethren adjourned to tea, this being followed by a social board, which was rendered exceedingly pleasant by songs and recitations given by Bros. Cooper, Hebden, Kempston, Sandiford and Taylor, and several delightful pianoforte solos played by Bro. Worsley.

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## LONGLEAT LODGE, No. 1478.

THE Brethren of the above Lodge mustered in force on Wednesday, 3rd inst., at the Town Hall, Warminster, to take part in the installation of Brother Sydney Lancelot Corden S.W. as Master for the ensuing year.

The ceremony was performed by the W.M. Brother Thomas Ulric Thynne.

After the closing of the Lodge the Brethren, with several Visitors from Portsmouth, Winchester, and Trowbridge, proceeded to the banquet at the Bath Arms Hotel, where a most enjoyable evening was spent under the presidency of the new Master, supported by many Visiting Brethren.

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## TRAFFORD LODGE, No. 1496.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Western Hotel, Moss Side, Manchester, on Monday, the 8th inst., among those present being



Bros. Percy E. Land W.M., Fras. Long I.P.M., Ramsey Knight S.W., George Burslem P.M. Treas., J. C. Gillman P.P.S.G.D. Secretary, W. Yeadon S.D., John Done J.D., H. Russell I.G., H. P. Jones P.M. P.P.G.R., David Johnson P.M. D.C., Wm. Blears P.M., John Morris P.M., T. L. Frith, Thos. Carter, C. H. Moss, Hermann Preston, W. Lees, Josh. Kennerley, F. H. Krause. Visitors:—H. R. Box 1633 J.D., E. H. Flower P.M. P.G.Tyler E.L. Tyler.

The Lodge was opened in due form at 6.15, when the minutes of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed, and a ballot was taken for Mr. Samuel Wollam, Moss Side, Manchester. This proved successful, when the Brethren adjourned for tea.

On re-assembling, Mr. Samuel Wollam was initiated by the W.M., who was ably assisted by his Officers, the S.W. giving the Working Tools and the Charge in a very efficient manner, in the unavoidable absence of the J.W. (Bro. Preston) through illness.

After hearty good wishes had been expressed the Lodge was closed.

At the social board which followed, after the Loyal toasts had been honoured, the health of the Initiate was proposed by the W.M., and responded to by him in a few well chosen remarks.

Bro. Jones, proposing the health of the W.M., in his remarks said, if we have not got a Master in the chair of K.S. who fills it in bulk, we certainly have one who can do his work well, and has the working of his Lodge and Masonry at heart.

The W.M. feelingly replied, and other toasts followed, relieved by songs and recitations given by Bros. Russell, Yeadon, Blears, Krause, Long and Preston. Bro. Long presided at the pianoforte.

#### ALBERT EDWARD LODGE, No. 1780.

At the regular meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd inst., at the Masonic Hall, Southampton, after the minutes had been adopted, Mr. William Warner and Mr. Alfred William Kitcatt were initiated.

The Lodge was then advanced and Bros. Griffin, Loveless, Dolling, Parnell and Fowels were passed to the degree of Fellow Craft.

Bro. C. Alexander W.M. then presented Bro. I. G. Jordan I.P.M., on behalf of the Lodge, with a beautiful Past Master's jewel, and in a few well chosen remarks congratulated him on the respect in which he was held by the Brethren.

Bro. Jenkins, on behalf of the nineteen initiates during the past year, presented Bro. Jordan with a Past Master's Apron.

Bro. Jordan thanked the Brethren for their very handsome presents.

#### WILBERFORCE LODGE, No. 2134.

The installation of Bro. A. Spring took place at Hull, on the 9th inst., in the presence of a large gathering of members and Visiting Brethren. Bro. T. T. Davis P.M. P.P.G.St.B. performed the ceremony, after which the Officers were invested.

The installation banquet followed.

#### COTEHELE LODGE, No. 2166.

The annual meeting was held on Monday, 1st inst., when Bro. J. James W.M.-elect was installed by Bro. C. T. Pearce, assisted by a Board of Installed Masters.

The Officers were invested for the year, and after the transaction of other business an adjournment was made to Smale's Steam-packet Hotel, where an excellent banquet was provided.

The Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured.

#### THORNHAM LODGE, No. 2279.

The annual festival and installation took place at the Half Way House, Royton, on Wednesday, 27th ult., and proved one of the most successful ever held. The Lodge was honoured by the presence of several visitors, of whom Bro. Abbott P.P.G.D.C. acted as Installing Master, and Bro. Hilton undertook the duty of the investiture of Officers. Bro. J. Clegg I.P.M. presented the Working Tools to the newly installed Bro. J. E. Harrison, and Bro. Riley delivered the Charge.

The banquet was presided over by Bro. Harrison W.M., and Bro. J. R. Meanock acted as Director of Ceremonies.

The fact that Bros. Abbott and Hilton had been specially invited from Manchester to perform the duties of installation, was a sufficient guarantee that the quality of their work would be of an excellent description, and in every respect they fully maintained the standard of efficiency and martinet correctness of ritual which has made them so popular among the Brethren of Cottonopolis.

The social board which followed dinner was of a very agreeable kind, and during the toasts an opportunity was taken to accord a hearty vote of thanks to those who were responsible for the successful carrying out of the duties of installation.

In his reply, Bro. Abbott drew attention to the forthcoming festival to be held at the Botanical Gardens, Old Trafford, on 3rd July.

Bro. Harrison W.M. dilated upon the fact that the Lodge had for some time been labouring adversely, but had at last got into smooth waters, and he entertained strong hopes that ere long they would be enabled to assist in a substantial manner the various Masonic Charities.

#### ORDE-POWLETT LODGE, No. 2391.

On Wednesday, 3rd inst., Bro. W. H. Johnson was installed W.M. of this Lodge at Middlesbrough, the ceremony being impressively performed by Bro. W. J. Watson P.M. A large number of Brethren were present. The W.M. appointed the Officers for the year, and after the ceremony the Brethren dined together in the banqueting hall of the Masonic Hall.

### ROYAL ARCH.

#### ROYAL SUSSEX CHAPTER, No. 342.

On Wednesday, 3rd inst., the annual installation of Principals took place at the Freemasons' Hall, Commercial Road, Portsmouth, when Comp. Glazebrook P.M. 342 was installed 1st Principal, Comp. Suter P.M. 1834

2nd Principal, and Comp. R. Payne P.M. 342 3rd Principal. The ceremony of installation was most impressively performed by Comp. G. F. Lancaster P.Z. and P.G.A.S.E.

The 1st Principal then invested his Officers for the ensuing year, and the usual banquet followed.

#### DE PERCY CHAPTER, No. 636.

The regular convocation was held on Friday of last week, at Morpeth, under the presidency of Comp. W. Davison Z. P.G.A.S.E., there being a good attendance of members.

The meeting was favoured with a visit from the Provincial Grand Chapter, the following Officers being present:—Comps. J. Cartmel Ridley P.Z. P.P.G.H., Charles Roupe P.Z. P.P.G.O., J. Carmon P.Z. P.P.G.S.B., Edward Forster P.Z. P.P.G.St.B., John Tweedy Z. P.G.St.B., and others.

#### NORTH LONDON CHAPTER OF IMPROVEMENT.

At the Cock Tavern, Highbury Corner, on Monday, 9th inst., there were present Companions Lardner M.E.Z., Snelling H., George J., Gregory Treasurer, J. Osborn S.E., Hanes N., R. Pain Walkden P.S., Galloway acting Candidate, Past P. McDowall, Chamberlayne, Edmonds, Tuck, and others.

The ceremony of Exaltation was rehearsed in a very perfect manner, and the business being ended the Chapter was closed.

Companions are cordially invited to visit the Chapter at their new quarters on Monday nights, when every courtesy and accommodation is shown by our excellent friend Comp. Tuck, the Manager of the old "Cock."

### THE THEATRES, &c.

**Alhambra.**—Among the more recently added attractions at this popular place of amusement is "The Beautiful Geraldine," who made a re-appearance here on Thursday of last week, after an absence from London of four or five years. Her skill as a trapeze performer is marvellous, and in her daring and ability she is probably without a rival. Her principal feat, the aerial flight, is especially clever, and seen to great advantage in the spacious and most convenient Alhambra. Mlle. Vonare contributes some acrobatic performances which form another attractive feature in the programme, which is also strengthened by a burlesque lion taming sketch by the Brothers Griffiths, which is likely to achieve almost as great a popularity as their "Blondin Donkey" did a few years back. The other items of the programme are almost equally deserving of special mention, notably the beautiful spectacle "Ali Baba," but space compels us to stop, with the injunction to our readers, however, to go and judge for themselves whether the fare provided by the management is not entertaining as well as excellent.

**Empire.**—A novelty was provided here last week in the form of a clever sketch—"A traveller's troubles in Monkeyland," given by the Brothers Lomas, who claim to be the finest imitators of monkeys in the world, and are certainly very clever and amusing in their performances. Several new songs have been introduced, while the general high character of the programme is well sustained.

**Palace.**—A neat and attractive novelty was introduced here last week, when Mr. Henry Lee commenced an engagement to give a series of elaborate portraits of "Great men—past and present." His performance is a remarkable one, as illustrating the rapidity with which changes may be made, but apart from this—and far more important—is the marked ability of the delineator in regard to facial and general "get up," as well as his skill as an elocutionist. At the introductory performance Mr. Lee commenced with a representation of "Shakespeare," and then delivered the poet's well known lines commencing "All the world's a stage," with considerable effect. This was followed by an almost immediate change into a representation of the Czar, in turn followed by the three German Emperors, with Prince Bismarck, Dickens, Tennyson and Mr. Gladstone as a conclusion, all being marvellous portraits, and what may be rightly termed faithful reproductions. The other items of the programme are as varied, entertaining and attractive as ever, and are nightly enjoyed by appreciative audiences.

**Royal Aquarium.**—The Aquarium has the strongest bill of Easter attractions yet put forth. The performances commence at 10 a.m., continuing uninterruptedly up to 11.40 p.m., and for one shilling entrance visitors can remain the whole day and evening. Amongst the many and varied items there are more sensational and remarkable turns than have ever yet been witnessed in one building. The principal performances of the day and evening will commence at 2 and 7, but as early as 10 a.m. there is an hour's comical conjuring entertainment, and from 11 to 1 a great central stage variety show. Over one hundred Artists are engaged, and whilst retaining in the programme most of the leading artistes whose feats are the surprise of London, several others are specially engaged for the six weeks' great Easter holiday carnival. Swimming performances take place at intervals, at which every style of fancy and trick swimming is executed by professional lady and gentlemen swimmers.

A circular has been issued in connection with a proposed bazaar to raise £1,500 on behalf of the Building Fund of Mother Lodge, Kilwinning. The bazaar will be held in the Trades' House, Glasgow, early in December of this year, and if the sum named is realised the Lodge will be placed in a sound financial position. "Looking back on the ancient history and traditions of Mother Kilwinning," continues the circular, "and considering her unique position in Scottish Freemasonry, the committee have every confidence in making this appeal, and they feel assured that the Brethren of all the Lodges will give a ready and generous support." Bros. Laurence Mathieson and John Milne, Kilwinning, are the joint Secretaries.

## ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

A LETTER has been addressed during the past week to several of the London papers, by Mr. W. Woodward, who seems to share a popular erroneous opinion in regard to the banquets of Freemasonry, and propounds a proposition that the Brethren of England should forego one banquet during the year, in order to devote the money it might cost to the decoration of our metropolitan cathedral. Why should the Freemasons be singled out? Why not ask the Architects of the Kingdom to forego one of their meals for an equally laudable object? But it is hardly necessary for us to notice the remarks of Mr. Woodward; he has been replied to by the Grand Superintendent of Works, in the "Standard," and Brother R. F. Gould, the eminent historian, has addressed a letter on the subject to the "Daily Telegraph," after which we think Mr. Woodward will have some difficulty in making out a case in support of his particular whim. We reproduce the correspondence, and the comments of the "Daily Telegraph":

## THE FREEMASONS OF ENGLAND AND ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

To the Editor of the "Standard."

SIR,—May I outline an idea which has been formulated, with regard to a contribution from the Freemasons of England towards the fund for decorating our great Metropolitan Cathedral? I need not here dilate upon the architectural merits of "the finest Protestant Cathedral in the world," with a grand interior left in its cold nakedness for two centuries, and which led Dean Milman, in response to a letter addressed to him in 1858 by the Bishop of London, regarding the decoration of the church, to use the following eloquent words:—"I should wish to see such decorations introduced into St. Paul's as may have some splendour, while they would not disturb the solemnity, or the exquisitely harmonious simplicity, of the edifice; some colour to enliven and gladden the eye, from foreign or native marbles, the most permanent, safe modes of embellishing the building, exposed to the atmosphere of London. I would see the dome, instead of brooding like a dead weight over the area below, expanding and elevating the soul towards heaven. I would see the adornment carried out in rich and harmonious (and as far as possible from gaudy) style, in unison with our simple form of worship."

Since that date various attempts have been made to deal with the decoration, and during the last few years some progress has been made, which has led the present Dean and Chapter to renewed and hearty attempts to carry the great work forward to completion. Towards this most worthy end they are appealing to the public for support, and I have every confidence that, when the subject is duly brought before the Freemasons of England, they will show, in the usual practical form, their sympathy with the Dean's efforts, and their recognition of the peculiar connection they themselves have with the masterpiece of Sir Christopher Wren.

In 1666 Wren was appointed Deputy Grand Master, under Earl Rivers, and "distinguished himself beyond any of his predecessors in legislating for and promoting the success of the Lodges under his care." He was Master of the St. Paul's Lodge—now the Lodge of Antiquity (of which His Royal Highness the Duke of Sussex was a Past Master)—and attended their meetings regularly for upwards of eighteen years. In 1685 he was elected Grand Master, and appointed Gabriel Gibber, the sculptor, and Edward Strong, the master mason at St. Paul's, his Wardens. So that Freemasons, operative and speculative, are to some extent bound up in this appeal to complete the work of their distinguished predecessor in the Craft.

We are now approaching an interesting date. On 2nd December 1697 the choir of the new Cathedral of St. Paul was opened for Divine Service, on the thanksgiving-day for the Peace of Ryswick, and the Bishop of Salisbury (Gilbert Burnet) preached before the King and a great Court, which was held at Whitehall, the evening concluding with grand illuminations and fireworks, and this was the first service in the Church since the Fire in 1666.

The practical suggestion which I venture now to put forward for the consideration of English Freemasons is as follows:—

1. That every Lodge in England forego one banquet this year, and devote to the Decoration Fund the amount which would probably have been expended on such banquet.

2. That a grand Masonic ceremony, with H.R.H. the Prince of Wales at its head, take place this year in St. Paul's, to further direct attention to the needs of the Cathedral, and to aid the Decoration Fund.

3. That, inasmuch as the contributions resulting from these efforts would probably not be sufficient to complete the scheme of decoration, a certain portion—say the Dome and the Transepts—be set apart as that with which the Freemasons would be particularly associated, and that the work be completed before December 1897—the bi-centenary of the opening of the choir for service.

In asking you, Sir, to be good enough to allow this matter to be ventilated in "The Standard," permit me to add that I am not in any way, directly or indirectly, interested in the decoration work, except as one who earnestly desires to see our magnificent church completed in a way worthy of its grand architect, and in a manner commensurate with the opulence and dignity of the nation.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. WOODWARD, A.R.I.B.A., F.S.I.

13 Southampton-street, Strand, April 5.

To the Editor of the "Standard."

SIR,—I feel sure all English Freemasons, as also those in other parts of the world owing allegiance to our Grand Master, the Prince of Wales, will feel grateful to your Correspondent, Mr. William Woodward, for his letter upon the above subject, for which you have kindly found space in "The Standard" of this date. Agreeing as I do with his remarks as an architect, I must disagree with his suggestion as to the means he would adopt to raise the necessary funds—viz., that of every Lodge foregoing "one banquet this year."

For my part, I am prepared to forego, not one banquet, but all banquets, for this year or the next; but is it right to associate one part of the decoration

of "our great Metropolitan Cathedral" with dining, or to give those outside the Order an erroneous impression that Freemasonry exists and flourishes upon such gastronomical and baser influences? The subject of your Correspondent's letter can be brought forward at any of our Grand Lodge meetings, when I firmly believe that it would receive the attention it warrants, and have the support it merits, if only it be shorn of the "practical suggestion" above alluded to, and denounced by,

Sir, your obedient servant,

THE GRAND SUPERINTENDENT OF WORKS.

April 6.

Freemasonry, like every other system of abstract philosophy, has heretics as well as orthodox believers. The latter place implicit trust in what is told them and ask no questions, while the former are continually finding flaws in tradition. Some of them even go as far as to assert that the story of the assassination of Hiram Abiff is to be found in the Scandinavian story of "Balder the Beautiful." It is to be feared that Mr. R. F. Gould, of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge, is one of the heretics, for in a letter forwarded to us he traverses all the interesting facts adduced the other day by Mr. W. Woodward to prove Sir Christopher Wren's connection with Freemasonry, and to show why, therefore, members of the Craft should now aid the completion of the interior decoration of St. Paul's Cathedral. Mr. Woodward alleged that Wren was Grand Master of the Order in 1685, and Mr. Gould writes: "May I be permitted to say that the office of Grand Master was created in 1717, and that there is not a particle of authentic evidence to show that Sir Christopher Wren was a Freemason at all. It is quite true that in various silly 'Histories' of Freemasonry, Nimrod, Moses (with Joshua as Deputy and Aholiab and Bezaleel as Grand Wardens), Solomon, Nebuchadnezzar, and Augustus Caesar, are mentioned as having been Grand Masters among the Antients; and St. Augustine (founder of the English Church), St. Swithin, Alfred the Great, Edward the Confessor, William of Wykeham, Cardinal Wolsey, and Sir C. Wren among the Moderns. The first of these 'Histories'—from which all the nonsense about legendary Grand Masters has been derived—was written by Dr. James Anderson, a Presbyterian minister, in 1738. It is there that the popular delusion which makes Wren a notable Freemason and a Grand Master had its origin; and the pilgrimage which Mr. Woodward suggests should be made by the Freemasons, with the Prince of Wales at their head, to St. Paul's, in order to do honour to Sir Christopher, might with equal propriety be made to Hampton Court, in memory of Cardinal Wolsey, whose 'Grand Mastership' was quite as much a reality as that of Wren or of Nebuchadnezzar."—"Daily Telegraph."

## DENVER FREEMASONRY.

REFERRING to the town of Denver, in "An American Tour," which Bro. John Chapman, of Torquay, is publishing in the "Devon County Standard," our Brother observes: I paid a visit to the Masonic Temple where the great gathering of the Knights Templars Conclave was held in August 1892. The spacious apartments and well-decorated halls, for the several degrees in Freemasonry, indicated an amount of taste and enterprise that reflected very great credit upon the rulers of the Craft in Denver.

At the annual meeting of the Accident Insurance Company, Limited, held on the 22nd ult., the Directors reported that the Income for the year ending 31st December 1894 amounted to £51,377 10s 7d. The Claims Paid amounted to £22,278 18s 7d, and the Bonus allowances to Policy-holders to £3,484 3s 5d. A Bonus of 5 per cent., free of Income Tax, was declared, making, with the interim interest already paid, 10 per cent. for the year, while a sum equivalent to 3 per cent. was set aside to increase the Paid Capital Account. The Assets of the Company at the end of the year amounted to £71,590 3s 9d.

## CANDIDATES FOR THE INSTITUTIONS.

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.

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## BOYS SCHOOL.

Your Votes and Interest are earnestly solicited on behalf of

FREDERICK SAMUEL LANG (Aged 10). Second Application.

Son of the late Frederick Alexander Giles Woolgar Lang, Master Tailor, of 114 Seven Sisters Road, Holloway, N., who was initiated in the New Finsbury Park Lodge, No. 1695, on the 17th October 1882, and was a subscribing member to the time of his death, October 1890. Votes will be thankfully received by Bros. T. G. Hodges, E. T. Mackrill, C. W. Allen; and Mrs. F. Lang, 8 Bird Street, Oxford Street, London, W.

## GIRLS SCHOOL.

ETHEL BRANDON STANFORD,

Daughter of the late Edwin Ernest Stanford Past Master of the Paxton Lodge, No. 1686, and Member of the Lodge of Union, No. 166; aged 7½, earnestly desires your vote and interest for the above Election. Her father died suddenly at the early age of 36, leaving a Widow and Three Children unprovided for.

## BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

Your Votes and Interest are earnestly solicited on behalf of

BRO. THOMAS SAMUEL STOCKMAN,

Who was born on 16th May 1826, and who has been a paying member for twenty-three years to True Love and Unity Lodge, No. 248, Brixham, Devon. Bro. Stockman has been confined to his bed with influenza and acute bronchitis for near a fortnight; his wife also for two months; previous to which he has earned very little—a mere pittance—by night watching, to which may be attributed his present illness.

## NEXT WEEK.

Further particulars as to place of meeting of the undermentioned Lodges are given in the Freemasons' Calendar and Pocket Book (published by Grand Lodge, for the benefit of the Charity Fund).

## Monday.

- 1 Grand Masters', F.M. Tavern  
8 British, Freemasons-hall  
21 Emulation, Albion  
185 Tranquility, Guildhall Tavern  
907 Royal Albert, Freemasons-hall  
1506 White Horse of Kent, Holborn Viaduct Hotel  
1694 Imperial, Cloat's Restaurant  
77 Freedom, Gravesend  
236 York, York  
248 True Love and Unity, Devon  
284 Shakespeare, Warwick  
312 Lion, Whitby  
359 Peace & Harmony, Southampton  
377 Hope & Charity, Kidderminster  
424 Borough, Gateshead  
455 Perseverance, Kettering  
466 Merit, Stamford Baron  
872 Lewis, Whitehaven  
900 St. George, Tewkesbury  
925 Bedford, Birmingham  
949 Williamson, Monkwearmouth.  
986 Hesketh, Preston  
1030 Egerton, Heaton Norris  
1113 Anglesea, Menai Bridge  
1170 St. George, Manchester  
1199 Agriculture, Yatton  
1208 Corinthian, Dover  
1238 Gooch, Twickenham  
1255 Dundas, Plymouth  
1337 Anchor, Northallerton  
1443 Salem, Dawlish  
1502 Israel, Liverpool  
1631 St. Andrew, Gorleston  
1674 Carodoc, Rhyl  
1814 Worsley, Worsley  
1833 St. Keyna, Keynsham  
1909 Carnarvon, Nottingham  
1973 Saye and Sele, Belvedere  
2074 St. Clair, Landport  
2081 Golden Fleece, Leicester  
2014 Prudence, Liverpool  
2049 Ellan Vannin, Douglas, I of M.  
2074 St. Clair, Landport  
2081 Golden Fleece, Leicester  
2086 Dacre, Stevenage  
2208 Horsa, Bournemouth  
2289 Blundellsands, Great Crosby  
2327 St. Oswin, N. Shields  
2349 W. Lancashire Century, Blackpool  
2425 Ecclesburne, Duffield  
2482 Duchess of York, Manchester

## Tuesday.

- Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.  
30 United Mariners, Guildhall Tav.  
95 Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle  
162 Cadogan, Freemasons-hall  
194 St. Paul, Cannon Street Hotel  
435 Salisbury, Freemasons-hall  
1339 Stockwell, Camberwell  
1695 New Finsbury Park, Holborn Viaduct Hotel  
2022 Haven, Ealing  
2191 Anglo American, Criterion  
213 Perseverance, Norwich  
223 Charity, Plymouth  
293 King's Friends, Nantwich  
384 St. David, Bangor  
386 Unity, Wareham  
402 Royal Sussex, Nottingham  
414 Union, Reading  
418 Menturia, Hanley  
432 Abbey, Nuneaton  
468 Light, Birmingham  
476 St. Peter, Carmarthen  
551 Yarborough, Ventnor, I. of W.  
560 Vernon, Stourport  
667 Alliance, Liverpool  
830 Endeavour, Dukinfield  
958 St. Aubin, Jersey  
960 Bute, Cardiff  
1006 Tregulow, St. Day  
1046 St. Andrew, Farnham  
1075 St. Maughold, Ramsey, I. of M.  
1089 De Shurland, Sheerness  
1225 Hindpool, Barrow-in-Furness  
1276 Warren, Seacombe  
1410 St. Peter & St. Paul, Newport Pagnell  
1424 Brownrigg Unity, Old Brompton  
1427 Percy, Newcastle-on-Tyne

- 1551 Charity, Birmingham  
1570 Prince Arthur, Liverpool  
1621 Castle, Bridgnorth  
1764 Eleanor Cross, Northampton  
1787 Grenville, Buckingham  
1893 Lumley, Skegness  
1894 Herschel, Slough  
1903 Prince Edward of Saxe Weimar, Portsmouth  
1941 St. Augustine, Rugeley  
2146 Surbiton, Surbiton  
2155 Makerfield, Newton-le-Willows  
2316 Princes, Liverpool  
2339 Mistley, Manningtree  
2407 Hicks-Beach, Stroud

## Wednesday.

- House Committee, Girls School, Battersea, at 4-30  
Gen. Com. Grand Chapter at 4  
Board of Benevolence, at 5.  
Grand Stewards, Freemasons'-hall  
7 Royal York of Perseverance, Albion  
140 St. George, Greenwich  
174 Sincerity, Gresham Street  
190 Oak, Freemasons-hall  
700 Nelson, Plumstead  
969 Maybury, Inns of Court Hotel  
1044 Wandsworth, Wandsworth  
1150 Buckingham and Chandos, Freemasons-hall  
1349 Friars, Ship and Turtle  
1382 Corinthian, Cubitt Town  
1673 Welcome, Holborn Via. Hotel  
1681 Londesborough, Café Royal  
2266 Cator, Beckenham  
2348 Lombardian, Ship and Turtle  
2409 Woodgrange, Forest Gate  
20 Royal Kent of Antiquity, Chatham  
121 Mount Sinai, Penzance  
127 Union, Margate  
137 Amity, Poole  
175 East Medina, Ryde  
178 Antiquity, Wigan  
200 Old Globe, Scarborough  
210 Duke of Athol, Denton  
221 St. John, Bolton  
243 Loyalty, Guernsey  
246 Royal Union, Cheltenham  
261 Unanimity and Sincerity, Taunton  
285 Love and Honour, Shepton Mallet  
311 South Saxon, Lewes  
325 St. John, Salford  
342 Royal Sussex, Landport  
376 Perfect Friendship, Ipswich  
451 Sutherland, Burslem  
537 Zetland, Birkenhead  
581 Faith, Openshaw  
592 Cotteswold, Cirencester  
610 Colston, Bristol  
662 Dartmouth, West Bromwich  
683 Isca, Newport, Mon.  
726 Staffordshire Knot, Stafford  
823 Everton, Liverpool  
874 Holmesdale, Tunbridge Wells  
934 Merit, Whitefield  
938 Grosvenor, Birmingham  
950 Hesketh, Fleetwood  
962 Sun and Sector, Workington  
972 St. Augustine, Canterbury  
1019 Sincerity, Wakefield  
1040 Sykes, Driffield  
1086 Walton, Kirkdale  
1114 Joppa, Fakenham  
1129 St. Chad, Rochdale  
1161 De Grey & Ripon, Manchester  
1179 Rutland, Ilkeston  
1212 Elms, Stoke Damerel  
1246 Holte, Aston  
1301 Brighthouse, Brighthouse  
1323 Talbot, Swansea  
1334 Norman, Durham  
1353 Duke of Lancaster, Lancaster  
1511 Alexandra, Hornsea  
1634 Starkie, Ramsbottom  
1638 Brownrigg, Kingston-on-Ths.  
1774 Mellor, Ashton-under Lyne  
1988 Mawddach, Barmouth  
2050 St. Trinians, Douglas, I of M.  
2135 Constance, Consett  
2153 Hope, Gosport  
2203 Farnborough and North Camp, Farnborough  
2258 W.D. United Service, E. Stonehouse  
2412 Ashfield, Sutton-in-Ashfield  
2434 Anderida, Eastbourne

## Thursday.

- 6 Friendship, Criterion  
23 Globe, Freemasons-hall  
49 Gihon, Guildhall Tavern

- 55 Constitutional, City Terminus Hotel  
63 St. Mary, Freemasons-hall  
169 Temperance, Deptford  
179 Manchester, Anderton's  
657 Canonbury, Holborn Rest.  
733 Westbourne, Holborn Rest.  
1475 Peckham, Camberwell  
1598 Ley Spring, Anderton's  
1613 Cripplegate, Albion  
1623 West Smithfield, Freemasons-h.  
1716 All Saint's, Poplar  
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich  
42 Relief, Bury, Lanc.  
56 Howard Brotherly Love, Littlehampton  
57 Humber, Hull  
98 St. Martin, Burslem  
100 Friendship, Great Yarmouth  
203 Ancient Union, Liverpool  
230 Fidelity, Devonport  
245 Mechanics, Jersey  
267 Unity, Macclesfield  
268 Queen's Arms, Ashton-under-Lyne  
280 Worcester, Worcester  
286 Samaritan, Bacup  
322 Peace, Stockport  
343 Concord, Preston  
345 Perseverance, Blackburn  
350 Charity, Farnsworth  
363 Keystone, Whitworth  
367 Probity and Freedom, Rochdale  
394 Southampton, Southampton  
425 Cestrian, Chester  
430 Fidelity, Ashton-under-Lyne  
489 Benevolence, Bideford  
523 John of Gaunt, Leicester  
600 Harmony, Bradford  
605 Combermere, Birkenhead  
659 Blagdon, Blyth  
663 Wiltshire Fidelity, Devizes  
758 Ellesmere, Runcorn  
802 Repose, Derby  
833 Afan, Aberavon  
939 Pelham, Worksop  
940 Philanthropy, Stockton  
1000 Priory, Southend  
1011 Richmond, Manchester  
1037 Portland, Portland  
1042 Excelsior, Leeds  
1184 Abbey, Battle  
1299 Pembroke, Liverpool  
1332 Unity, Crediton  
1386 St. Hugh, Lincoln  
1393 Hamer, Liverpool  
1432 Fitz-Allan, Oswestry  
1459 Ashbury, West Gorton  
1464 Erasmus Wilson, Gravesend  
1470 Chiltern, Dunstable  
1534 Concord, Prestwich  
1562 Homfray, Risca, Mon.  
1776 Landport, Landport  
1821 Atlingworth, Brighton  
1869 Sandown, Sandown, I. of W.  
1872 St. Margaret, Surbiton  
1887 St. Hilda, Wallingford  
2158 Boscombe, Boscombe  
2226 St. David, Rhymney  
2268 Hallamshire, Sheffield  
2302 St. Mary, Southwell  
2305 Stour, Ashford, Kent  
2325 Rose of Lancaster, Southport  
2341 Clemency, Oldham  
2390 Exmoor, Minehead

## Friday.

- Quarterly Court Boys School at 12  
Board of Management, Boys School, Wood Green, at 2-30  
975 Rose of Denmark, Kennington  
1962 London Rifle Brigade, Anderton's  
2157 St. Mark's College, Holbn. Res.  
2346 Warrant Officers, F.M.H.  
152 Virtue, Manchester  
155 Perseverance, Liverpool  
271 Royal Clarence, Brighton  
347 Noah's Ark, Tipton  
541 De Loraine, Newcastle-on-Tyne  
993 Alexandra, Levenshulme  
1108 Royal Wharfedale, Otley  
1311 Zetland, Leeds  
1330 St. Peter, Market Harborough  
1357 Cope, Sale  
1389 Fenwick, Sunderland  
1773 Albert Victor, Pendleton  
1794 De Vere, Nottingham  
2063 St. Osyth's Priory, Clacton-on-Sea  
2231 Talbot, Stretford  
2447 Palatine, Manchester

## Saturday.

- Quarterly Court Girls School at 12.  
715 Panmure, Cannon Street Hotel  
1364 Earl of Zetland, Guildhall Tav.  
1641 Crichton, Camberwell  
811 Yarborough, Brighton  
1096 Lord Warden, Walmer  
1126 Oakwood, Romiley  
1194 Villiers, Hampton Court  
1871 Gostling Murray, Hounslow  
1897 Citadel, Harrow Station  
2035 Beaumont, Kirkburton  
2041 W. Kent Volunteer, Plumstead  
2318 Lennox Browne, Buckhurst-hill

## EAST LANCASHIRE INSTITUTION.

A VERY successful dramatic performance, in aid of the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Educational and Benevolent Institution, was given at the Gentlemen's Concert Hall, Manchester, on Friday, 29th ult., by the Manchester Amateur Players.

As some slight misunderstanding seems to have arisen with regard to the object of the undertaking, we may explain that Bro. A. E. Burgess S.D. Ashbury Lodge, 1459, who is a member of the Society of Amateur Players, had the choice of a free performance, and at first was undecided as to whether he should offer it in aid of the Masonic Charities, or allow the proceeds to be devoted towards the endowment of a cot in connection with the Ancoats Hospital. Upon mentioning the circumstance to his Brethren of the Ashbury Lodge, they prevailed upon him to divert the proceeds to Masonry, and were not long in taking up the matter, several of them working with most commendable zeal in the sale of tickets, so as to make the contemplated performance what it eventually became—a brilliant success. Special mention ought to be made of the supreme efforts of Bros. F. W. Burgess and Isaac Hurlow, Hon. Secs.

We have no means at present of ascertaining the amount realised, as all the tickets have not yet been accounted for, but may state that over 500 were taken at the door, and as the major portion of these were at a cost of 5s or 2s 6d each, it is anticipated that a fairly large surplus will be handed over to the East Lancashire Institution.

The play selected for representation, and which was well staged, was Bro. C. H. Hawtreys farcical comedy "The Private Secretary." In matters like this, where the object is a charitable one, the theatrical critic rarely likes to indulge in fault finding, but had we been present with the avowed intention of seeking for defects, we must have admitted that upon the present occasion there was not much to cavil at. The company worked with an ease and abandon which has only been attained by practice, and we look forward to see them before long in another selection from their repertoire of twenty pieces.

The orchestra, which is described as a talented one, had for its director Mr. A. Gray, and rendered some very fine operatic selections.

Permission had been obtained for Craft clothing to be worn, and the performance was under the distinguished patronage of Bros. Col. LeGendre N. Starkie Prov. Grand Master, George Mellor Deputy, and other Provincial Grand Officers. Amongst the latter we noticed Bros. Cliffe Prov.G.Dir. of Cers., Jas. W. Abbott P.P.G.D.C., Fred Hilton P.P.G.D.C., Walter Newton P.M. 268 1322 and W.M. 830 P.P.G.D., and William Bee P.P.G.S.

The following Lodges were well represented:—Integrity, 163, Fortitude, 461, Faith, 581, Yarborough, 633, Alexandra, 993, Shakespeare, 1009, Richmond, 1011, Ashbury, 1459, and Ardwick, 2185. Bro. Grimes, of the Integrity Lodge, had offered to post all bills free of charge, but as the Committee did not go to the expense of posters, they accordingly did not avail themselves of his kindness.

## FREEMASONRY, &amp;c.

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