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FESTIVITIES IN MASONRY.

THE many records we are able to give week by week of social meetings in different parts of the country, at which ladies and Brethren enjoy themselves together at what may be at least described as semi-Masonic gatherings, seem to afford evidence that this feature of Freemasonry, which but a few years back was regarded as an un-Masonic innovation, has not only passed the experimental stage, but is becoming increasingly popular as it becomes better known.

The fact that the majority of the Masonic meetings at which ladies are invited to participate are promoted for the purpose of benefiting one or other of the many Charity funds existing in connection with the Craft, and the known sympathy of the fair sex in all that pertains to the alleviation of suffering and distress, are no doubt the chief causes that lead to so many successes being achieved, and we think the advantage thus aimed at goes far to justify the appearance of the ladies in Freemasonry even in the eyes of those who regard their association with the Craft as out of place and unconstitutional.

But however this may be it is very certain that this season Masonic festivities appear to have been more numerous and more popular than ever, and from the reports published of results arrived at we may look forward to many an orphan, a widow, or a distressed Brother being the richer in consequence. We have always advocated the association of ladies in the beneficent work of Freemasonry, believing that their presence cannot possibly do harm, while their interest in the good cause can and does do good. For this reason we hope the practice of entertaining the ladies at the Lodges at least once a year will extend in our midst, that their sympathy in the sacred cause of Masonic Charity may thus be awakened, and permanent help secured.

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

THE Quarterly Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter was held on Wednesday evening at Freemasons' Hall. Comp. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., presided, having for his H. the Rev. J. S. Brownrigg, and for his J. Comp. J. Thornhill Morland. Comps. E. Letchworth S.E., Thomas Fenn as S.N., Baron de Ferrieres as P.Soj., G. H. Hopkinson as 1st Asst. Soj., J. E. Le Feuvre as 2nd Asst. Soj., and W. M. Stiles Grand Treasurer were in their respective places. Sir George D. Harris acted for Comp. Robert Grey President of the Committee of General Purposes.

There was a good attendance of Grand and Past Grand Officers, and of representatives of subordinate Chapters.

On the motion of Sir G. D. Harris, seconded by Companion Frank Richardson, Charters were granted for the White Rose of York Chapter, 2491, Sheffield; the Eccentric Chapter, 2488, London; the Fellowship Chapter, 2535, London; the Studholme Brownrigg Chapter, 2421, Amersham; and the Southern Star Chapter, 1158, London. The Charter of the Bulwer Chapter, No. 1068, Cairo, having been destroyed by fire, a Charter of confirmation was granted. Chapter No. 260 was ordered to return its Charter; No. 1537 was ordered to be erased, and No. 171 was ordered to be summoned to show cause why it should not share the same fate. On the motion of Sir G. D. Harris, seconded by Companion Richard Eve, £50 was voted to the Scholarship Fund of the Masonic Boys School.

HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE Provincial Grand Chapter met at the Masonic Hall, Bournemouth, on Monday, 27th ult., under the presidency of Comp. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Grand Superintendent, with Comp. J. E. Le Feuvre P.G.Swd.Br. Eng. H., and C. J. Tilling J., as second and third Principals respectively. A large and thoroughly representative gathering of Companions from all parts of the Province were present.

At the conclusion of the business, the Companions adjourned to the Grand Hotel, where a *recherché* banquet was served, and the customary toasts were honoured, under the direction of the Provincial Grand Superintendent.

STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE Provincial Grand Lodge, as at present arranged, will be held at Hanley, on the 13th of May. The business meeting will take place in the Artillery Hall, the Brethren will attend Divine service at Shelton Church, and a banquet will be held in the Victoria Hall.

CONSECRATIONS.

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TRINITY LODGE.

A WARRANT has been granted for a new Lodge to be held at Buckfastleigh, making fifty-three in the Province of Devonshire. Its number is 2595, and the meetings are to be held at Anthony's Assembly Rooms. The charter is dated 28th December 1895, and designates Bro. James Willcocks P.M. 710 Totnes the first Master, Bro. John Cole (another P.M. of that Lodge) is also among the petitioners.

ST. MARY OF THE HARBOUR LODGE.

ON Tuesday afternoon, 18th inst., this Lodge, No. 2591, will be consecrated at the Town Hall, Shoreham. The ceremony will be performed by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Sussex Bro. Sir W. T. Marriott, Q.C., S.G.D., who will be assisted by the Prov. Grand Officers. The consecration will be followed by the installation of Bro. the Rev. J. Puttick P.P.G.Chaplain as Worshipful Master.

ROYAL ARK MARINERS.

AT the Masonic Rooms, Hamilton Street, Birkenhead, on the 31st ult., Royal Ark Mariners Lodge, No. 11, which is attached to the Joppa Lodge of Mark Master Masons, was consecrated, in the presence of a large gathering of the fraternity. The consecration ceremony was admirably performed by Brother C. F. Matier P.G.W. G.S., and several Grand Officers. The Brethren designate were Bros. John Armstrong W.C.N., T. C. Thothburn S.J., J. C. Robinson S.S. Thirty-three Brethren were elevated to the degree by Bro. W. Vincent P.A.G.D.C.

An interesting oration was delivered upon the principles of Ark Masonry by the Rev. Bro. C. E. L. Wright, M.A., P.G. Chaplain of North-East Yorks, and W.C.N. York, T.I. The enthronement of Bro. John Armstrong was impressively performed by Bro. Vincent, and the newly appointed W.C.N. invested his Officers.

Subsequently the usual Loyal and Ark toasts were proposed and responded to, and an excellent musical programme was rendered. The catering was carried out by Bro. H. Moyers, of 605, and the musical arrangements were under the direction of Bro. W. Hudson Organist.

NEW LODGE AT CHESTER.

A DECISION has been come to at Chester to petition for the establishment of a new Lodge, to be called the Travellers' Lodge. There are at present three Lodges in the city—the Cestrian, No. 425; the Independence, No. 721, which is the strongest Lodge in the Province, though it is run very closely by a Birkenhead Lodge; and the Clarence, No. 2386, which is largely a military Lodge. The new Lodge will meet on Saturdays, and consequently will be a convenience to commercial travellers, especially those who are or wish to be Masons. The petition for a Charter will be presented through the Lodge of Independence, and there is every probability that the Lodge will be opened within the next two months by Lord Egerton Prov.G.M., or Sir Horatio Lloyd Deputy Prov.G.M. It is proposed the first Master of the new Lodge shall be Brother W. Peers P.M. 721; the first Senior Warden Brother Thomas Owen 721 and P.M. of the Oswestry Lodge; and the first Junior Warden Bro. Hugh Roberts 425 and P.M. of the Caradoc Lodge, Rhyl. Thirty members have already handed in their names, says the "Liverpool Mercury," and as many more are waiting to be admitted as joining members or initiates.

THE CRAFT IN INDIA.

REVIEWING the "History of Freemasonry on the Coromandel Coast" by the Rev. C. H. Malden Past District Grand Chaplain of Madras, the "Madras Weekly Mail" says: "The number of Lodges now working in the Presidency is twenty-three, numbering some 800 Brethren, in addition to what are called the non-affiliates. We learn with some surprise that the Civil Orphan Asylums in Madras were the outcome of a scheme of Masonic Benevolence initiated by Lodge Perfect Unanimity, and the foundation stone of the building now used as the Industrial School at Black Town was laid by the District Grand Lodge. Mr. Malden, however, has been Chaplain of the Asylum, and ought to know. Other buildings associated with Freemasonry are the Capper House on the Beach, and the building which gave its name to the Pantheon Road. The Craft seems to have flourished in Madras on its own merits, and to have been less dependent than is sometimes found to be the case on great names. We notice, however, what an attraction the Craft has for the legal mind. In fact, it is not long ago since every Judge on the High Court Bench and some nine Districts Judges adorned the District Grand Lodge with their names and occasional presence, whilst at the present moment about thirty eminent lawyers and vakils are members of different Lodges."

FIDELITY PRECEPTORY K.T., No. 114.

AT a meeting held on Tuesday, 28th ult., in the Carlton Hill Rooms, Leeds, Brother William Flockton was installed as Preceptor for the ensuing year, the ceremony being performed by Bro. D. R. Glover.

"A SPRIG OF ACACIA."

WITH many tokens of esteem, the funeral of Brother John Leonard, R.N., took place on Saturday, at the Plymouth Cemetery. As an active and prominent Freemason, and in his professional career as messman for many years of the Royal Naval Engineers' College, deceased had by his genial manner and sterling qualities won the regard of a very wide circle of friends, and his popularity in both naval and Masonic circles was demonstrated by the large attendance at the funeral. On arrival at the cemetery the cortège proceeded direct to the grave, where the Rev. W. Mantle officiated. At the close of the service Bro. Lord read an address, in which he dwelt on the deceased's estimable personal qualities and services to Masonry, remarking that their hearts went forth to the Almighty in gratitude for having so long spared a life of such noble devotion to Masonry, and of such unselfish zeal for the welfare of others. Like a beacon on a rock-girt shore the light of Freemasonry had shone in their Brother's career, not only warning his Brethren of the shoals and quicksands of life, but in times of trouble and adversity, giving relief in distress. The secrets of their Order were confided to the individual care of every Brother, but its teachings and results could not be kept within the limits of the Brotherhood. In the family circle, in social intercourse, and in the Church itself its influences were felt. Great responsibility, therefore, rested upon the Brethren, not only to avoid the neglect of the active principles of Freemasonry, but above all never to pervert those principles to individual selfishness and pride, but ever to present their system to the world as a beneficent angel of light, robed in charity, and winged with blessing. Subsequently the Brethren present dropped sprigs of acacia into the grave, and the procession re-formed and returned to Stoke.

LIVERPOOL MASONIC HALL.

AT the first meeting of the newly-constituted House Committee of the Hall, in Hope Street, Liverpool, Bro. P. Armstrong P.M. P.G.S. was elected chairman, and Brother G. Morgan P.P.G.D. vice-chairman, Bro. T. J. Jarman P.P.G.D.D.C. being the Hon. Secretary, and Bro. J. H. Tyson P.M. 241 Hon. Treasurer. The Committee will shortly be engaged in the selection of a hall-keeper, in succession to the late Brother R. Burgess.

A fourth Benevolent Association in connection with the Royal Standard Lodge of Instruction, No. 1298, was commenced in October last, with even better prospects than its predecessor, albeit that resulted in a substantial sum of £1,013 being handed over to the Masonic Institutions. This popular method of securing Life Governorships is too well known to need much explanation here, although there may be a few who are unaware that it is intended to provide Life Governorships by payments of 1s weekly over a period of four years. The Royal Standard Association is under the management of such well-known Brethren as Past Masters Thos. Cull and John Glass, with Bro. P. M. Black (4 Elliscombe Road, Old Charlton, Kent) as the Secretary, and he will be pleased to enrol any new members who may wish to join. The subscriptions are payable at the meetings of the Lodge, at the Castle, 81 Holloway Road, the second Friday each month, at 7.30 p.m.

It is gratifying to learn that the Brethren of Staffordshire are busy at work collecting funds for the establishment of a foundation in the Orphan Asylum, at Wolverhampton, for children of Masons of the Province, and that of the 700 guineas required close upon £500 has already been subscribed. We join the Provincial Grand Master in the hope that the requisite amount will be in hand before the close of the year.

The Royal Standard Lodge of Instruction, No. 1298, last week celebrated its 1,100th meeting, a coincidence that is worthy of record in connection with the fact that to-day's is the 1,100th number of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE, and we hope the two may go on side by side helping each other to compile many more "centuries." The Royal Standard Lodge meets every Friday evening, at 8 p.m., at the Castle Tavern, Holloway Road (near Highbury Station), under the direction of Brother T. Cull P.M. Preceptor, who, we are convinced, will be pleased to welcome any of the old members of the Lodge or extend a hearty greeting to new ones. Bros. J. Stone and S. H. Pearsall act as joint Secretaries.

The annual ball of the Selwyn Lodge, No. 1901, took place on Wednesday, 29th ult., at the Surrey Masonic Hall. Arrangements had been made for a large company, and as a matter of fact a considerable number of tickets were disposed of, but unforeseen circumstances, including an unfortunate prevalence of illness, prevented many from attending. However, a thoroughly happy and hearty company did honour to the occasion, and they received a characteristic welcome from Bro. T. W. Gay W.M., who was congratulated on his recovery from recent indisposition.

The twenty-fifth annual ball and re-union under the auspices of the Duke of Edinburgh Lodge, No. 1182, of which Bro. David Lowthian is W.M., was held on the 30th ult., in the Masonic Hall, Hope Street, Liverpool, there being an attendance of about 150 ladies and Brethren; the proceedings were in every way pleasant and successful. The proceeds will go in aid of the Provincial Masonic Charities.

The annual ball in aid of the Masonic Charities was held in the Bootle Town Hall on Thursday, 23rd ult. Each Worshipful Master is ambitious to make the ball which falls in his year of office a conspicuous success, and Bro. Wm. Taylor W.M. of the Bootle Lodge, No. 1473, made the usual effort to achieve distinction in this respect, the result being in every way satisfactory, says the "Bootle Times."

A ball in aid of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution was held in the St. Helens Town Hall, on Thursday, 30th ult., when about 250 persons were present. The arrangements were made by the Prince of Wales Lodge of Mark Masons, No. 466.

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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TEMPLE LODGE, No. 101.

FOR the past few years the historic Temple Lodge, No. 101, mainly composed of Camberwell Brethren, has been honoured by the presence of ladies at an up-river excursion, that of last year during the Mastership of Bro. Harry Wood being most successful. The departure introduced by Bro. Frank Williams P.M., in 1891, in holding a ladies' banquet, concert, and ball at the Ship and Turtle was again recognised on Tuesday, 28th ult., under the able presidency of Brother Frank Wint W.M., who was heartily supported by Bros. Frank Williams P.M. and Treasurer, and W. Briant, through whose indefatigable exertions the whole gathering was most successfully carried out.

The proceedings commenced with a Lodge emergency at 4.30, when Brothers Saunders and Gunton were raised and Mr. Gluckstein Abrahams initiated into the mysteries of Masonry by the W.M. The dispensation having been read granting permission to wear full Masonic clothing at the banquet and ball, the Lodge business ended.

A reception was then held in the drawing room of the Hotel by Brother Frank Wint and Mrs. Wint, during which a splendid bouquet was presented to Mrs. Wint by Bro. Frank Williams P.M., who said: In the name of the Brethren of the Temple Lodge, to mark their high appreciation, I have the greatest possible pleasure in presenting this bouquet; and although these beautiful flowers will fade, I trust that the memory of this happy meeting will be ever cherished in our hearts.

The reception concluded, the company adjourned to a recherché banquet supplied by the worthy proprietor, Brother C. J. Painter, and personally superintended by Bro. Ashby.

The toast of the W.M. was proposed by Bro. Harry Wood I.P.M., who remarked that the large number of visitors around the festive tables showed the high esteem in which the W.M. (their worthy president) was held, and also testified to the very able manner in which he discharged the duties of his high office.

Bro. Wint, in reply, most heartily thanked the company for drinking so cordially to the toast, and for the high honour they had done him by being present that evening.

The toast of the Ladies was ably proposed by Bro. Frank Williams, who stated that at the command of the W.M. to take the position of Secretary and Treasurer, he, as a Mason, loyally obeyed.

The toast was responded to in a neat speech by Mr. Frank Wint jun.

Upon the conclusion of the banquet, the company retired to the ball room, where they were soon engaged to the lively strains of Thorpe's Military Band.

At the next meeting the Brethren intend to present a handsome gold jewel to Brother Wint W.M., to show their high appreciation of his services during his year of office, says the "South London Press."

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ISRAEL LODGE, No. 205.

THE installation meeting was held at the Cannon Street Hotel, on Tuesday, 28th ult., when the Mayor of Southampton, Bro. M. Emanuel, J.P., who is a Past Master of the Lodge, received a special invitation to be present. In the course of the evening the W.M. Bro. Berlyn proposed the health of the Visitors, calling attention to the honour which had been bestowed upon one of their Past Masters by the Municipality of Southampton, the Corporation of which town, he remarked, had elected him as chief magistrate, while Masonically he also held high office in the Province.

Bro. Emanuel expressed his gratification at the reception accorded him, which was by no means the least interesting feature in the evening's proceedings.

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DUKE OF CONNAUGHT LODGE, No. 1524.

ON the 30th ult., at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, Bros. Esmond J. Turnbull W.M., Oakley S.W., Pearse J.W., W. H. Brand P.M. Treas., C. Lorkin P.M. Sec., several members of the Lodge, Bro. W. Mason Stiles Grand Treasurer, and a large number of other visitors.

The installation of Bro. W. T. Oakley was regularly performed, and he afterwards initiated several candidates in a very praiseworthy manner.

The installation working throughout was magnificently done by Bro. E. J. Turnbull I.P.M., who is a perfect master of the ritual.

Eighty-three Brethren sat down to a sumptuous banquet, the music following which was under the direction of Bros. G. Buzzard and F. Henderson. Pianist, Miss Harmer; artists, Madame Franklin, Miss Theresa Kellaway, Mr. Percy White, Mr. J. W. Harris, Bros. W. W. Robinson and Harmer.

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ROYAL COMMEMORATION LODGE, No. 1585.

ON Wednesday, 5th inst., at the Holborn Restaurant, Bros. G. A. Knight W.M., Cox W.M. 1461 S.W., Thomas W.M. 144 J.W., Collick P.M. Treas., Robinson P.M. Sec., Keen P.M. S.D., Harry Willsmer Secretary 1567 acting J.D., Barker I.G., and a large number of Past Masters and Brethren. Visitors: Brothers T. I. Bird P.M. and W.M. 1567, &c. P.G.S.Br. Middx. F. Dunstan P.M. 1826 A.G.D.C. Middx., F. F. Bromhead P.M., &c., P.G.S. of Works Essex, Mason P.M. P.G.Deacon Surrey, Oldrey 1361, Ditchman 1567, Jourden W.M.-elect 1201, Ball, Powell 1085.

The business included the raising of Brothers Schwieso, Matthews and Blake, the passing of Brother Charles Knight, the initiation of Messrs. W. Sumner and Sanders Allen Bevan, and the balloting for joining membership of Bro. Thomas V. Fenn 1567.

The Brethren afterwards sat down to a sumptuous banquet. The toast of the Visitors was responded to by Bros. Bird, Bromhead, Dunstan and Powell Past Masters.

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NORTHERN BAR LODGE, No. 1610.

THE installation meeting was held on Wednesday, 5th inst., at the Café Royal, Regent Street, when Justice Bruce was duly placed in the chair as successor to Bro. S. Hall, Q.C., Vice-Chancellor of the County Palatine of Lancaster.

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THE PRIORY LODGE OF ACTON, No. 1996.

ON the 3rd inst., at the Berrymeade Priory, Acton, Bros. Tom Scott Henson W.M., C. Pearce S.W., S. Kett J.W., E. Monsom P.M. Treas., J. A. Cammell P.M. Sec., &c.

Mr. W. S. Wright was balloted for, and duly initiated.

Bro. C. Pearce S.W. was unanimously elected W.M., Bro. Monsom P.M. Treasurer, and G. Harrison Tyler.

A programme of music was gone through after the banquet by Bros. Botley P.M., Kett, W. Hirst P.M., Phillips, Cammell P.M., &c.

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SAVAGE CLUB LODGE, No. 2190.

THE installation of Bro. C. L. Carson, editor of the "Stage," as Worshipful Master took place at the Freemasons' Tavern, under the presidency of Bro. Edmund Rosenthal W.M., who regularly installed his successor. Bro. Harry Nichols and W. S. Penley were invested as Senior and Junior Wardens respectively.

Over 160 Brethren sat down to the banquet, amongst them being the Earl of Rathmore P.G.D. Ireland, Lord Skelmersdale P.G.W., Sir J. Monckton P.G.W., Viscount Dungarvan Prov.G.M. Somerset, Sir Somers Vine, C.M.G., P.G.D. P.M. Treas., Thomas Catling P.M., W. E. Chapman P.M. P.P.S.G.W. Bucks Sec., W. J. Fisher P.M., Ven. Archdeacon Sinclair P.G.C., H. T. Brickwell, L. Atherley Jones, M.P., W.M.-elect, E. E. Peacock P.M., C. Townley J.D., Henry Neville W.M.-elect, and many others.

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CATOR LODGE, No. 2266.

THE Brethren held a ladies' night at the Holborn Restaurant on Friday, 24th ult., the whole being excellently arranged, and proving an entire success.

About 250 were present, and a banquet and concert were held in the Venetian Chamber, after which the King's Hall was occupied for a ball. A special dispensation to wear Masonic clothing was granted.

A jewel was presented to the daughter of the Worshipful Master of the Cator Lodge by the Brethren, as a token of their appreciation of his successful efforts to bring about such a pleasant evening.

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INSTRUCTION.

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DUKE OF CONNAUGHT LODGE, No. 1524.

AT the Lord Napier, London Fields, on Saturday, 1st inst., Brother G. A. Kebbell W.M., Crispe S.W., Friedlander J.W., Caton P.M. S.D., A. Rusby J.D., J. B. Frost I.G.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Buckmaster candidate. Bro. Harry Willsmer delivered the ancient charge in a praiseworthy manner. The 1st section of the lecture was worked by Bro. G. Edwards.

Votes of thanks were unanimously accorded to the supper and testimonial Committees, and Bro. Clinton of the Mother Lodge, No. 1524, was elected a member.

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CRUSADERS LODGE, No. 1677.

ON the 31st ult., at the Northampton Arms, Goswell Road, Bros. J. W. Doubtfire W.M., A. J. Blake S.W., M. Robinson J.W., W. J. Hunter Treas., E. Dimes Sec., C. Weeden Preceptor.

The ceremonies of initiation and passing were rehearsed. The W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Preceptor, who rehearsed the installation ceremony and installed Bro. Doubtfire into the chair, who, having invested his Officers, resumed and closed the Lodge.

At the next meeting two ballots will be taken in the Crusaders Charitable Association.

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CITADEL LODGE, No. 1897.

ON the 31st ult., at Bro. Witte's Farleigh Hotel, Amhurst Road, N., Bros. David Jackson W.M., Jeanes S.W., Johnson J.W., T. I. Bird P.M. Treas., Bro. Dunstan P.M. Preceptor, Alf. Wyatt acting Secretary, and several others.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. T. Matthews candidate. Bro. Platt answered the questions leading to the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. Bro. Matthews answered questions leading to the third degree.

Bro. Johnson was elected W.M., after which a meeting of the Masonic Charities Association was held, Bro. Dunstan presiding. Five ballots were taken.

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BRIXTON LODGE, No. 1949.

THE annual festival took place on Tuesday, 28th ult., at the Prince Regent Hotel, Dulwich Road, when some forty Brethren sat down to a well-served banquet, provided by Bro. Revill, the proprietor. The chair was occupied by Bro. G. R. Langley (who was appointed Preceptor to the Lodge in the place of the late Bro. Francis), who was supported by Bro. D. D. Mercer P.G.P. Senior Vice-President of the Board of Benevolence, &c.

After the usual loyal toasts, the health of the President was proposed in feeling terms by Bro. Blenkarn, and suitably responded to by Bro. Langley.

The Chairman then gave the toast of the evening, the Brixton Lodge of Instruction and the Benevolent Association, coupling with it the names of Bros. Axford Treasurer, Ellinger Secretary, Carpenter Assistant Secretary, and Hooper Secretary of the Benevolent Association. The speaker took the opportunity of thanking the Brethren and many South London Lodges for the liberal way in which they had responded to the appeal made on behalf of the Francis Memorial Fund, the amount subscribed having reached the

handsome sum of £270, which money would enable the widow to nearly clear off the mortgage on the house. He also alluded to the excellent work being done by the Benevolent Association, which, in the twelve years it had been started, had sent no less than £2,252 to the various Masonic charities. When it was remembered that this large amount had been subscribed in the small sums of a shilling a week per member it showed that their association was in a very flourishing condition.

Bros. Ellinger, Carpenter, and Blenkarn (who responded for Bro. Hooper, unavoidably absent through illness) replied to the toast.

The toast of the Past Executive of the Brixton Lodge of Instruction was responded to by Bro. W. Phillips, who, as one of the founders, spoke of the great satisfaction it gave him to be present that night, and though he noticed many old faces were absent, still the useful work was being carried on among the younger members of the Craft, and he heartily wished it continued prosperity.

The various speeches were interspersed with some capital songs by Bros. Kipps (who also officiated at the piano), Burgess, and Davis.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT INSTRUCTION LODGE SUPPER.

ON Friday evening, 31st ult., there was a very numerous gathering of Brethren at the Lord Napier, London Fields, the occasion being, in addition to the annual supper, the presentation of an illuminated testimonial on vellum, an album with photos of the members, and a large framed portrait group of most of the principal supporters of the Lodge of Instruction, to their esteemed ex-Preceptor Bro. Charles Lorkin P.M. and Secretary of the Mother Lodge.

Bro. R. E. Fairclough P.M. Preceptor presided as W.M., and was supported by Bro. C. Lorkin, the guest of the evening, Bros. James Bunker P.M. and Treasurer, G. Edwards Assistant Preceptor, Fred Kebbell Secretary. Bros. A. Rusby and Frost occupied the chairs of S.W. and J.W. respectively, well reporting their columns when called upon.

After a substantial supper, which did great credit to the superintendence and management of Host Weight and his assistants, the usual loyal toasts having been duly honoured at the hands of the W.M., were followed by that of the Mother Lodge, which was replied to by Bro. Burgess.

The Duke of Connaught Lodge of Instruction was proposed by the Chairman, and replied to by Bros. J. Bunker P.M. Treas. and Fred Kebbell J.W. 1662 Secretary.

The toast of the Preceptor was in the capable hands of Bro. Rusby, and replied to by Bro. Fairclough P.M.

Then came the toast of the evening, the late Preceptor Bro. C. Lorkin P.M. The Chairman, in felicitous terms, proposed the toast, and, in the course of his complimentary but well-deserved allusions to the past services of their talented Brother, expressed the sincere regret felt by every member of the Lodge of Instruction when they learnt that his removal from London would necessitate his severance from their midst, adding that he could pay a great many well-merited tributes to Bro. Lorkin's past support of the Lodge of Instruction, but as Bro. Bunker had a few remarks to make, he would content himself by asking them to drink to his continued good health and happiness.

Bro. Bunker, addressing Bro. Lorkin in a very touching speech, referred to the blow it had been to him and the other members when they heard they were to lose their old friend and teacher, whom they respected and appreciated so much, and they came to the conclusion that they must express this feeling in some tangible form. After several meetings it had been decided to present him with this illuminated testimonial, album, and photo group of the members, so that they might long live in his memory, and that these slight tokens of the goodwill and friendship of the Duke of Connaught Lodge of Instruction members might be handed down to his children as evidence of the respect in which their father was held. He was echoing the feelings of every member of the Duke of Connaught Lodge of Instruction when he hoped that the G.A.O.T.U. would spare him for many years, and that at least once a year he would honour them with his presence at their annual gatherings.

Bro. Lorkin, who was visibly affected, on rising to respond received a most enthusiastic reception. He said he scarcely knew how to thank the Brethren for this exceedingly kind mark of their good feeling towards him. He was deeply grateful to them all, and would prize and preserve those handsome presents all his life. He referred at some length to his past connection with the Lodge, which dated back upwards of twenty years. Since 1888 he had been their Preceptor, and nothing gave him more concern upon leaving London than his enforced retirement from a position he had filled with so much pleasure to himself, and he hoped and felt satisfaction to the Brethren.

The toast of the visitors was proposed by Bro. Edwards, and responded to by Bro. Luker P.M., while that of the Officers was submitted by Bro. Frost, and responded to by Bro. F. Kebbell.

An excellent programme of music, under the superintendence of Bros. P. Felsenhall and Worthington the Organist and Assistant of the Lodge, was gone through. The Brethren who contributed were Bros. F. Small, Tom Feistel (the well-known North London dramatic reciter), who both gave two excellent recitations, "My first public dinner" and "The women of Mumbles Head"; Bros. Fairclough, Edwards, and Luker, in a trio, "The slumber song"; Bro. W. W. Robinson, "Our Johnny"; George Kebbell, &c.

In addition to those already mentioned who were present we noticed Bros. Caton P.M., Ives P.M., Punter, Willis J. Robinson, Ketch, Friedlander, Captain Schlosshauer, Sulley, Islip, Crisp, Wilde, Ridgway, Wales, Mansell, Dowling P.M., Johnson, &c.

Bros. Islip and Wilde acted as Stewards, their assistance being much appreciated.

A very tasty menu was provided by Bro. Fred Kebbell, with photo of Bro. Lorkin in a Masonic frame in centre, another specimen of his handiwork.

ROYAL ARCH.

DUKE OF FIFE CHAPTER, No. 2345.

THE election meeting was held on Saturday, at Anderton's Hotel, E.C., when there were present:—Comps. J. W. Folkard Z., A. Harvey H., J. A. Randall J., Charlie Woods S.E., W. G. Boswell S.N., A. Robertson Treas., S. G. Bonner P.Soj., J. Wyer P.Z., T. Morris Stwd., R. J. Voisey P.Z., J. D. Clayton, C. Patrick P.Z. Janitor.

Visitor: Comp. G. F. Rossiter S.N. 907.

The Principals and Officers were unanimously elected as follows:—Comps. A. Harvey Z., J. A. Randall H., W. G. Boswell J., C. Woods S.E., S.

G. Bonner S.N., A. Robertson Treas., C. Munslow P.S., J. Mitchell 1st A.S., T. Morris 2nd A.S., Clayton Steward, Patrick Janitor, Morris and Clayton Auditors.

It was unanimously resolved, on the motion of Comp. Wyer P.Z., that a P.Z.'s jewel be presented to Comp. Folkard for his valuable and esteemed services as M.E.Z. during the past year.

It was resolved that the meetings of the Chapter be held on the first Wednesday in the months of February, May, October, and December, respectively.

Each Companion received a copy of the bye-laws, which were taken as read.

The Companions afterwards dined together under the chairmanship of the M.E.Z.

VICTORIA CHAPTER, No. 1345.

THE annual convocation was held at the Masonic Rooms, Eccles, on the 23rd ult., when a satisfactory statement of the past year was given by Comp. C. E. Hindley (Mayor of Eccles) and the sum of six guineas was voted to the Alpess Memorial Fund. Comp. Wm. Goodacre Prov. Scribe E. attended and installed to office Comps. C. Bagot Z., T. Yarwood H., S. Spencer J.

MARK MASONRY.

ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL LODGE, No. 163.

AT the installation meeting, held in the Masonic Hall, Newport Pagnell, on the 21st ult., Brother the Rev. F. R. Harnett W.M., assisted by Brother the Rev. V. P. Wyatt, advanced Bro. W. J. Gresham and Brother G. J. A. Uthwatt to the degree. Brother Harnett then installed his successor Bro. F. W. Webb into the chair.

FRIENDSHIP, UNANIMITY AND PHILANTHROPIC LODGE, No. 191.

ON Monday, 20th ult., the annual meeting was held at the Railway Hotel, Highbridge. The ceremony of installation was performed by Bro. R. C. Else Prov.G.M. Somerset, Bro. Hitchings Davies, of Somerton, being installed as W.M.

BOOTLE LODGE, No. 478.

ON Saturday, 1st inst., this Lodge met at the County Hall, Bootle, when Bro. Alfred Cross was installed by Bro. Walter Simpson G.J.D.Eng. The I.P.M. was presented with a handsome silver spirit lamp in the form of a dragon.

PRESENTATION AT SCARBOROUGH.

AN interesting gathering took place on Friday, 31st ult., at the Masonic Club, the occasion being a complimentary supper to Bro. W. Attwaters, who is leaving Scarborough to open a branch of Messrs. Drake and Goreham's business in Glasgow. Bro. Attwaters has only resided in Scarborough about four years, but his gentlemanly demeanour and business aptitude have brought him many friends, and his Masonic Brethren thought it appropriate to evince their feelings of goodwill towards him by presenting him with a Master Mason's jewel bearing the following inscription:—

Presented to

BROTHER W. ATTWATERS,

by Scarborough Masonic friends,

as a token of their fraternal esteem and regard.

31st January 1896.

The best of wishes were expressed by the Brethren towards Brother Attwaters, and a very pleasant evening was passed.

DEVON AND CORNWALL FREEMASONS' HALL.

THE annual meeting of shareholders in the Devon and Cornwall Freemasons' Hall and Club Company was held on the 31st ult., at the Hall, Princess Square, Plymouth, Bro. J. R. Lord Chairman of the Company presiding.

The Directors reported that during the past year they had spent a considerable sum in decorations and renovations, as well as in providing increased accommodation for Brethren and visitors. The number of Club members had decreased, and this was attributed to the action taken by the Inland Revenue in insisting that all members must be shareholders. The Directors hoped, however, that this temporary difficulty would ultimately result in a permanent benefit to the Company by giving every individual member a voice in the management, and they recognised with pleasure the readiness with which the members took up shares. The usual dividend of three per cent. on the preference shares has been paid, and the directors now recommended that a dividend of 4 per cent. be paid on the ordinary shares. The report was unanimously adopted, and the Chairman congratulated the members on the continued prosperity of the Club.

The retiring Directors Bros. Cooper, Goad, Cornish, and Stebbing, and the retiring shareholders' auditor Bro. T. Gibbons were all re-elected. Bro. and Mrs. Harvey, the Steward and Stewardess of the Club, and the staff generally, were heartily thanked for their services. Bros. S. Jew, Captain Reynolds, H. Barter, and others all bearing testimony to the admirable manner in which Brother and Mrs. Harvey and Brother Phillips the Tyler discharged their duties, and their desire, at all times, to promote the best interests of the Club and contribute to the comfort of the members.

The Directors were also cordially thanked for their services, and the Chairman, in acknowledging the vote, referred in feeling terms to the loss the Club and Freemasonry had sustained by the death of Bro. J. Leonard, who was beloved by every Freemason who enjoyed the pleasure of his acquaintance and friendship.

Brother Lord moved that a letter of condolence should be sent to his sorrowing wife and family. This was seconded by Bro. Gover, and carried unanimously.

Thanks were passed to the Auditors (Bros. Gibbons and Stanbury), to the Secretary (Bro. W. H. Dillon), and to the Chairman for presiding.

GOOD RESOLUTIONS.

EVERYBODY knows that about this season of the year good resolutions are in order. Everybody at this time resolves now to do better—to do something that he or she has never done before, or, at least, do it better than heretofore, and as has been frequently and truthfully asserted Masons partake largely of ordinary human nature, they, too, will just about this time resolve to do better for themselves and their respective Lodges, i.e., for Masonry. Here is a good “resolve,” which is respectfully and fraternally submitted to everybody, more especially to the new Master; “Lay hands suddenly upon no man,” by which is meant that however slim the treasury, however great the desire of the new Officers or members for work and for additions to membership, let no man pass our gates without the closest scrutiny and the best assurance that the applicant is a positive man, capable not only of appreciating and enjoying the rights and benefits of the Craft, but also capable and willing to add something to the common stock by his industry, zeal and devotion, capable of being tried as so many have been tried before him, and, like them, giving assurance of not being found wanting. Of men like these, of positive men, of members with zeal, with earnest devotion, with sincere love for the Craft and its good teachings, we cannot have too many within our gates, for they have within themselves the element of strength, and they will lend and contribute a share of their latent force to the Fraternity, and render our Lodges stronger and our meetings more interesting. They will help us in the good work, and not retard our progress. But it behoves all to resolve now to be careful, and admit none but the best material to our Lodges. “Lay hands suddenly upon no man.” Be particularly careful whom you propose or whom you admit to our mystic circle; we need careful selection in all our material; let no man enter unless you are personally satisfied as to his fitness and his ability and willingness to do some good, bring something to us for allowing him the privilege of calling himself a Freemason. And resolve further to do some good yourself, attend your Lodge more regularly, “take hold” and work and do. Thus will you, your Lodge, and the Craft at large be benefitted by your good resolution.—“New York Tribune.”

CUSTOM OR RIGHT.

THERE is much confusion among Brethren as to the right to visit. It could easily be disposed of in the manner that the historian of Ireland disposes of the description of snakes in the famous chapter, “There are no snakes in Ireland.” There is no vested “right” to visit any sister Lodge. The reception of the third degree in a just and duly constituted Lodge of Master Masons and being in good and regular standing in the Craft “qualifies” a Brother to visit any regular Lodge, but as each Lodge is a Masonic family, it has an inherent and indefensible right to conduct its own business, maintain its own harmony in its own way, even to the exclusion of visiting Brethren already seated, to say nothing of those seeking admission. It follows that the admission of visiting Brethren, however worthy and however welcome as a general thing, is, when properly considered, an act of fraternal courtesy, which may be granted or withheld as circumstances may warrant, precisely on the principle that a man’s house in his castle, and although courtesy may prompt him to answer the door-bell, he will exercise his rights in admitting or refusing an intending visitor, and this is exactly the case with every Master Mason—he may ring the door-bell, that is, he may ask to be admitted to any Lodge, but every member of that Lodge, of that particular Masonic household, has the undeniable privilege to refuse admittance, and the applicant’s “rights” close then and there. There is absolutely no “right” in this matter whatever.

And now as to the alleged right to examine the Charter of a Lodge a Brother desires to visit. The visitor asks the privilege of joining in the labour of a Lodge. He practically says: “I propose to myself the pleasure of visiting you this evening, but before introducing myself to you, be good enough to exhibit the authority by which you are now here assembled.” Just as if some one coming to visit your home should demand an examination of the deed or lease by which you hold it, or your visitor, before taking a seat in your parlour, should demand the “right” to see your receipt for last month’s rent. How many of those who demand to see the Charter of your Lodge are competent to judge as to its regularity or genuineness?

If the reader will endeavour to measure in his own mind the competency of the Brotherhood generally, including, as it does, all grades of intelligence, to pass upon the validity of a document submitted for cursory examination, he will be able to form some idea of the absurdity of the whole proceeding. Most certainly very many of these Charters are old, dilapidated, often illegible by long service, the old-fashioned wax seals “gone and

forgotten,” the signatures are faded and sometimes even obliterated. Who can judge of its being a just and legal document, issued by the Competent Authority of, &c. Masonry can do a great deal for man in the way of moral instruction and strong incentives to a virtuous and upright life, but it cannot give him powers God and Nature have denied him, hence the examination of the Warrant is as near an absurdity as anything can be, and furthermore it is the business of a visitor to know in advance that the body he proposes to attend is genuine, and not depend on wits or a skill he may not possess to discover the fact. Warrants are the outcome of our present Grand Lodge system, hence their use must be governed by the regulations made by the several and respective governing bodies, among which none should be found to require the exhibition of the Charter to any or all who may wish to look at it without having the slightest method or knowledge to prove its validity. Let this nonsense be abandoned and abolished altogether. When the Grand Lodge shall meet at its next regular annual convention the revision of the constitution will be brought before the governing body, and this will be an excellent chance to weed out many of these silly proceedings which have from time to time crept in, and have been allowed to remain without rhyme or season. The “right” to visit is stated distinctly enough; let this “right” of examining the Charter be “distinctly” done away with.—“New York Tribune.”

In Lodges where there is a multiplicity of offices there is frequently a lack of a sufficient number of jewels, and the installing Officer usually passes over the omission as best he can. The fact remains, however, that regarding the ancient significance of “Investiture,” an Officer, whether in a subordinate or in a senior position, is not truly qualified until he has been officially invested with the symbol of the office to which he has been elected, and its symbolical meaning explained illustrative of his duties. The investiture of an Officer is no less important than the investiture of a candidate.—“Mallet,” in “Glasgow Evening News.”

THE “Quiver” for February has an article by the Rev. Dr. Lunn upon “The power of the Press,” which is one of a short series of papers by experts upon “Modern witnesses to the truth.”

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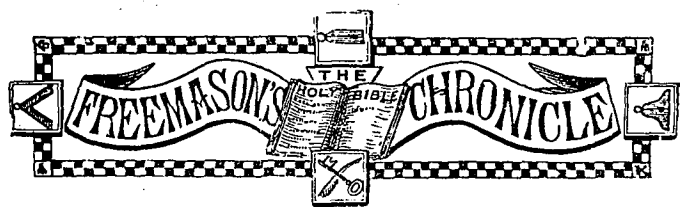
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SATURDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY 1896.

LODGE CENTENARY.

THE centenary of Prince Frederick Lodge, No. 307, was celebrated in the Co-operative Hall, Hebden Bridge, on the 28th ult., when there was a gathering of a numerous company of Provincial and local Brethren. The ceremony took place in the small hall, which was converted into a temporary Lodge Room.

Bro. Smith D.P.G.M. (in the unavoidable absence of Bro. W. L. Jackson P.G.M.) presented the Warrant, signed by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and delivered an address. The document was accepted by Bro. Ethelbert Harwood W.M. In the evening a banquet was held in the large hall.

BENEVOLENCE IN DEVON.

THE annual meeting of the Committee of Petitions for the Province of Devon was held at Exeter on Wednesday, 29th ult., Bro. Major G. C. Davie D.P.G.M. presiding. The reports of the Secretary and the London representative were received and adopted. Petitions were received from a member of Lodge 1885, a daughter of a late member of 494, the widow of a late member of 70, widow of a late member of 156, widow of a late member of 1247, and widow of a late member of 105. In each case the sum of £5 was granted. Bro. Major G. C. Davie was elected Chairman for the ensuing year, Bro. J. B. Gover was re-elected Secretary, and Bro. F. B. Westlake was elected London representative. A very cordial vote of thanks was passed to Bro. Rev. W. Whitley for his valued services during the many years he held the office of London representative.

CORNWALL BENEVOLENCE.

THE Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund is in a most flourishing state, for, according to the report just issued for the year ending 31st December last, the invested capital amounts to £5,171 3s 10d, and there is also the sum of

£316 10s 7d in the Treasurer's hands. There are twelve annuities being paid to widows and indigent Freemasons, and ten educational grants, the latter extending from three to five years each, making in all an annual charge on the funds of £315. Since the fund was started in 1864 £10,138 has been received, and £4,651 has been disbursed, including only £423 for the expenses of management, printing, &c., for all that period. All the thirty Lodges are represented in the subscription list for 1895, the highest this year being No. 589 (Redruth), with £20 5s. The report is full of information respecting the fund. The Officers are:—Bros. E. M. Milford, Treasurer; Edward D. Anderton, Secretary; and James C. R. Crewes, Assistant Secretary.—“Western Morning News.”

Last week we recorded a presentation made to Miss Della Everett, in recognition of the kind assistance she rendered in connection with the annual sports of “Our Boys” at Kempton Park. The letter which accompanied the ring sent to Miss Everett was signed by Bro. Richard Eve, as chairman, and by the following Brethren:

J. J. Thomas	R. V. Vassar-Smith	J. Willing jun.
J. W. Burgess	Hugh E. Diamond	Geo. E. Fairchild
T. H. Roberts	H. Pritchard	S. J. Attenborough
C. W. Hudson	John Glass	Clifford Probyn
Geo. Corble	J. P. Fitzgerald	Oscar Phillippe
W. A. Scurrah	Alfred C. Spaul	Jas. Speller
H. A. Hebb	Charles E. Keyser	W. B. Fendick
J. E. LeFeuvre	C. K. Benson	E. M. Krellwitz
H. Manfield	R. Cummings	G. Mickley
J. M. McLeod	W. Russell	Christopher Sims
C. Pulman	W. F. Smithson	James Stephens
H. Bevir	W. H. Bailey	(Hon. Sec.).

A Masonic ball, to be held at the Town Hall, Cardiff, on Wednesday, 12th inst., promises to be one of the most successful of its kind ever held. The Hon. Secretary Bro. W. I. Vaughan and Bro. W. James Hon. Treasurer are to be congratulated upon the results of their preliminary efforts.

MEDIAEVAL FREEMASONRY.

NO architect of the present day is fettered by any other rules or conditions than those imposed by his employers in regard to the choice of a style. He may copy that of any nation and any period, and he may alter, combine, detract from or add to it, as he pleases. Indeed, he must do so more or less, because no one recognised and distinctive national architecture either ecclesiastical or secular, exists at the present day. It is all copied, and none of it is, properly speaking, original or self-developed. It has ceased to be inventive, at least in any favourable sense. But the case was very different in the Middle Ages, when Freemasonry was a Craft in the hands of a corporate ecclesiastical confraternity, the members of which seem to have been bound down to certain rules and yet to have had almost unlimited license in carrying those rules into effect; precisely in the same way as if the alphabet of a language were given to any one, and he were allowed to combine the letters into words as he pleased, but not to introduce any new forms or symbols. This seems exactly to illustrate the position in which the ancient Freemasons stood. They had certain kinds of mouldings, foliage, window tracery, &c., which were, with comparatively trifling modifications and exceptions, repeated in all buildings of the same era, only very arbitrarily combined, arranged, or applied. For example, in the age of the complete Gothic or Flowing Decorated all window tracery was designed on one fixed principle; it was neither geometric nor rigidly vertical, as in the next style, but it was, with surprisingly few exceptions, of wavy and curved lines. Yet each architect seems to have had full liberty to adapt this principle to his own taste, and thus we find thousands of different patterns. Again in mouldings; some ten or a dozen forms being employed by all with inflexible exactitude, their grouping, or positions in relation to each other, as well as their application, seems to have been the result of individual caprice. And herein is the glory of the Gothic styles, that they attained by these means perfect uniformity combined with almost infinite variety. There is no monotony, no wearisome repetition; every detail has some freshness, yet all are strictly subjected to certain laws of composition. Hence that charm of never-ceasing interest created by perpetual novelty; for this in reality is a much more enduring gratification than either the magnificent effect or the exceeding aggregate beauty of some buildings, both which impressions are rather those of first sight, while the minute detail of any one building might engage the attention for months, or even years. Little or nothing has ever transpired of the secret system which the Freemasons adopted in building, nor of the organisation of their body, except that it was ecclesiastical and under the jurisdiction and benediction of the Pope. It is certain that they were a very numerous, energetic and talented class, whose genius was chastened and ennobled by all the enthusiasm of a grand religion, and whose efforts were aided by the supply of almost unlimited resources. They must have had the entire monopoly of both domestic and ecclesiastical architecture, though perhaps the distinction is vain, for everything in the Middle Ages was ecclesiastical.—“Builders Reporter.”

MEETINGS IN THE PROVINCES.

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PROBITY LODGE, No. 61.

ON Monday, 27th ult., the members celebrated the festival of St. John the Evangelist, at Halifax. There was a very large attendance, there being Brethren present from Liverpool, Manchester, Leeds, Bradford, Huddersfield, Wakefield, Brighouse, &c. Bro. George Henry Smith (Mayor of Halifax) was installed Worshipful Master, the ceremony being performed by Bro. Alfred Binns W.M.

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ST. JOHN LODGE, No. 70.

ON Tuesday, 4th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Princess Square, Plymouth, the regular business included the passing of Bro. G. T. H. Woodgate, after which an adjournment was made to the banqueting hall, where the Brethren were joined by ladies, in all about a hundred and fifty sitting down to tea. The repast was served in excellent style by the Club caterer Bro. S. Harvey.

In the absence of the W.M. Bro. Mark Jacobs, Bro. Stanlake presided. A telegram conveying the hearty wishes of the company was despatched to Bro. Jacobs at Weston-super-Mare. Dancing was afterwards indulged in.

A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a beautiful marble clock, suitably inscribed, to Bro. Stanlake, the retiring Worshipful Master.

Bro. Westlake, on behalf of the Lodge, asked Bro. Stanlake to accept the present as a mark of esteem. The members of Lodge St. John were proud of having him amongst them, and hoped their slight token of regard would remind him of his pleasant year of office.

Bro. Stanlake thanked the Lodge in a few well-chosen words. He expressed great gratification at the mention of Mrs. Stanlake in connection with the presentation.

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ECONOMY LODGE, No. 76.

ON Wednesday, 29th ult., the installation of Bro. R. Austey took place at the Masonic Hall, Winchester, under most auspicious circumstances, for the attendance was large, and, by a curious coincidence the number at the banquet coincided with the Lodge number on the Roll of Grand Lodge. Moreover, the Board of Installed Masters was the largest (forty) ever experienced in the Lodge, and the function was altogether imposing and impressive.

Bro. Tearle took the chair after the opening, and proceeded in his own excellent style to initiate a candidate.

This effected, the W.M. Bro. Hinxman resumed the chair and proceeded to instal his successor.

The usual addresses closed the ceremony, for which Bro. Hinxman received the deserved and hearty thanks of the Prov.G.M. Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., who, with several of his Officers, was present.

The W.M. thanked the Prov.G.M. on the part of himself and Brothers for attending, and at the same time rejoiced to see him recovered from his recent serious accident in the hunting field.

Bro. Beach responded, and thanked the Brethren of his old Lodge for their welcome, and congratulated them on their prosperity and excellent working then as always.

Bro. Harris and Bro. Stopher, the seniors of the Lodge next to the P.G.M., moved and seconded a resolution, congratulating Bro. J. Murray, formerly a member and Master of No. 76, on the fact that he had in Scotland become P.G.M. of Kirkcudbrightshire, a dignity of much honour under the Scottish Grand Lodge, and well deserved by such an excellent Mason. The proposition was unanimously agreed to.

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MARQUIS OF GRANBY LODGE, No. 124.

ON Tuesday, 4th inst., at the regular meeting at the Masonic Hall, Durham, an interesting ceremony took place in the presentation to P.M. Harry Brown, one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools, of a handsome Past Master's jewel as a remembrance of his very successful year of office as W.M. of the Lodge, which he recently vacated. The members of the Lodge felt that Bro. Brown's year of office was such an exceptionally successful one that more than ordinary notice should be taken of it, and at the same time show to Brother Brown the esteem and goodwill in which he is held by the members.

The presentation was made by P.M. Bro. Councillor S. Fenny, who spoke of Bro. Brown's many good qualities, and of the esteem in which he was held by the members of the Craft generally.

Bro. Brown suitably acknowledged the presentation, and afterwards the members spent a very pleasant evening together, several members aiding in the evening's enjoyment.

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UNION LODGE, No. 129.

ON Thursday, 30th ult., the festival of St. John the Evangelist was celebrated at the Commercial Hotel, Kendal, Bro. W. Bradley being installed as Worshipful Master.

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FORTITUDE LODGE, No. 131.

ON Tuesday, 14th ult., Bro. W. F. Clarke S.W. was installed W.M. by Bro. T. C. Mack P.M. P.P.S.G.D.

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ALBANY LODGE, No. 151.

ON Monday, 13th ult., the annual meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Newport, Isle of Wight, when Bro. R. G. Smith was installed W.M. by Brother C. T. Allee P.M. P.P.S.G.D., in succession to Bro. W. L. George, whose efficient services during the past year were acknowledged by the presentation of a Past Master's jewel.

LODGE OF INTEGRITY, No. 163.

THE annual meeting and festival of St. John took place at the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, Manchester, on Wednesday, the 29th ult., nearly seventy Brethren attending. The Lodge was opened at the early hour of 4 p.m. by Bro. R. Alf. Hepworth W.M., who undertook the duty of installing Brother S. Gaskill S.W. into the chair of K.S. In the delivery of the various charges, and investiture of Officers, Bro. Hepworth had the valuable assistance of P.Ms. H. H. Warburton P.P.S.G.D., J. M. Sinclair P.P.J.G.D. Treas., J. M. H. Blamey I.P.M., and T. H. Scholfield.

Before surrendering the gavel to his successor, Bro. Hepworth took the opportunity of thanking all those Brethren who, by loyal support of him in the chair, had considerably lightened the labours of his position.

The following is a list of Officers for the forthcoming year:—Bros. H. A. Owles S.W., F. Walmsley J.W., J. M. Sinclair P.M. P.P.J.G.D. Treasurer, J. E. Mead Secretary, Hy. R. Yates S.D., J. H. Studd J.D., W. Morton I.G., J. M. H. Blamey P.M. D.C., R. W. Nuttall Organist, H. H. Warburton P.M. P.P.S.G.D. Charity Representative, B. Williams P.M., R. Race, G. Taylor, J. Grime, and H. E. Massie Stewards.

The Festival of St. John was held in the dining room of the hall, Loyal and Masonic toasts being agreeably interspersed with songs, recitations, &c., contributed by Bros. H. A. Owles S.W., B. Williams P.M., Ben Eastwood, R. W. Nuttall and Chas. Turner P.M. 1011 2156 P.P.G.A.D.C.

At an early stage of the proceedings a telephonic message was received from the Townley Parker Lodge, No. 1083, conveying best wishes and congratulations of the Officers and members.

Bro. J. H. Sillitoe P.M. 645 P.G.Std.Br. Eng. P.P.G.W., by desire of the W.M. was early in evidence as a speaker. He expressed in judicious terms the extreme gratification which he had derived from the excellent performance of the ceremony of installation by Bro. Hepworth. He also reverted to the manner in which the Lodge of Integrity dispensed its charities, not only to Masonic Institutions, but also to outside ones. As evidenced by their balance sheet they had helped nobly and generously, and he would retain the sheet which had been handed to him that day with infinite pleasure; he would treasure it, and always speak with pride of what the grand old Lodge had achieved, for with regard to the Masonic Charities it stood at the top of the tree.

Bro. Sinclair proposed the health of the Worshipful Master. Speaking of his early connection with the Lodge, he stated that illness had prevented Bro. Gaskill from taking office. After a time, however, he began with the arduous duties of Secretary, then went into the Junior Warden's chair, and had now reached the highest position which the Lodge could bestow, having followed three of the best Masters the Lodge of Integrity had furnished for some time. He, however, had every confidence in him, for he combined the various qualifications of his predecessors, in that he possessed the intelligence of Bro. Scholfield, the enthusiasm of Brother Blamey, and the painstaking manner of Bro. Hepworth. His success as a reciter would also enable him to use that declamation required to give a dramatic and finished effect to the ceremonies. The speaker drew attention to the fact that Bro. Gaskill had also been instrumental in introducing among them many members who had already proved a credit to the Lodge.

Bro. Gaskill, in response, said there were occasions in the life of every man when he could hardly express what was passing in his mind. Brother Sinclair's speech had come as a revelation to him, for he did not know that he possessed so many good qualifications. He spoke of the Lodge from its inception, and noted the various changes which the city they were in had undergone, some of these having had a direct influence upon the success of the Lodge. Much had been said of him that evening, but he sincerely hoped that in twelve months' time he might retain their confidence. He spoke of the cordial feeling which governed the Lodge and members, and with regard to its social aspect said that it compared very favourably with any parties or meetings which he had visited. In reverting to the probable advent into the Lodge of several new members, he considered that quality and not quantity should guide them in their choice, for in the introduction of friends they ought to be sure of their acceptance by the Brethren. He emphasised the remarks of Bro. Sillitoe as to the great amount of good which they had been able to dispense in connection with the charities, and hoped they would continue their good works. He intimated that messages had been received from Brother Clare Edgar Towell P.M. Doric Lodge, No. 2359, and others, regretting their inability to be present.

Bro. Warburton P.M., &c., in proposing the Masonic Charities, said he stood before them that evening a proud and happy man, for the Lodge of Integrity had, during the past year, exceeded all it had done before. Of the valuable help which he had received from Past Masters John Studd P.P.G.D.C., and Blamey he could not speak too highly, for their exertions in the cause had achieved the admirable result of placing the Lodge second in the list of donors to the charities. They had obtained a grant for the widow of a former member, and had been enabled to send Christmas boxes to five children who were in the various Institutions. Their efforts had set up many generous rivals who were following close upon their heels in the bestowal of charity, and he strongly exhorted the Brethren not to relax any efforts in this direction. Freemasonry, he added, was the most charitable institution in heart and soul on the face of the earth; it was a religion in which all men could join and do good, and with confidence he commended the widows and orphans, and old men to their tender care and solicitude.

Brother Warburton strongly warned the Brethren against that genus the Masonic tramp, reminding his auditors that there was a special Almoner in Manchester (Brother Newton), to whom this class of individual ought to be directed, mentioning at the same time a most flagrant case which had recently come under his notice. He drew attention to some very valuable statistics contained in the balance sheet. From the latter we glean that the Lodge of Integrity has given to the Masonic Institutions (including that for Boys, Girls, Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons, Female Fund East Lancs. Systematic Educational and Benevolent), the sum of £2,003 10s, for which it receives 958 votes in perpetuity. It also possesses 20 votes for a local institution (the Manchester Warehousemen and Clerks' Orphans), and has given donations to the following, viz., Manchester Royal Infirmary, Hospital Sunday Fund, Royal National Lifeboat Institution, Manchester and Salford Boys and Girls Refuges and Homes, and the Commercial Travellers' Schools, Pinner.

Bro. Race in a very admirable speech proposed the toast of the Installing Master and Past Masters of the Lodge, to which Brother Hepworth I.P.M. replied, tendering his most sincere thanks for the very complimentary things which they had been good enough to utter about him. As far as possible he had endeavoured to follow the example set by his esteemed Brothers Blamey, Scholfield, and others. At one time he had doubts as to whether the custom of installing one's successor was a good one, but latterly he had formed the impression that such a rule, if made imperative, might have a tendency to keep back those who had not rendered themselves competent for the position. Speaking of his visits to other meetings, he said that as W.M. of the Lodge of Integrity he had always had a good reception. Other toasts followed.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 164.

THE Brethren had an invitation "social evening" at the Manor Hall, Sidmouth, on the 22nd ult., when a company numbering about 100 were present.

LODGE OF ANTIQUITY, No. 178.

AT the St. John's Festival of the Lodge, held at the Masonic Rooms, King-street, Wigan, on the 15th, Bro. John Pearce S.W. was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year by Bro. Holmes P.M. P.P.G.P. After the ceremony a Past Master's jewel was presented to Bro. Bullock, on his retirement from the chair.

INDEFATIGABLE LODGE, No. 237.

THE annual meeting was held on Monday, 13th ult., at Swansea, when there was a large attendance. Brother H. J. Thomas W.M. installed Bro. J. Lindley Smith, and he in turn appointed the Officers for the year.

ROYAL UNION LODGE, No. 246.

THE installation was held at the Masonic Hall, Cheltenham, on Wednesday, 15th ult., when Bro. C. Williams was installed for the ensuing year by the D.Prov.G.M. of Gloucestershire Brother R. V. Vassar-Smith P.G.D., assisted by Past Masters of the Lodge. There was a very large attendance.

UNION LODGE, No. 268.

AT the Queen's Arms Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Thursday, 16th ult., the Brethren celebrated the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist, when Bro. Thomas Dunks S.W. was installed W.M. by Bro. W. H. Newton, assisted by Bros. Moss, Hulley, and Fitton, after which the Brethren assembled at the festive board, when the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to.

ROYAL LODGE OF FAITH AND FRIENDSHIP, No. 270.

THE annual installation was held at the Berkeley Arms Hotel, Berkeley, on Tuesday, 28th ult., when Bro. Jesse Owner S.W. was installed as W.M. by Bro. R. V. Vassar-Smith D.P.G.M.

HARMONY LODGE, No. 272.

THE Brethren celebrated the festival of St. John on Tuesday, 14th ult., Bro. W. G. B. Dickenson being installed Worshipful Master for the year by Bro. J. H. Tasker P.M.

ST. JOHN LODGE, No. 328.

THE annual installation of W.M. was held at the Masonic Hall, Torquay, on Monday evening, 3rd inst., when Bro. George Henry Halls was duly installed into the chair of K.S. by a Board of twenty Installed Masters. After the Board had been closed, the W.M. appointed and invested his Officers for the ensuing year.

About fifty of the Brethren subsequently dined at the Commercial Hotel, where a *recherché* banquet had been provided; the W.M. presided, and the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly received.

During the evening the collection for the Provincial Charities realised four guineas. A very pleasant and enjoyable evening, interspersed with songs, brought the business of the meeting to a close by singing "God save the Queen." Bro. F. J. W. Crowe P.Prov.G.O. the Lodge Organist presided at the Piano.

PHCENIX LODGE OF HONOUR AND PRUDENCE, No. 331.

THE annual Festival was held at Truro, on Monday, 20th ult., when Bro. Franklin J. Mountford S.W. P.P.G.O. was installed W.M.

ROYAL SUSSEX LODGE, No. 353.

THE seventy-eighth annual festival and installation meeting of this Lodge, the second in age and one of the most important Lodges in the Province of Derbyshire, was held in the Masonic Hall, Burton, on Monday, the 18th ult., and was well attended by distinguished Brethren from Derbyshire and the adjoining Provinces.

The Lodge was opened by Bro. G. A. Capes W.M., and Bro. W. H. Salter was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, the ceremony being ably performed by Bro. A. Fox P.M. P.P.J.G.D. D.C.

PEACE AND HARMONY LODGE, No. 359.

SENIOR Warden W. E. Long was installed as Worshipful Master at the Masonic Hall, Southampton, on Monday, 20th ult., the ceremony being performed by the retiring Master Bro. M. Emanuel, J.P. (Mayor), in the presence of a large number of members and visiting Brethren, including Deputy Prov. Grand Master Bro. J. E. Le Feuvre, J.P.

ST. DAVID LODGE, No. 366.

ON Tuesday, 21st ult., the members assembled at the Masonic Hall, Milford Haven, for the purpose of installing as Worshipful Master for the year Bro. Edmund J. Biddicombe P.P.G.P. The ceremony was most efficiently performed by Bros. R. M. J. Leonard I.P.M. P.G.P., and Dr. G. Griffiths P.M.

ST. DAVID LODGE, No. 384.

THE annual installation took place on Tuesday, 21st ult., at the Masonic Hall, Bangor, Bro. Eugene Clarke being installed W.M. by Dr. Grey Edwards P.M. P.P.G.J.D. North Wales, assisted by Bro. D. Wynn Williams P.M. P.P.G.J.D. North Wales.

UNION LODGE, No. 414.

THE installation of Bro. William Bonny took place on Tuesday, 21st ult., at the Masonic Hall, Greyfriars Road, Reading, in the presence of a large number of members and visitors.

YARBOROUGH LODGE, No. 422.

ON Monday, 13th ult., at Gainsboro, the Rev. C. E. Laing was installed as Worshipful Master and invested his Officers, the usual banquet being held at the White Hart Hotel.

SHAKESPEARE LODGE, No. 426.

THE festival of St. John was observed at Spilsby, on Friday, 24th ult., when Bro. G. Booth Walker was installed as W.M. by Bro. A. J. Eve P.M. The Officers were afterwards appointed.

PEACE AND HARMONY LODGE, No. 496.

THE annual installation and festival was held on Tuesday, 14th ult., when Bro. Pascoe Williams S.W. was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year by Bro. Watts P.M. P.P.J.G.D., in the presence of a large Board of Past Masters.

CLEVELAND LODGE, No. 543.

THE annual installation took place on Monday, 27th ult., when Bro. the Rev. W. T. Robson S.W. was installed Worshipful Master by Bro. C. H. Backhouse P.M. 111 P.P.J.G.D. Durham.

ST. CYBI LODGE, No. 597.

THE annual installation took place at the Masonic Hall, Holyhead, on Tuesday, 28th ult., when Bro. John Darrock was installed Worshipful Master, the ceremony being performed by Bro. W. Guest W.M. P.P.G.S.B.

BOSCAWEN LODGE, No. 699.

THE members celebrated the annual festival of St. John at Chacewater, on Monday, 27th ult., when Bro. Richard Davey was installed W.M. by Bro. R. F. Frazer-Frizell.

ELLESMERE LODGE, No. 758.

ON Thursday, 16th ult., after the ordinary business had been transacted, an interesting presentation was made. Bro. A. Salkeld W.M. presided, and there was a large attendance, a good contingent of visiting Brethren from Frodsham, Liverpool, Warrington, Northwich, Cornwall, and Stoke-on-Trent being present.

The W.M., on behalf of the members, asked Bro. T. Annett P.P.G.T. P.M. Secretary to accept a very handsome dinner and tea service for Mrs. Annett, and to convey to her the hearty thanks and best wishes of the Brethren of the Lodge, and the hope that they would be spared many years to use the articles. He spoke of the services of Bro. and Mrs. Annett, who for nine years had laboured assiduously in the interests and well-being of the Lodge.

PARRETT AND AXE LODGE, No. 814.

AT the meeting on Tuesday, 28th ult., at Crewkerne, Bro. W. W. Webber S.W. was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year. Bro. Parry was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Lacey Tyler. Bro. Tompsett P.G.S.W. was in the chair.

LEWIS LODGE, No. 872.

ON Monday, 20th ult., there was an exceptionally large gathering at the Freemasons' Hall, Duke Street, Whitehaven, to witness the ceremony of installation of Brother Clark, nearly every Lodge in the Province being represented.

Some formal business was transacted, under the direction of Bro. Joseph Matthews W.M. Prov.G.A.P., after which Brother Clark was presented and installed.

Bro. Clark, acknowledging the compliment paid him that day, remarked that he was glad to know his choice of Officers had given satisfaction, and he believed at the end of his term of office it would be found that the Lodge had never had a better staff of Officers than those just appointed. He believed them all to be good Masons. A good Mason did not mean a Brother who could roll off the ritual like a phonograph, but one whose handshake had an electrifying shock of goodfellowship that drew you towards him, and one to whom you wanted to confide your sorrows, and with whom you wanted to share your joys. He trusted this ideal of the Order would, during his year of office, as it had in the past, be the standard every member would set before himself.

ST. JOHN LODGE, No. 1039.

THERE was a large and representative gathering in the Lodge Room at the George Hotel, Lichfield, on Wednesday, 22nd ult., on the occasion of the installation of Bro. W. A. Wood as Worshipful Master.

The installation ceremony was most impressively performed by Bro. G. Ashmall, who delivered the charges to the W.M. in the usual manner, those to the Wardens and Brethren being given by Bro. G. Haynes.

ST. JOHN LODGE, No. 1343.

AN emergency meeting was held at the Masonic Hall, at Grays, Essex, on the 29th ult., when a good amount of Masonic work was performed. The W.M. Bro. Charles Westwood Grand Steward of the Province presided, and was assisted by his Officers, and supported by the following

Brethren:—Provincial Grand Officers, Rev. F. Haslock, H. C. Borradaile, F. W. Pelling, J. C. Wingrove, J. Howell, and Chas. Cobham; Bros. R. Atkins P.M., W. Harvey W.M. 174, E. C. Paine 77 (Deputy Mayor of Gravesend), F. W. Manian 2489, H. Hyde 1227, A. Davis 223, J. Mallinson, F. R. Macartney 77, Charles Butler 2489, G. Cunningham, W. Scriven, and many others.

The Lodge having been opened, the first business was to ballot for the following five candidates, viz., Messrs. B. D. Borradaile, H. N. Fryer, J. W. Barefoot, A. C. James, and E. J. Smith. This proved unanimous, and the last four gentlemen being in attendance, they were admitted and regularly initiated into Freemasonry by the W.M.

The Lodge was opened in the second degree, when Bro. H. H. Slater, a candidate for raising, proved his proficiency as a Craftsman, was entrusted and retired.

The Lodge was opened in the third degree, when Bro. Slater was received as a Master Mason, and took his place in the Lodge. This ceremony was also excellently rendered by Bro. Westwood.

The Lodge was then resumed to the first degree, when, by permission of the W.M., Bro. P.M. Borradaile took the chair and initiated his son, Mr. B. D. Borradaile, into the mysteries of the Craft. Bro. Westwood afterwards resumed the chair, and closed the Lodge in due form.

The Brethren then adjourned to supper, and a pleasant evening was spent.

Brother Westwood was congratulated upon the satisfactory state of the Lodge, and the admirable manner in which he rendered the ceremonies. It was unprecedented in the history of the Lodge to have five initiates at one meeting; and three of those were sons of Masons.

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The ball to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Lodge took place on Wednesday, at the Masonic Hall, with remarkable success. The hall was prettily decorated with flags and flowers, and the clothing of the Brethren formed an agreeable contrast to the charming dresses of the ladies. The guests were received upon arrival by the Worshipful Master and Mrs. Westwood, while the Officers ably assisted their efforts in promoting the comfort and pleasure of those present. Dancing commenced about nine o'clock to the enlivening strains of Watson's string band, and was continued almost without intermission till midnight, when supper was served. A few congratulatory speeches were made, after which the company returned to the ball room, when dancing was resumed with renewed vigour. It was voted by all that the function had been most enjoyable and worthy the occasion.

One of the features of the meeting was the special invitation card designed by Bro. Cobham P.M. P.Z. P.G.S.W. Durham, which will doubtless be kept as an interesting souvenir of the occasion. It is highly artistic, and gives in brief the history of the Lodge.

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OLICANA LODGE, No. 1522.

ON Tuesday, 28th ult., the Brethren celebrated the festival of St. John the Evangelist, in the presence of a large gathering of local and visiting Brethren, at Ilkley.

Bro. J. Gaunt P.P.G.D. formally presented Bro. Thomas Johnstone for the benefit of installation, the ceremony being impressively performed by Bro. A. Holmes the retiring Master, assisted by Bro. Bates P.M.

After the banquet Bro. Matthewman Prov. Grand Assistant Secretary spoke on behalf of the charities, as did also Bros. Dr. Bates and W. Whitaker.

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ST. CECILIA LODGE, No. 1636.

THE annual installation was held at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on Tuesday, 28th ult., when Bro. Colonel H. Tester, V.D., was installed W.M. by the retiring W.M. Bro. E. Mitchell.

The W.M., on behalf of the Lodge, presented Bro. E. Mitchell with a Past Master's jewel, in appreciation of the able manner in which he had carried out the duties of his office during the past year.

The Brethren then adjourned to the banqueting room, the company numbering about 150, among them the Deputy Prov. Grand Master Bro. the Right Hon. Sir W. T. Marriott, Q.C., Senior Grand Deacon, who, in responding to the toast of the Provincial Grand Officers, said it was an easy task to return thanks for H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, for he was a popular man in every sphere of life—one who had many friends and no enemy. The Duke had many duties to perform, and gave all the time he could spare to the promotion of Freemasonry in Sussex. He, himself, was a busy man, and owing to an engagement in the Law Courts which detained him until four o'clock that afternoon, he had not been able to reach Brighton in time to witness the working of the Lodge. He had, however, heard that Bro. E. Mitchell I.P.M. had performed the installation ceremony admirably, and that Bro. Tester, who had been initiated into Freemasonry so far back as 1853, had acquitted himself in an able manner on taking the chair. Congratulating the W.M. on his appointment, he expressed the hope that he would be spared and privileged to visit the St. Cecilia Lodge on many future occasions.

Colonel Tester was enthusiastically received in rising to respond to the toast of W.M. Thanking Bro. Mitchell for the kind and graceful manner in which he had proposed the toast, and the Brethren for the hearty manner in which they had received it, he said he had lived a busy life since he was twelve years of age, and though initiated into Freemasonry in 1853, did not take an active part in its work until 1886, when he had command of the Sussex Brigade of Volunteers forming the guard of honour on the occasion of the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales to instal H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught as Prov. Grand Master of Sussex. He then joined the St. Cecilia Lodge, but had no thought of taking office until, at the instance of Bro. J. Sayers W.M., and by the courtesy of several of the Officers eligible for promotion, he, in 1894, accepted the post of J.W., and served last year as S.W. The Lodge had been pleased to confer its highest honour upon him in appointing him W.M., and he was pleased to accept that office because of the high value he placed upon the principles of the Craft. The Lodge was noted for its good fellowship and for its harmony in music; and one of the Brethren Bro. E. Broadbridge P.M. had composed an excellent Service, which was adopted by the Lodge. The Lodge possessed but one father, and he, paradoxical as it might seem, was Bro. Kuhe. Bro. Kuhe laid the first stone in the Lodge in 1877, and, year by year, additional stones had been laid by succeeding Worshipful Masters, until the Lodge now presented a pillar of good fellowship, worthy of being associated with the sister Lodges in the Province. Expressing his gratitude to the large company for their attendance and kindly greeting, he said it would be his earnest endeavour to follow the good example of his predecessors, and to increase the prestige and dignity of the Lodge.

GRENVILLE LODGE, No. 1787.

THE annual installation took place in the Masonic Hall, Buckingham, on Tuesday, 21st ult.

This was preceded by another interesting event, the unveiling of a handsome enlarged carbon portrait of the late Bro. J. Marshall P.M. P.P.G.J.W., the ceremony being performed by the Provincial Grand Master of Bucks Bro. Lord Addington, who, in doing so, paid a graceful tribute to the many good qualities of the deceased Brother.

The installation of Bro. A. Mitchell as W.M. was performed by Bro. the Rev. W. Miles Myres I.P.M. in a most impressive manner.

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ST. HILDA LODGE, No. 1887.

THE members held a banquet at the Lamb Hotel, Wallingford, on the 16th ult., Bro. Farrar the Chaplain of the Lodge, who is leaving for Chester, being the guest of the evening, and being presented with a Chaplain's jewel in acknowledgment of his services to the Lodge.

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BLACKWATER LODGE, No. 1977.

THE annual supper was held at the Blue Boar Hotel, Maldon, on Monday, 27th ult. The Worshipful Master Bro. O'Neill presided over a company numbering about forty.

During the evening Bro. T. J. Ralling P.A.G.D.C. Eng. Prov.G.Sec. rose and proposed in felicitous terms the health of the I.P.M. Bro. Geo. Eustace, and in the name of the members of the Lodge presented him with a handsome Past Master's jewel, which had been subscribed by the members of the Lodge.

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BROWNLOW LODGE, No. 2131.

THE annual installation took place at the Town Hall, Ellesmere, on Thursday, 23rd ult., when Bro. H. R. Giles P.M. P.P.G.Reg. was for the second time installed as Worshipful Master.

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MISTLEY LODGE, No. 2339.

THE anniversary meeting was held at the White Hart Hotel, Manningtree, on Thursday, 30th ult., when there was an exceptionally large gathering of Brethren, in support of Bro. J. Thomas Taylor upon his installation as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

In the absence of Bro. Sir W. N. Abdy, Bart., who, through indisposition was unable to fulfil his engagement to conduct the ceremony of installation, the function was ably performed by Bro. C. E. Garrard.

After the banquet, and in responding for the Grand Officers, Bro. Ralling referred to a remark of the Worshipful Master in proposing the toast as to the large number of Lodges consecrated during the last few years, and which he attributed to the influence of the Prince of Wales in Masonry. They saw locally, and with a wider sense, that Masonry was becoming a great influence in the country—an influence for good—and if it were not for such good leaders they would not have such good followers.

Bro. Bendall, in proposing the toast of the Prov. Grand Master and the Provincial Grand Officers present and past, expressed the hope that ere long the Mistley Lodge would be graced with the presence of the Provincial Grand Master; and with regard to the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, he was sure that every member of the Lodge enjoyed witnessing the work he performed when he visited them.

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HILBRE LODGE, No. 2375.

AT the annual installation meeting, at the Royal Hotel, Hoylake, Bro. J. G. Holmes was placed in the chair, a large number of members and visiting Brethren being present.

The installation ceremony was conducted in a most impressive manner by Bro. Thos. A. Jackson W.M., who during his year of office has won golden opinions from his Brethren.

After this ceremony the newly-installed Worshipful Master presented Bro. Jackson with a beautiful Past Master's jewel, and in eloquent terms spoke of the excellent manner in which he had ruled the Lodge during the past year.

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HEDWORTH LODGE, No. 2418.

ON the 29th ult. the annual meeting was held at the Freemasons' Hall, South Shields, when there was a large attendance of members and visiting Brethren, under the presidency of Bro. C. R. Toomer W.M.

Bro. Ralph Watson Graham W.M.-elect was presented for installation by Bro. Moffet D.C., and the ceremony was very ably performed by Bro. C. R. Toomer, who was presented with a handsome Past Master's jewel, on behalf of the Lodge, as a mark of the esteem of the Brethren, and appreciation of his past services.

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ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 2541.

THE installation meeting of this Lodge, which was consecrated last year by Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, was held on Saturday, 1st inst., at the Masonic Hall, Avonmouth, which was well filled.

The W.M. Bro. J. L. Bretherton P.P.S.G.D. presided, and installed his successor, Bro. Charles Holtom S.W., being assisted in the ceremony by Bros. R. P. Sumner Prov.S.G.W. and J. Bruton Prov.G.Treas., in addition to members of the Lodge.

The D.P.G.M. Bro. R. V. Vassar-Smith was prevented from attending by a severe cold, but the visitors included Bro. M. Tennant P.A.G.D.C.Eng. D.P.G.M. South Wales E.D. &c.

The Brethren subsequently dined together very enjoyably at the Royal Hotel, and there were many congratulations upon the success which had attended the first year of the youngest Lodge in the Gloucestershire Province, the new W.M. having been one of its most active founders.

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The Brethren of the Pennant Lodge, No. 1992, Cardiff, intend holding their annual ball on Wednesday, 12th inst., for the benefit of the Charity Fund of the Lodge.

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.

- 5 St. George and Corner Stone, Freemasons'-hall
29 St. Alban, Albion
58 Felicity, Ship and Turtle
59 Royal Naval, Freemasons'-hall
193 Confidence, Anderton's
957 Leigh, Freemasons'-hall
1305 St. Marylebone, Criterion
1670 Adelphi, Freemasons'-hall
1789 Ubique, Criterion
2012 Chiswick, Kew Bridge
2094 Elthorne & Middx., Café Royal
2394 Galen, Freemasons'-hall
2454 Guildhall School of Music, Holborn Restaurant
2565 Royal Rose, Hampstead Road
37 Anchor and Hope, Bolton
40 Derwent, Hastings
68 Royal Clarence, Bristol
75 Love and Honour, Falmouth
88 Scientific, Cambridge
104 St. John, Stockport
105 Fortitude, Plymouth
106 Sun, Exmouth
133 Harmony, Faversham
151 Albany, Newport, I. of W.
189 Sincerity, East Stonehouse
237 Indefatigable, Swansea
240 St. Hilda, S. Shields
262 Salopian, Shrewsbury
292 Sincerity, Liverpool
296 Royal Brunswick, Sheffield
297 Witham, Lincoln
303 Benevolent, Teignmouth
313 United Friends, Gt. Yarmouth
314 Peace and Unity, Preston
330 One and All, Bodmin
353 Royal Sussex, Winhill
339 Unanimity, Penrith
379 Honour, Bath
411 Commercial, Nottingham
481 St. Peter, Newcastle-on-Tyne
587 Howe, Birmingham
589 Druid of Love and Liberty, Redruth
632 Concord, Trowbridge
643 Royal, Filey
665 Montagu, Lyme Regis
671 Prince of Wales, Llanely
721 Independence, Chester
797 Hauley, Dartmouth
884 Derwent, Wirksworth
893 Meridian, Millbrook
941 De Tabley, Knutsford
1069 United Brothers, Portsmouth
1149 Dorking, Dorking
1174 Pentangle, Chatham
1221 Defence, Leeds
1237 Enfield, Enfield
1253 Travellers, Manchester
1302 De Warren, Halifax
1350 Fernor Hesketh, Liverpool
1380 Skelmersdale, Liverpool
1408 Stanford and Warrington, Stalybridge
1436 Castle, Sandgate
1449 Royal Military, Canterbury
1474 Israel, Birmingham
1496 Trafford, Moss Side
1564 St. John, Woking
1592 Abbey, Bury St. Edmunds
1611 Eboracum, York
1618 Handyside, Saltburn-by-Sea
1730 Urmston, Urmston
1792 Tudor, Harborne
1802 Vernon, East Retford
1852 Forest, Mansfield
1885 Torridge, Gt. Torrington
1914 St. Thomas, Kidsgrove
1948 Hardman, Rawtenstall
1952 High Peak, Chapel-en-le-Frith
1966 Fidelity & Sincerity, Wellingt.
2034 Masefield, Moseley
2144 De Tatton, Altrincham
2185 Ardwick, Ardwick
2197 Spencer Walpole Temperance, Douglas
2237 Earl of Leicester, Wells
2376 Carnarvon, Layland
2457 St. Anne, St. Anne's-on-Sea
2487 St. Michael, Stone
2505 County Palatine, Birkdale

Tuesday.

- 96 Burlington, Albion
180 St. James's Union, F.M.H.

- 198 Percy, Ship and Turtle
211 St. Michael, Albion
228 United Strength, Guildhall Tav.
234 Nine Muses, Grand Hotel
781 Merchant Navy, Limehouse
835 Ranelagh, Criterion
917 Cosmopolitan, Cannon St. Ho.
933 Doric, Anderton's Hotel
1196 Urban, Freemasons'-hall
1269 Stanhope, Camberwell
1593 Royal Naval College, Greenwich
1604 Wanderers, F.M.H.
1614 Covent Garden, Criterion
1635 Canterbury, 33 Golden Square
1668 Samson, Café Royal
1769 Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern
1891 St. Ambrose, St. James's Hall
1969 Waldeck, F.M.H.
2127 Drury Lane, Drury Lane
2427 Hampden, St. Pancras
2546 Rahere, Frascati

- 80 St. John, Sunderland
93 Social, Norwich
131 Fortitude, Truro
184 United Benevolence, New Brompton

- 241 Merchants, Liverpool
272 Harmony, Boston
284 Shakespeare, Warwick
319 New Forest, Lymington
357 Apollo University, Oxford
371 Perseverance, Maryport
473 Faithful, Birmingham
494 Virtue and Honour, Axminster
495 Wakefield, Wakefield
496 Peace & Harmony, St. Austell
502 Rectitude, Rugby
503 Belvedere, Maidstone
567 Unity, Warwick
573 Perseverance, Halesowen
593 St. Ann, Alderney
603 Zetland, Cleckheaton
626 Lansdowne Unity, Chippenham
650 Star in the East, Harwich
686 Jerusalem, Bristol
696 St. Bartholomew, Wednesbury
723 Panmure, Aldershot
764 Harbour of Refuge, Hartlepool
771 Windsor Castle, Windsor
877 Royal Alfred, Jersey
892 Royal Edward, Leominster
897 St. Helens Loyalty, St. Helens
903 Gosport, Gosport
967 Three Grand Principles, Penryn
1021 Hartington, Barrow-in-Furness
1073 Greta, Keswick
1120 St. Milburga, Ironbridge
1138 Devon, Newton Abbot
1220 Solway, Aspatria
1250 Gilbert Greenall, Warrington
1267 Kenlis, Egremont
1373 St. Hubert, Andover
1402 Jordan, Torquay
1414 Knoles, Sevenoaks
1476 Blackpool, Blackpool
1528 Fort, Newquay
1545 Baildon, Baildon
1560 Albert Edward, Leicester
1713 Wilbraham, Walton-on-the-Hill
1782 Machen, Colehill
1837 Lullington, Wilmington
1847 Ebrington, Stonehouse
1883 William of Wykeham, Winchester
2099 Ethelbert, Herne Bay
2104 Whitwell, Stockton-on-Tees
2134 Wilberforce, Hull
2164 St. German, Peel
2256 Warner, Chingford
2324 Horwich, Horwich
2477 Colne, Wyvenhoe
2559 St. Aldhelms, Branksome

Wednesday.

- Committee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 4
3 Fidelity, Freemasons'-hall
11 Enoch, Freemasons'-hall
13 Union Waterloo, Plumstead
15 Kent, Freemasons'-hall
87 Vitruvian, Bridge House Hotel
136 Good Report, Albion
548 Wellington, Cannon St. Hotel
749 Belgrave, Anderton's
1228 Beacon Tree, Guildhall Tavern
1260 John Hervey, Freemasons'-hall
1538 St. Martins-le-Grand, Holborn Restaurant
1766 St. Leonard, Great Eastern H.
1815 Penge, Anerley
1900 Montague Guest, Inns Court H.
1964 Clerkenwell, Holborn Via Ho.
2272 Rye, Peckham
2347 Grafton, Blanchard's
2362 Bloomsbury Rifles, Chenies St.
2410 Æsculapius, Café Royal
2470 Telegraph Cable, Ship & Turtle
2528 Lancastrian, Frascati

- 54 Hope, Rochdale
84 Doyle's Fellowship, Guernsey
125 Prince Edwin, Hythe
146 Antiquity, Bolton
187 Roy. Sussex Hospitality, Bristol
204 Caledonian, Manchester
225 St. Luke, Ipswich
244 Yarrowburgh, Jersey
274 Tranquillity, Newchurch
277 Friendship, Oldham
281 Fortitude, Lancaster
288 Harmony, Todmorden
498 Royal Standard, Dudley
654 Pevril of the Peak, New Mills
661 Fawcett, Seaham Harbour
666 Benevolence, Princetown
679 St. David, Aberdare
730 Ellesmere, Chorley
731 Arboretum, Derby
755 St. Tudno, Llandudno
851 Worthing Friendship, Worthing
854 Albert, Shaw
1005 Zetland, Gloucester
1018 Shakespeare, Bradford
1031 Fletcher, Birmingham
1060 Marmion, Tamworth
1064 Borough, Burnley
1088 Royal Edward, Stalybridge
1091 Erme, Ivybridge
1094 Temple, Liverpool
1101 Grey Friars, Reading
1112 Shirley, Shirley
1125 St. Peter, Tiverton
1135 Concord, Ilfracombe
1140 Ashton, Heaton Moor
1181 De la Pole, Seaton, Devon
1209 Lewises, Ramsgate
1242 Tynwald, Douglas
1248 Denison, Scarborough
1331 Aldershot Camp, Aldershot
1342 Walker, Newcastle-on-Tyne
1356 Toxteth, Liverpool
1398 Baldwin, Dalton-in-Furness
1400 Curwen, Workington
1465 Ockenden, Hayward's Heath
1503 Sir Francis Burdett, Twickenham
1547 Liverpool, Liverpool
1582 Llanidloes, Llanidloes
1588 Prince Leopold, Stretford
1643 Perseverance, Hebburn-o-Tyne
1703 Windrush, Witney
1715 Arthur John Brogden, Grange-over-Sands
1798 Zion, Manchester
1848 Ferrum, Middlesborough
1855 St. Maurice, Plympton
1879 Lord Warkworth, Amble
1932 Whitworth, Spennymoor
1947 Stanford, Hove
1958 St. George, Portsea
2046 Robinson, Maidstone
2156 Arthur Sullivan, Manchester
2183 Royal Hampton Court, Hampton Court
2284 Smyth, Grimsby
2294 Wavertree, Wavertree
2330 St. Lawrence, Pudsey
2339 Avondale, Middleswich
2423 St. Mark, Connah's Quay
2483 Hadrian, Westham
2504 Earl Warwick, Buckhurst Hill
2540 Ember, East Molesey

Thursday.

- 19 Royal Athelstan, City Term. H.
91 Regularity, Freemasons'-hall
181 Universal, Albion
206 Friendship, Ship and Turtle
238 Pilgrim, F.M.H.
263 Bank of England, Albion
534 Polish National, Freemasons'-h.
860 Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel
879 Southwark, Bridge House Hotel
1076 Capper, Guildhall Tavern
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern
1558 Duke of Connaught, Camberw'l
1599 Skelmersdale, Ship and Turtle
1708 Plucknett, East Finchley
1791 Creaton, Freemasons'-hall
1804 Coborn, Bow
1987 Strand, Criterion
2047 Beckenham, Beckenham
35 Medina, Cowes
50 Knights of Malta, Hinckley
97 Palatine, Sunderland
112 St. George, Exeter
130 Royal Gloucester, Southampton
191 St. John, Bury
216 Harmonic, Liverpool
333 Royal Preston, Preston
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437 Science, Wincanton
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477 Mersey, Birkenhead
487 Portsmouth, Portsmouth

- 546 Etruscan, Longton
561 Zetland, Guisborough
586 Elias De Derham, Salisbury
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725 Stoneleigh, Coventry
732 Royal Brunswick, Brighton
739 Temperance, Birmingham
784 Wellington, Deal
816 Royd's, Littleborough
945 Abbey, Abingdon
973 Royal Somerset, Frome
991 Tyne, Wallsend
1035 Prince of Wales, Liverpool
1055 Derby, Manchester
1061 Triumph, Lytham
1098 St. George, Tredegar, Mon.
1099 Huyshe, Stoke Damerel
1143 Royal Denbigh, Denbigh
1144 Milton, Ashton-under-Lyne
1145 Equality, Accrington
1147 St. David, Manchester
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, Liverpool
1204 Royd, Malvern
1213 Bridgewater, Eccles
1247 St. John, Plymouth
1273 St. Michael, Sittingbourne
1387 Chorlton, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
1416 Falcon, Thirsk
1429 Albert Edward Prince of Wales, Newport, Mon.
1495 Arkwright, Matlock Bath
1515 Bertie, Oxford
1533 Corbet, Towyn
1697 Hospitality, Waterfoot
1750 Coleridge, Clevedon
1863 Priory, Tynemouth
1911 De La Pré, Northampton
1915 Graystone, Whitstable
1992 Tennant, Cardiff
2016 Shalden, Alton
2038 Portcullis, Langport
2109 Prince Edward, Heaton Moor
2132 Egerton, Seacombe
2217 Windermere, Windermere
2218 Rickmansworth, Rickmansworth.
2227 White Horse, Westbury
2234 Onslow, Guildford
2261 Armitage, Milnsbridge
2285 Eden, Workington
2311 Saint Alkmund, Whitechurch
2343 Sir William Harpur, Bedford
2420 Ferdinand de Rothschild,
2428 Gracedieu, Colville [Waddesdon
2449 Duke of York, Manchester
2468 St. John, Douglas, Isle of Man
2520 Abbey, Whalley
2563 Delaval, Newcastle-on-Tyne

Friday.

- 33 Britannic, Freemasons'-hall
134 Caledonian, Ship and Turtle
157 Bedford, Freemasons'-hall
177 Domatic, Anderton's Hotel
1201 Eclectic, Freemasons'-hall
1559 New Cross, Greenwich
1704 Anchor, Café Royal
1997 John Carpenter, Albion
2399 Ordance, Plumstead
2552 Stoke Newington, Stoke Newington
36 Glamorgan, Cardiff
81 Doric, Woodbridge
170 All Souls, Weymouth
458 Aire and Calder, Goole
526 Honour, Wolverhampton
680 Sefton, Liverpool
786 Coxteth United Service, Liverpool
815 Blair, Hulme, Manchester
916 Hartington, Eastbourne
1001 Harrogate and Claro, Harrogate
1087 Beaudesert, Leighton Buzzard
1102 Mirfield, Mirfield
1121 Wear Valley, Bishop Auckland
1289 Rock, Birkenhead
1295 Gooch, New Swindon
1428 United Service, Landport
1605 De La Pole, Hull
1661 Newton, Newark-upon-Trent
1676 St. Nicholas, Newcastle-o-Tyne
1983 Martyn, Southwold
2244 Cowper and Newton, Olney
2554 Manchester, Manchester
2558 Furnival, Sheffield

Saturday.

- 715 Panmure, Cannon Street Hotel
1139 South Norwood, S. Norwood
1364 Earl Zetland, Gresham
1641 Crichton, Camberwell
1732 King's Cross, Anderton's
811 Yarrowburgh, Brighton
1126 Oakwood, Romiley
1871 Gostling Murray, Hounslow
1897 Citadel, Harrow Station
2548 Herga, Harrow

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Monday.

- 22 Neptune, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, S.W., 7-30
 174 Sincerity, Blackwell Railway Hotel, London Street, E.C., 8
 180 St. James's Union, St. James Restaurant, Piccadilly, 8
 211 St. Michael's, Norland Arms, Addison Road North, W., 8
 511 Zetland, The Falkland, Falkland Road, N.W., 8
 548 Wellington, New Cross House, New Cross Road, S.E., 8
 975 Rose of Denmark, L. and S.W.R. Institute, Wandsworth Road, 7-30
 1139 South Norwood, Jolly Sailor Hotel, South Norwood, 8-15
 1227 Upton, Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, E.C., 8
 1320 Blackheath, Milkwood Tavern, Loughborough Junction, 8
 1339 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6
 1349 Friars, 94 White Horse Lane, Mile End Road, E., 8
 1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel, Wimbledon, 7-30
 1425 Hyde Park, Prince of Wales Hotel, Eastbourne Terrace, Bishop's Rd., 8
 1489 Marquess of Ripon, Lord Stanley, Paragon Road, Hackney, 8
 1507 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 7-30
 1572 Carnarvon, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, E.C., 6-30
 1585 Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, Putney, 8
 1586 Upper Norwood, White Hart Hotel, Church Road, Upper Norwood, 8
 1612 West Middlesex, Feathers Hotel, Ealing, 8-15
 1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8-30
 1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, High Cross, Tottenham, 8
 1743 Perseverance, Old Parr's Head, Doctor's Common, E.C., 7
 1804 Coborn, George Hotel, Woodford, 8
 2029 King Solomon, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C., 7-30
 2150 Tivoli, Frascati, Oxford Street, W., 7
 2242 Tyssen-Amherst, Amherst Club, Rectory Road, Stoke Newington, 7-30
 2319 Scots, Craig's Restaurant, 184 Fleet Street, E.C., 7
 2400 Brentford, Castle Hotel, Brentford, 8
 2472 Walthamstow, Masonic Hall, Chequers Hotel, Walthamstow, 8
 R.A. 1471 North London, Cock Tavern, N., 8

Tuesday.

- 25 Robert Burns, Frascati, 32 Oxford Street, W., 8
 55 Constitutional, Cursitor Street, Chancery Lane, 7
 79 Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London Street, Greenwich, 8-30
 140 St. George (M.M.), New Cross Hall, 8
 141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria Street, Westminster, 8
 177 Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, 7-30
 188 Joppa, Boundary Tavern, 109 Aldersgate Street, 7-30
 238 Pilgrim, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham Street, 6-30
 263 Clarence, Midland Grand Hotel, St. Pancras, N.W., 7-30
 554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
 700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Powis Street, Woolwich, 8
 706 Florence Nightingale, Roy. Mortar Ho., Beresford Sq., Woolwich, 7-30
 733 Westbourne, Oliver Arms, Westbourne Terrace North, Harrow Road, 8
 749 Belgrave, Albion Tavern, Russell Street, Covent Garden, 8
 753 Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tavern, Clifton Road, Maida Vale, 8
 858 South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Waltham Green, S.W., 7-30
 861 Finsbury, Bell Hotel, Old Bailey, E.C., 7
 879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Warndon St., Rotherhithe New Rd., 8
 1044 Wandsworth, St. Mark's Schoolroom, Battersea Rise, 8
 1076 Capper, City Arms, St. Mary Axe, 6
 1155 Excelsior, Dover Castle Hotel, Broadway, Deptford, S.E., 8
 1196 Urban, Mark Masons' Hall, 9
 1321 Emblematic, St. James' Restaurant, Piccadilly, 8
 1382 Corinthian, George Inn, Cubitt Town, 8
 1420 Earl Spencer, Albert Palace, Battersea, 8
 1446 Mount-Edgcombe, Havelock Arms, Naylor Road, Peckham, S.E., 8
 1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, Islington, 7-30
 1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, High Street, S.E., 8
 1593 Royal Naval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, 8
 1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, 8
 1766 St. Leonard, Bedford Hotel, Victoria Park Road, South Hackney, 8
 1767 Kensington, Scarsdale Arms, Edwardes Square, Kensington, 8
 1769 Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham Street, 6-30
 1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, Queen Street, Cannon Street, 7
 1949 Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich Road, Herne Hill, 8
 2032 Richmond, Station Hotel, Richmond, 8-30
 2184 Royal Victorian Jubilee, The Feathers, 116 Lambeth Walk, S.E., 8
 2206 Hendon, Railway Hotel, West Hampstead, 8
 2411 Clarence and Avondale, Masonic Hall, Leytonstone, E., 8
 2427 Hampden, Hampden House, Phoenix Street, St. Pancras, 8

Wednesday.

- 3 Fidelity, Alfred Tavern, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8
 27 Egyptian, Salutation, Newgate Street, 7
 30 United Mariners, Duke of Albany, Kitto Road, Nunhead, 7-30
 45 Strong Man, Blue Anchor, 164 Fenchurch Street, 6-30
 65 Prosperity, Old Parr's Head, Knightbridge Street, E.C., 7
 72 Royal Jubilee, The Crown, Lambeth Road, 8
 73 Mount Lebanon, Half-Moon Hotel, Borough, 7-30
 186 Industry, Railway Hotel, West Hampstead, 8
 193 Confidence, Bunch of Grapes, 14 Lime Street, E.C., 7
 228 United Strength, Hope Tavern, 179 Stanhope Street, Euston Road, 8
 538 La Tolerance, Frascati, 32 Oxford Street, 8
 720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7
 781 Merchant Navy, Town Hall, Limehouse, E., 7-30
 813 New Concord, Farleigh Hotel, Amhurst Road, N., 8s
 860 Dalhousie, Lord Stanley, Paragon Road, Hackney, E., 8
 862 Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's Court, Fleet Street, 8
 871 Royal Oak, Lord Clyde, Wootton Road, Deptford, 8
 898 Temperance in the East, Greenwich Pensioner, Bow Lane, Poplar, 7-30
 933 Doric, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, E.C., 8
 1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney, 8
 1421 Langthorne, Angel Hotel, Ilford, Essex, 7-30
 1475 Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent Road, 8
 1601 Ravensbourne, Black Bull Inn, Lewisham, S.E., 8
 1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Rest., Victoria St., Westminster, 7-30
 1642 Earl of Carnarvon, Elgin Hotel, Ladbroke Grove, Notting Hill, W., 8

- 1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers Hotel, Walthamstow, 8
 1681 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John Street, W., 8
 1685 Guelph, Plough and Harrow, Leytonstone Road, E., 8
 1703 Plucknett, Railway Hotel, Church End, Finchley, 7-45
 1805 Bromley St. Leonard, Bromley Vestry Hall, Bow Road, E., 8
 1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Tavern, Camberwell New Road, 8
 1928 Gallery, Press Club, Wine Office Court, E.C., 7
 1950 Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, 8
 1963 Duke of Albany, Clock House, Battersea Park Road, 8
 2090 Hammersmith, Board Room, Bath & Wash-house Co., Hammersmith, 7
 2266 Cator, Railway Hotel, Beckenham
 2310 London Scottish Rifles, Albert Hotel, Victoria Street, 8-30
 2346 Warrant Officers, 38 Old Compton Street, W.C., 7-30
 2384 Mitcham, Vestry Hall, Mitcham, 8
 R.A. 1365 Clapton, Amherst Club, Amhurst Road, Hackney, 8

Thursday.

- 13 Union Waterloo (M.M.), Earl of Chatham, Thomas Street, Woolwich, 8
 15 Kent, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, 8
 70 St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth, 8
 144 St. Luke, Victoria Tavern, Gertrude Street, Chelsea, 8
 147 Justice, Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford, 8
 167 St. John, Court House, Harlesden, N.W., 7-30
 435 Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air Street, Regent Street, 8
 754 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, 8
 890 Hornsey, Masonic Rooms, White Hart, Lewisham, 8
 902 Burgoyne, Coach and Horses, 348 Clapham Road, S.W., 7-30
 907 Royal Albert, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6-30
 1017 Montefiore, St. James' Restaurant, Piccadilly, 8
 1158 Southern Star, Sir Sydney Smith, Chester St., Kennington Rd., S.E., 8
 1178 Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark, 7
 1259 Duke of Edinburgh, Eastern Hotel, Commercial Road, Limehouse, 7-30
 1278 Burdett-Countts, Swan Tavern, New Bethnal Green Road, 8
 1306 St. John, Queen Victoria, Exmouth Street, Stepney, 8
 1366 Highgate, Falkland Arms, Falkland Road, N.W., 8
 1441 Ivy, Railway Tavern, Battersea Rise, 8
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddleton, Star in Garter, 45 Upper Street, N., 8
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, Piccadilly, 8
 1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Camberwell, 8
 1625 Tredegar, The Town of Ramsgate Inn, High Street, Wapping, 7-30
 1673 Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C., 5-30
 1791 Creation, Shepherd's Bush Hotel, Shepherd's Bush, 2
 1815 Penge, Thicket Hotel, Anerley, 8
 1816 Victoria Park, George Hotel, Broadway, Stratford, 7-30
 1986 Honor Oak, Crystal Palace Tavern, Crystal Palace Rd., E. Dulwich, 8
 1996 Priory, Berrymead Priory, Acton
 2168 Derby Allcroft, Midland Grand Hotel, St. Pancras, 8
 2202 Regent's Park, Frascati, Oxford Street, W., 8
 2348 Lombardian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, 7
 2467 Pickwick, 134 Kingsland Road, N.E., 6-30

Friday.

- 9 Albion, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., 7
 169 Temperance, Railway Tavern, near L. B. Station, New Cross Road, 8
 212 Euphrates, Green Man, Mansell Street, Aldgate, 8
 217 Stability, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons' Avenue, Coleman Street, 6
 256 Unions (Emulation Improvement for M.M.), Freemasons' Hall, 6
 507 United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, 7-30
 704 Camden, Earl Russell, 2 Pancras Road, N.W., 8
 765 St. James, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica Road, S.E., 8
 780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 8
 834 Ranelagh, Six Bells Tavern, Hammersmith, 8
 1056 Victoria (Metropolitan), Coach and Horses, Farringdon Street, 7
 1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, 7-30
 1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8
 1298 Royal Standard, Castle, 81 Holloway Road, 8
 1310 Harrow, Waterloo Arms, 50 High Street, Marylebone, 8
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, 7
 1365 Clapton, Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, 7
 1381 Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, 8
 1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, 7-30
 1607 Loyalty, 206 Mare Street, Hackney, 8
 1677 Crusaders, Northampton Arms, Goswell Road, 8-30
 1716 All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, E., 8
 1891 St. Ambrose, St. James Restaurant, Piccadilly, S.W., 8
 1897 Citadel, Farleigh Hotel, Amhurst Road, Stoke Newington, 8
 1901 Selwyn, Montpelier Hotel, Peckham, 8
 2000 Earl of Mornington, 49 Queen Anne Street, 8-15
 2021 Queen Westminster, Criterion, Piccadilly, 8
 2030 Abbey, Town Hall, Caxton Street, Westminster, 7-30
 2190 Savage Club, Savage Club, 7 Adelphi Terrace, 6
 2409 Woodgrange, Princess Alice Hotel, Forest Gate, E., 8
 M.M. Grand Masters', Mark Masons' Hall, W.C., 1st and 3rd Friday, 6

Saturday.

- 87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, Kitto Road, Nunhead, 7-30
 179 Manchester, Old King's Head, Euston Road, N.W., 8
 198 Percy, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Road, Islington, 8
 1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Broadway, 7
 1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
 1348 Ebury, The Grapes, 123 Borough High Street, 8
 1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Napier, West Side, London Flds., Hackney,
 1541 Alexandra Palace, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 7-30
 1624 Eccleston, Windsor Castle Restaurant, Victoria Station, S.W., 7
 1719 Evening Star, Rutland Hotel, Perry Hill, Catford, S.E., 8
 2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, King Street, Hammersmith, 7-30

Sunday.

- 205 Israel, Rising Sun, Globe Road, Bow, E.

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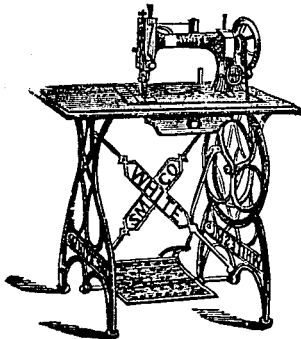
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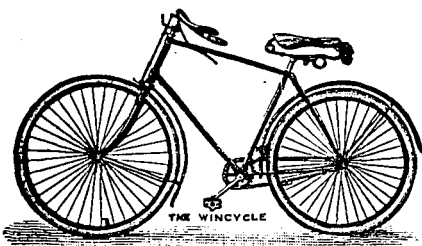
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Gaiety.—8, The Shop Girl. Matinée, Saturday, 2.
Criterion.—8.30, The Squire of Dames. Matinée, Saturday, 3.
Terry's.—8, An Old Garden. 8.50, The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown. Matinée, Saturday, 3. (Last day). On Friday, Jedbury Jun.
Garrick.—8, The Interview. 8.20, The Professor's Love Story. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.30.
Avenue.—On Wednesday, The new Barmaid.
Daly's.—8.15, Second edition of An Artist's Model. Daily, Matinées of Carl Rosa Opera Company.
Comedy.—8.10, Gaffer Jarge. 9, The Late Mr. Castello. Matinée, Saturday, 2.15.
Haymarket.—8.30, Trilby. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.30.
Lyric.—8.15, The Sign of the Cross. Matinée, Wednesday, and Saturday, 2.30.
Savoy.—7.50, After all. 8.30, The Mikado. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Strand.—8.15, A Happy Pair. 8.50, Niobe. Matinée, 3. (Last day).
Adelphi.—8, One of the best. Matinée, Saturday, 2.
Shaftesbury.—8, Jeremy Diddler. 8.30, A Woman's Reason. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.45.
St. James's.—8, The Prisoner of Zenda. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.
Royalty.—8, Kitty Clive—Actress. 8.40, The Chili Widow. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
Olympic.—7.30, Cheer, Boys, Cheer! Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 1.30.
Princess's.—7.45, Here she goes. 8.30, The Colleen Bawn.
Parkhurst.—7.45, Dick Whittington and his Cat.
Alhambra.—7.50, Variety Entertainment. Two Grand Ballets. 8.30, Lochinvar. 10.20, Blue Beard.
Empire.—7.45, Variety Entertainment. New Ballet Divertissement, La Danse.

Palace.—7.45, Variety Entertainment, Tableaux Vivants, &c. Matinée, Saturday, 2.15.
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