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## THE GRAND MASTERSHIP.

THE death of Her Majesty the Queen will have a marked effect on the English Brotherhood—apart from the regret shared by its members, in company with every section of the community, at the demise of the aged monarch—inasmuch as it will rob us of our Grand Master. The esteemed Brother who has ruled over the destinies of the Masonic Craft for upwards of twenty-six years will leave the post amid the heartiest congratulations of the Brotherhood at his well deserved promotion, coupled with regret that his present more exalted position necessitates his virtual withdrawal from active association with Freemasonry, on behalf of which he has done so much during the more than a quarter of a century in which he has been at the head of the English section. It is true that hopes have been held out in various quarters that King Edward VII. would see his way to continue in Office as Granu Master of England, but we regarded such a condition of affairs as impossible from the first, and the official notification now issued by Grand Lodge settles the matter beyond doubt. There are yet some who incline to the opinion that the King will continue in a leading position, as Protector or Patron of Freemasonry, but we do not hold out any hope of even special titular association with the Order with which he has been so long and intimately associated, as it must be evident that leadership of the Craft, even in name, would give offence in many quarters, and probably cause ultimate discontent among a large number of His Majesty's subjects. Already we have heard criticism that the first ecclesiastical appointment of His Majesty was in favour of a distinguished Freemason, the nomination of Archdeacon Stevens as Bishop of Barking, an appointment which was probably settled long before the late Queen was taken ill, but it may not always be so easy to explain away apparent favouritism to those who see in the Brotherhood of Freemasonry a special means of approaching the ruler of the empire; and with so many sects and creeds to consider it will not surprise us if the King wholly disassociates himself from official position in the Craft.

An especial meeting of Grand Lodge is summoned for Friday next, to be held in the Queen's Hall, Langham Place, W., at two for three o'clock in the afternoon, to deal with the whole subject, and to vote an address to His Majesty the King, of sympathy on the death of the late Queen, and congratulation on His Majesty's accession to the Throne. At this meeting a communication will be made from the Pro Grand Master respecting the Grand Mastership, and a motion will be made to legalise a fresh nomination for the Office of Most Worshipful Grand Master, that made at the last Quarterly Communication "having become inoperative," and this having been arranged, a fresh nomination will be made.

There does not appear to be two ideas as to who will be nominated for the highest position it is in the power of the Craft to confer; there is but one name mentioned throughout the country, and no other will be thought of if H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught will allow himself to be proposed for the post. If that distinguished Brother does allow the nomination we are convinced the opinion expressed by our reporter elsewhere, that his election will be as unanimous and hearty as was that of his brother, in 1874, will prove to be correct. We trust—for the benefit of Freemasonry in general—that the Duke of Connaught may be able to accept the Grand Mastership of England, and that he may live to enjoy a long and prosperous reign as our Masonic sovereign.

Following the traditions of the House of Brunswick, the King has for many years been a Freemason, holding, of course, the office of Past Grand Master; and this secret

society owes him a debt of gratitude for the inestimable service he has rendered it, not only by his countenance at a time of passing unpopularity, but for the unfailing interest he has always taken in the administration of its numerous splendid charities. Freemasonry has always clashed with Roman Catholicism; and twice have Popes excommunicated all Masons, first in 1738, and then in 1865. The Marquis of Ripon, therefore, although Grand Master of the English Order when he joined the Church of Rome in 1874, resigned his position; and at that crisis in the history of the Craft the Prince of Wales came forward and was elected in his place at the Albert Hall. Ever since that day Freemasonry has made gigantic strides, and new Lodges have been founded all over the country and the Colonies. Of course, in Ireland the Brotherhood has never been popular and never will be, owing to the Pope's extraordinary condemnation; in fact, the Irish local papers use "Freemason" as a term of reproach and opprobrium! It was, by the way, a thing constantly flung at the late Lord Mayor of Dublin, who organised the festivities in honour of Her late Majesty's visit last spring. Last year the King celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his Grand Mastership, and in commemoration conferred "Past Rank" upon twenty-five Brethren, including Sir Francis Wingate, the Sirdar, and Sir Leslie Rundle. And now to have a Freemason upon the throne will prove an additional fillip to this great Institution.—County Gentleman.

The expectation that when the King withdraws from the Grand Mastership of the English Freemasons he will be succeeded by the Duke of Connaught will, upon realisation, furnish a further example of how Royal brothers have followed each other in "the chair of the Royal Solomon" in the past. The most striking example was furnished in 1813, when George, Prince of Wales, resigned the Grand Mastership, which he had held for twenty years before and three years after he became Prince Regent. He was succeeded by his brother the Duke of Sussex, while in the same year the Grand Mastership of what was known as the Athol Grand Lodge was filled by another brother—and the present King's maternal grandfather—the Duke of Kent. Opportunity was speedily taken to amalgamate the Grand Lodge of England and the Athol Grand Lodge under the name of the United Grand Lodge of England, which title the ruling body in Freemasonry still holds; and the first Grand Master was the Duke of Sussex who held the position for thirty years, while the Earl of Zetland, who followed him in the chair, occupied it for twenty-six years, a term which the new King has just exceeded. The fusion under Royal auspices not only allayed rivalries but strengthened the Craft, and the extent to which it has grown under its present Royal Mastership needs no telling.—"Westminster Gazette."

It seems that Masonry may play an important part in the future of the world, if we may believe one of the seers who make a practice of studying the occult sciences. He argues that the new King can easily stop all wars, as Edward VII. is the "Masonic chief of the whole earth," and "Mason cannot proclaim war against Mason without perjuring himself in his secret court, to him of greater authority than the public forum. Thus, if all the Masonic rulers under the leadership of Edward VII. combine for peace there can be no war." So mote it be!

Our Bros. Sir Henry Irving, Sir Squire Bancroft and Charles Wyndham, together with Mr. Beerbohm Tree, represented the theatrical profession at Queen Victoria's funeral service, in St. George's Chapel, Windsor.

**SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.**

THE Quarterly Convocation was held on Wednesday, at the Freemasons' Hall, under the presidency of Comp. John Thornhill Morland Prov.G. Superintendent Berkshire, with Col. John Davis Prov.G. Supt. Surrey as H., Col. Robert Townley Caldwell Prov.G. Supt. Cambridgeshire as J., E. Letchworth S.E., Rev. H. W. Turner, M.A., S.N., Robert Grey P.Soj., Sir Bruce Seton and Admiral W. H. St.Clair Assist. Sojs., etc., etc.

The Chapter furniture and emblems were draped with black cloth, and the Companions wore the regulation mourning. There were very few Principals of Private Chapters present, they being largely outnumbered by Officers of Grand Chapter.

Before the proceedings commenced the Acting Grand Z. said that Grand Chapter would not desire that the meeting should pass without some reference being made to the loss that Royal Arch Masonry and the whole world had sustained by the death of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria. He had been called upon suddenly to preside over the meeting, and therefore had not had time to formulate a suitable address; but he might state that a meeting of Grand Lodge would shortly be called, to pass a vote of condolence and a loyal address to the King, who was First Grand Principal of Royal Arch Masons. As Grand Lodge would express the feelings of all Masons throughout the world, it was not necessary therefore for Grand Chapter to pass it now; but it could not separate without a reference to the great loss that had fallen on the Kingdom and the whole civilised world. Upon the proposition of Comp. John Strachan Grand Registrar, seconded by Comp. Frank Richardson G.D.C., it was resolved that the sympathetic remarks of the Acting First Principal should be entered on the minutes of Grand Chapter.

The minutes of the last meeting of Grand Chapter were then confirmed, and the Report of the Committee of General Purposes, as printed in our last issue, was received and ordered to be entered on the minutes.

A Charter was granted for the St. Andrew Chapter, and permission given to six petitioning Chapters to remove their place of meeting.

The President of the Committee of General Purposes moved that the prayer of the West Australian Chapter—asking for recognition as a Supreme Grand Chapter of West Australia—be not granted, and after hearing the statement of Comp. John Strachan G.Reg. it was resolved that the petition be not granted.

Grand Chapter was then closed.

**SUFFOLK.**

A SPECIAL meeting of the Provincial Grand Chapter was held on Monday afternoon, 4th inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, Ipswich, for the purpose of adopting a letter of condolence to His Majesty King Edward VII. Grand Z., on the lamented death of Queen Victoria, and an address of congratulation to His Majesty on his accession to the Throne. Comp. Fred. Wheeler 1224 Prov.G.H. presided as Grand Superintendent.

The Acting Grand Superintendent expressed regret that the task of moving an address to His Majesty had fallen upon him, in consequence of the lamented death of the late Grand Superintendent Comp. Rev. C. J. Martyn. He referred in feeling terms to the sorrow which was felt throughout the Province at the loss of the Grand Superintendent, and to the great grief which had fallen upon the nation. They had, however, reason to thank the Almighty that He had allowed the eldest son of her late Majesty to succeed, who would doubtless follow in his illustrious mother's ways. The Acting Grand Superintendent then moved the address to His Majesty the King.

The Acting H. Comp. Elwes seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Presiding Officer then moved that the Prov.G.S.E. be directed to write to the relatives of the late Rev. C. J. Martyn, expressing the Chapter's condolence with the family in their bereavement. Companion Abbott seconded, and the motion was carried.

Subsequently a special meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Suffolk was held for similar purposes. Bro. A. Gibb 114 Prov.G.S.W. acted as Provincial Grand Master,

supported by Bro. H. C. Elwes 71 as Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Bro. S. R. Anness 376 as S.W., and Brother G. Oxborrow 376 Prov.G.J.W.

The Acting Provincial Grand Master moved a presentation to His Majesty the King similar to that which had been adopted by the Prov. Grand Chapter. The Senior Warden seconded, and the proposition was carried.

The Acting Prov. Grand Master then proposed that the Prov. Grand Sec. be instructed to write a letter of condolence to the relatives of the late Deputy Prov.G.M. Rev. C. J. Martyn.

The Acting Deputy Prov. Grand Master seconded the motion, which was supported by Bro. A. E. Smith, and carried unanimously.

The Prov. Grand Secretary read letters apologising for absence from Lord Henniker Prov. Grand Master, and several Provincial Grand Officers and other Brethren.

**HANTS AND ISLE OF WIGHT.**

THE Provincial Grand Chapter met on Monday of last week, in the Princes Hall, Grand Hotel, Bournemouth, under the presidency of Comp. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Prov. Grand Superintendent, who was supported by Comps. J. E. Le Feuvre P.G.Swd.Br. Eng., and H. J. Atkins P.P.G.J.

Prior to the business meeting an excellent luncheon was provided at the hotel, but no toasts were submitted.

There was a good attendance of Companions from various parts of the Province, and among the Officers appointed for the ensuing year were two members of the Hengist Chapter, No. 195, viz., Comps. C. J. Whitting, who received the collar of S.N., and C. Pearce, the present First Principal, who was appointed Prov. Grand Asst. Dir. of Cers.

The Prov. Grand Supt. spoke in a very touching manner of the lamented death of her Majesty the Queen, and moved a resolution expressive of the profound sorrow which was felt in the Province, the Companions present rising to their feet in sympathy with his remarks. Before the meeting closed the sum of fifty guineas was voted from the Prov. Grand Chapter funds towards the "Beach Perpetual Presentation" to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

**CORNWALL.**

THE Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, G.C.V.O., Provincial Grand Master of Cornwall, and Past Deputy Grand Master of England, has had the following address prepared for presentation to his Majesty the King, as Grand Master of the English Freemasons.

May it please your Majesty,  
Most Worshipful Grand Master.

In the name of the Provincial Grand Officers of Cornwall and of Cornish Freemasons, members of the following Lodges [here follow the names of thirty Lodges in the county and also the Cornish Lodge, London].

I have the honour to convey to your Majesty the expression of our profound sorrow and respectful sympathy in the heavy loss which your Majesty and the empire have sustained by the death of your Royal mother, our revered and lamented Queen, whose name has for sixty-three years been honoured with the deepest devotion by our Fraternity throughout the world.

And we also desire to hail your Majesty's accession to the Throne of this realm, and to tender our true and faithful allegiance to your person, both as our own beloved Grand Master and also as the ruler of the vast dominions, throughout which your Majesty will find no more loyal and devoted subjects than the Brethren of our Craft.

The signatures, or consents, were obtained by Saturday last, representing between two and three thousand Brethren, and the address, after being suitably engrossed on vellum, will be duly presented to his Majesty, on behalf of the Province of Cornwall, through the honoured medium of the beloved Grand Master, the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe.

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**

A MEETING of the Provincial Grand Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Nottingham, on Wednesday afternoon.

The gathering had been specially summoned by the Provincial Grand Master the Duke of Portland, K.G., for the purpose of voting a loyal and dutiful address to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master his Most Gracious Majesty the King, upon the melancholy occasion of the decease of her late Majesty Queen Victoria.

In the unavoidable absence of the Provincial Grand Master the Lodge was presided over by the Deputy Prov. Grand Master his Honour Judøe Masterman, D.C.L., and it was very largely attended by Brethren of the Province, who passed the address in solemn silence.

Subsequently meetings of the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge and of the Provincial Grand Chapter were held, at which a similar address was voted. Both these latter assemblies were well attended.

The installation meeting of the Tynwald Lodge, held last month at Douglas, Isle of Man, was unusually interesting from the fact that Bro. J. A. Brown Deputy Provincial Grand Master and thrice Master of Tynwald Lodge, attained the fortieth anniversary of his connection with Freemasonry in the Isle of Man. During this long period he has filled every important Office in the Craft, and discharged his duties in a manner which appears to have won the esteem of the Brethren. He is also the only living founder of Tynwald Lodge. To mark the occasion the Brethren of the Lodge, through their W.M., presented him with a massive silver tray, appropriately engraved. The presentation was made in a complimentary speech by Bro. T. S. Atkinson, and Bro. Brown replied in appropriate and feeling terms. Bro. S. Webb Prov.S.G.W., who is himself "a father in Masonry," supported the W.M.'s observations. The I.P.M. Bro. R. J. Grindley was decorated the same evening with the customary jewel, and was complimented for the efficient manner in which he had filled the chair.

Bro. W. L. Barrett, the well-known flautist, was on Tuesday afternoon installed as Master of the Savage Club Lodge, which includes among its honorary members his Majesty the King. Among the members of the Lodge and necessarily of the Club, who were also placed in office were Bro. Charles Townley, the retiring Master, who took the position of I.P.M.; Bro. E. E. Peacock and Dr. R. Bowdler Sharpe, of the British Museum, who were appointed Wardens; Bros. Hugh Moss and Herbert Johnson, Deacons; and Bros. Raymond Tucker, F. H. Cheesewright, and Templar Saxe. Owing to the death of the late Queen the banquet which followed was of a private character. No toasts were proposed, and the usual sumptuous programme of entertainment with which members of the Lodge were ready had to be foregone. Bro. Barrett, however, received the felicitations of many distinguished members of the Craft who were present.

Bro. Frederick Binckes P.G. Sword Bearer, and for many years Secretary of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys was a visitor at the installation meeting of the Doric Lodge, held last month at Woodbridge, where Bro. Binckes has recently taken up his residence, and then proposed the toast of the Masonic Charities in an eloquent speech. Bro. Binckes incidentally mentioned that he had devoted thirty years of his life to the work of one of their great Masonic Charities, and if he lived to December next he would celebrate his jubilee in Masonry. The Boys, Girls, and Benevolent Masonic Institutions he characterised as the admiration and envy of the world. Last year over £83,000 was voluntarily subscribed by their Brethren to those three great Institutions. We sincerely hope that Brother Binckes may live to celebrate his jubilee—and a diamond jubilee after that.

As a mark of respect for the memory of the late Queen, and as a token of a true feeling of sorrow and sincere sympathy with the Most Worshipful Grand Master, the members of the Burdett Coutts Lodge, No. 1278, have decided to abandon their Annual Banquet and Ball, which was to be held on the 13th inst., at the Cannon Street Hotel. In order that the Masonic Charities may not suffer, and that the ladies and friends of the members of the Lodge may not be disappointed, the Committee proposed at their last meeting to have an outing in June, and in tendering his thanks to the Brethren and their friends who had intended to give him their support on this occasion, the Worshipful Master Bro. H. Leroy hopes to receive the same generous support to ensure the success of the proposed outing, with a good surplus for the Charities.

The annual supper of the West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction, No. 1623, will be held at the City Scotch Stores (Host: Bro. J. R. L. Daish), 27 Knightrider Street, St. Paul's Churchyard, E.C., on Wednesday, 27th inst., at 6.30 p.m. precisely; tickets, 3s 6d each. Bro. C. A. Barter W.M. 1623 will occupy the Chair, and Bro. Thomas Powell W.M. 2182 the Vice-Chair. As only a limited number of Brethren can conveniently participate, early application for tickets is desired.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked at the West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction (held every Wednesday, at 7 p.m., at the City Scotch Stores, 27 Knightrider Street, St. Paul's), on Wednesday, 13th March next, commencing at 6.30 p.m. Many eminent Brethren have promised to assist.

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**Soups.**  
Hare. Brunoise.  
**Fish.**  
Grilled Mackerel Maitre d'Hotel.  
**Entree.**  
Grilled Mutton Cutlet. Mashed Potatoes.  
**Joint.**  
Roast Ribs of Beef and Horseradish.  
**Vegetables.**  
Brussels Sprouts. Plain Potatoes.  
**Sweets.**  
Apple Tart. Fruit Jelly.  
CHEESE. SALAD. BREAD. BUTTER.  
**PRICE 2s 6d.**

**TABLE D'HOTE LUNCHEON**  
served in  
**The Grand Salon**  
from 12 until 3 o'clock.

**M E N U .**  
**Soups.**  
Ox Tail. Vermicelli.  
**Fish.**  
Fried Brill and Tomato Sauce.  
**Entree.**  
Scollops of Veal and Ham and Peas. Mashed Potatoes.  
**Joint.**  
Roast Haunch of Mutton and Red Currant Jelly.  
**Vegetables.**  
Brussels Sprouts. Plain Potatoes.  
**Sweets.**  
Apple Tart. Fruit Jelly.  
CHEESE. SALAD. BREAD. BUTTER.  
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Price 3s 9d, accompanied by HIGH CLASS INSTRUMENTAL  
MUSIC, from 5.30 till 9.30 every evening, in  
**THE GRAND SALON.**

Bro. John Chapman P.P.G.D. Devon P.M. and founder of the Jordan Lodge, No. 1402, Torquay, and W.M. of the St. John Lodge, No. 328, Torquay, has just been honoured by being installed W.M. of the Chine Lodge, No. 1884, Shanklin, Isle of Wight. Bro. Chapman, though a twenty years resident of Torquay, is well known and appreciated in the Province of Hampshire, of which Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., is the Prov.G.M. and he readily assented to the special dispensation necessary for Bro. Chapman to be W.M. of two Lodges at one and the same time. Bro. Chapman is also a munificent donor of the great Masonic Charities, in which he holds several hundred votes. His installation as W.M. of the Chine Lodge was attended by a large number of Brethren, prominent amongst whom were the Prov.G.M. of Aberdeenshire Bro. Colonel H. Lumsden, the Prov.G.Sec. of Hampshire Bro. Captain H. G. Giles, and Bro. W. B. Chapman, Manitoba. The installation ceremony was admirably carried out, Colonel Lumsden impressively delivering the charges, which were given for the first time in the Province by a Scottish Prov.G.M. The Prov.G.Sec. paid a high tribute of praise to Chine Lodge, which had been honoured by the installation of Bro. Chapman.

Bro. Charles Collette celebrates, next week, his five hundredth performance of the American "Commercial" in "What happened to Jones" in which for some considerable time he has been starring in London and the provinces. He is still associated with Mr. Herbeth Sleath's only company playing this piece, under the business management of Mr. Lilford Arthur.

We sincerely condole with Bros. Lionel Brough and his son, Sidney Brough, upon the loss they have sustained by the death of Miss Daisy Brough, a sweet young lady of nineteen, which occurred last week.

The will of our late Bro. Sir Alfred Bevan Grand Treasurer for the year 1899, who died at Mentone, on 6th December last, aged 63, has been proved in London this week, the estate being valued at £238,958 15s 8d.

#### "A SPRIG OF ACACIA."

ONE of the best known members of Grand Lodge, in the person of Bro. Thomas Fenn P.G.W., has been removed by the hand of death, and considerable regret will be felt on all sides at his demise. Our worthy Brother died very suddenly on Saturday evening, at his residence in Down Street, Mayfair. Earlier in the day he had witnessed the funeral procession of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and being of a very sensitive nature it is probable the impressiveness of that ceremonial had a fatal effect upon him. Our deceased Brother was in his eighty-second year, and had won for himself respect and renown both in Freemasonry and in the outside world. He was probably the most respected among the many exponents of Masonic ritual, his association with the Emulation Lodge of Improvement placing him in the foremost rank in this respect; and he was also a great authority on the law and practice of the Order. He was first appointed to Grand Lodge Office in 1864, when the Earl of Zetland honoured him with the collar of Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies, since which he has been twice honoured by the King as Grand Master, his latest preferment being a Past Grand Wardenship, conferred on him in 1896. His services to the Charities of the Craft alone entitle him to the greatest esteem, and in him the three Funds lose one of their most enthusiastic workers. In private life Bro. Fenn also achieved prominence. He was the senior partner in the firm of Messrs. Fenn and Crosthwaite, and was one of the oldest, as he was also one of the most highly respected, members of the London Stock Exchange. He became a member there as long ago as 1845, and tied for the honour of being the fifth oldest member of the "House." His memory there will always be associated with the Settlement Department, the admirable organisation and perfecting of which are entirely due to him, and over the Committee of which Department he presided for twenty years. On his retirement from that position a few months since he was the recipient of an address signed by upwards of a thousand members of the Exchange, expressing their deep sense of the invaluable services he had rendered, not only to the

subscribers but to the Stock Exchange generally. He was one of the most prominent members of the United Lodge of Prudence—the Stock Exchange Lodge—of which he was the Treasurer.

IT is with great regret we hear that Bro. Thomas Lee W.M. of the local Lodge, who was fearfully injured through the premature explosion of one of the Barnstaple borough chamberlains on the day when the Royal Proclamation was read, has died in the North Devon Infirmary. Bro. Lee had been foreman of works for about fifteen years, and was a very popular as well as efficient officer. He was captain of Barnstaple Cycling Club. He leaves a widow and two sons. At the inquest, James Burnell, an employée of the Barnstaple Town Council, deposed that they had fired the chamberlains about 130 times before the accident occurred, Mr. Lee having successfully discharged them. The premature explosion was probably caused by a spark from the fusee with which Mr. Lee was firing the fuse, being blown on to the touch-hole, thus igniting the powder. Witness heard the explosion, and saw Mr. Lee rolling on the ground, his hat being blown into the air and shattered to pieces. Deceased had been in the habit of firing the chamberlains for several years. Edwin Rottenbury, another town employée, gave corroborative evidence. Dr. Roscrow, house surgeon, said deceased's face was severely lacerated, and both his eye-balls were blown away. He was conscious and greatly concerned about his condition, chiefly with regard to his sight. He rallied wonderfully soon afterwards, but on the Sunday he took no nourishment and was not so well. He died from septic poisoning and exhaustion. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death," expressed sympathy with deceased's relatives, and gave their fees, supplemented by a further sum, towards a wreath to be placed on deceased's grave.

BRO. JOHN BLENKIN, one of the best known journalists in the North of England, died at his residence, Yew Villa, Heworth, York, on Tuesday, in his 73rd year. Bro. Blenkin received his journalistic training in Sheffield, but removed to York more than forty years ago. In York he became chief reporter of the "Yorkshire Herald," and also acted as representative of nearly all the leading London and provincial newspapers, being assisted by his sons, all of whom have had successful journalistic careers. Bro. Blenkin was one of the earliest members of the National Association of Journalists—now the National Institute—and for some years was chairman of the York district. Although he retired from active journalistic work some years ago, Bro. Blenkin maintained his connection with the Institute up to the time of his death. Of a kindly and courteous disposition he was exceedingly popular, not only with his Press colleagues, but also with the many political leaders and dignitaries of the Church with whom he came in contact in the discharge of his journalistic duties. In his earlier days Bro. Blenkin took an active interest in cricket and other outdoor pastimes, and was also an active member of the Craft.

THE funeral of Bro. Albert Naylor, of Cleckheaton, who died suddenly in Providence Place Chapel on Sunday evening, took place on Wednesday, at the Cleckheaton Cemetery. There was a very large attendance of fellow-tradesmen and personal friends, including representatives of the congregation and choir at Providence Place, the Friendship Lodge of Freemasons, the Cleckheaton Cricket and Bowling and the Punch-bowl Bowling Clubs, the Tradesmen's Cricket Club, the Tradesmen's Association, the Philharmonic Society, the Heckmondwike Gun Club, the Cleckheaton Gun Club, and the brokers of the district. The burial service was conducted by the Rev. C. H. Shane, and the choir—of which Bro. Naylor was a member nearly forty years—sung at the graveside the hymn "When our heads are bowed with woe."

ON Wednesday the remains of the late Bro. Osborne Blythe, of Alnmouth, a member of the Alnwick Lodge, No. 1167, were interred in the cemetery on the hill at Alnmouth. Bro. Blythe was one of the oldest tradesmen in the building trade in the North of England. The funeral was attended by many friends of the deceased, including tradesmen from Amble and Warkworth, and a large community of the members of the Alnwick Lodge were present to do honour to the deceased. The Rev. David Moore conducted the service, and the Masonic funeral musical service was performed by the members of the Fraternity from Alnwick.

## BOOKS OF THE DAY.

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Books, Music, &c. intended for review, should be addressed to the Editor of the *Freemason's Chronicle*, at Fleet Works, New Barnet.

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**New Century Library** (2s net per vol.).—T. Nelson and Sons.  
The Works of SIR WALTER SCOTT, BART.  
Vol. ii., **Guy Mannering**.

The pleasures of memory are many, and our recollections of the scenes and incidents and persons in "Guy Mannering" are among the happiest of them all. Lacking the knightly deeds and valorous emprise of "Ivanhoe," the tragic strength of "The Heart of Midlothian," or the incomparable humour of "The Antiquary," it is nevertheless full of good things, and shrewd as few save the wizard of the north could have rendered it. When, just now, we opened this beautiful edition that Messrs. Nelson have sent us, we were back in thought by the riverside at St. Albans, where we first met the Dominie Sampson and Meg Merrilies, and laughed loudly over the doings of Dandie Dinmont and his dogs. We allowed Squire Recollection to keep the upper hand during his pleasure, which lasted long enough for us to cast an eye upon the gipsies upon the estate of Ellangowan, to hear again the sound of the flageolet from the skiff upon the lake at Mervyn Hall, to shake our fist in dumb show at the rascal Glossin, to see the famished dominie devour the steaming stew proffered by Meg, to spy upon Dick Hatteraick in the cave, and to listen again to the sweet voice of Lucy Bertram. When a writer leaves behind him as many as twenty-two long novels and half a dozen short ones it is no easy task that the critic attempts when he endeavours to point out the singular and distinctive merits of any one of them. We are disposed to think that the sovereign merits of "Guy Mannering" are its uniformly pleasing narrative, its quiet, unostentatious humour, its genial sketches of country life and manners. The old Highlander who narrated the original story to Scott had, as the great romancer assures us, but one fault in life—he preferred whisky to less potent liquors. We would like to have grasped that Highlander by the hand, and to have thanked him for having supplied the foundation upon which was built "Guy Mannering," or "The Astrologer."

**My Lady Marcia.** A Story of the French Revolution. By Eliza F. Pollard. With illustrations.—Thomas Nelson and Sons.

THE French Revolution has always attracted the novelist. When in search of stirring incidents and heroic action he turns instinctively to that lurid period which may be said to have commenced when the States General met, and to have finished when Buonaparte ordered the discharge of the famous "whiff of grapeshot"; and he is a dullard indeed if he fails to find ample material for a good story. The volume before us is written by a hand that has acquired considerable cunning, and the historic scenes therein adapted to the requirements of romance have lost nothing in the re-telling. Nobody save a wretched bungler could fail to make an entertaining novel out of materials drawn from the lives of Marie Antoinette and Robespierre, to say nothing of the numberless others—some saints, some villains—who crowd the pages of that bloody epoch. Mrs. Pollard has, we think, succeeded admirably in her efforts to put before us a fresh version of an old story, and we hardly know if her powers of invention or her general fidelity to history deserve the greater praise. We by no means share that extravagant estimate of the character of Marie Antoinette which usually obtains among lady writers, and which reminds us of Pope's remark that "a saint in crape is twice a saint in lawn"; and we strongly recommend readers of "My Lady Marcia" to consult the first volume of Carlyle's "French Revolution," and Mr. Morley's essay on Robespierre, as wholesome correctives in regard to their estimate of the famous queen. There are a few excellent illustrations to this book; the one entitled "As she talked she kept filling his mug" strikes us as being particularly well conceived. This should become a favourite gift book, and nobody to whom it is given will readily find a dull page between its covers. We have seen nothing so readable on the days of the French Revolution for a long time, and we think the writer would be amply justified in attempting another story of a similar character.

**Men of Men.** By C. Fox Smith.—Sampson Low, Marston, and Co., Limited.

THERE are verses in this little volume that show Mr. Fox Smith to be a true poet. But as a true poet he knows how difficult an art he has espoused, and he will pardon us if we say that we think his verse of very unequal merit. Most of the stanzas in the "Peninsular Ballads" are so spirited and patriotic that all who read will be pleased; moreover, there are many lines which are excellent alike in composition and in sentiment. We have noticed a rather rare merit in this volume; for whereas many writers can handle any measure save blank verse, we think "The Quest of the Queen" is superior to anything else by the same pen. The influence of Tennyson is apparent in almost every line of this fine poem, but we have not noticed any slavish imitation of mere diction. Anybody who has read "The Idylls of the King" will know the master who inspired such lines as these:

"But at last

They pressed him backward slowly from the gate,  
Till in the darkening hall he stood at bay  
For one last bout of battle. Once again  
Thro' the high traceried windows, all at rest  
He saw the golden moon, the glimmering mere  
And hills on fire with sunset."

We are grateful to any poet who so manages his verse as to remind us of a greater master than he. Mr. Fox Smith will sympathise with us when we say that we are not often reminded of Tennyson when reviewing contemporary poetry.

**The Language of Handwriting.** A text-book of Graphology. By Richard Dimsdale Stocker. With 113 illustrations and 5 plates (3s 6d net).—Swan Sonnenschein and Co., Ltd.

THE subject of this volume is in part too wonderful for our comprehension; it is high, we cannot attain unto it. Mr. Lang has recently expressed the opinion that we "shall soon cease to believe in anything scientific." On the contrary, we apprehend that there will soon be nothing else left for us to believe in, for everything is reduced to a science nowadays. There is much in Mr. Stocker's treatise which is both ingenious and plausible, but we certainly think he pushes his deductions to their uttermost verge. We regard graphology as a subject worthy of study, but do not see that Mr. Stocker, or any other writer whose work we have seen, has demonstrated that his conclusions are anything more than conjecture. It is surely well known that the handwriting of persons of remarkably similar character and abilities is often as diverse as handwriting can well be; in fact, this is so frequently the case that we wonder how even the perseverance and ingenuity of Mr. Stocker can suffice to marshal an orderly theory out of such conflicting elements. However, we can heartily advise our readers to buy a copy of this book and examine it for themselves. Even if they share our opinion that the cases instanced are often "not proven"; they will admit that the rich collection of facsimile autographs is alone worth the three and sixpence. Most of these signatures are exceedingly well reproduced.

On 18th March Mr. Fisher Unwin is to publish a novel by Dr. William Barry, entitled "The Wizard's Knot." It is a story of the south-west of Ireland, and if as good as Dr. Barry's novel of Italian life, "Arden Massiter," which we reviewed in these columns early last year, it is very good indeed. We hope it may prove a success.

Messrs. Swan Sonnenschein are to publish a work eminently characteristic of our age. It is entitled "A Descriptive Guide to the Best Fiction," and its author is Mr. E. A. Baker, M.A. From all we can learn we believe Mr. Baker will prove no blind guide, even in a vast territory where the most experienced can easily go astray.

Messrs. Hutchinson announce "A Little Grey Sheep," by Mrs. Hugh Fraser, and "According to Plato," by Mr. Frankfort Moore.

A welcome addition to that boon of the poor clerk, the sixpenny novel, is promised by Messrs. C. A. Pearson. It will form the eleventh edition of "My Japanese Wife," by Mr. Clive Holland, who has, we believe, written a sequel to it which will also be shortly published.

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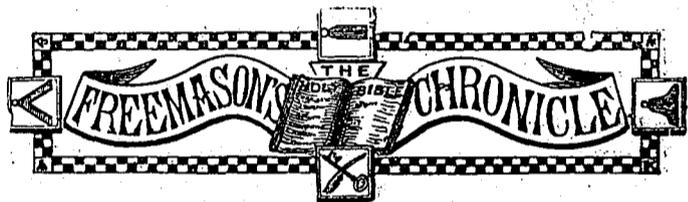
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SATURDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY 1901.

**UNITED GRAND LODGE.**

BY Command of the Most Worshipful the Pro Grand Master the Right Honourable the Earl Amherst an ESPECIAL GRAND LODGE will be held on Friday next, 15th February, in the Queen's Hall, Langham Place, W., at two for three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

- 1.—To vote a Loyal and Dutiful Address to His Majesty the King, tendering the respectful sympathy of the Craft, on the death of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and further offering the respectful and fraternal congratulations of the Fraternity to His Majesty on his accession to the Throne.
- 2.—Communication from the Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master respecting the Grand Mastership; and Motion thereon.
- 3.—MOTION, "That the Communication be recorded in the Minutes of Grand Lodge."
- 4.—MOTION, "That the nomination for the office of Most Worshipful Grand Master, made at the last Quarterly Communication, having become inoperative, this Grand Lodge do now proceed to a fresh nomination."
- 5.—Nomination of Grand Master.

In order to meet the convenience of Brethren attending this Grand Lodge, and to avoid confusion, Brethren entitled to attend (other than Grand Officers), will sign the books and obtain the necessary vouchers for admission, at Freemasons' Hall, either on Thursday, the 14th inst., between the hours of 10 a.m. and 8 p.m., or on Friday, 15th, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Grand Officers Present and Past, including Present Grand Stewards, will sign in the Rooms reserved for them at the Queen's Hall.

The Grand Tyler will convey to the Queen's Hall, the clothing at present deposited at Freemasons' Hall, of those Past Grand Officers who may intimate to him on or before Thursday, 14th inst., their intention to be present.

The Queen's Hall is capable of accommodating about 4,000 Brethren, but we anticipate that number will by no means represent all who may desire to attend, and we shall not be at all surprised if there are many who are unable to gain admittance.

**AN EPISCOPAL MASON.**

THE first ecclesiastical appointment of the King is the nomination of Bro. Archdeacon Stevens Past Grand Chap. of England to be a Bishop-Suffragan in the diocese of St. Albans, with the title of Bishop of Barking. The new suffragan is the son of Mr. Thomas Ogden Stevens, of Clifton, and was born in 1842. He was educated at Shrewsbury, and was afterwards scholar and exhibitor of Magdalene College, Cambridge, where he graduated in 1863. He was an assistant master at Charterhouse School for the next three years, being ordained deacon by the Bishop of London (Dr. Tait) in 1865, and priest in 1866 by the Bishop of Peterborough (Dr. Jeune), to whose diocese he had gone as curate at Woodford, Northants. He served the parish of St. Mark, Victoria Docks, first as curate and then as vicar, from 1868 to 1872, and after filling curacies at St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, and Holy Trinity, Brompton, he was appointed in 1875 to the vicarage of St. Luke, Victoria Docks. In 1882 he became vicar of Saffron Walden, Essex, and in 1889 vicar of St. John's, Stratford, a post which he held till a short time ago, when Lord Salisbury nominated him to succeed Canon Henson as chaplain to St. Mary's Hospital, Ilford. He became Archdeacon of Essex in 1894. The Bishop-Designate has thus spent the greater part of his ministerial life in the diocese which he will now serve in a higher capacity, and he has had experience of both its rural and its densely-crowded parts. As he is to take his title from Barking, it may be supposed that the district assigned to him by the Bishop of St. Albans will be the thickly-populated region known as "East London over the Border," which he already knows thoroughly. Archdeacon Stevens was Grand Chaplain of England in 1896-97, and has shown great interest in the Craft, notably by conducting a Masonic party to the Holy Land. He was an honorary canon of St. Albans from 1891 to 1894, was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries in 1889. He married, in 1866, a daughter of Mr. George Burtram, of St. Helier, Jersey, and sister of Sir Geo. Clement Burtram, late bailiff of the island.

IT is a very striking testimony to the difference between England and some foreign countries that the newest of our Bishops, even though he is only a suffragan, is a prominent Freemason, and has been Grand Chaplain of the Society in England. In Roman Catholic countries the Church is bitterly opposed to Freemasonry, and it is only right to say that Freemasons are just as bitterly opposed to the Church. In England a wise freedom has shown us how to reconcile two bodies which are not essentially antagonistic, and it is very often the case that the best Masons are also the best Churchmen. The man who obeys the Grand Orient in France thereby proclaims himself a Free Thinker as well as a Freemason, and the acknowledged foe of all ordered religion. So much is this the case, that the enmity of the Roman Catholic Church has driven the French and Italian Masons into an attitude of implacable hostility, and the French in particular have so utterly thrown aside all the religious part of the Craft that English Masons are compelled to refuse them the recognition to which they would otherwise be entitled. The idea of a French or Italian priest—to say nothing of a Bishop—being a Freemason is inconceivable, and it is even impossible for a private man to be a member of the Craft and to avail himself of the offices of the Church. The reason, of course, is that the Roman Catholic Church will not suffer the existence of any society with rules which it does not recognise, and, above all, cannot endure the notion of a secret which must not be told in confession. The result of this enmity is the transformation of a body which, in this country, we know chiefly as a powerful charitable organisation, into the foe of religion and the nurse of revolution. Nothing could better illustrate the difference between the English and the Latin way of looking at the same thing.—"Globe."

The members of the Honour and Friendship Lodge, No. 1266, at their meeting at Blandford, on Tuesday, 8th ult., presented their late Tyler Bro. W. Strange with a gold watch, beautifully engraved. The presentation was made by the oldest Past Master of the Lodge Bro. W. W. Stickland P.P.J.G.W., who spoke in high terms of the faithful way Bro. Strange had filled the Office for so many years. Bro. Strange suitably acknowledged the gift.

## MEETINGS NEXT WEEK.

## Monday.

- 5 St. George & Corner Stone, F.M.H.  
 29 St. Alban, Albion  
 58 Felicity, Princes Restaurant  
 59 Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall  
 193 Confidence, Anderton's Hotel  
 957 Leigh, Freemasons' Hall  
 1305 St. Marylebone, Criterion Restaurant  
 1670 Adelphi, Freemasons' Hall  
 1789 Ubique, Criterion Restaurant  
 2094 Elthorne and Middlesex, Cafe Royal  
 2394 Galen, Freemasons' Hall  
 2454 Guildhall School of Music, Holborn R.  
 2565 Royal Rose, Hampstead Road  
 2611 London School Board, Hotel Cecil  
 2632 Byfield, Great Eastern Hotel  
 40 Derwent, Castle, Hastings  
 68 Royal Clarence, F.M.H., Bristol  
 75 Love and Honour, F.M.H., Falmouth  
 88 Scientific, Lion, Cambridge  
 104 St. John, Mechanics Inst., Stockport  
 105 Fortitude, F.M.H., Plymouth  
 106 Sun, F.M.H., Exmouth  
 133 Harmony, F.M.H., Faversham  
 151 Albany, F.M.H., Newport, I. of W.  
 189 Sincerity, Town Hall, E. Stonehouse  
 237 Indefatigable, F.M.H., Swansea  
 240 St. Hilda, F.M.H., South Shields  
 262 Salopian, Music Hall, Shrewsbury  
 292 Sincerity, Adelphi, Liverpool  
 296 Royal Brunswick, F.M.H., Sheffield  
 297 Witham, Masonic Rooms, Lincoln  
 303 Benevolent, F.M.H., Teignmouth  
 314 Peace and Unity, Bull, Preston  
 330 One and All, F.M.H., Bodmin  
 339 Unanimity, Crown, Penrith  
 379 Honour, F.M.H., Bath  
 411 Commercial, F.M.H., Nottingham  
 422 Yarborough, M. Rms., Gainsborough  
 481 St. Peter, F.M.H., Newcastle-on-Tyne  
 587 Howe, F.M.H., Birmingham  
 589 Druid of Love & Liberality, Redruth  
 632 Concord, F.M.H., Trowbridge  
 643 Royal, Foord's, Filey  
 665 Montagu, F.M.H., Lyme Regis  
 671 Prince of Wales, F.M.H., Llanelly  
 721 Independence, F.M.H., Chester  
 797 Hauley, Hauley Hall, Dartmouth  
 884 Derwent, Town Hall, Wirksworth  
 893 Meridian, F.M.H., Millbrook  
 941 De Tabley, Royal George, Knutsford  
 1069 United Brothers, F.M.H., Portsmouth  
 1149 Dorking, Public Hall, Dorking  
 1174 Pentagle, Sun, Chatham  
 1221 Defence, F.M.H., Leeds  
 1237 Enfield, George, Enfield  
 1253 Travellers, Queen, Manchester  
 1302 De Warren, White Swan, Halifax  
 1350 Fermo Hesketh, F.M.H., Bootle  
 1380 Skelmersdale, Town Hall, Liverpool  
 1402 Jordan, Masonic Temple, Torquay  
 1408 Stamford & Warrington, Stalybridge  
 1436 Castle, F.M.H., Sandgate  
 1449 Royal Military, Mas. Tem., Canterbury  
 1452 St. Margaret, Royal, Lowestoft  
 1474 Israel, F.M.H., Birmingham  
 1496 Trafford, Western, Moss Side  
 1505 Emulation, F.M.H., Liverpool  
 1564 St. John, F.M.H., Woking  
 1611 Eboracum, F.M.H., York  
 1618 Handyside, Priv. Rms., Saltburn-by-Sea  
 1730 Urmston, Victoria, Urmston  
 1792 Tudor, The Institute, Harborne  
 1802 Vernon, Exchange Bldgs., E. Retford  
 1852 Forest, Town Hall, Mansfield  
 1885 Torridge, F.M.H., Great Torrington  
 1914 St. Thomas, Harecastle, Kidsgrove  
 1948 Hardman, Queen's Arms, Rawtenstall  
 1952 High Peak, Tn. H., Chapel-en-le-Frith  
 1966 Fidelity & Sincerity, M.H., Wellington  
 2034 Masefield, Institute, Moseley  
 2144 De Tatton, Town Hall, Altrincham  
 2185 Ardwick, Moseley, Manchester  
 2187 Adur, Assembly Rooms, Henfield  
 2197 Spencer Walpole Temperance, Douglas  
 2376 Carnarvon, Public Hall, Leyland  
 2382 Loyal Hay, Hay  
 2457 St. Anne's, St. Anne's-on-Sea  
 2487 St. Michael, Crown, Stone  
 2505 County Palatine, Palace, Birkdale  
 2584 Queen Victoria, Con. Club, Cheetham

## Tuesday.

- 96 Burlington, Albion  
 180 St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall  
 198 Percy, Ship and Turtle  
 211 St. Michael, Albion  
 228 United Strength, Guildhall Tavern

- 235 Nine Muses, Grand Hotel, Charing C.  
 781 Merchant Navy, Town H., Limehouse  
 824 Ranelagh, Criterion Restaurant  
 917 Cosmopolitan, City Terminus Hotel  
 933 Doric, Anderton's Hotel  
 1196 Urban, Freemasons' Hall  
 1269 Stanhope, Surrey Masonic Hall  
 1593 Royal Naval College, Ship, Greenwich  
 1604 Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall  
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion Restaurant  
 1635 Canterbury, 27 Golden Square  
 1668 Samson, Cafe Royal  
 1693 Kingsland, Holborn Restaurant  
 1769 Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern  
 1891 St. Ambrose, St. James's Restaurant  
 1969 Waldeck, Freemasons' Hall  
 2127 Drury Lane, Theatre Royal, Drury L.  
 2427 Hampden, Hampden House, N.W.  
 2546 Rahere, Frascati  
 2622 Beach, Horns, Kennington Park  
 2751 Arts, Freemasons' Hall  
 80 St. John, F.M.H., Sunderland  
 93 Social, 47 St. Giles Street, Norwich  
 131 Fortitude, F.M.H., Truro  
 184 United Benevolence, New Brompton  
 241 Merchants, F.M.H., Liverpool  
 272 Harmony, F.M.H., Boston  
 284 Shakespeare, F.M.H., Warwick  
 319 New Forest, Visitors Hall, Lymington  
 371 Perseverance, F.M.H., Maryport  
 473 Faithful, F.M.H., Birmingham  
 494 Virtue and Honour, F.M.H., Axminster  
 495 Wakefield, F.M.H., Wakefield  
 496 Peace and Harmony, St. Austell  
 502 Rectitude, F.M.H., Rugby  
 503 Belvedere, F.M.H., Maidstone  
 573 Perseverance, Drill Hall, Hales Owen  
 593 St. Ann, Masonic Rooms, Alderney  
 603 Zetland, F.M.H., Cleckheaton  
 606 Segontium, F.M.H., Carnarvon  
 626 Lansdowne of Unity, Chippenham  
 650 Star in the East, Gt. Eastern, Harwich  
 686 Jerusalem, F.M.H., Bristol  
 696 St. Bartholomew, Anchor, Wednesbury  
 723 Panmure, F.M.H., Aldershot  
 764 Harbour o' Refuge, M.H., W. Hartlepool  
 771 Windsor Castle, F.M.H., Windsor  
 877 Royal Alfred, Masonic Temple, Jersey  
 892 Royal Edward, Royal Oak, Leominster  
 897 St. Helens of Loyalty, St. Helens  
 993 Gosport, India Arms, Gosport  
 954 St. Aubyn, Mas. Hall, Morice Town  
 1021 Hartington, F.M.H., Barrow-in-Fur.  
 1073 Greta, Keswick Hotel, Keswick  
 1120 St. Milburga, Tontine, Ironbridge  
 1138 Devon, F.M.H., Newton Abbot  
 1197 Nyanza, F.M.H., Ilminster  
 1256 Fidelity, F.M.H., Poulton-le-Fylde  
 1267 Kenlis, Oddfellows Hall, Egremont  
 1367 Beamister Manor, Beamister  
 1373 St. Hubert, F.M.H., Andover  
 1414 Knole, Parish Room, Sevenoaks  
 1476 Blackpool, F.M.H., Blackpool  
 1528 Fort, F.M.H., Newquay  
 1545 Baildon, Masonic Rooms, Baildon  
 1560 Albert Edward, F.M.H., Leicester  
 1713 Wilbraham, Walton-on-the-Hill  
 1837 Lullingstone, F.M.H., Wilmington  
 1847 Ebrington, Masonic T., E. Stonehouse  
 1883 William of Wykeham, Winchester  
 1942 Minerva, Public Hall, Fenton  
 2086 Dacre, Lyric Hall, Stevenage  
 2090 Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Herne Bay  
 2104 Whitwell, F.M.H., Stockton-on-Tees  
 2134 Wilberforce, F.M.H., Hull  
 2164 St. Germans, Peel Castle, Peel  
 2256 Warner, Royal Forest, Chingford  
 2324 Horwich, Bridge, Horwich  
 2357 Barr. Royal, Cadoxton-Juxta-Barry  
 2475 Border, White Hart, Blackwater  
 2477 Colne, Greyhound Inn, Wyvenhoe  
 2529 Abbey, F.M.H., Whalley  
 2550 St. Aldhelm, F.M.H., Branksome  
 2582 Lewisham, Blue Gates, Smethwick  
 2600 Stanley, Bull, Preston  
 2667 Buckingham & Chandos, Rockferry  
 2708 Holmes, F.M.H., Wigan  
 2709 Royal York, F.M.H., Nailsworth  
 2714 Temperance, F.M.H., Liverpool  
 2723 Heaton, 232 Shields Road, Byker  
 2790 Merton, Boys' Club, Merton

## Wednesday.

Committee R.M. Benevolent Inst., at 4.

- 3 Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall  
 11 Enoch, Freemasons' Hall  
 13 Union Waterloo, F.M.H., Plumstead  
 15 Kent, Freemasons' Hall  
 87 Vitruvian, Bridge House Hotel  
 136 Good Report, Albion

- 548 Wellington, City Terminus Hotel  
 749 Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel  
 1228 Beacontree, Guildhall Tavern  
 1260 John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall  
 1538 St. Martins-le-Grand, Holborn Rest.  
 1687 Rothesay, Frascati  
 1766 St. Leonard, Great Eastern Hotel  
 1815 Penge, Clarence Hall, Penge  
 1964 Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel  
 2347 Grafton, Grafton Rooms, Regent St.  
 2362 Bloomsbury Rifles, Chenies Street  
 2410 Esculapius, Cafe Royal  
 2456 Chancery Bar, Hotel Cecil  
 2470 Telegraph Cable, Hotel Cecil  
 2528 Lancastrian, Hotel Cecil  
 2620 Cavendish, Royal Palace Hotel  
 2697 St. Michael le Querne, Holborn Rest.  
 2765 Earl's Court, Royal Palace Hotel  
 54 Hope, Spread Eagle, Rochdale  
 84 Doyle's Fellowship, F.M.H., Guernsey  
 128 Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bury  
 146 Antiquity, F.M.H., Bolton  
 187 Roy. Sussex Hospitality, M.H., Bristol  
 204 Caledonian, F.M.H., Manchester  
 225 St. Luke, F.M.H., Ipswich  
 244 Yarborough, Masonic Temple, Jersey  
 250 Minerva, F.M.H., Hull  
 274 Tranquillity, Boar's Head, Newchurch  
 277 Friendship, F.M.H., Oldham  
 281 Fortitude, F.M.H., Lancaster  
 288 Harmony, F.M.H., Todmorden  
 323 Concord, Florist, Stockport  
 483 Svmathy, Royal Clarendon, Gravesend  
 498 Royal Standard, Dudley Arms, Dudley  
 567 Unity, Woolpack, Warwick  
 654 Peveril of the Peak, F.M.H., New Mills  
 661 Fawcett, F.M.H., Seaham Harbour  
 666 Benevolence, Wes. School, Princetown  
 679 St. David, F.M.H., Aberdare  
 730 Ellesmere, F.M.H., Chorley  
 731 Arboretum, F.M.H., Derby  
 755 St. Tudno, F.M.H., Llandudno  
 851 Worthing of Friendship, Worthing  
 854 Albert, Duke of York, Shaw  
 1005 Zetland, Bell, Gloucester  
 1018 Shakespeare, F.M.H., Bradford  
 1031 Fletcher, F.M.H., Birmingham  
 1060 Marmion, 14 Church St., Tamworth  
 1064 Borough, Bull, Burnley  
 1088 Royal Edward, Mas. Club, Stalybridge  
 1094 Temple, F.M.H., Liverpool  
 1101 Grey Friars, F.M.H., Reading  
 1112 Shirley, F.M.H., Southampton  
 1125 St. Peter, F.M.H., Tiverton  
 1135 Concord, Masonic Temple, Ilfracombe  
 1140 Ashton, Reform Club, Heaton Moor  
 1181 De la Pole, F.M.H., Seaton  
 1209 Lewises, Royal, Ramsgate  
 1220 Solway, F.M.H., Aspatria  
 1242 Tynwald, F.M.H., Douglas  
 1248 Denison, F.M.H., Scarborough  
 1273 St. Michael, F.M.H., Sittingbourne  
 1331 Aldershot Camp, So. Westn., Aldershot  
 1342 Walker, F.M.H., Newcastle-on-Tyne  
 1356 Toxteth, 80 North Hill St., Liverpool  
 1398 Baldwin, Castle, Dalton-in-Furness  
 1400 Curwen, F.M.H., Workington  
 1465 Ockenden, Ass. Rs., Haywards Heath  
 1503 Sir Francis Burdett, Twickenham  
 1582 St. Idloes, Llanidloes  
 1588 Prince Leopold, Angel, Stretford  
 1643 Perseverance, M.H., Hebburn-on-Tyne  
 1724 Trinity, Golden Lion, Rayleigh  
 1798 Zion, Grand, Manchester  
 1848 Ferrum, F.M.H., Middlesborough  
 1855 St. Maurice, Working Hall, Plympton  
 1879 Lord Warkworth, F.M.H., Amble  
 1895 Thames, F.M.H., Henley  
 1932 Whitworth, F.M.H., Spennymoor  
 1947 Stanford, Town Hall, Hove  
 1958 St. George, F.M.H., Portsea  
 2016 Shalden, Assembly Rooms, Alton  
 2046 Robinson, F.M.H., Maidstone  
 2147 Crays Valley, Institute, St. Mary Cray  
 2156 Ar. Sullivan, Boar's Head, Manchester  
 2183 Royal Hampton Court, Hampton Ct.  
 2284 Smyth, F.M.H., Grimsby  
 2294 Wavertree, Coffee House, Wavertree  
 2389 Avondale, King's Arms, Middlewich  
 2423 St. Mark, Hare & H'ds, Connah's Quay  
 2483 Hadrian, Devonshire, Bexhill  
 2540 Ember, Castle, East Molesey  
 2583 St. Thomas, F.M.H., Tibshelf  
 2591 St. Mary, Town Hall, New Shoreham  
 2727 St. Audrey, F.M.H., Ely  
 2752 Marlow, Crown, Marlow  
 2758 Fylde, Palatine, Blackpool

## Thursday.

- 19 Royal Athelstan, City Terminus Hotel  
 91 Regularity, Freemasons' Hall

206 Friendship, Ship and Turtle  
 238 Pilgrim, Freemasons' Hall  
 263 Bank of England, Albion  
 534 Polish National, Freemasons' Hall  
 860 Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel  
 879 Southwark, Bridge House Hotel  
 1076 Capper, Guildhall Tavern  
 1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N.  
 1558 Duke of Connaught, Surrey Mas. Hall  
 1599 Skelmersdale, Ship and Turtle  
 1708 Plucknett, Woodside Hall, N. Finchley.  
 1791 Creaton, Freemasons' Hall  
 1804 Coborn, Vestry Hall, Bow  
 1987 Strand, Criterion Restaurant  
 2047 Beckenham, Public Hall, Beckenham  
 2730 Cutlers, Cutlers' Hall, Warwick Lane  
 2754 Thomas-a-Becket, Old Kent Road  
 35 Medina, F.M.H., Cowes  
 50 Knights of Malta, Hinckley  
 97 Palatine, F.M.H., Sunderland  
 112 St. George, F.M.H., Exeter  
 130 Royal Gloucester, M.H., Southampton.  
 139 Britannia, F.M.H., Sheffield  
 191 St. John, Knowsley, Bury  
 216 Harmonic, Adelphi, Liverpool  
 333 Royal Preston, Castle, Preston  
 344 Faith, Ram's Head, Radcliffe  
 369 Limestone Rock, Swan, Clitheroe  
 381 Harmony & Industry, M.H., Darwen.  
 437 Science, F.M.H., Wincanton  
 442 St. Peter, F.M.H., Peterborough  
 477 Mersey, Mas. Chambers, Birkenhead  
 487 Portsmouth, F.M.H., Portsmouth  
 546 Etruscan, F.M.H., Longton  
 561 Zetland, F.M.H., Guisborough  
 586 Elias De Derham, F.M.H., Salisbury.  
 588 St. Botolph, Corn Exchange, Sleaford.  
 725 Stoneleigh, Craven Arms, Coventry  
 732 Royal Brunswick, Pavilion, Brighton  
 739 Temperance, F.M.H., Birmingham  
 784 Wellington, Public Rooms, Deal  
 816 Royd, Falcon, Littleborough  
 945 Abbev. Council Chamber, Abingdon  
 973 Royal Somerset, F.M.H., Frome  
 991 Tyne, F.M.H., Wallsend  
 1035 Pr. of Wales, Skelmers. Hall, Liverpool

1055 Derby, Victoria, Manchester  
 1061 Triumph, County & Com., Lytham  
 1098 St. George, Temper. Hall, Tredegar  
 1099 Huyshe, F.M.H., Stoke  
 1143 Royal Denbigh, Town Hall, Denbigh  
 1144 Milton, George and D., Ashton-u-Lyne  
 1145 Equality, Red Lion, Accrington  
 1147 St. David, F.M.H., Manchester  
 1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool  
 1204 Royd, F.M.H., Malvern  
 1213 Bridgwater, Assembly Rooms, Eccles  
 1247 St. John, F.M.H., Plymouth  
 1387 Chorlton, M.H., Chorlton-cum-Hardy  
 1416 Falcon, F.M.H., Thirsk  
 1429 Albert Edward P. W., Newport, Mon.  
 1495 Arkwright, New Bath H., Matlock Bath  
 1515 Bertie, F.M.H., Oxford  
 1583 Corbet, Whitehall House, Towyn  
 1592 Abbey, F.M.H., Bury St. Edmunds  
 1697 Hospitality, Royal, Waterfoot  
 1750 Coleridge, Public Hall, Clevedon  
 1863 Priory, F.M.H., Tynemouth  
 1911 De La Pre, F.M.H., Northampton  
 1915 Graystone, Foresters H., Whitstable  
 1992 Tennant, Masonic Temple, Cardiff  
 2038 Portcullis, St. Mary's Chapel, Langport  
 2109 Pr. Edward, Assy. Hall, Heaton Moor  
 2132 Egerton, F.M.H., New Brighton  
 2217 Windermere, Mas. Room, Windermere  
 2218 Rickmansworth, Victoria, Rick'worth  
 2227 White Horse, F.M.H., Westbury  
 2234 Onslow, F.M.H., Guildford  
 2285 Eden, Masonic Rooms, Workington  
 2311 St. Alkmund, Victoria, Whitchurch  
 2343 Sir W. Harpur, Assy. Room, Bedford  
 2428 Gracedieu, F.M.H., Coalville  
 2449 Duke of York, Albion, Manchester  
 2523 Roll Call, Oddfellows' H., Hounslow  
 2568 Delaval, Central, Newcastle-on-Tyne  
 2606 Fforest, Masonic Rooms, Treharris  
 2619 New Brighton, Victoria, New Brighton  
 2722 Edward Terry, Barnes

975 Rose of Denmark, Horns, Kennington  
 1962 London Rifle Brigade, Anderton's  
 2157 St. Mark's College, Holborn Restaurant  
 2346 Warrant Officers, F.M.H.  
 2716 Midland and Oxford Bar, Cafe Royal  
 2721 Light, Holborn Restaurant  
 152 Virtue, F.M.H., Manchester  
 155 Perseverance, F.M.H., Liverpool  
 271 Royal Clarence, Pavilion, Brighton  
 347 Noah's Ark, Waggon & Horses, Tipton  
 541 De Loraine, F.M.H., Newcastle-on-T.  
 599 Cherwell, F.M.H., Banbury  
 904 Phoenix, Masonic Bldgs., Rotherham  
 993 Alexandra, Midland, Levenshulme  
 1108 Royal Wharfedale, Mas. Rooms, Otley  
 1311 Zetland, F.M.H., Leeds  
 1330 St. Peter, Swans, Market Harborough  
 1357 Cope, Brookland's, Sale  
 1389 Fenwick, F.M.H., Sunderland  
 1626 Hotspur, Newcastle-on-Tyne  
 1773 Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton  
 1794 De Vere, F.M.H., Nottingham  
 2063 St. Osyth Priory, Clacton-on-Sea  
 2231 Talbot, Council Offices, Old Trafford  
 2244 Cowper and Newton, F.M.H., Olney  
 2447 Palatine, Albion, Manchester  
 2610 Beresford Peirse, Assem. R., Bedale  
 2644 Chaloner, F.M.H., Melksham  
 2657 Liscard, Concert Hall, Liscard  
 2695 Doric, F.M.H., Harrogate

#### Saturday.

715 Panmure, City Terminus Hotel  
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Ship and Turtle  
 1641 Crichton, Frascati  
 1732 King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel  
 2513 St. Walter St. John, Holborn Restaur.  
 2773 Assistance, Freemasons' Hall  
 452 Eredk. of Unity, Public Hall, Croydon  
 811 Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton  
 1126 Oakwood, Sale Hotel, Sale  
 2035 Beaumont, F.M.H., Kirkburton  
 2548 Herga, Technical Schools, Harrow  
 2671 Victoria, F.M.H., Windsor  
 2717 Albert Lucking, M.H., Southend-o-Sea

#### Friday.

Board of Management, Boys School, 2.30.  
 143 Middlesex, Albion

### 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. We do not sanction anyone attending Lodge meetings as our representative without a specific invitation.

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#### CRAFT: METROPOLITAN.

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#### Duke of Connaught Lodge, No. 1524.

##### INSTALLATION OF BROTHER ALBERT SMITH.

IN a Lodge so intimately associated with the Royal Family as No. 1524, which bears the name of one of its most respected members—H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught—it is not to be wondered that sentiments of loyalty and respect for the departed Queen, and sympathy with her family, should have a marked influence on the members of the Lodge, and induce them to give up all ideas of festivities in connection with the meeting which fell for the 31st ult., even though it was the regular day for the installation Festival of the Lodge—the anniversary of many most successful gatherings in its past history, as well as of its actual foundation.

We will not say that for the time being Masonry was forgotten by the members of the Duke of Connaught Lodge, for it was to prove their loyalty—which is essentially one of the first attributes of the Brotherhood—that the members gave up all idea of entertainment, and that refreshment after labour which has been so marked a characteristic in connection with previous annual celebrations in this Lodge; and no Brother who attended on the occasion could have accused the members who were present to take part in the actual work with shirking their duties, albeit they were stricken with the grief which has smitten the hearts of all classes during the past few weeks; but at the same time everything seemed different to what we have been accustomed to at Installation meetings of this Lodge, and we almost failed to recognise in the assembly anything of the Masonic surroundings we had come to regard as almost inseparable from such meetings.

True, the Master and his Officers were present; the worthy Treasurer Bro. W. H. Brand P.M.—the first initiate of the Lodge and its oldest member—was in his place, side by side with Bro. C. Lorkin P.M. Secretary, who comes third on the roll of membership, and everything was, so to speak, in order; and yet nearly everything seemed lacking; the explanation truly being that the members mourned the death of their Queen, and could hardly give their mind to anything but regret at the great loss to the whole of her empire. However, it was recognised that there was necessary work to be done in connection with the Lodge—the installation of the new Master, the appointment of Officers and

other items, and these were accordingly arranged for in due order.

The Lodge was regularly opened at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, by the W.M. Bro. James Bedford, who had the minutes of the last regular meeting and of the Audit put for confirmation and duly signed, after which Bros. Adlington and Desprez, candidates for passing, were examined and entrusted; the Lodge was opened in the second degree, and those two Brethren were passed as Fellow-Crafts.

Next followed the installation of Bro. Albert Smith W.M.-elect, who was placed in the chair with all ceremony and impressiveness, the solemnity of the occasion being increased by the gloom which overhung everyone in consequence of the National bereavement. The new ruler was proclaimed and saluted, and then proceeded to appoint and invest his Assistant Officers, as follow: Bros. F. Henderson S.W., W. D. H. Willis J.W., William H. Brand P.M. Treas., Charles Lorkin P.M. Secretary, E. Frisby P.M. Organist, H. G. C. Hollinghurst S.D., J. B. Welch J.D., H. R. Harding I.G., L. G. Hammond D.C., E. T. Stevens and A. S. Black Stewards, E. Williams Tyler.

This work being completed, the three addresses were given, and then the W.M. presented to his predecessor the handsome Past Master's jewel which had been voted by the Lodge, and which bore the following inscription:

Presented by the  
 Duke of Connaught Lodge, 1524,  
 to  
 BRO. JAMES BEDFORD P.M.  
 In recognition of his  
 valuable services as W.M. 1900.  
 1900-01.

The presentation was suitably acknowledged by the recipient, who was heartily congratulated on the successful termination of his year of Office.

The ballot was now taken for Mr. Marcus Weinstein, a candidate for initiation, and being unanimous in his favour he was regularly admitted to a participation in the mysteries of Freemasonry by the new Master, who thus early proved his capabilities as an efficient ruler in the Craft, and gave promise of successful working during the coming year, when, as was proved later on at this gathering, there appears to be a likelihood of a regular and strong flow of work in the different degrees.

The names of three gentlemen were handed in as candidates for initiation; there is another candidate besides the initiate of this evening on the rota for passing, and four will be eligible for raising as soon as the prescribed time limit has elapsed, so that there is work—and plenty of it—coming on in all three degrees.

Before closing the Lodge the question of holding an emergency meeting to deal with this large amount of work, and celebrate the installation of new Master was fully considered, but as there were only two dates open on which the Hotel could accommodate the

large party that would probably attend—and neither of them convenient for the Lodge—it was decided to hold the installation banquet after the next regular meeting in March. The Lodge was then closed and the Brethren separated.

Since this report was written official intimation has been made of a change we regarded as imperative in view of recent events. The much respected Brother who for upwards of twenty-five years has been at the head of English Freemasonry finds himself, in his altered position, unable to continue in Office as our Grand Master; and much as all must regret his retirement from the rulership, there can be very few, who really study the point, but will recognise that such a course was imperative; indeed, we cannot understand who has inspired the paragraphs which have appeared in the outside press, holding out the hope that the King would continue in Office as Grand Master of English Freemasonry.

The step which next concerns us is the selection of a successor in the Grand Mastership, and although it is perhaps unwise to hazard even a guess as to who will be the new ruler, there is one name—and that, too, intimately associated with this Lodge—which would be universally supported; and we think we may safely say that if H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught gives sanction for his nomination, his election will be as unanimous and hearty as was that of his brother in 1874. Should such a nomination and election be carried through this Duke of Connaught Lodge will have additional reason to be proud of its high position, and a fresh incentive to aim at even greater things in the future. Although we may all owe allegiance to a Grand Master, there are comparatively few who can claim greater kinship by reason of having long been members of a Lodge under his sway which also enjoys the distinction of bearing his name. May the members show by their future acts how much they appreciate that honour, if it falls to their lot.

### INSTRUCTION.

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#### Ranelagh Lodge, No. 834.

IN the usual way we expect to find a large gathering of Brethren at this old established Lodge of Instruction which holds its meetings at Bro. H. Massey's, the Six Bells Hotel, Hammersmith, on Friday evenings, at 8, but on the 1st inst. very few put in an appearance possibly as it was the night previous to the burial of Her late Majesty, and business premises were not closed early. However, quality made up for quantity. The W.M. Bro. H. J. Cousens P.M. appointed Bros. J. H. Cumming P.M. S.W., W. Atkinson J.W., Arthur Williams P.M. Sec., F. Craggs P.M. Sec., W. Hinds P.M. Treas., W. Hide P.M. S.D., R. Reid P.M. J.D., T. L. Hellyar I.G., M. F. Wilkins Steward.

The initiation ceremony was rehearsed, the candidate's place being filled by Bro. Hide. Lodge having been called off and on Bro. A. Williams gave the ancient charge, which drew forth the Brethren's approbation.

Bro. Cumming was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and Bro. Reid reported that Bro. Bone forwarded by him many thanks for the letter sent by the Secretary to Bro. Bone, expressing sympathy and wishes for his restoration to health.

#### New Cross Lodge, No. 1559.

ON Tuesday, 28th ult, at Bro. Lewis Lake's, the Kemble's Head, Long Acre, W.C., Bros. T. Woods W.M., L. Lake S.W., H. Foster J.W., J. D. Graham P.M. Prec., G. Faaz Sec., F. H. Middleton S.D., W. Knill J.D., A. Calot I.G., S. E. Firminger W.M.-elect 1559, A. J. Swash P.M., J. Sutcliffe, E. Hancock, H. Walden, W. Tipton, Withing P.M., J. Wynman.

The Lodge being formed the minutes of the 15th ult. were read and confirmed. Bro. Faaz Secretary said although there were a great number of Brethren present on the last meeting night it was unanimously decided that in consequence of the death of their beloved Queen no meeting should be held.

The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Hancock acting as candidate. This was followed by the second degree, with Bro. Walden as candidate, and he first answering the questions and being entrusted. Both the ceremonies were perfectly rendered. The Lodge was resumed to the first degree, and the By-Laws were read and confirmed. Bros. A. J. Swash P.M., L. Lake, and J. Sutcliffe were elected Auditors. Bro. W. A. Bowman, of the Hampden Lodge, No. 2427 was elected a member. Bro. Lake was elected W.M., but on Bro. Graham informing the Brethren that the ceremony of installation and investiture of Officers would be rehearsed at the following meeting by Bro. Busby W.M. of the Mother Lodge, Bro. Lake said he would willingly give way for that Brother.

#### Skelmersdale Lodge, No. 1658.

WE paid a visit to this Instruction Lodge on Thursday of last week, and found one of the best adapted and comfortably furnished Masonic rooms we have had the pleasure of seeing in South London, at the house of Bro. J. Shaw, the Duke of Clarence, Vauxhall Street, Lambeth, S.E. The majority of the Brethren present were members of the Mother Lodge, and on this occasion Bro. J. C. Davies officiated as W.M., receiving the able assistance of Bros. J. Shaw as S.W., W. J. H. Faull J.W., C. Plant P.M. Prec., B. Cohen Sec., J. R. Papworth S.D., A. W. Coombe J.D., F. G. Hardy I.G., F. O. Bridge, S. May, J. Wynman, and others.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Bridge acting as candidate. By desire of the W.M., Brother B. Cohen, in his

usual perfect manner, gave the ancient charge. Brother Hardy answered the questions leading to the second degree. Bro. Plant P.M. Preceptor, with the assistance of the Brethren, worked the first and second sections. The Lodge was opened in the second degree and Bro. S. May answered the questions leading to the third. This being the first time we have had the pleasure of witnessing the working of Bro. J. C. Davies we cannot let the opportunity pass without complimenting him on his working, which was all that could be desired. The Lodge may well be proud of having such an excellent Preceptor as Bro. C. Plant P.M., with Bro. B. Cohen as their Secretary.

The Lodge being resumed to the first degree Bro. Cohen proposed that a hearty vote of thanks and gratitude be recorded on the minutes, for all the kindness Bro. Shaw, the host, had shown to the Lodge. Bro. Plant had very much pleasure in seconding this. He felt Bro. Shaw had done wonders for the Lodge of Instruction; he had provided everything that was possible to be thought of. There were a great number of Freemasons in the neighbourhood, who no doubt were anxious to improve themselves. He hoped they would join the Lodge, and concluded by wishing Bro. Shaw and the Skelmersdale Lodge of Instruction great successes in the future.

Bro. Davies W.M. had very much pleasure in supporting the proposition, and hoped the Instruction Lodge would become one of the most prosperous in South London. He was pleased to see some of the younger members of the Mother Lodge present; it was a great credit to them, and showed they intended to work up to the honourable position of ruler of the Lodge. He was sure a better Preceptor than Bro. Plant was difficult to find.

Bro. Shaw, in acknowledging the compliments, said it was true he had been put to a great deal of expense in furnishing the Lodge, but what he had done was purely for love of Masonry, and he was pleased to hear that the Masonic Room was furnished to the satisfaction of the Brethren. He also thanked Bro. Plant for his kindness in accepting the position of Preceptor of the Lodge, and was sure that under his able guidance the Brethren would make striking progress. He also thanked Bro. Cohen for taking the position of Secretary.

Business being ended, prosperity to the Skelmersdale Lodge of Instruction, and health and prosperity to Bro. J. Shaw was drunk in a Loving Cup.

#### Woodrow Lodge, No. 1708.

THERE was a good attendance on Monday of last week, at 3 o'clock, at Bro. Rudderforth's (Stone's) Restaurant, Panton Street, Haymarket, those present including Bros. C. Woodrow P.M. Prec. W.M., G. W. Lacy S.W., T. Burgess J.W., J. W. Simeons I.P.M. 193 Sec., A. Elliott J.D., Lobb I.G., W. West 172, Rudderforth P.M., J. W. Ollington, F. Detrez, G. Spice P.M. and Prec. 193, A. Grille, J. Wynman, J. E. Culverhouse, O. Fenerstein 766.

Before the Lodge was opened Bro. Woodrow Preceptor proposed that a vote of sympathy be passed, and recorded on the minutes, expressive of the very great loss the Craft and the country had sustained by the death of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, and this was agreed to.

The Lodge was then opened and the minutes being confirmed the W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. W. West. The ceremony of initiation was gone through, with Bro. Detrez as the candidate.

Bro. O. Fenerstein 766 was elected a member, which compliment was acknowledged. Two five guinea ballots were taken in connection with the Charity Association and resulted in favour of Bros. J. E. Culverhouse and J. W. Ollington.

ON Monday, Bros. G. W. Lacy W.M., T. Burgess S.W., S. Firminger J.W., C. Woodrow P.M. Prec., W. H. Rudderforth P.M. Treas., J. W. Simeons I.P.M. 193 Sec., A. Elliott S.D., J. E. Lobb J.D., G. Coop I.G., J. E. Culverhouse, J. A. Grille, A. Menn, E. J. Mills, J. Hollingworth, G. Yeowell, J. Detrez, P. Gayer, J. Wynman, A. Higgins, G. Genet, Hammond.

The ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. E. J. Mills candidate. The Lodge was resumed to the first degree, and the ceremony of initiation was proceeded with, Bro. P. Gayer candidate. Both ceremonies were perfectly rendered. Brother Culverhouse, by especial desire of the W.M., gave the ancient charge in grand style.

Bro. T. Burgess was elected W.M. for Monday next.

#### Kensington Lodge, No. 1767.

ON Tuesday, 29th ult., the weekly meeting was held at the Town Hall Tavern, High Street, Kensington. Those present were Bros. R. N. Larter P.M. W.M., T. W. Blott P.M. S.W., H. J. Cousens P.M. J.W., W. Hillier P.M. Preceptor, F. Craggs P.M. Sec., J. H. Cumming P.M. S.D., Arthur Williams P.M. J.D., J. H. Neville P.M. I.G., W. H. Dresden P.M., E. H. Tompsett W.M. of the Sir Francis Burdett Lodge, No. 1503, Joseph May, and others.

Lodge being duly opened and the minutes confirmed, the W.M. intimated his intention of rehearsing the ceremony of initiation, which was accordingly gone through, Bro. Dresden acting as candidate. Lodge was opened in the second and third degrees, and the first section of the third lecture was worked by the Brethren, assisted by Bro. Preceptor.

Bro. Blott was unanimously elected to act as W.M. at the next meeting.

#### Duke of Cornwall Lodge, No. 1839.

AT the Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, E.C., on Monday,

at 7 o'clock, there was a good attendance, amongst those present being Bros. G. Gibbons W.M., F. G. Holdsworth S.W., C. Frohlich W.M. 2264 J.W., H. E. Frances P.M. acting Preceptor, W. Vincent Jull P.M. Treas., H. C. Pink Sec., H. C. Holdup S.D., E. F. Schrier J.D., W. J. Sowden I.G., W. Wright P.M., John Almond P.M., A. Haynes P.M., H. F. Meadows P.M., A. F. Jones, E. Styles, J. Wynman, W. Osborne, J. A. Smith, C. Skinner, H. Hinchcliffe, and others.

The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. A. F. Jones acting as the candidate. The Lodge was called off, and on resuming the W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. J. A. Smith S.W. of the Chough Lodge. Bro. A. Haynes P.M. was examined and entrusted, the Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was gone through, including the full explanation of the working tools. The Lodge was resumed to the first degree and the W.M. again occupied the chair. Bro. W. Vincent Jull P.M., in well deserved complimentary terms, proposed that a hearty vote of congratulation be recorded on the minutes for the very able manner in which the W.M. had worked the ceremony of initiation for the first time, which was unanimously carried, and acknowledged in a few words.

Bro. Holdsworth was elected W.M. for Tuesday next.

A letter was read by the Secretary from Bro. Percy Grays P.M. Preceptor of the Lodge, tendering his resignation on account of business calls. Bro. W. Vincent Jull Treasurer said that when he proposed Bro. Grays as Preceptor, at the time of the death of their dear Brother Walter Martin, he was under the impression it would be a standing appointment, but as Bro. Grays said in his letter that his business prevented him from attending, he proposed that the resignation should be accepted. It was a great disappointment, but he was sure there would be no difficulty in finding another Preceptor, who would render to the W.M. and Brethren all the services which might be required of him.

#### Hammersmith Lodge, No. 2090.

THIS well attended Lodge of Instruction met at Wycombe Hall, Broadway, Hammersmith, on Wednesday, 30th ult., and amongst those present were Bros. Alfred Morgan W.M., F. Cave S.W., Herbert Woods J.W., W. Hillier P.M. Preceptor, Harry Warren Treas., Gale Sec., Chubb S.D., Brown J.D., Slack I.G., Barnett Steward, W. B. Neville P.M., Bartlett P.M., Barton P.M., J. H. Cumming P.M., Lichenburg, Youngsen, Hallam, Bratt, W. H. Cave, Hunt, Holland, Bonnor, Battersby, Canning.

After the Lodge was opened in the usual manner Bro. Albert Hunt offered himself as a candidate, and the initiation ceremony was rehearsed, after which the Lodge was called off and on, and the second section of the first lecture was worked by the Brethren, under Bro. Hillier's direction.

Bro. F. Cave was by unanimous vote selected W.M. for the ensuing weekly meeting, and the Lodge passed a vote of thanks, which is ordered to be recorded on the minutes, to Bro. Alfred Morgan, for the excellent manner in which he had carried out the duties of W.M. for the first time in any Lodge of Instruction.

#### PROVINCIAL.

#### Lodge of Faith, No. 581.

THE regular meeting was held at the Bradford Hotel, Mill Street, Manchester, on Wednesday, 16th ult., Bro. Samuel Andrew Worshipful Master.

There was a good attendance of members, and the visitors were Bros. Capt. H. Hardy and Jos. J. Dean J.W., both of the Truth Lodge, No. 1458.

After the reading and confirmation of minutes, a successful ballot was taken for Mr. George Richard Drewery, Decorator, Ashton Old Road, Openshaw, and he was initiated into the mysteries and privileges of ancient Freemasonry by the W.M.

The usual festive board followed, Loyal and other toasts being proposed and duly responded to. Bro. Dr. E. E. Jones I.P.M. introduced that of the W.M. in very flattering terms, saying that on the evening of Bro. Andrew's installation he (the speaker) had attributed to him certain qualifications, but on this occasion he wished to add another—that of conspicuous ability for the position which he had just assumed.

Bro. Andrew W.M. replied.

#### Egerton Lodge, No. 1030.

THE regular meeting was held at the George Hotel, Heaton Norris, on Monday, 21st ult., Bro. Herbert R. Greaves W.M.

After the reading and confirmation of minutes, a successful ballot was taken for Mr. Harry Tilsley, Professor of Music, Levens-hulme, and that gentleman was afterwards initiated into Freemasonry.

Bros. C. D. Cheetham Prov.G.S.W. Chairman, and Wm. H. Peak P.P.G.D. attended on behalf of the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Educational and Benevolent Institution, to explain the arrangements made for the forthcoming Festival, and also to advocate the claims of the Institution.

The usual festive board followed.

#### Urmston Lodge, No. 1730.

#### INSTALLATION OF BROTHER ARTHUR HAWKINS.

THE annual meeting and Festival of St. John was held at the Victoria Hotel, Urmston, on Saturday, 19th ult. In the absence of

the W.M., Lodge was opened at an early hour of the afternoon by Bro. J. S. Whitley P.M., there being a good attendance of members and visitors.

After the ordinary business had been transacted, Bro. John Slyman P.M. P.P.S.G.D. proceeded to instal Bro. Arthur Hawkins into the chair of K.S., he being assisted by Past Masters Geo. R. Lloyd P.P.G.Reg., George A. Myers P.P.G.D.C., Ed. L. Littler P.P.G.P., John Bowers P.P.G.P., Hedley Herbert Jones, J. S. Whitley, and others. The S.W. and J.W. chairs were respectively occupied by Bros. W. H. Ashworth and J. F. Mends.

The Festival of St. John took place in a large room adjoining the hotel, and which is usually denominated "the cabin." Here a splendid banquet had been provided, which again reflected the highest credit upon the host (Bro. John Walton sen.), his worthy partner (Mrs. Walton), and their numerous assistants. Loyal and Masonic toasts were pleasantly varied by songs, recitations, etc., contributed by Bros. Jones, Littler, J. H. Marsh P.M. P.P.G.S.D., Ed. Roberts P.M., etc., and others, Bro. R. H. H. Briggs officiating at the pianoforte.

Bro. Jones I.P.M. proposed the health of the Worshipful Master, who, in responding, said he could not adequately express his gratitude to the Brethren for placing him in the proud position of Master. He referred to his first introduction and entry into Freemasonry, and also made passing mention of the late Brother Peter Heaton, who had been the means of his coming among them. Bro. Heaton being a man who had gained the respect of all the members, and whose friendship for himself was not paltry or assumed, but of a thoroughly genuine character. In concluding an admirable speech, he earnestly exhorted his hearers to aspire to the position which he occupied, giving at the same time the necessary attention to the ritual and its very many beauties.

Bro. Hawkins then proposed the health of the Installing Master, to which Bro. Slyman replied.

Bro. G. G. Mends P.M. proposed the health of the I.P.M., and before concluding his speech gave way to the W.M., who presented to Bro. Jones a Past Master's collar and jewel, and for which the recipient expressed his thanks. The jewel bore the following inscription:—

Presented by the Brethren  
to BRO. HEDLEY HERBERT JONES P.M.,  
as a mark of their esteem.

January 19, 1901.

Bro. Julius Laurisch W.M. Doric Lodge, No. 2359, in responding to the toast of the visitors, said he now visited them, not only in a private capacity, but also in the capacity of W.M. of his Lodge, for the Doric Lodge was in constant touch with the Urmston Lodge, and he sincerely hoped those relations would continue for ever. He reminded the Brethren that he had been present at the initiation of Bro. Hawkins, their W.M., the ceremony being performed by Bro. Past Master Swindells. He wished every success to Bro. Hawkins in his high position, and hoped he would be blessed with good health to enable him to maintain it.

Bro. Lloyd, in proposing the health of the newly-invested Officers, paid a high compliment to Bro. Littler, and mentioned the fact that the latter had been in Office for twenty-two years continuously, during sixteen of which he had acted as Treasurer. Other toasts followed.

Among the visitors not previously mentioned were Bros. J. G. Floyd W.M. 1588, W. Lyon P.M. 1633, Arthur C. K. Smith I.P.M. 2554, M. Agar S.W. 941, H. J. Kilford Org. 1179, and others.

#### My Valentine.

Were I the King, dear Mother, I'd command  
A thousand poets sing thy praise this day;  
The farthest waters, the remotest land  
Should echo with the sweetness of each lay.  
Alas! No Monarch's sceptre can I sway,  
And so, alone, almost unheard, I write,  
And wreath for you my humble crown of bay,  
For you, my heart's best treasure and delight.  
Would that my gift were more. I fain would thrill  
The very world by singing songs to thee,  
So e'en the gods might bid the winds be still  
Lest they might lose one note of harmony.  
Forgive the wish—I only wish 'twere mine,  
To breathe my love for you—My Valentine.

CHAS. F. FORSHAW LL.D.

Bradford.

PHOTOGRAPHY has become so popular an art—and we may also say so popular an amusement—that information as to where to get practical lessons or help will be acceptable to many members of the Craft and their friends. The firm of Messrs. John Done and Co.—of which our worthy Bro. Done 193 is the principal—should be consulted in this direction. They have enjoyed a practical experience of upwards of thirty years, and are able to execute orders for trade or amateur printing equal to any firm which lays itself open for such work. Bro. Done has just issued a new price list, a copy of which will be sent on application to the office at Lewis-ham Works, New Barnet, and from it our photographing friends will doubtless be able to gather much information on subjects which particularly interest them. The offer of the firm to give practical instruction in all branches of the art, at the works or by post, is a feature worthy of being remembered in view of possible emergencies in the future.

**LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.**

WE should very much like our readers to assist us in making our list of Instruction meetings complete and reliable. That it has not been so in the past we candidly admit, but we have striven hard to compile a correct programme of meetings, and are not wholly answerable for the errors of the past. As about nine of every ten officials of Lodges of Instruction fail to respond to circular letters sent them asking for information it may be imagined it is no easy task to compile a reliable record, and it is only because we have been asked to re-introduce this feature in our paper that we again insert a list. That it is incomplete we are aware, but we shall endeavour to add to it week by week, and propose to only insert such notices as are verified by someone in authority.

**Monday.**

- 22 Neptune, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, S.W., 7.30.  
 27 Egyptian, Kings Arms, Beech-street, Barbican, 7.  
 174 Sincerity, Blackwall Railway Hotel, London-street, 8.  
 180 St. James Union, St. James Restaurant, Piccadilly, 8.  
 211 St. Michael, Richmond Hotel, Shepherd's Bush-road, W., 8.  
 483 Sympathy, Star Hotel, Gravesend.  
 511 Zetland, The Falkland, Falkland-road, N.W., 8.  
 548 Wellington, New Cross House, New Cross-road, S.E., 8.  
 865 Dalhousie, Greyhound Hotel, Kensington Square.  
 975 Rose of Denmark, 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, 8.  
 1320 Blackheath, Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, 8.  
 1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel, Wimbledon, 7.30.  
 1425 Hyde Park, Prince of Wales Hotel, Eastbourne Terrace, W., 8.  
 1507 Metropolitan, The Globe, 11-13 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 7.30.  
 1536 United Military, Earl Chatham, Thomas-street, Woolwich, 8.  
 1572 Carnarvon, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street, 6.30.  
 1585 Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, Putney, 8.  
 1586 Upper Norwood, White Hart Hotel, Church-road, U. Norwood, 8.  
 1612 West Middlesex, Feather's Hotel, Ealing, 8.15.  
 1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8.30.  
 1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, High Cross, Tottenham, 8.  
 1708 Woodrow, 24 Panton-street, Haymarket, S.W., 3.  
 1743 Perseverance, Brown Bear, Aldersgate-street, E.C., 7.30.  
 1744 Royal Savoy, Earl Russell, 2 Pancras-road, King's Cross, 8.  
 1804 Coborn, George Hotel, Woodford, 8.  
 1839 Duke of Cornwall, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street.  
 2021 Queen's Westminster, Criterion, Piccadilly, 8.  
 2202 Regent's Park, Frascati, 32 Oxford-street, W., 8.  
 2242 Tyssen Amherst, Amherst Club, Rectory-road, N., 7.30.  
 2400 Brentford, Castel Hotel, Brentford, 8.  
 2472 Walthamstow, Lord Brooke, Shernall-street, Walthamstow, 8.  
 R.A. 1471 North London, Cock Tavern, N., 8.

**Tuesday.**

- 25 Robert Burns, Frascati, 32 Oxford-street, W., 8.  
 79 Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, 8.30.  
 141 Faith, Fumagalli's Restaurant, Pimlico, S.W.  
 188 Joppa, The Globe, 11-13 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 7.30.  
 263 Kirby, Midland Grand Hotel, St. Pancras, N.W., 7.30.  
 554 Yarborough, the Citizen, Houndsditch, 8.  
 733 Westbourne, Oliver Arms, Westbourne Terrace North, 8.  
 753 Prince Frederick William, Crown Hotel, Maida Hill, 8.  
 858 South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Waltham Green, S.W., 7.30.  
 860 Dalhousie, Lord Truro, Dalston-lane, N.E., 8.  
 861 Finsbury, Bell Hotel, Old Bailey, E.C., 7.  
 879 Southwark, White Hart Hotel, New Cross Gate, 8.  
 901 City of London, King's Arms, High-street, Shoreditch, 6.30.  
 1321 Emblematic, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, 8.  
 1446 Mount Edgcumbe, Rockingham Tavern, Newington Causeway.  
 1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, Islington, 7.30.  
 1559 New Cross, Kemble's Head, Long Acre.  
 1694 Imperial, Pier Hotel, Chelsea, 8.30.  
 1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, 8.  
 1707 Kensington, Town Hall Tavern, High Street, Kensington, 8.  
 2184 R. Vic. Jubilee, Dover Castle Hotel, Westminster Bdg.-rd., 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.  
 2686 Alfred Newton, Royal Palace Hotel, Kensington, W., 7.45.  
 R.A. 733 Westbourne, Greyhound Hotel, Kensington Square, W.

**Wednesday.**

- 3 Fidelity, Castle Hotel, Holloway-road (near Highbury Stn.), 8.  
 30 United Mariners, Duke of Albany, Kitto-road, Nunhead, 7.30.  
 45 Strong Man, Blue Anchor, 164 Fenchurch-street, 6.30.  
 65 Prosperity, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street, 7.  
 72 Royal Jubilee, The Ship, Kennington-road, 8.  
 73 Mount Lebanon, Foresters Arms, High-street, Borough, 7.30.  
 186 Industry, Railway Hotel, West Hampstead, 8.  
 193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., 7.  
 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, Stoke Newington, 8.  
 862 Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's Court, Fleet-street, 8.  
 871 Royal Oak, Lord Clyde, Wootton-road, Deptford, S.E., 8.  
 898 Temperance-in-the-East, Greenwich Pensioner, Poplar, 7.30.  
 933 Doric, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate-street, E.C., 8.

- 1155 Excelsior, Dover Castle Hotel, Deptford, S.E., 8.  
 1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney, 8.  
 1278 Burdett-Coutts, Admiral Keppel, High-street, Shoreditch, 8.  
 1421 Langthorne, Angel Hotel, Ilford, Essex, 7.30.  
 1475 Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, 8.  
 1563 City of Westminster, Café Royal, Regent-street, 8.  
 1604 Wanderers, Fumagalli's Restaurant, Victoria, S.W., 7.  
 1623 West Smithfield, 27 Knight-riding-street, E.C., 7.  
 1681 Londesborough, The Criterion, Piccadilly, W., 8.  
 1685 Guelph, Plough and Harrow, Leytonstone-road, E., 8.  
 1708 Lucknett, Railway Hotel, Church End, Finchley, 7.45.  
 1728 Temple Bar, Raglan Hotel, St. Martin's-le-Grand.  
 1791 Creaton, Shepherd's Bush Hotel, Shepherd's Bush, W., 8.  
 1805 Bromley St. Leonard, Bow Bells, Bow-road, E., 8.  
 1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Tavern, Camberwell New-road, 8.  
 1950 Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, 8.  
 2090 Hammersmith, 263 Hammersmith-road, W. (nr. Dist. Rly. Stn.)  
 2168 Derby Allcrott, Midland Grand Hotel, St. Pancras, 8.  
 2184 R. Vic. Jubilee, Dover Castle Hotel, Westminster Bdg.-rd., 8.  
 2266 Cator, Railway Hotel, Beckenham.  
 2310 London Scottish Rifles, Albert Hotel, Victoria-street, 8.30.  
 2372 James Terry, Four Swans Hotel, Waltham Cross, 7.30.  
 2384 Mitcham, Vestry Hall, Mitcham, 8.  
 2615 Zodiac, Denmark Hotel, East Ham.  
 2742 Eyre, Eyre Arms Hotel, St. John's Wood, N.W., 8.  
 2765 Earl's Court, Greyhound Hotel, Kensington-square.

**Thursday.**

- 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.  
 780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 7.45.  
 902 Burgoyne, Coach and Horses, 328 Clapham-road, S.W., 7.30.  
 1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, 8.  
 1158 Southern Star, Ship Tavern, Kennington-road, S.E.  
 1349 Friars, The Aldgate Distillery, Whitechapel High-street, E., 8.  
 1366 Highgate, Falkland Arms, Falkland-road, N.W., 8.  
 1426 Great City, Red Cross Tavern, Paternoster-square, 8.  
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddleton, Star and Garter, 45 Upper-street, N., 8.  
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, Piccadilly, 8.  
 1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, 8.  
 1658 Skelmersdale, Duke of Clarence, Vauxhall-street, Lambeth.  
 1673 Langton, Eastcheap Restaurant, Eastcheap, 5.30.  
 1801 St. Ambrose, St. James's Hall, Piccadilly, W., 8.  
 1987 Strand, Salisbury, Strand.  
 2192 Highbury, The Falkland, Falkland-road, N.W.

**Friday.**

- 217 Stability, Mason's Hall Tavern, Masons' Avenue, E.C., 6.  
 704 Camden, Earl Russell, 2 Pancras-road, N.W., 8.30-10.  
 834 Ranelagh, Six Bells Tavern, Hammersmith, 8.  
 1298 Royal Standard, Castle, 81 Holloway-road, 8.  
 1310 Harrow, Waterloo Arms, 50 High-street, Marylebone, 8.  
 1381 Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington.  
 1642 Earl of Carnarvon, Elgin Hotel, Ladbrooke Grove, W., 8.  
 1677 Crusaders, Northampton Arms, 205 Goswell-road, E.C., 8.30.  
 2593 Hugh Owen, Frascati, Oxford-street, 7.30.  
 R.A. 890 Hornsey, Prince of Wales, Eastbourne Terrace, W., 8.  
 M.M. Grand Masters, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C., 6 (1 and 3 Fridays).

**Saturday.**

- 87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, Kitto-road, Nunhead, 7.30.  
 179 Manchester, Waterloo Arms, High-street, Marylebone-lane, 8.  
 198 Percy, Perseverance Hotel, Southgate-road, N., 8.  
 1275 Star, New Cross House, New Cross-road, 7.  
 1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8.  
 1327 King Harold, Four Swans Hotel, Waltham Cross, 7.30.  
 1348 Ebury, Rockingham Tavern, Newington Causeway, S.E., 8.  
 1524 Duke of Connaught, Windsor Castle, Lower Clapton-road, 8.  
 1541 Alexandra Palace, Station Hotel, Camberwell New-road, 7.30.  
 1624 Eccleston, 12 and 13 Wilton-road, S.W., 7.30.  
 2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, King-street, Hammersmith, 7.30.

**Sunday.**

- 19 Royal Athelstan, Cambrian, Glasshouse-street, W., 7.30.  
 205 Israel, Rising Sun, Mile End, E. (near Globe Road Station).  
 1201 Eclectic, Frascati, Oxford-street, 7-8.30.  
 1658 Skelmersdale, The Rockingham, Newington Causeway, S.E., 7.  
 1722 King's Cross, Prince of Wales, 119 Hampstead-road, 7.

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