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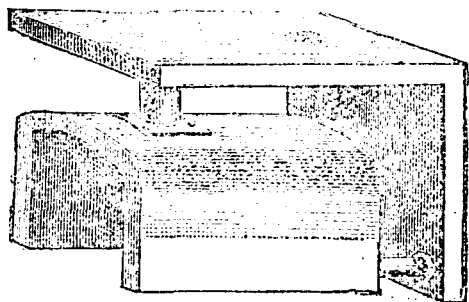
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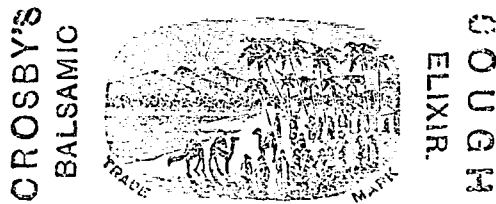
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The success of the new movement for encouraging the interchange of visits between lodges of instruction was put beyond a doubt on Friday evening last week, at Brixton, when a gathering of brethren from every district around London put it beyond the power of the "United Pilgrims" to afford accommodation, and proved the anticipation they had formed of a "strong muster" to be very weak, indeed, in proportion to the result. We were sorry to notice that so many brethren were unable to gain admission to the lodge-room, but it was quite unavoidable, the room being positively crowded by those present, amongst whom we observed the following: Bros. Barnes, Rugg, Johnston, Appleby, Berry, Verry, Yetton, Scurr, Morrison, Chadwick, Musto, Cundick, Bowron, Mortlock, Austin, Middleton, Price, Wintle, Barnes (jun.), Grant, &c., all of the Doric Lodge; John Thomas, James Stevens, Poore, Larlham, Hodges, Welsford, Ross, Southam, Stolz, Pulsford, H. Martin, V. Bedolfe, Timewell, J. Noke, J. Wright, Withall, Bye, Griffin, Goddard, Madern, Moody, &c., of the United Pilgrims; Wagstaff, W.M. 1216; Trusler, Lane, and Pulman, of No. 720; Swallow, Royal Union; Catherwood, 55; Gompertz, 869; Newton, 766; Silk, 508; Haywood, Williams, and Catchpole, of No. 1306; Pinder, 15; Bliss, 73; Roy, 1003; Sayers, 1349; Linsey, 1000; Staten, 1207; J. Hayward (Vitruvian), Kiddy, and others whose names we were unable to ascertain.

The United Pilgrims' Lodge of Instruction having been opened by Bro. John Thomas, P.M., and Preceptor, the brethren of the Doric Lodge were received and took their places in the western half of the lodge-room, their Secretary and Preceptor, Bro. Thos. Barnes, occupying the Senior Warden's Chair.

The business of the meeting was then proceeded with, the whole of the Fifteen Sections being worked in most admirable style by the following "Doric" brethren, viz.: First Lecture, section 1st, Bro. Rugg; 2nd, Bro. Johnson; 3rd, Bro. Appleby; 4th, Bro. Berry; 5th, Bro. Verrey; 6th, Bro. Yetton; 7th, Bro. Scurr; second lecture, section 1st, Bro. Morrison; 2nd, Bro. Chadwick; 3rd, Bro. Musto; 4th, Bro. Cundick; 5th, Bro. Bowron; third lecture, section 1st, Bro. Mortlock; 2nd, Bro. Austin; 3rd, Bro. Barnes.

The most earnest attention was paid to the several brethren who thus elucidated the beautiful teachings of the sublime Craft, and unanimous expressions of satisfaction rewarded their respective efforts. A short interval for rest and refreshment was taken between the first and second lectures, and at the conclusion of the work, the thanks of the United Pilgrims' Lodge were voted to the "Doric" brethren. The Fifteen Section-workers were elected honorary members of the United Pilgrims' Lodge, and eleven of the visitors were also elected members. On the lodge being closed the brethren adjourned to a supper provided by the United Pilgrims, who entertained their guests in most hospitable style, hearty greetings being exchanged between the two lodges, and wishes expressed that the good work they had commenced might be continued to the advantage of Freemasonry generally throughout the metropolis.

A more interesting meeting of brethren we have never before attended, and we trust that similar opportunities may occur to spread the benefits of Masonic instruction far and wide. The United Pilgrims' and the Doric Lodges have our best wishes for the permanent success of their most commendable endeavours.

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By a MASONIC STUDENT.

CHAPTER III.

I propose in the present chapter to call attention to the evidences which may be adduced relative to the existence of Masonic guilds, or sodalities, up to the fall of the Roman Empire.

In 1863, I thus stated the general proposition in words which I venture to repeat to-day: "One thing is plain from history, that, from the earliest period of civilized life in the world, architecture has been considered almost as a sacred art. In Egypt, Greece, and Rome, the colleges of architects and the sodalities of Masons were recognized by the State and cherished by the priests. For as architecture, by its very symbolism, by the buildings it reared, the temples it adorned, by the objects of nature it sought to delineate in the ornamentation it employed, as ministering both to utility and beauty, had ever an inner and mystical teaching, it is not at all surprising that, from the very first, the builders of the world seemed to have thrown around their outward occupation and associated companies, the attractive if serious conditions, of initiatory probation and secret organization while they carefully guarded both their principles of art, and their ritual of observance, their secrets and their mysteries, from the sight and knowledge of the outer world."

But what, then, is the actual evidence we are able to put forward, in support of this enlarged view of our Masonic history?

To answer this fully, let us examine, seriatim, the remarkable and interesting details of Egyptian, Grecian, Tyrian, Jewish, and Roman Masonry, which archæological enquiry has collected, and careful study and research have substantiated and approved. To begin with Egypt.

All writers seem to agree in this, however different on other points (Clavel, Schauberg, Heldmann, Krause), that the priests, as a general rule, directed all the works of architecture, and taught the art in secret.

They were, as we know, a caste, or close corporation, admitting none into their Order but those who were their relatives, except their kings, and some of the greater princes, whom they elected honorary members.

The temples and pyramids were build by designs traced along by the priests, and there seems little reason to doubt that they initiated all who were permitted to labour in the sacred work of architecture into a secret brotherhood!

Of their mysteries, we now know but very little, having only scattered hints to guide us, alike in early heathen and Christian writers, but the great central hall of the pyramids, and the inner room of the temples were, we have reason to believe, employed for the purposes of secret reception and trying probation. Many of the implements and special emblems of Masonry still adorn the walls of Egyptian tombs and temples, especially the tombs of the inspectors of the quarries of Silsilis at Syéne, and it is impossible to suppose that the use of them is fortuitous or meaningless.

It has been before pointed out, that the Masons' marks on the pyramids and temples, whether made by Jewish or Egyptian hands, are identical with those of the mediæval guilds, as well as with those of Roman and Tyrian workmen. When, then, we remember to-day, that the Egyptians were the oldest and greatest builders in the world, and that they distinctly communicated their principles of art and sodalities of architecture, to the three greatest building nations of antiquity—the Grecians, the Tyrians, and the Etruscans—though we must perforce be content, after this lapse of time, with general and probable evidence of the fact, rather than precise and particular proof, we need not hesitate to assert or accept the statement, that the building corporations of later times may be traced back, satisfactorily, to the early associations of Egyptian builders, which the priests had contrived to invest with the solemn character of an impenetrable secrecy and a mysterious lore.

When we turn to Greece, if the evidence be still not all we could wish for, the light seems gradually growing clearer.

That the sumptuous temples in which ancient Greece abounded, were the works of architects in combination with a Fraternity of Masons *κοινωνία*, no reasonable doubt can be entertained, says Dallaway, in his History of Architecture.

Other writers (Thiersch, Schauberg) have said that the priests of Dionysius, having devoted themselves to architectural pursuits, established, about one thousand years before the Christian era, a society of builders, in Asia Minor, who are styled by ancient writers the Fraternity of Dionysian architects, unto which society was exclusively confined the privilege of erecting temples and other public buildings.

Now, there is a considerable amount of striking evidence, which has been collected, in support of the previous statements.

For though it may no doubt be contended successfully, that the Greeks were at a very early period divided into handicraft corporations, yet it is also clearly demonstrable that the society of architects, or community, of builders, enjoyed great privileges, and stood higher than all the others in social importance.

Whether we call them *το κοινον ο εργαρια*, whether we accept the account of the Dionysian architects, or that of the Dædalidæ (Oliver, Mackey, Clavel), deriving their name from Dædalus, the famous artist and builder of Crete, there is so much identity between the general organization and particular customs of these building lyceums, and our modern Freemasonry, that we are led to the inevitable conclusion, that these Grecian building communities were the forerunners of the Roman collegia, and thereby linked on to these mediæval guilds, from which we ourselves clearly and continuously descend.

There are decrees still extant ("Antiquitates Asiaticæ," of Chandler, Chishull) conferring the special honours of these communities on members and non-members, and so striking is the similarity between their customs and ours, that one writer declares, the organization of the building sodality in Teos, 300 years before Christ, offers a striking resemblance to that of the Freemasons at the close of the 18th century (Clavel).

These communities had a secret and distinct organization; they called each other *παιτροφεξ*, or brethren, they had words and signs of recognition, and were divided into separate communities or lodges, which had local titles, as *αιωνον των ατταλις των*, community of Attalus, *αιωνον της ακινου συμμαχιας*, community of the division of Echinus (Clavel, "Antiquities of Ionia").

Their presidents and officers were elected annually, and persons non-operative were made patrons and honorary members.

In the exercise of charity the more opulent were sacredly bound to provide for the exigencies of the poorer brethren.

We have also the fact that priests were attached specially to these communities, as we hear of *Κρατινος ιερης των τεχνιτων*, Cratinos, priest of the builders or artificers.

They employed in their ceremonial observances many of the symbols which are still found among Freemasons, particularly, says Schauberg, the cubical stone, and the smooth and rough ashlar, and their signs of recognition enabled them to distinguish one another "in the dark as well as in the light" (Mackey), and united the "members scattered over India, Persia, and Syria, into one common brotherhood."

Bro. Findel has said (Findel's History, pp. 25 and 26), that all that has been stated has only "confirmed anew, what it must be conceded no one doubted, that these institutions and confederations resembled those of the Freemasons," and has "furnished fresh material for a more perfect recognition of this, and has shown that everywhere certain tokens are to be met with, the counterparts of which may be found in Freemasonry," yet "it is very evident, that the borrowing and appropriation of these is something nearer the truth than the reception of the improbable presumption of a propagation of some mystic order or other."

And he goes on to say, if "Freemasonry were really a continuation of these ancient confederacies, we must of necessity know more of their method of instructing, and their internal arrangements, than the rest of mankind, which is by no means the case."

But in saying this, Bro. Findel begs the whole question, as regards what is the real origin and meaning of our Masonic symbolism and teaching, and oral traditions.

As regards "their method of instruction," the principles of their operative system have no doubt passed out of memory, as have also the principles of the masters of the mediæval guilds.

But as no one can safely question, and Bro. Findel does not himself, the existence of the mediæval guilds, or their identity with our modern Order, though all traces of those plans and their system of procedure have long since perished utterly, and are practically altogether unknown, so I do not think we can fairly question, on account of the absence of such special and convincing testimony, the general identity of the Grecian with the later building societies, or the clear continuation of the same great order in the world.

All that we can expect to do to-day, is to trace, so far as we are permitted by the change of times and conditions, the general similarity in the usage of certain well-known forms and common symbols, and, so far as is possible, to educe, from contemporary or later historians, some few scattered hints of their technical system or mystical teaching.

Though there is no doubt some difficulty as regards both the Tyrian and Jewish Masons, I do not think that it is insuperable. The Phœnicians were, as all readers of history know, great builders, though all their wondrous works have perished utterly from the earth, and Tyre is as if she had never been.

There is also no doubt that, for all their principles of art-knowledge, their building designs, as well as their building sodalities, they were indebted to the old and wonderful land of Egypt.

It has often struck writers, whether Masonic or not, how very difficult it is to account, on ordinary grounds, for the union of the Tyrian and Jewish workmen at the building of the First Temple at Jerusalem. Knowing the repugnance of the Jews themselves to foreigners, and the

direct prohibition of contact with unbelievers, especially in sacred works, there seems no *a priori* objection to the unchanging tradition of our Order, that Tyrian and Jewish Masons were bound together by one common organization, and were members of one comprehensive operative brotherhood.

If it be true that they had all found a common origin in the building societies of Egypt, and that all the operative sodalities of the world were members of the one same great confederation, under the attractive condition of secrecy in art and primæval truth, we should find, I think, a satisfactory solution of the whole question.

And as the unity and eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, the accountability of man, were the great secrets of the mysteries, until they were overlaid by superstition and debased, and with the building societies in all countries the mysteries of the time and locality were in some form or other bound up, we find here a link of union, a bond of fellowship, which would naturally cement together, associate together, Tyrian and Jewish masons in so great and so good a work as building the Temple at Jerusalem.

There is no doubt, also, a leading objection to the theory of an actual confraternity of Jewish Masons, with secrets and mysteries, from the well-known fact that all the Gentile mysteries and *απορρητα* were prohibited apparently to the Jewish people.

Yet, we cannot, on the other hand, explain it as we will, get over the fact that Tyrian and Jewish workmen assisted in the elevation of the great Sanctuary of the Hebrew race at Jerusalem, and Captain Warren's researches have proved, among other things, not only that our Masonic traditions however, seemingly strange, sometimes, to us to-day, are not *a priori*, either improbable or impossible, and that a remarkable unity existed between the workmen, whether Tyrians or Hebrews, alike, in the quality of the work they executed, all governed by one great design, as in the marks, common to both, and understood by each nationality, still marked in colours as perfect as if only painted yesterday, in subterranean passages, and wondrous crypts and hidden halls beneath the existing city.

It has always struck Masonic students as a very remarkable fact, that the traditions and history of our Order, as well as our carefully-preserved ceremonies and ritual, have such an Hebrew colouring and character.

Whence has this arisen?

Some have contended that the Jewish confraternity have substituted a veritable history for the figurative teachings of the earlier mysteries, while others have asserted that the Jewish element and teaching were absorbed by the building colleges at Rome, and that thenceforth there was interwoven with all their oral ritual and ancient observance the characteristic tradition of Hiram, the great architect of the first Temple, which would entirely harmonise with the aim and sympathies of the building sodalities as they gradually became entirely Christian.

Be this as it may, the undying testimony of our traditions links on Freemasonry to the Temple at Jerusalem, and we cannot discard it without shaking the very foundation on which Freemasonry rests.

One thing is, indeed, most clear: that the marks of the Jewish, as well as the Tyrian, Masons are the same with those of later times; that they are evidently all belonging to the same great family, and are identical with the usages and customs of the operative order everywhere.

Some of our most cherished Masonic symbols, we may well remember, are purely Jewish, such as the Pentalpha and the double triangle, or Solomon's seal.

And despite the hasty and unreasoning assertions of some modern writers, I see as yet no cause whatever to doubt the truth or reject the authority of the Hebrew legends of our Order.

There is some evidence to show that there was attached to the Temple a secret order called Chasidim or Hasidim, whose special object was "to preserve it from injury and decay," though whether they were attached to other religious buildings is not clear.

It is said by some that this fraternity arose during the captivity at Babylon; by others, that it sprung up soon after the Restoration. It has even been contended that they were the precursors of the Essenes, and they have been even termed, "The Knights of the Temple of Jerusalem."

There is in the "Grand Bibliotheque" (Rue Richelieu, at Paris), a very curious book, which treats of the Knights of the Maccabæan chivalry, and alludes to their duty in defence of the Temple.

But I am not prepared to say that I have seen, so far, any evidence of Bro. Mackey's statement, that "they were, in fact, the conservators of Masonry among the Jews, and deposited it with their successors, the Essenes, who brought it down beyond the time of Christ."

Some writers contend, as I have just said, that from the Chasidim sprang the Essenes—a remarkable sect of the Jews, from whom some Masonic writers have of late asserted that Freemasonry is altogether derived.

From Josephus and other sources we gain the following particulars, which are striking to Freemasons:—

On initiation, at the close of the probation and his novitiate, the candidate was presented with a garment. He was required to take an oath* not to divulge the secrets with which he was entrusted, and was then made acquainted with the customary words and signs of recognition.

He was afterwards instructed in the traditional teachings of the Order, and devoted himself, with his brethren, to the "acquisition of knowledge and the dispensation of charity." There seem to have been degrees among them, and they are said to have been divided.

And though I cannot shut my eyes to the remarkable similarity between the customs of the Essenes and those of Freemasonry, like Krause, I believe the safest course, on historical grounds, is to endeavour to trace the origin and continuation of Freemasonry to the building corporations of the past.

I must leave for another chapter the history of the Roman sodalities.

* Krause has, however, said that though there is in truth a strong resemblance between the constitution and symbols in Freemasonry and the sect called the Essenes, whoever should give this as a reason for asserting that the Essenes had been incorporated with the Society of Freemasons would greatly err by coming too hastily to such a conclusion.

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LIGHT, DELICATE, PALE SHERRIES.—A great and beneficial change has already taken place in the habits of our upper and middle classes by the more extended introduction of a variety of light wines of varied and unimpeachable dietetic value. The reduction of the wine duties has been a great boon, as not only has it had the effect of doubling the consumption of wine within the short space of ten years, but it has made light wine—what it should undoubtedly be—an article of daily and ordinary consumption, and far less liable to be taken in excess than when wine was a highly-stimulating and costly luxury. At the present time the facilities for obtaining cheap and wholesome wines and other stimulants, bearing the guarantee of large and respectable dealers, in almost every town and village, is an advantage which deserves to be kept in view. Cheap wine has no doubt a certain amount of prejudice yet to overcome, and the medical man may do much in assisting to dispel this. Cheapness in wine does not necessarily argue a deficiency in stimulating and nourishing qualities, still less unwholesomeness. In our issue of January last we touched upon the article Sherry, and drew attention to the important place occupied by Spain as a wine-producing country. Since that time we have continued to use opportunities of testing and comparing the relative qualities and prices of various Sherries offered for sale, and have been especially struck by some light, delicate, pale Sherries obtained from the Messrs. W. & A. Gilbey. We think it due to the commercial enterprise, and a fair recognition of the undoubted benefit which this firm has conferred upon medical patients in the introduction of sound wholesome wines at moderate prices, to say that some of these Sherries approach nearer to our idea of what a good, generous, stimulating wine should be than anything we have seen for some time past, while the price places them within the reach of all when required for medicinal and dietetic purposes.—*British Medical Journal.*

THE PHILOSOPHY OF FREEMASONRY.

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CHAPTER FIRST.

LIBERTY—EQUALITY—FRATERNITY.

Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity are three grand words; trump cards in the hands of the skilful adventurer, but very apt to cut the fingers of the tyro. They are three words, good in themselves, but which have been made the tools of the predatory, and political adventurer. Like platonic love, they are apt to change their characters, and from being virtues degenerate into vices. No fault of theirs, but because humanity is frail, and the slime of the serpent's track causes the footpath of life to be slippery. A good many philanthropic individuals who go about the platforms, calling men's attention to wrongs with which they were previously unacquainted, offer in these three words an universal panacea, forgetting that man is a progressive animal, and that he must creep before he goes. Some of these wiseacres, with a stock of brass which would furnish forth a brazier's shop, hesitate not a moment in giving a definition of things, sacred or profane, crudely conceived, vulgarly uttered, and constantly wrong. Setting up for philanthropists, and devoted to the welfare of others, they have no time to look into their own private matters. They are fatally ignorant of the old Greek's advice, "Know thyself," and of them may be said, in the words of Pallas:

"Wilt thou, poor earthworm, measure land and sea,
And know not first the measure of thyself?
Put up thy puny instruments upon the shelf;
Know thine own measure first, and then im-
mensity."

We have had a few of these pretenders in Freemasonry, who unfortunately have left their signmanual amongst us, such as Cagliostro and Co., the adepts of Egyptain mummery, a jargon of commingled nonsense, pretence and lies, that our wonder is equally divided between the success of the swindler and the gullibility of the dupe.

"Liberty," exclaimed Madame Roland, as she went to the guillotine, "how many crimes are committed in thy name." Human nature often mistakes licence for liberty, forgetting that the river, to be useful, must be retained within its boundaries, otherwise, by overflowing, fields will be inundated and property destroyed. A Freemason can claim liberty, liberty of thought and action, so long as these are kept within the bounds of accepted moral limits, and where they do not encroach upon the freedom of others, No one has the liberty of subverting the liberty of another, for, then, liberty degenerates into licence. Were no limits placed to our liberal wishes, the world would degenerate into anarchy. "The last resort of a blackguard," says Dr. Johnson, "is patriotism;" and when we hear a cry from some forty-horse-power-lunged orator, we like to know a little of his past history before we confide in him as our deliverer. Landmarks are not to be removed at the bidding of every charlatan, and we decline to throw down our shield of protection, till

we have time to look at the one offered in its place. We often hear some youthful aspirant to Masonic honours, whose education has been very much neglected, come forth with some farrago of nonsense relative to the duties of Freemasons. He has the liberty of doing so. We grant him the liberty freely; but when he asks us to remove our safeguards, and those landmarks which have guided the Order for so many years, we in turn take the liberty of declining till we have maturely considered the question. Liberty, to a Mason, means the uncontrolled right to inquire into our mysteries, to analyse them, to work with the points of the compass extended loyally, for his own and the Craft's profit, but not to use one point as a weapon of offence, where-with, by a crafty blow, he may bring confusion upon the Craft. We confess to a dislike to all those who strain at the "unco quid," forgetting that man is fallible, and with their overbearing liberty of action, calling brethren who have lapsed into mortal error before the Masonic tribunals, and invoking all the terrors of the law to punish the delinquent.

Liberty is a sacred privilege of a Mason, the right to reason with the faculties, which God has given him, so that his less gifted brethren may be benefited by the result of his inquiries. He has the liberty of expressing his opinions freely in lodge, and when characterized by wisdom and justice, he is an object of estimation, and a guide worthy of following. But when he expresses himself in a selfish, narrow-visioned fashion, with a mind cast in a trivial groove, every noble and large-souled sentiment absent, we grant him the very poor privilege of doing so, but we decline to be of his following. A Mason ought to be liberal, although just in all things, liberal of his counsels and liberal in his conceptions of these; liberal of his purse, liberal of his inquiries into the characters of those he relieves; liberal in all these qualities which raise a man in the scale of virtue, in the roll of honour, but chary of aught which may tend to subvert the pillars of truth and justice.

Liberty has had its dupes, although not to the same number as equality. A fine sounding name is equality. "All men are free and equal," cried the Yankee slave-owner, and then added this forcible explanation, "and every man has a perfect right to wallop his nigger." Equality on earth is a dream, a myth, a falsity. Are men born of an equal stature, of equal rank, or of equal talents? Nature has flatly contradicted this, and life daily proves its falseness. A father acquires wealth by prudence and talent, which he leaves to a foolish son, who squanders all in riot and debauchery, dying a beggar, and indebted to charity for the very boards which form his coffin. If every man was equal, the world be unbearable. There would cease to be any cause for exertion, every pursuit would cease, education would become neglected, every generous impulse destroyed. A more dangerous fallacy never was palmed upon a confiding public than this same equality, and those who cram this down the people's throats are just those very ones who would make stepping-stones of their dupes' necks to gain power, and destroy their bait of equality.

Masonic Equality is well defined, and there can neither be cavil nor mistake about

it. All Masons in the bosom of the lodge are equal, and no one can claim by position in the world a superiority over his brethren there. It must be admitted that this is not always followed amongst us, and that we find the rank has its influence, and that men of position are found to fill our highest offices. But, as we have said, human nature is frail, and a title has a sounding effect. Yet, with very few instances, we have no cause to grumble at our honours being so conferred. These brethren have served their apprenticeships, worked as Fellow Crafts, and as Master Masons may claim their positions, not as a special right belonging to their worldly rank, but to the fact that they are free of the Craft on all points. England and Ireland are pretty free from crowding their lists of Grand officials with noble names, and commoners find the honours pretty plentiful for them. Equality means a mixture of all classes appearing at the same board, and if twenty commoners find themselves at the table, they cannot complain of the presence of one lord.

Every Mason can aspire to office in his lodge. From Inner Guard to Master the honours are open to him, upon his showing his fitness to wear them. Thus far are all Masons equal, but as men have not all the same talents, it follows as a matter of course that those endowed with large understandings, and extended experience of life, must hold a higher position among the brethren. Such men show themselves prominently by virtue of these qualities, just as Saul showed himself among the people taller by the head. In all ages, and among all nations, there required to be leaders, just as we find the Press now-a-days the leader of public opinion, or the forcible exponent of the same. Men of a feeble order of mind, of a vacillating disposition, naturally look for guidance and support to those of a strong and more steadfast, and it is thus that we find amongst us brethren standing prominently before the eyes of the Craft, not that they have thereby risen above the equality of Freemasons, but the equality of Freemason looks to them for protection and support. ERROL.

(To be continued.)

GRAND CHAPTER OF ENGLAND.

The Quarterly Convocation of Grand Chapter was held on Wednesday evening, at Freemasons' Hall. Comp. the Rev. John Huyshe took the Z. chair, Comp. Dr. Hamilton the H., and Comp. S. Rawson the J. Comp. W. Pulteney Scott was present as N., and Comp. John Hervey, E. Comps. Snell, Benjamin Head, Talbot, H. Browse, T. Fenn, Joshua Nunn, W. Ough, Jas. Stevens, F. Binckes, H. Muggeridge, Joseph Smith, James Brett, James L. Thomas, H. G. Buss, F. Walters, M. A. Loewenstark, George Neal, Hyde Pullen, R. Spencer, John Savage, John Boyd, H. Massey, and many others, were also present.

The G.S.E. having read the minutes of last Grand Chapter, the same were unanimously adopted, and the accounts, showing a balance of £395 15s. 7d. in the hands of Grand Treasurer, were taken as read, and passed *nem. con.*

Warrants were then unanimously granted to the Isca Lodge, No. 683, Newport, to be called "The St. Woolo's Chapter," and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Newport, Monmouthshire; to the Lodge Orion in the West, No. 415, Poona, to be called "The Chapter Orion in the West," and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Poona, East Indies; to Lodge Star of Orissa, No. 1106, Cuttack, to

be called "The Fiducia Chapter," and to meet at Cuttack, East Indies; to the Trinity Lodge, No. 254, Coventry, to be called "The Trinity Chapter," and to meet at the Castle Hotel, Coventry, Warwickshire; and to the Lion and Lamb Lodge, No. 192, London, to be called "The Lion and Lamb Chapter," and to meet at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street, London.

On the petition from Comps. Edward James Morris as Z., Chas. Bath as H., George Browne Brock as J., and twenty-one others, for a chapter to be attached to the Talbot Lodge, No. 1323, Swansea, to be called "The Talbot Chapter," and to meet at the Masonic Rooms, Swansea, Glamorganshire,

Comp. W. Pulteney Scott rose, and said this was a very extreme case, and the Committee would not have recommended it to Grand Chapter, had they not felt it to be necessary to be consistent in their dealings with applicants for charters. There were two lodges and two chapters in Swansea, and from circumstances that had arisen, it was desirable that one party should terminate its connection with the other. A very considerable portion of the lodges and chapters had formed a new chapter, and there were as many as ten Past Principals and a great number of old R.A. Masons ready to join the new chapter. They had, therefore, petitioned for a charter for the Talbot Chapter; and the Committee, feeling that they had before recommended the refusal of warrants to lodges which had only been established twelve months, felt the inconsistency of submitting this case to Grand Chapter's consideration, but relied only on the very exceptional circumstances of the present instance as their justification for doing so.

Comp. Talbot explained that the new lodge in Swansea was presided over by the best working Masons in the kingdom, and had amply fulfilled the expectations that had been entertained of it. The chapter was one of the best in the province. It numbered seventy members, and it was quite necessary that a second chapter should be formed to supplement the work of the first. The same companions had now taken the lead in petitioning for the Talbot Chapter. They were twenty-one in number; there were eleven P.M.'s of lodges, and eight or nine Past Principals of chapters. It was with the firm conviction of the necessity for the new chapter that he recommended the granting of the warrant.

Comps. Walters, Joseph Smith, Dr. Hamilton, and Savage supported the recommendation, and the charter was then granted.

The charter which was formerly granted to the Tynwald Lodge was annulled, the companions not having taken it up within fifteen months of its being granted. Grand Chapter then proceeded with the consideration of an appeal by Comp. Laws, from a decision of the Grand Superintendent for Northumberland on a complaint of the removal of the place of meeting of No. 406 before the minutes of the chapter agreeing to the removal had been confirmed. After considerable discussion, Grand Chapter affirmed the decision of the Grand Superintendent, and dismissed the appeal.

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THE CROWN PRINCE OF PRUSSIA ON MASONIC KNOWLEDGE.

THE FIRST DEGREE,

OUR attention has been directed, by a valued correspondent, to a remarkable passage in the Masonic oration delivered by the Crown Prince of Prussia at the recent centenary celebration of the Grand Lodge of Germany at Berlin, and we are requested to express our views thereon.

The Prince is reported to have said that "All knowledge in Masonry was contained in the first degree," and added that, "if this truth became a reality, it would remove the suspicion that the higher degrees taught anything but St. John's (or, as we in England term it, 'Craft') Masonry." At first sight, these axioms appear to lead to contradictory conclusions, and to involve a certain amount of inconsistency. It will be necessary, therefore, to place on record some of the reasons which, to our mind, justify the observations of our illustrious brother, even if they do not corroborate his ideas to the fullest extent. It will be generally admitted that the lessons imparted to a candidate in the first degree are of exceeding significance and importance; but that point is not the question at issue. What we have to consider is simply this: Does the symbolism of the degree bear such an interpretation as to warrant the somewhat startling assertions, that "all knowledge in Masonry" is con-

veyed to an Entered Apprentice, and that the higher degrees merely confirm and illustrate—so to speak—the teachings of the Craft? Now, to understand these theories in all their ramifications, we must bear in mind that the object and design of all the ancient mysteries—in fact, the grand aim of initiation in the primitive ages—was to introduce the neophyte into a new sphere; to make him, as it were, a being apart from the uninitiated world, a partaker in loftier hopes and diviner aspirations than those which swayed the vulgar herd. How far this design is preserved in Freemasonry, we shall now proceed to examine and explain. A lodge of Masons—whether it be opened in the first or the third degree—is an epitome of the world; but of the world divested of its cares, its sorrows, its ambitions, and its hates. The symbols of the lodge are in harmony with this conception. Thus, the sun, bright ruler of the day—whose beneficent influence is felt throughout the realms of nature—finds an appropriate representative in a Masonic lodge. The moon, "refulgent lamp of night," although shining with reflected splendour, is also a conspicuous emblem; and from these luminaries, we are taught to advance to the type of "intellectual light," and to endeavour to attain that illumination of heart and spirit which the child of Truth inherits and enjoys. In the ancient Grecian mysteries, similar symbols were employed, and the office of torch-bearer, or light-giver, was one of the most honourable in the secret rites of Eleusis. The Entered Apprentice Freemason is thus brought out of figurative darkness into light or knowledge, and therefore one of the greatest lessons of life is made familiar to his mind. Even as the giant oak is evolved from the tiny but potential acorn, so, from the foundation of the first degree, springs a superstructure of wisdom and morality. In this sense, "all knowledge" may truly be said to be comprised in the primary grade of Freemasonry. But a further investigation will convince all who believe in revelation, that the truths of Freemasonry are based upon the Sacred Volume; and we need scarcely add that this knowledge is at once conveyed to the initiate. He is told that his faith is to be guided and governed by the unerring laws laid down in the code of inspiration; he is directed to look beyond the illusions of sense to the never-fading glories of eternity. And although these great lessons are again forcibly inculcated in the third degree, nothing can surpass the simple sublimity of a creed which is embodied in the words, "Faith, Hope, and Charity." In the first degree, the candidate is dedicated, or set apart from the outer world; he receives the seal of Freemasonry, and is clothed with the badge of a Mason, which is a token of innocence and purity. From the most primitive times, a white garment has ever been deemed a sign of regeneration. In the early days of Rome, candidates for civic offices arrayed themselves in white robes as emblems of their

tegrity, and hence the very term "candidate" is derived from the Latin word, *candidus*, which signifies "white." But the newly-made Mason's instruction does not terminate here; the three great principles of the Fraternity into which he has been admitted are also communicated and explained—"Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth," at once the foundation and apex of the moral temple of Freemasonry. Upon the nature of the ceremonies by which these grand principles are enforced it is not our province to expatiate; but we may observe that when performed with earnestness and dignity, the initiatory rites of the Order are calculated to produce a lasting impression upon the mind of any thinking man.

In thus tracing the figurative career of an Apprentice Freemason, we learn that he enters a new world, into which the baser passions of life should never penetrate; that his conduct should be influenced by faith, stimulated by hope, and adorned by heaven-born charity. May it not, therefore, be said, with some truth, that he who can comprehend these things knows enough, and that further developments or degrees in Freemasonry merely amplify or elaborate the teachings of the first degree?

In a future article, we shall endeavour to reconcile the seeming inconsistency of advancing to higher grades, when the first step leads so far. Let us, in the meanwhile, counsel our readers to study the ritual and symbolism of Apprentice Freemasonry, and to consider its relations with the succeeding degrees, whether they be the Master Mason's, the Royal Arch, or the Christian orders. Viewed as a series, we believe that all these degrees will be found to be based upon one central idea, from whence radiate varying interpretations. The subject is undoubtedly an important one, and the remarks of our royal German brother being evidently the result of careful thought, may well engage our attention, especially as there is every reason to believe that an impartial investigation of the claims of the several Masonic degrees, now so extensively practised, will but strengthen our admiration of the first great bond which associated us with the Sons of Light.

THE Annual General Communication of the Prov. Grand Lodge of Leicestershire and Rutland, will be held at Loughborough, on Friday, 24th day of November instant, under the auspices of the Howe and Charnwood Lodge, No. 1007.

RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE.—We are informed that the Right Hon. Lord Skelmersdale, Past Grand Warden of England, and seven other brethren, were admitted into the Red Cross Order in the Liverpool Conclave, No. 55, on Wednesday, the 1st inst.

ROSIERUCIAN ORDER.—By dispensation from the Manchester, Liverpool, and Northern Counties College, the Right Hon. Lord Skelmersdale, Deputy Prov. G.M. West Lancashire, was, after passing the required tests, initiated into this Order by the Suffragan, Frater Captain Turner (VII.), at the Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool, on Wednesday, the 1st inst., and admitted to the grade of Zelator. Fratres Smith, Treasurer-General; Goepel, Fourth Ancient; Robinson, C. of N.; Mawson, Herald; Clark, Torch-bearer; and others, being also present.

Original Correspondence.

The Editor is not responsible for the opinions expressed by Correspondents.

(To the Editor of The Freemason.)

SIR AND BROTHER,—At our lodge (Phoenix St. Ann, 1235), held on the 26th October, the distress and losses of our Masonic brethren at Chicago were deeply deplored. We entered into a subscription for their relief, and have, through myself as Prov. G.C. of Derbyshire, made the general wish known, that, under this awful calamity, something should be done for them in addition to what we are sure will be done by Grand Lodge.

Would you kindly forward this good cause in every way you can, according to Masonic usage.

Believe me, Sir and Brother,

Your constant reader,

AUGUSTUS A. BAGSHAW.

Wormhill Vicarage, Buxton,

Oct. 30, 1871.

"FREEMASONRY & UNITARIANISM."

(To the Editor of The Freemason.)

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—We are strictly enjoined, in order to prevent dissension, to refrain from religious discussion in connection with Freemasonry. In the spirit of that injunction, permit me to suggest that you should avoid the insertion of such articles as that which appeared in the last number of your journal asserting an identity of religious opinion between a sect known as "Unitarians" and Freemasons. Such an announcement in a journal read by many non-Masons, is not only calculated to create unfounded alarm, but also to give grave offence to the majority of Freemasons who see in our ceremonies and symbols, especially in those of the R.A., a signification of a totally opposite nature.

Yours, fraternally,

THO. FENN.

14, Bedford-square, W.C.

[We cordially endorse our correspondent's remarks. With Unitarianism, as a religious dogma, the teachings of Freemasonry have nothing whatever to do, and had we believed that Bro. Buchan meant to assert an identity between them, his objectional observations would not have been inserted.—ED. F.]

THE PURPLE IN WEST LANCASHIRE.

(To the Editor of The Freemason.)

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I was present at the last meeting of the Prov. Grand Lodge of West Lancashire, and I have read the letters, under the above heading, in your last issue.

Bro. Turner's friends acted without due consideration of the importance of the subject they took in hand. I influenced at least seven votes in favour of Bro. Armstrong; but if Bro. Turner's proposer had stated the reasons why they brought him out, those votes would most assuredly have been given in favour of the principle, and against Bro. Armstrong.

Prior to the next annual meeting let the friends of candidates for the Prov. G. Treasurership send a circular to each lodge in the province, and success will be sure.

Fraternally yours,

ANOTHER P.M.

(To the Editor of The Freemason.)

SIR,—The two letters on this subject in your last issue evidently do not emanate from the same source, therefore I would reply to "A P.M. & P.Z.," and say that if there were any deficiency of "brotherly love, peace and harmony" at the late Prov. G.L. meeting, it was not caused by the very gentlemanly conduct of the unsuccessful candidate for the P.G. Treasurership, who polled seventy votes (including his own, and all obtained without canvassing his friends for months previous to the meeting), his conduct being all that could possibly be desired—but how the galled jade did wince!

Your correspondent has strong grounds for feeling aggrieved at the conduct of the Prov. G.

officers in voting "to a man" for Bro. Armstrong. True they have votes as P.M.'s of their respective lodges, but it is well known that the wearing of the purple entirely deprives a brother of all power of discrimination and the ability to see anything good in those who do not wear it.

How the P.G. officers could vote against Bro. Turner is a mystery. Had they but known, as I do, his extreme worthiness and modesty (and none of his pledged supporters left the room rather than vote against his competitor) matters might have been very different.

If an Armstrong is to be put in competition for, and appointed to, the only elective office in the P.G. Lodge, against such a man as Brother Turner, it is quite evident to the meanest intellect that "a change in the manner of appointing the other Prov. G. officers is very necessary," and those in high places ought to take note of it at once.

Only look, brethren, at what the able and enthusiastic Bro. Turner has done for Masonry in the last 20 years, and you will agree with me, that he, of all men, should be our R.W. Prov. G.M.; and he will be, if the case is properly represented in London. Then, the current of Masonry in this province will be 'Turner'd into a (Lowe) channel, which it has not been Hughes'd to of late, and no brother shall be Goepel'd to take the purple against his own wish and that of the Prov. G. Master, as is frequently the case at present.

Yours, &c.,

DI. CRAN. KIN.

COMPLIMENT to RETIRING VOLUNTEER BRETHREN.

On Saturday evening, the 21st of October, a complimentary dinner was given by the non-commissioned officers and sappers of the 1st Lancashire Engineer Volunteers at the George Hotel, Dale-street, Liverpool, to Bros. Major R. B. Mulliner and Capt. Henry Newman, on their retirement from the corps. The chair was occupied by Colour-Sergt. Handley, and amongst the guests were Lieut.-Col. Ellison, Major Bousfield, Capt. Ward, Barry, Boggs, and Owens, Viscount d'Aragon, Bros. G. Dyke, Richard Morley, J. T. Macbeth, W. Chapple, J. B. MacKenzie, &c.

In the course of the evening, beautifully-illuminated and handsomely-framed addresses were presented to Bros. Mulliner and Newman, which contained expressions of profound regret for the loss which the corps was about to sustain by the retirement of two such efficient and zealous officers, a cordial recognition of their services, and assurances of high esteem and affectionate remembrance.

The Chairman, in presenting the addresses, said both gentlemen had been about eight years in the corps. Major Mulliner was a most excellent officer, and the members of the corps had a deep sense of his kindness and generosity towards them. Captain Newman was also an officer of great ability, and had endeared himself, not only to the members of E company, which he commanded, but to every man in the regiment. During his connection with the corps, he had attended, on an average, upwards of fifty drills a year, and they all felt pride and pleasure when he was on parade.

Lieut.-Colonel Ellison also expressed regret at losing their services, and said nothing would give him greater pleasure than if both gentlemen would cancel their resignations and resume their red coats.

Major Mulliner and Capt. Newman returned thanks in feeling terms, and expressed their gratitude, not only for the addresses, but for the invariable kindness they had received from every one during their connection with the 1st L.E.V.

It was stated during the evening that both gentlemen would remain honorary members of the corps.

A number of toasts were proposed, and a pleasant evening was greatly enlivened by a number of songs and recitations.

BOOTS of the Period at BLAKEY'S, Lime-street, Liverpool (under the Alexandra Theatre).—[Advt.]

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF DURHAM.

This Provincial Grand Lodge met at the Borough Hall, Stockton-on-Tees. It was the largest gathering of the Fraternity which has for some time been in this province, and the reception given by the Stockton brethren far exceeded that of any previous meeting. The spacious hall being especially adapted for such a demonstration, and the introduction of the vocal music, we believe for the first time since the lodge was held in this town six years ago, together with the presence of a Provincial Grand Organist at the instrument—a thing of rare occurrence of late—all tended to increase the pleasure of the brethren who had travelled from all parts of the country to hear of the success of the Craft in the province, dispense their funds to charitable objects, and discuss questions for the good of Freemasonry in general.

The Fund Committee met at the Borough Hall at twelve, under the presidency of Bro. Joseph Dodds, M.P. They recommended grants to local petitioners amounting to £25, 25 guineas to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys', and the like amount to the Girls' School, also £25 to the Royal Benevolent Institution for aged Freemasons, and the same sum to the Widows' Institution.

The Provincial Lodge was opened in due form at half-past two, Bro. John Fawcett, R.W.P.G.M., in the chair, Bro. Jos. Dodds, as S.G.W., and Bro. James Groves, J.G.W. On the dais we observed: Bros. the Rev. G. P. Wilkinson, Rev. Edmund Hutchinson, Rev. John Cundell, Rev. G. R. Bulman, Rev. Chas. Dale Trotter, Victor Williamson, P.G.W. Eng.; A. Knowles, Wm. Best, J. E. MacNay, A. Farmer, J. P. Morrell, C. Jackson, M. Cadle, Wm. Nelson, J. G. Thompson, John Settle, H. Thompson, C. Willman, G. J. Wilson, H. Faber, H. Groves, Thos. Nelson, Stokoe, John Morrell, B. Bolton, &c., &c.

The minutes of the Provincial Grand Lodge, held at Bishop Auckland last year, were read and confirmed. The Treasurer's accounts were read, showing the balance in the Treasurer's hands to be £544. After paying the before-mentioned grants, it was recommended, as heretofore, to fund £150 in Consols, thus bringing that fund up to £2,000, which is invested at 3 or 3½ per cent. The adoption of the accounts being moved and seconded, the roll of lodges was called, when very gratifying reports were presented.

Apologies were tendered for the absence of the Earl of Durham, W.M., of the Lambton Lodge, and Earl Vane, W.M., of the Fawcett Lodge.

The re-election of the Treasurer was moved by Bro. Joseph Dodds, and seconded by Bro. G. J. Wilson.

The R.W.P.G.M. then appointed and invested his officers for the following year: Bro. Sir Hedworth Williamson, D.P.G.M., who was prevented being present through having to attend an important meeting at Newcastle; Bros. Dodd, S.G.W.; C. Rowlandson, J.G.W.; C. D. Trotter, P.G. Chap.; Cooke, S.G.C.; Watson, J.G.D.; Joseph Morrell, P.G. Supt. of Works; Skelton, P.G.S.B.; John Trotter, P.G. Reg.; Walker, P.G. Org.; Dixon, P.G. Purst. Stewards—Bros. Pearson, Phoenix Lodge; Hebron, Granby Lodge; Wells, Fawcett Lodge; Cross, Williamson Lodge; Dickinson, St. Bede's Lodge; Railton, Barnard Lodge.

The lodge was then closed in due form, and many of the brethren adjourned to dinner at the Freemasons' Hall.

PROV. GRAND MARK LODGE OF LANCASHIRE. (S.C.)

The annual meeting of this Provincial Grand Mark Lodge was held at Freemasons' Hall, Bolton, on 21st October, 1871, by command of the Rev. Prov. G.M. The St. John's Mark Lodge, No. 2, was opened at three o'clock, and shortly afterwards the Prov. Grand Lodge was announced, and was received and saluted by the brethren according to custom. The P.G. Lodge was then opened in ample form by R.W. Bro. Entwisle, P.G.M.M., assisted by R.W. Bro. C. F. Matier, D.P.G.M.M., V.W. Bros. Brockbank, P.G.S.W., Mitchell, P.G.J.W., and the other officers, many of whom had travelled long distances to be present. The first business was the submission of the minutes of last Prov. Grand Lodge, held in Manchester, for confirmation, which being done, Bros. Newton and Harwood presented the audit of the Treasurer's account, which was found correct.

Bro. George Galloway was then unanimously re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Dawson, Tyler, and the Prov. G.M.M., proceeded to appoint and invest the following officers:—Bros. G. Parker Brockbank, P.G.S.W.; John Mitchell, P.G.J.W.; J. P. Platt, P.G.M.O.; Capt. Hunter, P.G.S.O.; Wm. Foster, P.G.J.O.; George Galloway, P.G. Treas.; J. W. Taylor, P.G. Sec.; Wm. Wayne, P.G. Reg.; Rev. E. A. Lang, P.G. Chap.; Col. Birchall, P.G. Supt. of Works; Wm. H. Hopkins, Dir. of Cers.; Whittaker, Asst. Dir. of Cers.; D. Stansfield, P.G.S.D.; Harwood, P.G.J.D.; W. G. Turner, P.G.S.B.; Edward Friend, P.G.T.K.; H. T. Robberds, P.G. Org.; Wm. Dawson, Tyler.

These brethren, having been duly proclaimed and saluted, returned thanks for their several appointments. An apology was presented from Bro. Capt. Hunter, R.W. Prov. G.M. Aberdeenshire East (Craft), Prov. G.S.O., who was detained on Masonic business in his province. An exceedingly interesting account of the formation of the Prov. Grand Mark Lodge was read by J. W. Taylor, P.G. Sec., and was inserted in the records. The general business for the good of the province having been finished, the Prov. Grand Lodge was then closed in due form with solemn prayer, and the officers retired in procession, marshalled by Bro. Hopkins, P.G. Dir. of Cers. The St. John's Mark Lodge, No. 2, was then closed by Bro. T. Morris, P.N.T. acting R.W.M., assisted by the officers.

At five o'clock, the brethren sat down to dinner in the board-room, presided over by Rev. Bro. Entwisle, P.G.M.M., supported, right and left, by his officers. At the conclusion of the banquet, the brethren returned to the lodge-room, and after the door was tyled, proceeded to honour the customary loyal and Masonic toasts, which were proposed from the chair.

The toast of "The S.G.R.A. Chapter of Scotland," was responded to by Bro. C. F. Matier, D. Prov. G.M.M. and P.H. 38, Fraserburgh.

"The Prov. Grand Lodges of East and West Lancashire, Cheshire, North Wales, Cumberland and Westmorland," was responded to by Bros. Col. Birchall, P.P.G.J.W. W. Lancashire, I. P. Platt, P.P.G.J.W. Cheshire, H. Bulley, P.P.G.W. Cheshire, W. Foster (Maryport), and several others whose names we were unable to catch.

The next toast was "The Health of the P.G.M.M.," and was proposed by the D.P.G.M.M., who referred at some length to the long and arduous services of Bro. Entwisle to the cause of the Mark degree, and to the graceful recognition thereof by the Supreme Chapter of Scotland, in appointing that R.W. brother as one of their delegates to the conference recently held in London. Bro. Matier also called attention to the fact, that the Prov. Grand Lodge was really a District Grand Lodge, as Bro. Entwisle ruled over the entire counties of Lancashire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, North Wales, and Cumberland and Westmorland. The speaker also congratulated the Prov. G.M.M. on the large accession of members to the organization during the past year, and referred to the fact, that several new lodges were in progress of formation, and one old one was about to be resuscitated.

These splendid results had been produced by the unremitting attention of the P.G.M.M., and he (Bro. Matier) had much pleasure in calling on the brethren to drink a bumper to his health.

The P.G.M.M. then rose to reply, and was received with loud and continued applause. R.W.D. Prov. G.M.M. and brethren, permit me to express my deep feeling at this mark of your approbation, and the pleasure I feel at the undoubted success of our past year, the first of our new organization. You are all familiar with the events that preceded the formation of the St. John's Lodge, No. 2, and with those that more immediately followed its establishment. For some fourteen years the Mark lodges on the roll of the Supreme Chapter of Scotland acted as private lodges, with more or less success, but had no governing body nearer than Edinburgh, as no charters had for some years been granted, until the coming of Bro. Matier to Manchester, when he and several members of the St. John's Lodge, obtained one to work the St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 22, which was consecrated by myself. This gave a great impetus to this degree, and brethren in all parts of the country were led to seek for advancement under the auspices of Scotland. Several new lodges obtained charters, among which I may mention the Lodge Barrow-in-Furness, the St. David's, Llandudno, and the True Friendship, Maryport. My patent as Prov. G.M.M., was also granted. All the lodges of the Scottish Constitution have been well worked, and I must give great credit to the masters past masters and officers for their energy. The Supreme Chapter of Scotland having the well-being of the degree at heart, and being exceedingly anxious to see the degree placed on a proper footing in England, acceded to the request of the Grand Mark Lodge of England, and in conjunction with representatives from the G.L. of Scotland, and G.C. of Ireland, met in conference in Freemasons' Hall, London. To this conference I had the honour to be a delegate on the part of the Supreme Chapter of Scotland, but, as I dare say you have all seen the published report of the proceedings, I shall not refer to them at length, further than to say that it has been agreed on by the Supreme Chapter of Scotland to again ask the Grand Chapter of England to assume the management of those degrees which in every other country are worked under a Royal Arch Chapter, or failing this, to recognise some Grand Body in England, to whom the superintendance of these degrees shall be committed. This message to the Grand Chapter of England will be delivered at the next meeting in November, and should that body decline to adopt either of the courses I have mentioned, the Supreme Chapters of Scotland and Ireland will then consider the propriety of according recognition to a body in England to govern those degrees. I do not think, however, that this body will be the present body, styling itself the Grand Lodge of Mark Masters, but a new body, established on a footing more firmly based, and formed by a union of all the contending jurisdictions, and which will be in authority over all these degrees called side degrees, such as the Royal Ark Mariner, Knight of the Sword, Knight of the East and West, &c. Some of these according to the system obtaining in all other countries, are only conferred on R.A. Masons, but the present G.M.M. wishes to work them under the G.M.L., and confer them on Mark Masters, thus in effect putting the greater in subjection to the less. This is one objection to recognition of the G.L. of M.M. and the Supreme Chapter deprecates acknowledging any new Grand Masonic Body in England, if it can possibly be avoided, for two reasons: 1st, because such body exists in no other country; and, 2nd, because were such a body to be recognised it would doubtless become so numerically strong as to even affect prejudicially the Grand Lodge and Chapter of England. Brethren, I thank you heartily for the honour you have done me, and trust for still greater success in the coming year.

The P.G.M.M., then proposed the next toast, "The health of the Deputy Prov. G.M.M. Bro. C. Fitzgerald Matier," and, in a most eulogistic speech, mentioned the many services of Bro. Matier, which he had rendered most ungrudg-

ingly. He had never called on him in vain, but had always found him prompt and ready to fulfil any duty he might be entrusted with.

The D.P.G.M.M. briefly replied, and assured the brethren of his unabated zeal and sincere desire to do all in his power to promote the interests of Mark Masonry, and this P.G. Lodge.

Bro. Brockbank, P.G.S.W., and Bro. Platt, P.G.M.O., replied for the officers, and Bros. P. W. Mills (Birkenhead), P.P.G.O., and Dr. Allison (Barrow-in-Furness), P.P.G.D., for the retiring officers.

The toast of "Prosperity to the Mark Lodges in the District and Province," was coupled with the name of Bro. W. Foster, P.G.J.O., and R.W.M.-designate of the True Friendship Lodge, Maryport, who, after a long and eloquent speech, concluded by hoping for the speedy advent of the day when all Masons should be brethren, not only in name, but also in very deed and truth.

The D.P.G.M.M. proposed "The Visitors," which was responded to by Bro. Henry Bulley, P.R.W.M. No 5, who said that, although from his very intimate connection with other orders of Masonry, he was not an active member of the Mark Degree, still his sympathies were entirely with it, and with the Scottish Constitution.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Stewards (for which Bro. Rutter responded), and also to the St. John's Lodge for the handsome manner in which they had entertained the Prov. G. Lodge.

The Tyler's toast brought a delightful evening to a close about 9.30.

We may also mention that several charming songs were rendered in an excellent manner by Bros. Mitchell, Newton, Pratt, Hignett, and Dawson; and that Bro. W. H. Hopkins ably discharged the duties of Director of Ceremonies, and proved himself no unworthy successor to the lamented Bro. Whyatt, who was suddenly cut off in the prime of life a few months ago.

Among the brethren present we observed: Bros. T. Entwisle, P.G.M.M.; C. F. Matier, D.P.G.M.M.; Brockbank, 1st G. Capt. Eng., P.G.S.W.; Mitchell, P.G.J.W.; J. P. Platt, P.G.M.O.; W. P. Mills, P.P.G.O.; W. Foster, P.P.J.O.; Rev. E. A. Lang, P.G. Chap.; Taylor, P.G. Sec.; Galloway, P.G. Treas.; William Wayne, P.G. Reg.; Stansfield, P.G.S.D.; Harwood, P.G.J.D.; Dr. Allison, P.P.G.D.; Ambler, P.P.G.D.; Turner, P.G.S.B.; Friend, P.G.T.K.; Henry Bulley, P.M.; William Bulley, P.M.; T. E. Hignett, W. H. Pratt, P.P.G. Steward; Lieut-Col. Birchall, P.G.I. of W.; Newton, Thomas Morris, Bailey, Orton, &c.

Reports of Masonic Meetings.

THE CRAFT.

METROPOLITAN.

Prudent Brethren Lodge, No. 145.—This lodge held its first meeting this season at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on Tuesday se'nnight, under the presidency of Bro. Walter, W.M. There were also present: Bros. Moore, L.P.M.; John Boyd, P.M. and Treas.; G. States, Sec.; about thirty other members of the lodge, and ten visitors, including Bros. Dr. Ward and C. A. Long, who kindly assisted the W.M. by filling the offices of S.W. and J.D. in the absence of Bros. Last and Bull. The brethren appeared in deep Masonic mourning for the late Bro. William Carter, an old and distinguished Past Master of the lodge, whose loss appeared to be very deeply felt by the members generally, but perhaps more particularly by the Past Masters, who each made some observations upon the gap made in their ranks, not too full at any time. It was unanimously resolved that the heartfelt regret of the lodge should be recorded upon the minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of their late esteemed brother. The business of the lodge consisted of the three ceremonies, which were very ably worked by the W.M., the election of a joining member, and a candidate for initiation at next meeting. The lodge was closed in due form, and the brethren retired to a plain supper, after which the usual toasts were given and responded to. Bro. John Boyd, in returning thanks for the Grand Officers, alluded very feelingly to the deep loss he had personally sustained by the death of their lamented brother, and how much he regretted appearing before them for the first time as a Grand Officer, with his badge covered with crape.

The brethren were visibly affected by the remarks made, and at the conclusion of a very eloquent address, they drank to the memory of Bro. Carter in solemn silence, and adjourned at an early hour.

Lodge of Unity, No. 183.—This old lodge met at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street, on Monday, the 23rd ult., for the first time after the recess. The W.M., Bro. H. Wadling, presided, supported by Bros. Jabez Garrett, S.W.; R. H. Groombridge, J.W.; Speth, P.M. and Treas.; Rev. D. Shaboe, P.M., G.C. Middlesex, Chaplain; E. Collins, J.D.; Spencer, I.G.; C. W. Todd, Tayler, and Thompson, P.M.'s; and other brethren. Visitors: Bros. H. Podmore, P.G. Purst. Surrey, and Hall, 1347. After the lodge was duly opened, Bro. Shaboe was appointed Secretary, in the room of Bro. F.V. Doggett, deceased. In a very impressive manner, Bro. C. W. Todd proposed, and Bro. Tayler seconded, a vote of condolence and sympathy with the family of the late Secretary, Bro. Doggett, who was one of the oldest and most respected members of the lodge. There being no further business, the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to an excellent banquet, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts being proposed by the W.M. The harmony of the evening was much enlivened by the songs of Bros. Todd, Tayler, and others. The rendering of "Life is a River" by Bro. Todd, and "The old Elm Tree" by Bro. Tayler were especially excellent and much applauded.

Victoria Lodge, No. 1056.—This lodge met at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on the 25th ultimo. Present: Bros. Ulysses Latreille, W.M. (presiding); Alfred Robbins, S.W.; Wm. Ashby, J.W.; Wm. Wrenn, P.M., Treasurer; A. A. Pendlebury, P.M., Sec.; F. Y. Latreille and Geo. Roberts, P.M.'s; J. Martin, S.D.; Hy. Wainwright, J.D.; G. H. Harwood, G. Collier, W. G. White, H. Allen, T. Maggs, P. Quelch, D. H. McGregor, H. F. Atter, A. B. Parker, T. W. Skelton, J. E. Hastings, J. R. C. Tisen, John Winder, Wm. Perrin, J. C. Henry, C. Gall, W. G. Durrant, H. Marsh, William Brown; visitors, Bros. David Steers (late 25), Wm. Roach (49), Francis Hill (49), John Bulmer (174), T. E. Hardy (W.M. 538), Owen Fitzgeorge (1374), Thos. Wolstenholme (55), R. Campbell Chanter (1159), A. Wadson (1228). The following business was performed: Bros. Peter Quelch and Henry Allen were raised, Messrs. Edward H. Williams and Thomas Duncombe Eagles were duly initiated, and the lodge was duly closed. After the banquet, the usual toasts were responded to, and the evening passed away very agreeably, enlivened by the vocal harmony of several brethren.

PROVINCIAL.

IPSWICH.—British Union Lodge, No. 114.—The usual monthly meeting of this old-established lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Ipswich, on the 26th ult. The agenda paper comprised an initiation and the working of the sections of the first degree. Present: Bros. P. Cornell, W.M.; Dr. E. F. Long, S.W.; Dr. Beaumont, J.W.; C. Schulen, Treas.; W. Spalding, P.M., Sec.; C. J. Meadows, S.D.; N. Tracey, P.M., as J.D.; S. Wright, I.G.; G. Spalding, Tyler; Rev. E. J. Lockwood, D.P.G.M.; A. J. Barber, I.P.M.; E. Holmes, P.A.D.C.; E. Hayward, P.P.A.G.S.; W. Bobby, H. Neeve, F. Gull, and H. G. Moore, P.M.'s. Visitors, Bros. Golding, W.M. 225; Davy, P.M. 225, P.P.S.G.D.; Woods, Gower, Tracey (P.P.S.G.W.), King (P.M.), and Gammon, 376; Freeman, P.G. Treas., 516; George, 726; Creswell, J.W. 959; Rev. R. N. Sanderson, P.P.G.C., W.M. 959; J. Calloway, 959. The lodge was opened in due form; minutes of last lodge were read and confirmed; and a petition from Bro. Parke, aged 92, was presented, and signed by the W.M. and most of the brethren present. The ballot was then taken for Mr. A. Moore, Clerk in Holy Orders, as a candidate for initiation, and proved unanimous in his favour. The candidate not being in attendance, the working of the sections in the first degree was proceeded with, Bro. N. Tracey, P.M., being the Proceptor, assisted by the W.M., the Rev. R. N. Sanderson, and W. Bobby. So ably was the working carried out, that a vote of thanks to the several brethren was ordered to be recorded on the minutes of the lodge. A motion was then made as to an united Lodge of Instruction, combining the four lodges of the town, which, after argument, was deferred till the next meeting, the representatives of the lodges agreeing to bring the subject before their respective lodges. The lodge was then duly closed, and the brethren retired to a neat banquet, served in Bro. G. Spalding's usual good taste. The loyal, Masonic, and personal toasts, interspersed with song and sentiment, brought a pleasant meeting to a close just before high twelve.

LEICESTER.—John of Gaunt Lodge, No. 523.—A regular meeting of this lodge was held at Freemason's Hall, Leicester, on Thursday, the 19th ult., and was numerously attended. The W.M., Bro. Wm. Sculthorpe, presided, and nearly all the officers were in their places. Bros. W. Kelly, R.W.P.G.M., Toller and Smith, P.M.'s, and the following visitors were also present, viz., Bros. C. Stretton (W.M.),

Worthington, and Attwood, of 279, and Bro. White, of Ballymena, Ireland. The minutes having been read and confirmed, a ballot was taken for Bro. J. H. Johnston as a joining member, and for Mr. George Staynes as a candidate for initiation, who were both unanimously elected. Bro. Tibbets was duly passed by the W.M., and Bros. Young and Taylor were raised to the third degree, the impressiveness of the ceremony being much enhanced by the musical accompaniments on the organ by Bro. Charles Johnson. The W.M. announced that at the recent election of applicants for admission into the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, the local candidate, Alfred Nutt, had been successful. The lodge was then closed and the brethren proceeded to refreshment.

STOWMARKET.—Phoenix Lodge, No. 576.—At the monthly meeting on Friday, the 20th ult., there were present: Bros. J. W. Sheridan, P.G.R., I.P.M., Acting W.M.; G. S. Golding, P.G.S.B., W.M. 225, S.W.; F. Warner, J.W.; G. Ransom, P.M.; S. H. Wright, P.P.G.D., P.M.; &c., &c. Visitors: Bros. Emra Holmes, P.G.A.D.C., P.M. 531, 114; C. Schulen, P.P.G.D.C., P.M. 114; and Philip Cornell, P.G.J.D., W.M. 114. After the usual business, the Acting W.M. called upon Bro. Emra Holmes to deliver his lecture, as announced in the summons, entitled "Random Notes on Freemasonry;" and, as was to be expected from so erudite a brother, it proved—as the W.M., in proposing a vote of thanks for Bro. Holmes' instructive and interesting lecture, justly remarked—there was not one word in it the brethren would not endorse, one point at which they were at issue. He particularly approved of the remarks made as to appointments in Grand Lodge, and it was only at a recent Mark Lodge the Prov. G. Secretary for Suffolk was complaining of the very thing to which Bro. Holmes alluded—the great difficulty experienced by provincial Masons in gaining appointments in Grand Lodge. Bro. Golding seconded the proposition, and spoke of Bro. Holmes as the most enthusiastic Mason he had ever met with. A vote of thanks was unanimously accorded to Bro. Holmes, and ordered to be recorded on the minutes. The lodge being closed in due form, the brethren adjourned to refreshment, and after the usual Masonic toasts had been honoured, separated, delighted at having spent so enjoyable an evening, combining, as all lodges ought to do, valuable information and instruction with pleasure. The W.M. of the British Union Lodge, No. 114, Ipswich, announced that Bro. Emra Holmes had kindly consented to repeat his lecture in that lodge at a very early meeting. [We have received a copy of Bro. Holmes' very interesting lecture, and regret our space precludes its insertion, at least for the present.]

HOLYHEAD.—St. Cybi Lodge (late Hibernia), No. 597.—A regular meeting of the above lodge was held in the lodge-room, Marine Hotel, on the 2nd ult. There were present: Bros. John Peters, W.M.; J. Lloyd Griffith, S.W.; William Lewis, J.W.; Owen R. Ellis, Secretary; John Ellis, S.D.; Dr. Owen Williams, J.D.; Rev. O. Williams Jones, Chap.; William Evans, Steward; James Lloyd, I.G.; Samuel Hughes, Tyler; and a fair muster of the brethren. The lodge having been opened, the opening ode sung, and the minutes of last meeting read and confirmed, the W.M. called upon the Secretary to read the confirmation of the revised by-laws, which had been received from the R.W. Prov. G.M., Sir Watkin W. Wynn, together with his sanction to have the name of the lodge changed from that of "Hibernia" to the "Lodge of St. Cybi;" also a letter from the G.S., Bro. John Hervey, stating that the lodge had been duly registered in the Grand Lodge books, under its new name of St. Cybi. The W.M. then said he had much pleasure in declaring that the Lodge of St. Cybi was duly opened, which declaration was received with general satisfaction. After this, the ballot was taken round for the following gentlemen as candidates for initiation, viz.: Messrs. William Ankers, Richard Jones, Robert Parry, Stephen Dyer, and David Davies; also for Bro. J. Hughes, of Hesketh Lodge, No. 950, and Bro. F. Bapty, W.M. of the Lodge of Israel, No. 126, Ireland, as joining members. The result proved favourable in each case. Accordingly, the above-named candidates were regularly initiated, the ceremony being most ably performed by the W.M. and his colleagues. Bros. Henry Evans and John Hughes were advanced to the degree of Master Masons, the solemnity of the service, accompanied with suitable music, rendering the whole performance very impressive. The W.M. proceeded to lodge business, and Bro. J. L. Griffith, S.W., called upon the Secretary to show the design for a seal, which he had been requested to make for the use of the lodge, from the image of St. Cybi above the church door. It was produced accordingly, and after due inspection, was unanimously adopted, a vote of thanks being passed to that official for the pains he had taken in the matter. After receiving propositions and compliments, the W.M. closed the lodge

in perfect peace, harmony, and concord. — A Lodge of Emergency was held in the lodge-room, Marine Hotel, on the 6th ult., for the purpose of passing Bros. William Jones and James Knowles Morris. Most of the officers were present, and a good few of the members. After opening the lodge, and going through the usual preliminaries, the two brethren above-named were advanced to the degree of F.C. Freemasonry. The lodge was then reduced, and closed in due form.

LIVERPOOL.—Walton Lodge, No. 1086.—The regular meeting of this lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, on the 18th October. Present: Bros. Joseph C. Lunt, W.M.; R. Abraham, S.W.; J. P. McArthur, J.W.; J. Grimes, S.D.; H. Hughes, J.D.; C. McEwen, I.G.; J. Ellis, Steward; J. L. Parry, Org.; Mott, P.P.S.G.D.; William Archer, P.M., Treas.; John Lunt and James Goodacre, P.M.'s; and a large attendance of members. Visitors: Bros. Hamer, P.P.G. Treas.; Baker, P.G.S., W.M. 241; Horbury, P.M. 605, W.M. 1325; Pemberton, P.M. 1264; Wells, J.W. 580; &c. The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed, when the ballot was taken for Mr. R. H. Houldin, which proved unanimous in his favour, and he being in attendance, was most ably and impressively initiated by the W.M. The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, which was presided over by the W.M., who proposed the usual loyal and Masonic toasts. The visiting brethren vied with each other in praising the excellent working they had witnessed. The pleasures of the evening were very agreeably enhanced by the singing of Bros. Mott, Baker, Mabrick, and Wells. The brethren separated highly satisfied with all the arrangements made for their comfort. — An emergency meeting was held on Tuesday, the 24th ult., for arrears of business, when Bros. Rogers, Thomas, and Shandley were passed to the degree of F.C., and Bro. John Walker raised to the sublime degree of M.M.

OAKHAM, RUTLAND.—Vale Catmoss Lodge, No. 1265.—This lodge held its usual monthly meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 25th, this being the day appointed for the election of W.M., Bro. Duncombe, P.G.A.D.C. for Norths. and Hunts., the S.W., was duly elected. Visitors: Bros. Rev. William Langley, P.M. 50 and 1130, P.P.G.S.W.; Rev. W. K. Robinson, P.M. 1130, P.P.G. Chaplain; Douglas, P.M. 1130, P.P.G.S.D.; Orford, P.M. 466, P.P.G.S.W. for Norths. and Hunts. The lodge was soon afterwards closed, and the brethren partook of refreshment, after which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

SEACOMBE, CHESHIRE.—Warren Lodge, No. 1276.—A meeting of this lodge was held in the lodge-room, Stanley Arms' Hotel, Seacombe, on the 17th October, for the purpose of installing Bro. Thomas Somerville Jones, the W.M.-elect. There was a large attendance of members and visitors, amongst the latter being: Bros. Henry Bulley, P.P.G.J.W.; J. P. Platt, P.P.G.J.W.; J. S. Hamer, P.P.G.T. W. Lan.; William Bulley, P.P.G.J.D.; Thomas Platt, P.P.G.J.D.; J. T. Lea, P.G. Sept. of Works; H. Williams, P.M. 249; H. Davies, P.M. 605; J. Pemberton, P.M. 1264; C. H. Hill, P.M. 1276, W.M. 724, 321; E. Hignett, W.M. 537; J. F. Jones, W.M. 1276; with other well-known Masons. The minutes of the previous lodge having been confirmed, a ballot was then taken for Dr. Bell, a candidate for initiation, who was accepted and duly initiated by Bro. J. F. Jones, the W.M. Bro. T. S. Jones, the W.M.-elect, was duly installed as W.M. by Bro. William Bulley in a most impressive manner. Bro. Jones then proceeded to invest as his officers: Bros. J. F. Jones, I.P.M.; Holt, S.W.; Earp, J.W.; Ward, Sec.; Ridehalgh, S.D.; Pennington, J.D.; Taylor, I.G.; McKay, Looney, Cato, and Price, Stewards; and Mills, Tyler. The Auditors' report showed a considerable balance in hand, thus proving the lodge to be in a sound and healthy condition. The W.M., in the name of the lodge, and in very flattering terms, presented a Past Master's jewel to Bro. James F. Jones, I.P.M., for his valuable services to the lodge during the past year, for which he returned thanks in suitable terms. The lodge was then closed down in due form and perfect harmony by the W.M., and the brethren adjourned to the house of Bro. Stokes, the Seacombe Hotel, where they sat down to a sumptuous banquet, after which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given.

HAMPTON.—Lebanon Lodge, No. 1326.—On the 19th ult., this prosperous lodge held its regular meeting at the Lion Hotel, Hampton. Bro. J. T. Moss, I.P.M. and Treasurer (who had come from Margate purposely to initiate several personal friends he had proposed), by desire of the W.M., Bro. Samuel Wickens, opened the lodge. The minutes of the last regular and several emergency meetings were read and confirmed, after which the dispensation, granted by the Prov. G.M., Bro. Col. Burdett, under very special circumstances, and authorising the initiation of more than five candidates at this meeting, was read. Bro. John Hayward (946) was then

admitted as a joining member, and ballots, taken separately, resulted unanimously in favour of the admission into Freemasonry of Messrs. G. W. Solly, G. Jones, J. Wells, H. Livett, A. Brown, E. Werner, and Linton. The first five named gentlemen, being present, were accordingly initiated by Bro. Moss, who also gave the charge and the lecture, all being done in a faultless manner. The chair was then assumed by the W.M., Bro. Wickens (whom we are happy to congratulate on being once more at his post after his late severe accident), and Bros. E. Fleet, J. McRitchie, W. Bell (1275), and E. S. Lane (1275), were severally introduced and passed to the second degree. Bro. F. Walters, P.M. and Sec., then took the chair and raised Bros. H. Stevens, C. S. Simpson, J. Fox (1275), and E. Townsend (1275) to the third degree. Apologies (for the most part on account of ill-health) were received from Messrs. E. Werner, Lindon, T. Wallis, G. Wood, and Bell, candidates for initiation, regretting their inability to attend. Bro. Wickens presided for the remainder of the evening. Some joining members and candidates for initiation having been proposed for the next meeting, the lodge was closed, after four hours' work. The brethren afterwards partook of a very good banquet, followed by some excellent speeches in the proposing, and responding to, the customary toasts. The visitors were Bros. J. Chynswith (J.D. 4, 33), J. T. H. Moss (169), F. Holmes (196), T. Vesper (P.M. 554), R. J. Elsam (S.D. 201), Trotter (1044), E. Townsend, J. Fox, W. Bell, and E. S. Lane (1275), &c.

ROYAL ARCH.

PROVINCIAL.

LEICESTER.—*Chapter of Fortitude, No. 279.*—A regular convocation was held at the Masonic Hall, on the 26th ult. The business included the installation of Comp. G. H. Hodges as 1st Principal, which ceremony was ably performed by the Prov. G. Supt., Comp. W. Kelly, assisted by the following P.Z.'s: Rev. J. Spittal, George Bankart, and W. Weare. There were present, in addition to those above-named: Comps. G. Toller, jun., H.; C. Stretton, E.; S. S. Partridge, N.; E. J. Crow, P. Soj.; and others. An apology for unavoidable absence was received from the Rev. C. J. Smith, J. After the minutes of the last chapter had been read and confirmed, a ballot was taken for two candidates, which proved favourable. Of the six candidates on the list, two only were present, namely: Sir H. St. John Halford, W.M. 1330, and F. J. Smith, 523, both of whom were exalted in due form, the ceremony being efficiently performed by the M.E.Z., assisted by Comp. Toller, who also delivered the symbolical lecture and explanation of the signs, the historical lecture and remainder of the mystical lecture being given by the P.G. Supt. Bro. Crow, for the first time, very ably performed the duties of P. Soj. The officers for the year were invested as above, and after a candidate for exaltation had been proposed, the chapter was closed in due form. It is much to be regretted that the meetings of this—probably the finest and most impressive of all Masonic degrees—have of late been so poorly attended. The chapter numbers upwards of seventy subscribing members, but the attendance seldom exceeds one-sixth of that number. We believe that the Prov. Grand Chapter, which has been in abeyance for some years, will be shortly reconstituted, and that the Prov. G. Supt., Comp. W. Kelly, will be so mally installed in his office. This event, which will doubtless bring together most of the R.A. Masons of the province, anxious to do honour to one to whose unwearied exertions, it may be said, that R.A. Masonry in this province owes its continued existence, will, we trust, at the same time, be the means of diffusing a more general and lasting interest in this degree.

GAINSBOROUGH.—*All Saints' Chapter, No. 422.*—A convocation of this chapter took place, for the first time, in the new Masonic Hall, Market-place, Gainsborough, on Monday, the 16th ult., under the presidency of the M.E. Comp. James Frederick Spurr, Z.; John Hawksworth, H.; and John Laughton, J. The minutes having been confirmed, Bros. Pigott and Swallow, of the Alcholme Lodge, Brigg, were exalted to the Holy Royal Arch. Bro. Robinson, Org. 422, was elected for exaltation. The election of officers then took place, when Comp. Spurr, at the request of all the companions present, accepted the office of 1st Principal for the third year. Comp. John Moxon was elected H., and Comp. Thomas Hugh Oldman, J. There were also present: Comps. Robbs, Goodman, Dr. Hamlin, Bladen, Kirk, Howlett, Howsham, Box (Janitor), and visiting Comp. Nelson, Oliver Chapter. The chapter was then closed in due form, at 9 o'clock.

LIVERPOOL.—*Walton Chapter, No. 1086.*—The regular meeting of this chapter was held at the Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, on the 6th ult. The following companions were present: John Lunt,

M.E.Z.; Thomas Chesworth, H.; Joseph C. Lunt, J.; William Septon, S.E.; De la Perelle, S.N.; William Archer, P.Z., Prov. G.S., Treas.; and John Horbury, P.Z. Visitor: Comp. J. W. Baker, H. 241. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and Comp. Bush was elected a joining member. Bro. Pyer, who had been previously elected, was exalted to the supreme degree of R.A., the duties of P.S. being performed by Comp. Baker in a very able manner. This was the first meeting since the installation of Principals, and all the officers performed the duties of their several offices in a very efficient manner, which augurs well for the success of the chapter. Bro. Wells, J.W. 580, was proposed as a candidate for exaltation. The labours of the evening being ended, the chapter was closed in due form.

TWICKENHAM.—*Royal Middlesex Chapter, No. 1194.*—This young chapter met at the Grotto Hotel, on Saturday, the 21st ult., when, in the absence of Col. Burdett, M.E.Z., Comp. R. Wentworth Little, P.Z., S.E., presided, supported by Comps. W. Roebuck, C.E., H.; G. Cattell, J.; W. Dodd, S.N.; G. Kenning, P.S.; A. C. Morton, 1st A.S.; H. W. Hunt, 2nd A.S.; Major E. H. Finney, D.C.; H. Parker, Org.; J. Coutts, P.Z. 177 and 382; and H. C. Levander, Z. 76, P.Z. 720, a visitor. The chapter having been duly opened, Bro. Arthur B. Donithorne, I.G. 1293 (Captain 2nd Lanark Militia), was regularly exalted into Royal Arch Masonry, the ceremony being rendered by the Principals and officers in a faultless manner. The elections for the ensuing year resulted unanimously as follows: Comps. Roebuck, Z.; Cattell, H.; Dodd, J.; Little, E.; Kenning, N.; Horsley, Treas.; Morton, P.S.; and Gilbert, Janitor. Comps. Dodd, Hunt, and Finney were chosen as Auditors. The chapter was then closed, and the companions sat down to an excellent banquet, after which the usual loyal and R.A. toasts were given, and the companions separated.

MARK MASONRY.

METROPOLITAN.

Bon Accord Lodge.—A convocation of this lodge was held at the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-street, on Wednesday, the 18th ult. Present: R.W. Bro. Magnus Ohren, G.M.O., W.M.; Bros. Walter Richardson, W.M.-elect; Frederick Binckes, Sec.; Henry Empson, Treas.; Richard Spencer, S.W.; William Sugg, J.W.; Bros. Haig, Jennings, and several other brethren. Visitors: Bros. Hyde Pullen and Major Smith, the latter from India. Bro. David Hodge (33) was balloted for and unanimously accepted as a joining member, and Bro. Frederick Williams (452) was advanced. The W.M. was then installed, and appointed and invested his officers. The sum of £2 2s. was voted to the Binckes' Testimonial Fund. A sum was voted from the Charity Fund for an old and distressed member, the vote being supplemented by a private subscription at the banquet, which followed.

PROVINCIAL.

RAMSGATE.—*Holmesdale Lodge, No. 129.*—This lodge met at the Royal Hotel, Ramsgate, on Thursday the 26th ult. In consequence of the inability of Bro. George Neall, the W.M., to attend on that occasion, his duties were discharged, by special request, by the V.W. Bro. James Stevens, P.M. 104, W.M. 139, and P.G.O., who was supported by Bros. L. Finch, S.W.; Henry Wootton, as J.W.; T. H. G. Snowden, M.O.; J. L. Ellern, S.O.; J. J. Darley, J.O.; Rev. G. W. Sicklemore, Chap.; B. Z. Hiscocks, Sec. and Reg.; J. D. Clarke, S.D.; G. Walker, J.D.; R. Mitchel, I.G.; G. Meager, Tyler; &c. The lodge having been opened in due form, ballots were taken for Bro. John W. Deveaux as joining member, and for Bros. G. Miles and J. W. Smith, of the Craft Lodge 1209, as candidates for advancement, and were respectively declared clear. Bros. Miles and Smith were then introduced, and duly advanced to the respective degrees of Mark Man and Mark Master, the ceremony being performed in accordance with that used in the lodges with which Bros. T. Meggy and Stevens, Past Grand Overseers, are connected, and which has received the approval of the W. Grand Mark Master. Propositions for future advancements were received, and the thanks of the lodge having been voted to Bro. Stevens for his attendance from London, and performance of the duties of the chair, the lodge was closed in ancient form and adjourned.

ORDERS OF CHIVALRY.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

IPSWICH.—*Prudence Encampment.*—The quarterly conclave of this encampment was held on Wednesday, the 25th ult. Present: Sir Kts. W. O. Chambers, E.C.; Rev. R. N. Sanderson, 30°, D.P.G.C. Suffolk and Cambridge; W. S. Golding, 1st Capt.; Dr. Mills, P.E.C.; J. Pitcher, P.E.C.;

C. Davy, P.E.C.; G. S. Findley, P.E.C.; Emra Holmes, 31°, 2nd G. Capt. of Lines, P.G. Reg. Suffolk and Cambridge; Dr. Beaumont, R.N., 2nd Capt.; P. Cornell, S. B. King, J. Franks, R. G. Wood, R.E.; M. A. Smith, &c. This being the annual meeting for the election of E.C., the majority of votes were recorded in favour of Sir Kt. Emra Holmes, Sir Kt. Golding generously retiring in his favour. There being no other business, the brethren retired for refreshment, and an agreeable evening was spent.

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS

For the Week ending November 11, 1871.

The Editor will be glad to have notice from Secretaries of lodges and chapters of any change in place or time of meeting.

MONDAY, NOV. 6.

Lodge 12, Fortitude and Old Cumberland, Ship & Turtle Tavern, Leadenhall-street.
 " 16, Royal Alpha, Willis's Rooms, St. James's.
 " 25, Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 72, Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.
 " 83, United Lodge of Prudence, Albion Hotel, Aldersgate-street.
 " 90, St. John's.
 " 144, St. Luke's, Pier Hotel, Chelsea.
 " 171, Amity, Ship Hotel, Greenwich.
 " 188, Joppa, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-street.
 " 256, Unions, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 1319, Asaph, Freemasons' Hall.
 Mark Lodge, Panmure (139), Balham Hotel, Balham.
 Strong Man Lodge of Instruction (45), Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 8; Bro. James Terry, Preceptor.
 Sincerity Lodge of Instruction (174), Railway Tavern, Fenchurch-street Station, at 7.
 Camden Lodge of Instruction (704), Adelaide Tavern, Haverstock-hill, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.
 Eastern Star Lodge of Instruction (95), Royal Hotel, Mile-end-road, at 7.30; Bro. E. Gottheil, Preceptor.
 British Oak Lodge of Instruction, Bank of Friendship Tavern, Mile End, at 7 for 8.
 St. James' Union Lodge of Instruction (180), Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street (opposite Pantheon), Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. J. R. Stacey, Preceptor.
 Wellington Lodge of Instruction, White Swan Tavern, Deptford, at 8; Bro. Dilley, Preceptor.
 St. John of Wapping Lodge of Instruction (1306), Gun Tavern, High-street, Wapping, at 7; Bro. T. Mortlock, Preceptor.

TUESDAY, NOV. 7.

Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, at 3.
 Lodge 7, Royal York, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 9, Albion, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 18, Old Dundee, London Tav., Bishopsgate-st.
 " 101, Temple, Ship & Turtle Tav., Leadenhall-st.
 " 172, Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 217, Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.
 " 765, St. James's, Market Tavern, New Weston-street, Bermondsey.
 " 1257, Grosvenor, Victoria Railway Station.
 " 1259, Duke of Edinburgh, New Globe Tavern, Bow-road.
 " 1261, Golden Rule, Great Western Htl., Paddington.
 " 1298, Royal Standard, Marquess Tav., Canonbury.
 Chap. 169, Temperance, White Swan, Deptford.
 " 507, United Pilgrims, Horns Tavern, Kennington.
 Metropolitan Chapter of Instruction, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7; Comp. Brett, Preceptor.
 Domestic Lodge of Instruction, Palmerston Tav., Grosvenor-park, Camberwell, at 7.30.
 Faith Lodge of Instruction, Artillery Arms, Rochester-row, at 8; Bro. C. A. Cottebrune, Preceptor.
 Varborough Lodge of Instruction, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8; Bro. Isaac Saqui, Preceptor.
 Royal Union Lodge of Instruction, Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street, Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.
 Prince Fredk. William Lodge of Instruction (753) Knights of St. John's Tavern, St. John's-wood; Bro. F. G. Baker, Preceptor.
 Sydney Lodge of Instruction (829), Cambridge Hotel, Upper Norwood, at 7.30.
 Ben Jonson Lodge of Instruction, Ben Jonson, Goodman's-yard, at 8.
 Florence Nightingale Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, William-street, Woolwich, at 7.30.
 Prosperity Lodge of Instruction, Gladstone Tavern, Bishopsgate-st. Within, at 7.30; Bro. Bolton (W.M. 1227), Preceptor.
 St. Marylebone Lodge of Instruction (1305), British Stores Tavern, New-street, St. John's Wood, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8.

Committee R. M. Benevolent Institution, at 3.
 Lodge 3, Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 11, Enoch, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 13, Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, Woolwich.
 " 15, Kent, Guildhall Coffee House, Gresham-st.
 " 87, Vitruvian, White Hart Hotel, College-street, Lambeth.
 " 147, Justice, White Swan Tavern, Deptford.
 " 238, Pilgrim, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.
 " 749, Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.
 " 781, Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, Limehouse.
 " 820, Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond.
 " 1017, Montefiore, Freemasons' Hall.

„ 1216, Macdonald, Head Quarters 1st Surrey Rifles, Brunswick-road, Camberwell.
 „ 1228, Beacontree, private rooms, Leytonstone.
 „ 1306, St. John of Wapping, Gun Tavern, High-street, Wapping.
 Chap. 1260, Hervey, Walham Green.
 Pythagorean Lodge of Instruction (79), Prince of Orange, Greenwich, at 8; J. Robt. Nash, Preceptor.
 United Strength Lodge of Instruction (228), the Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales' Road, Kentish Town, at 8; Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor.
 Israel Lodge of Instruction, Rising Sun Tavern, Globe-road, at 7.30; Bro. Isaac Saqui, Preceptor.
 New Concord Lodge of Instruction, Rosemary Branch Tavern, Hoxton, at 8.
 Confidence Lodge of Instruction, Railway Tav., London-street, City, at 7½.
 Peckham Lodge of Instruction, Maismore Arms, Park-road, Peckham; Bro. David Rose, Preceptor.
 Temperance in the East Lodge of Instruction, George the Fourth, Catherine-street, Poplar.
 Stanhope Lodge of Instruction, Thicket Hotel, Anerley, at 7.30 p.m.; Bro. H. W. Lindus, Preceptor.

THURSDAY, NOV. 9.

Lodge 19, Royal Athelstan, Terminus Hotel, Cannon-st.
 „ 91, Regularity, Freemasons' Hall.
 „ 206, Friendship, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.
 „ 263, Bank of England,
 „ 534, Polish National, Freemasons' Hall.
 „ 657, Canonbury,
 „ 860, Dalhousie, Anderson's Hotel, Fleet-street.
 „ 1076, Capper, Marine Hotel, Victoria Docks, West Ham.
 „ 1288, Finsbury Park, Finsbury Park Tavern, Seven Sisters'-road, Holloway.
 „ 1321, Emblematic, Tulse Hill Hotel, Tulse Hill.
 Chap. 554, Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney.
 The R.A. Chapter of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7; Comp. Brett, Preceptor. Ceremony, explanation of R.A. Jewel and Solids, part sections.
 Fidelity Lodge of Instruction (3), Goat and Compasses, Euston-road, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.
 Panmure Lodge of Instruction (720), Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7; Bro. John Thomas, Preceptor.
 Finsbury Lodge of Instruction, Jolly Anglers' Tavern, Bath-street, City-road; Bro. Stean, Preceptor.
 United Mariners' Lodge of Instruction, Three Cranes, Mile-end-road, at 8; Bro. T. J. Barnes, Preceptor.
 St. George's Lodge of Instruction (140), Globe Tavern, Royal Hill Greenwich, at 8.

FRIDAY, NOV. 10.

Lodge 33, Britannic, Freemasons' Hall.
 „ 134, Caledonian, Ship & Turtle Tav., Leadenhall-street.
 „ 157, Bedford, Freemasons' Hall.
 „ 177, Domatic, Anderson's Hotel, Fleet-street.
 Unions Emulation Lodge of Improvement for M.M.'s, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
 Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, Portugal Htl., Fleet-street, at 7; Bro. Brett, Preceptor.
 Belgrave Lodge of Instruction, Duke of Wellington Htl., Spring-gardens, Charing-cross; Br. Pulsford, Preceptor.
 Doric Lodge of Instruction, Three Cranes Tavern, Mile end-road, at 8; Bro. Isaac Saqui, Preceptor.
 Stability Lodge of Instruction, Guildhall Tavern, 33, Gresham-street, at 6; Bro. H. Muggerridge, Preceptor.
 Robert Burns Lodge of Instruction, Union Tavern, Air street, Regent-street, at 8; Bro. Wm. Watson, Preceptor.
 Burgoyne Lodge of Instruction, Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales' Road, N.W., at 8.
 St. Luke's Lodge of Instruction (144), Gladstone Tavern, Brompton-road, S.W.
 United Pilgrims' Lodge of Instruction, Duke of Edinburgh, Shepherd's-lane, Brixton, at 7; Bro. J. Thomas, P.M., Preceptor.

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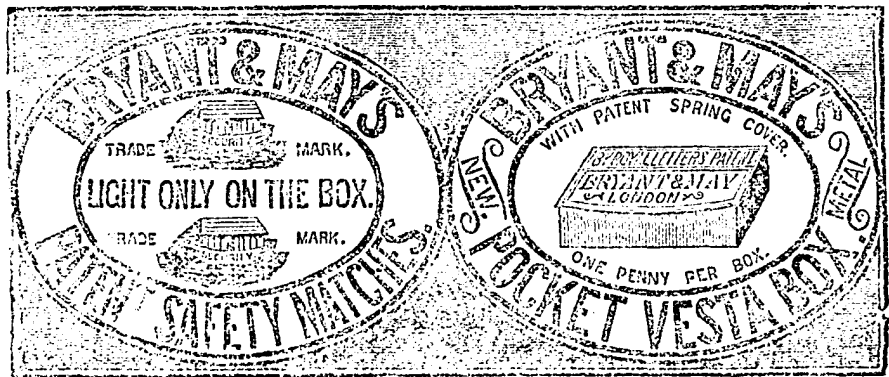
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