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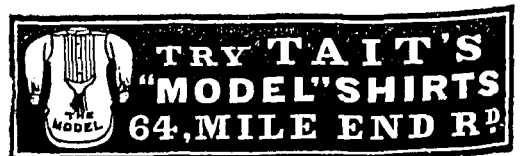


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REPORTS OF MASONIC MEETINGS.

Craft Masonry.

UNITED PILGRIMS' LODGE (No. 507).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday, 24th ult., at the Horns' Tavern, Kennington. Bro. George Reeves was passed, and Bros. J. S. Terry, W. I. Oliver, and J. J. Bradley were raised. To the accompaniment of solemn music, beautifully played by Bro. John Read Bro. James Stevens, P.M. 720, advanced these brethren to their respective degrees, and gave the lecture, traditional history, and tracing board in masterly style. These were made the more impressive by the mournful appearance of the lodge, which was placed in the deepest mourning, out of respect to the memory of Bro. John Thomas, Secretary, and a very old P.M. Bro. Gilchrist was employed to arrange the mourning. The ceremonies having occupied till far into the night were supplemented by two addresses on the sad event, by Bro. James Stevens and the W.M. The former brother delivered his address at the completion of the third degree, and the latter when Bro. Stevens rose for the second time. Bro. Stevens said that the death of Bro. Thomas was a loss to Masonry in general, and the lodge of United Pilgrims in particular. It was also an event of great importance to Masons in the south of London. To all of them Bro. Thomas was always accessible, and always extremely desirous to afford instruction, to make them good Masons, and by the force of his own example to illustrate the theoretical teachings of the Order. It was at all times his object to mould the members of the fraternity into practical Masons in all the active duties of life. Such a brother they had now to mourn over, but it was a satisfaction to know that

"That which should accompany old age,
As honour, love, obedience, troops of friends,"

he had in abundance. It was his great merit that he showed what Masonry meant by absolute practice; and consequently they would not only fail to get the advantage of his instruction and assistance any longer, but they would lose a light which had directed them to the doing what was right, and prepared the outward world to understand that in Masonry nothing but what was good should be found. These remarks would no doubt be felt by all the brethren acutely and sorrowfully, as they felt that in losing Bro. Thomas, they had sustained the loss of an immediate personal friend. It was but lately the portrait of the deceased brother had been presented and hung up in the lodge, and they might therefore be congratulated on having retained the resemblance of his form and features, to look upon in all time coming. When they received it they believe that for many, many years they would not only see his portrait, but would have the happiness of his personal presence, his valuable assistance, his genial manner, which pleased all and offended none. In this he might be considered almost unique, for in Masonry it was difficult to impart instruction, or offer advice, or give directions, without giving some slight offence. But there was a style in Bro. Thomas which gave a charm to all he did and a geniality about him which, when he pointed

out defects, rather pleased than otherwise. When he had reason to praise any act there was no man more ready to do so than Bro. Thomas. This lodge, therefore, which had benefited so much by Bro. Thomas's tuition should express on its minutes its sorrow at the loss it had sustained, and he (Bro. Stevens) did not think such a resolution would come from any one with so much effect as from the W. M. (Hear, hear.) During the delivery of this address, which we have only sufficient space to give in a condensed form, all the brethren were standing, and at its conclusion they resumed their seats, and Bro. Stevens closed down in the third and second degrees. Before closing in the first degree, the W. M. rose to move a vote of sorrow, to be entered on the minutes, which the lodge felt on Bro. Thomas's death. In doing so he pointed to the Secretary's chair, which he said was empty, and that by that event the lodge had lost her best son, and the brethren a father in masonry. Henceforth they would have to assemble without Bro. Thomas. Could they realize the fact, or estimate their loss? Could they forget the whitened head, the manly brow, the genial smile, and the affectionate grasp of the hand? Could they forget the pillar which had supported them in all their difficulties, and the voice of instruction which was always ready to impart knowledge? He passed through this life leaving no wreck or sorrow behind. It was not for his great and unrivalled knowledge of Masonry alone that he was endeared to them; it was not for that he was one of the brightest jewels in Masonry that he was beloved by all; it was for his unalloyed heart, and for being the friend, the guide, and the benefactor of the widow and the orphan, in which character he was always to the front. Distress and poverty were lightened by the sunshine of his charity. The brethren had sustained a heavy blow, but they must bow their heads in submission, and think that their Maker had taken a great, good, and benevolent man to Himself. He had sent for His servant, and they had had to part with him. His picture, however, hung on the wall, and looked down on them as a messenger sent from the grave. It would teach them, when they reflected on what a man he was, to practise the genuine teachings of Freemasonry, and to make brotherly love their guiding star. Yes, he was gone from among them, and they must fervently pray that the pilgrim's glory might be his, and that they might in their humble way seek to emulate those great and good qualities which might at last conduct them to those mansions where such an illustrious Mason had gone before them. (Hear, hear.) The W. M. then moved the formal resolution, which was put and carried unanimously, and the lodge was thereafter immediately closed.

BURDETT COUTTS LODGE (No. 1278).—This lodge, under the distinguished patronage of the Baroness Burdett Coutts, held its installation meeting on the 18th ult., at Bro. S. Lloyd's, Approach Tavern, Approach-road, Victoria Park, when the large attendance of the brethren showed the great respect in which the retiring and prospective Masters were held. The lodge was opened, according to established form, shortly after 4 o'clock, by Bro. H. Lloyd, who was supported by the subjoined officers of the Burdett Coutts Lodge.—Bro. Ashburner, S.W.; Bro. Harris, J.W.; Bro. Terry, P.M., Treasurer; Bro. Verry, P.M., Secretary; Bro. Crutch, S.D.; Bro. Toye, I.G.; Bro. Macklin, D.C.; and Crouch, W.S.; also Col. Burdett, G.M. Middlesex; Bro. Buss, Grand Treasurer, Middlesex; Bro. Barnes, P.M., Doric; Bro. Mortlock, P.M., Industry; Bro. Stephens, P.M., Clapton; Bro. Seddons, who acted as Organist most efficiently; and a good muster of the brethren of the Lodge. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and unanimously confirmed, Bro. H. Lloyd proceeded with the installation of Bro. Ashburner, as W.M. Generally the performance of this particular ceremony falls to the lot of some expert P.M., and is therefore usually done with tolerable efficiency, but it is rare indeed to witness such proficiency as was displayed by the I.P.M. upon that occasion. The addresses, delivered with marked earnestness, lucidity, and impressiveness, were especially listened to with

undivided and breathless attention, and at the conclusion the Installing Master was on all sides congratulated upon his success in that capacity. The newly installed W.M. commenced his duties by appointing his officers in the following order:—Bros. Harris, S.W.; Crutch, J.W.; Perry, P.M., Treasurer; Verry P.M., Secretary; Toye, S.D.; Macklin, J.D.; Crouch, I.G.; Hill, D.C.; Lazarus, W.S.; Gilchrist, Tyler. The ballot was then taken for Bro. P.L. Sturtevant (Yarborough) as a joining member, and Messrs Hayes and Mills, as initiates, in all of which cases it proved unanimous in their favour. The initiations were performed by the newly-installed W.M. in the most impressive manner, showing that he must have worked exceedingly hard to have gained so high a state of proficiency. Before the termination of the business, hearty good wishes were conveyed to the W.M. by visiting brethren representing a vast number of lodges. The brethren afterwards sat down to an excellent banquet, presided over by the W.M., who was honoured by the presence of a strong muster of P.M.'s. The W.M. gave the time-honoured toast of the "Queen and the Craft," which was received and drank with full Masonic honours. The other customary loyal and Masonic toasts having been duly honoured, the W.M. gave "The Health of the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex, Col. Francis Burdett," whom the brethren were always proud to welcome in that lodge. He was also closely related to a lady who if not a Mason in name, was one in principle, for she had endeared herself to the heart of every Englishman by the constant exercise of the distinguishing characteristic of a Freemason's heart. (Cheers.) It seemed as though her charity and almsgiving knew no bounds, save that the objects should be worthy and deserving. (Renewed cheering.) He alluded to the Baroness Burdett Coutts, who on its consecration, presented the Lodge with that beautiful encased Volume of Holy Writ, of which the members were so justly proud. Their gallant brother, whose health they were asked to drink, had made a very pleasing and whispered communication, which was in effect that his cousin, the Baroness, had signified to him her intention of presenting chairs for each of the three columns of the lodge, and he (the speaker) had every reason for hoping that before his year of office expired the noble lady would visit the lodge and partake of its hospitality. (Loud Cheers.) The toast having been drank with Masonic honours, the Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex rose and said it always afforded him great pleasure to visit that lodge and witness its admirable working. Their Master, he had been informed, was one of the first initiates, and the Immediate Past Master who had so ably rendered the installation ceremony, was one of the founders of the lodge. (Hear, hear.) It was extremely gratifying to find that the outgoing Master should so ably instal his successor, and spoke volumes for the manner in which the brethren attended to the detail work of instruction, and to the Preceptor Bro. Verry. He was pleased to be able to make a good report of the Lodge to his cousin, whom the Master had alluded to, and nothing gave her greater pleasure than to be told that it was going on most prosperously. The I.P.M., Bro. Lloyd, proposed the health of the W.M., referring to his many excellent qualities as a Mason and a citizen. After acknowledging the compliment, Bro. Ashburner, W.M., proposed the health of the I.P.M., in a terse and excellent speech, and concluded by presenting him with a massive P.M. jewel. Bro. Lloyd acknowledged the handsome present in brief and suitable terms. After spending a pleasant evening, the brethren separated at an early hour.

HAMPTON.—Lebanon Lodge (No. 1326).—At the Red Lion, Hampton, on Thursday, 18th ult., the regular meeting of this lodge was held. Bro. William Hammond, W.M. presided. There were present during the afternoon and evening—Bros. H. Dubois, P.G. Steward, Middlesex, S.W.; J. W. Jackson, J.W.; F.

Walters, P.G. Steward, Middlesex, P.M., Sec.; E. Gilbert, S.D.; E. H. Thiellay, as J.D.; W. J. Laing, P.M., as I.G.; R. W. Williams, Organist; H. Potter, P.M., as W.S.; E. Hopwood, P.M.; J. Laurence, W. Prattent, J. V. Watkins, J. Morrison, W. J. Cox, W. Stanton, R. Limpus, P. G. Organist, Middlesex; H. Towzer, J. Hurst, J. Archer, J. Symes, R. Carne, J. Newton, J. McNaughton, G. H. Dye, J. J. Marsh, J. Baldwin, G. Harrison, H. Glaster, J. R. Croft, J. Wallis, and others. The visitors were Bros. F. B. Davage, W.M. 201; W. J. Kipling, W.M. 946; J. Hiscock, 865; and others. The lodge was opened in due form. The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and unanimously confirmed. Ballots, taken separately, were unanimous in favour of the admission of all the candidates for initiation, and brethren for joining. The W.M., in an admirable manner, initiated Messrs. J. Laurence, J. V. Watkins, and W. Prattent, (each being taken separately) and passed Bros. J. Morrison and J. Hurst, to the second degree. The veteran Bro. F. Walters, then took the chair, and raised Bros. J. McNaughton, J. R. Croft, and R. Carne, to the third degree. The ceremonies were rendered in a correct, impressive and painstaking style. The W.M. resumed the chair, the new bye-laws were read and unanimously agreed to. Ten guineas were unanimously voted out of the lodge funds to purchase a loving cup, for presentation to Bro. John Thomas Moss, P. Prov. G.D., Middlesex, P.M., in recognition of services rendered by him to the lodge as its founder and first W.M. Bro. J. C. Parkinson, D.G.M., Middlesex, P.M., presented to the lodge a handsome charity box, supplied by Bro. G. Kenning, of Little Britain) also giving a "nest egg." The box was universally admired by all who saw it, being beautiful in design, chaste in workmanship, and every detail has been carefully studied and correctly worked out. On it is an elaborate massive silver plate, neatly let into the side of the box, which has an inscription on it, shewing who its donor is. After all business was terminated, the lodge was closed, and the brethren partook of some refreshment, but did not separate without honouring the loyal and Masonic toasts.

STRATFORD.—*Langthorne Lodge* (No. 1421).—This young but prosperous and flourishing lodge held its opening meeting for the winter session at the Swan Hotel, Stratford, E., on Thursday, the 25th ult., the chair being occupied by the much-esteemed W. M., Bro. Charles Lacey, who was supported by the whole of his officers, viz., Bros. G. T. W. Mugliston, M.D., S.W.; G. E. Slee, J.W.; Geo. Levick, Treas.; C. W. Ashdown, P.M. and Sec.; R. G. Owen, S.D.; Benj. Cundick, J.D.; Jno. G. Stevens, P.M., D.C.; H. Carter, W.S.; George Hollington, I.G.; and W. Steedman, Tyler; a number of brethren and several visitors being likewise present. The lodge having been opened in due form, and the minutes of the last regular meeting, together with those of three Lodges of emergency, held during the recess, read and duly confirmed, the lodge was opened in the second degree, and Bro. Woods being a candidate for the degree of Master Mason, having given proof of his proficiency in the former degrees, and retired, the lodge was opened in the third degree, Bro. Woods re-admitted and duly raised to the sublime degree, the ceremony being most efficiently rendered by the W.M. The lodge was then resumed in the second degree, and Bros. Bullpitt and Gaffin admitted, and passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. There was also one candidate for initiation, who, however, from unforeseen circumstances, was unable to attend. All business being ended, and the lodge closed in due form, the brethren adjourned to an adjoining room, where a sumptuous banquet awaited them, which was served by the host, Bro. Morley, in a style that reflected the highest credit upon the catering powers of that worthy brother, who had evidently spared neither pains nor trouble in his endeavour to study the comfort and happiness of the brethren. The bill of fare embraced all the delicacies of the season, both viands and wines being of the most *recherché* description; and it is needless to add that ample justice was done to so excellent a repast. The cloth having been cleared, the

W. M. proposed the usual loyal and Masonic toasts, which were duly honoured, that of the "Visiting Brethren" being responded to by Bros. Mann, P.M., 186; and Austin, W.M., 933. The toast of the "Masonic Charities" was responded to by Bro. Jno. G. Stevens, P.M., who, in an earnest and eloquent speech, urged upon the brethren the duty of supporting the excellent charities connected with the Order. The toast of the "Officers of the Langthorne Lodge," proposed in most felicitous terms by the W. M., was responded to by Bros. Ashdown, P.M. and Secretary; Levick, Treas.; and Cundick, J.D.; in the absence of the S.W., who was unfortunately called away at an earlier period of the evening. The health of the worthy host, Bro. Morley, having been duly honoured, the Tyler's toast brought this most pleasant and agreeable meeting to a close shortly before 11, p.m. Several excellent songs, recitations, &c., were given during the evening. As usual a number of visitors honoured the lodge with their presence, amongst whom were the following, viz.:—Bros. W. Mann, P.M. 186; W. J. Noad, 237; Thos. Austin, W.M. 933; J. Boulton, 1056; J. Miller, 174; J. H. Guernsey, 749; S. M. Lazarus, P. Prov. S.G.W. Wilts; Thos. Cohu, S.D. 192; G. S. Hilliard, J.D. 174; G. W. Verry, P.M. 554; A. Wagstaff, 188; and A. Angliss, 1227.

INSTRUCTION.

ST. JAMES LODGE OF INSTRUCTION (No. 765).—The regular meeting of this prosperous lodge was held at the New Tanner's Arms, Grange-road, Bermondsey, on the 26th ult., when the ceremony of installation was worked by Bro. Montagu Scott, P.M. 765. The following brethren were present:—Bros. Jones, W.M. 765; W. Pointing, M.M. 765; R. Jolly, M.M. 765; J. J. West, P.M. 548; G. Free, P.M. 73; J. Tyler, W.M. 975; H. Bartlett, W.M. 147; G. J. Grace, P.M. 1178; J. Hawes, P.M. 765, Preceptor; and some thirty-five other members. The lodge being opened, the minutes of the previous lodge were read and confirmed. The event of the meeting was the ceremony of installation, which was ably rehearsed by Bro. Scott. After a vote of thanks had been recorded on the minutes for Bro. Scott the brethren separated, greatly pleased at 10 p.m.

Scotland.

GLASGOW.—As St. Andrew's Chapter and the Caledonian Unity Chapter both meet in the same hall, and the 23rd of Sept. is the day fixed for the election of officers by the Supreme Grand Chapter, unless a dispensation be obtained, it was decided that this should be made the occasion of a fraternal gathering of the members of both. Accordingly, the respective chapters having met in separate rooms, and elected their officers, they then met together in the hall, and Comp. James Balfour, P.Z., of 73, proceeded to instal Comps. J. D. Humphries, Ph. D., as Z.; D. Cantrelle as H.; and G. Hern as J. of 69; and Comps. George McDonald as Z.; G. W. Wheeler, H.; and J. Tweed, J. of No. 73. The rest of the company were introduced, and Comp. Balfour, at the request of the two Z.'s, installed the rest of the office bearers, and a special vote of thanks was accorded to him by both chapters for the highly efficient manner in which he had performed the duty. The business of the evening being over, the companions adjourned for refreshment, which was provided by the three Principals of Chapter 73. Comp. G. McDonald, Z. of 73, occupied the chair; while Comp. J. D. Humphries, Z. of 69, was Croupier. After the cloth was removed the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and heartily responded to. The chairman gave "The Provincial Grand Chapter." Comp. A. McTaggart, M.A., P.G. Scribe, E., replied, saying that he knew it was the determination of the P. G. Superintendent to raise the status of Arch Masonry in the province, a determination in which he was ably supported by the whole of the Provincial Grand Chapter, and this meeting, in such an harmonious spirit, of two of the principal chapters in the province, was a still further proof of the rapid progress of the true

fraternal spirit. He would now give "Prosperity to Chapters 69 and 73, with the Health of the Principals." Comp. J. D. Humphries, in a long and elegant speech, replied on behalf of St. Andrews, in the course of which he complained that he had not been properly supported by his officers, though, thanks to the good-will of office-bearers from other chapters, he had always been able to get through the work. On behalf of the Caledonian Unity, Comp. Dundonald said, on the other hand, he could boast that his officers had generally worked well, while the Second Principal and Scribe E. were always at their post, and perfect in their duty. The chairman gave "Chapter 119 and its First Principal G. Thallon, P.G.C." Comp. Thallon acknowledged the honour done to his chapter, and Comp. Wheeler proposed "The Retiring Officers of both the Chapters," replied to by R. Bell, 39, and D. Thomas, of 69. The Croupier gave "Comp. E. Bell, the E.C. of the Templars," commenting on his exertions to procure a fit reception for the American visitors this season. Comp. R. Bell replied. J. D. Humphries then gave the "Masonic Press," dwelling on the advantages to be derived by the Craft by their supporting it by all means in their power. G. W. Wheeler replied, showing the good it could accomplish if properly supported. The Janitor's toast concluded this very successful reunion of the two chapters.

GLASGOW.—On Tuesday, Sept. 25, Chapter 50 met to elect their officers for the ensuing year, Comp. Butcher, Past Z., in the chair; Comp. J. Loutitt, Scribe E. None of the Principals or other officers of the chapter were present, and Comp. Love protested against the legality of the meeting, as a dispensation had been obtained from the Supreme Chapter to hold the meeting for election on the 9th of October. The Scribe E. said he had received no official intimation to that effect, and should therefore proceed with the election, in accordance with the Supreme Chapter laws. The Z. indorsing this view, the election proceeded, and the following were declared duly elected, viz., Comps. J. Miller, First Principal; T. Brownlie, Second Principal; W. Bell, Third Principal; J. Loutitt, E.; J. Cameron, N.; A. A. Smith, T. Owing to there being only one installed Principal present, the installation was not proceeded with.

An emergency meeting of Chapter 50 was held on Wednesday, Sept. the 24th, when, owing to the absence from town of all three of the Principals, their chairs were filled by Comps. J. Duthie, Z. of 67, as Z.; G. W. Wheeler, H. of 73, as H.; and R. Chapman, as J. Amongst the visitors was Comp. W. Agnew, of Chapter 187, Belfast, who at the conclusion of the ceremonies said Comp. J. Kelly, who was over here last month, had reported so favourably of the Scotch Royal Arch working that he had long determined to come and see for himself, and, having done so, he must say that he was more than gratified, and only now wished to meet some of his Scotch friends in Belfast to return the obligation. Comp. Wheeler acknowledged the compliment, but said that night they had been working at a great disadvantage, most of the officers being new to their duties.

Royal Arch.

EDINBURGH.—*Edinburgh Chapter* (No. 1).—This flourishing chapter held its annual meeting for election and installation of office-bearers, in Comp. C. Dejay's Hotel, Princes-street, on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., when the following companions were duly elected and installed for the ensuing year, viz., W. Mann, S.S.C. 33°, Principal Z.; Alex. Mitchell, 31°, Principal H.; Geo. McLean, 30°, Principal J.; Alex. Hay, 31°, Past Principal Z.; P. R. Haddon, Scribe E.; W. Grant, Scribe N.; Alex. Hay, Treas.; D. Kinnear, I.P.M. No. 291, Chancellor; J. Taylor, P.M. 145 and 349, 1st Soj.; J. J. Muirhead, R.W.M. No. 1., 2nd Soj.; J. D. Wormald, R.W.M. 291, 3rd Soj.; R. S. Brown, R.W.M. 145, Excellent Master; R. Iegget, Capt. 1st Veil; W. J. C. Abbot, I.P.M. No. 1, Capt. 2nd Veil; J. Henderson, Capt. 3rd Veil, and Dan McLean, Janitor. Thereafter the companions celebrated the festival of the autumnal equinox by

a sumptuous banquet, provided in a most recherché style by Comp. Dejay, which was presided over by the M.E.P.Z. Comp. Hay, as Croupier. Among the companions present were S. Somerville, of Ampherlaw, 33°, Deputy Grand P.Z. of the S.G. R.A. Chapter of Scotland; L. Mackersey, W.S., 33°, Grand Scribe E. Do.; Major W. H. Ramsey, Grand Sword Bearer; Capt. Allen, S. Georgiales, W. Merricks, and others. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly given and responded to, interspersed with a number of excellent songs from several of the companions. After spending a very delightful evening, the companions separated, highly gratified with the whole of the evening's proceedings.

Mark Masonry.

PANMURE LODGE (No. 139).—The Installation meeting of this lodge was held on Monday, the 22nd ult., at the Balham Hotel, Balham, Bro. H. F. Huntley, P. Prov. G.S.B., W.M. presiding. The brethren in attendance were:—Bros. James Stevens, P.M., Prov. G.O. and Prov. G. Sec. Middlesex and Surrey; George Lilley, S.W.; H. Payne, S.O.; T. Poore, J.O.; R. W. Huntley, M.O.; C. Pulman, Reg. of Mks.; D. Trusler, J.D.; W. Poore, I.G.; William Platt, P.M. 5; H. Massey, P.M. 22; and others. Prior to the installation, Bro. Wm. Hefler, of the Southern Star Lodge, was introduced and advanced to the ancient and honourable degree of Mark Master by Bro. Huntley, who performed the ceremony in a masterly manner. Indeed the whole of the officers were efficient in their duties, and especially Bro. T. Poore, who took the Senior Deacon's share of the lodge work, and Bro. James Stevens, who was P.M. The admirable performances deserved to be witnessed by a fuller lodge than was gathered together on the occasion, and seldom is an opportunity afforded, in the many Mark Lodges which now exist, for witnessing such perfect working as was then given. At the conclusion of the ceremony of advancement Bro. James Stevens took the chair, and to him was presented by Bro. Huntley, Bro. George Lilley, the W.M. elect, and proprietor of the Balham Hotel, for installation in the Master's chair of the Panmure Lodge for the current year. This ceremony was also ably performed, and was a worthy companion exhibition of fluency and readiness to the advancement of the candidate, which was made by Bro. Huntley. The ceremonies were given entire and though from their great length they occupied a long time in being completed, were listened to with the strictest attention. The following were appointed by the W.M. as his officers:—Bros. T. Poore, S.W.; R. W. Huntley, J.W.; H. Payne, M.O.; C. Pulman, S.O., and Secretary; D. Trusler, J.O.; H. F. Huntley, I.P.M., Treasurer; Smith, Reg. of Marks; W. Poore, S.D.; Lindner, J.D.; W. Hefler, I.G.; and Grant, Tyler. The well-earned vote of a Past Master's jewel to Bro. Huntley, which was agreed to at the former meeting, was unanimously confirmed. The audit meeting was then fixed, and the lodge passed a vote of sorrow on the death of Bro. John Thomas, on the motion of Bro. Stevens seconded by Bro. T. Poore. The lodge was then closed, and Bro. Lilley, W.M., provided a banquet which met with the highest commendations of all the brethren who sat down to it, and special thanks were accorded at the conclusion of the evening to Mrs. Lilley, for her excellence in culinary supervision. The toasts were proposed and responded to seriatim. Bro. T. Poore responding for the Grand Officers of the province, and hoping to do justice to the appointment he held in the province. He added that he would do his duty both there and in the lodge, and would make every effort that was in his power to support the W.M. in the performance of the task which was laid out for him. Bro. James Stevens then proposed "The Health of the W.M.," and congratulated him on the attainment of his high position so rapidly; but though his promotion had been rapid, he said the lodge had made a good selection. Bro. Lilley had been known them all for a long time, and was one of the originators and founders of the lodge, which had to thank him for many

services rendered to it. Though its members were not numerous he had always entertained them liberally and made them very comfortable, and he deserved to have, and no doubt would have, a prosperous and pleasant year of office. His selection of officers was acknowledged to be a wise one by the large majority of the brethren, and with regard to the others, a little reflection would show them that he had studied the interests of the lodge rather than those of individuals. He had performed his duty in rather an exceptional manner, for he had not allowed any feelings of relationship to interfere with what he considered to be conducive to the welfare of the lodge. That was rather more than might be generally expected of a W.M., but it was an example which W.M.'s would do well to follow. The W.M. in acknowledging the toast said he did not feel worthy to hold the high position he had been placed in, but he could not refuse to accept it when it was pressed upon him. He would endeavour to carry out the duties of his year of office to the satisfaction of the brethren and to the honour of the Order. He could only thank the brethren for their confidence, and for the assistance they had rendered him in their advice as to the official appointments he should make. He certainly took no credit to himself for having made judicious appointments, for with one of them he had encountered considerable difficulty; but other brethren in the lodge more experienced than himself had seen what was a beneficial arrangement, and he was but too happy to be able to give effect to a selection which would make the Panmure Lodge one of the best worked lodges in the Mark Degree. The W.M. then proposed "The Health of the Visitors," to which Bros. Platt and Massey responded, both acknowledging the great hospitality of the lodge the superiority of the banquet provided, the perfect working of the I.P.M., of Bro. Stevens and of the W.M., and the pleasant evening which they had spent. Bro. James Stevens at the request of the W.M. proposed "The Candidate, Bro. W. Hefler," and pointed out the difference between this degree and the Craft in respect to the accession of members by solicitation. He also congratulated Bro. Hefler on his joining the Panmure Lodge, and on having had the great advantage of receiving office on the night of his advancement. Bro. W. Hefler thanked the brethren for the toast, for electing him a member, and for advancing him; the W.M. also for putting him into office. He promised regular attendance, but requested the aid of the brethren in his desire to obtain instruction in the ritual. The W.M. proposed "The Past Masters, Bros. Stevens and Huntley." Bro. James Stevens replied. They had reason to be much obliged to the W.M. who had consistently stuck to the lodge, and he with several others had supported it from the time they first took it in hand. In Mark Masonry, the brethren did not expect to make the strides they made in the Craft; but by giving their individual attention to their Mark Lodge, and being always present when work was to be done they had achieved a result which gave them every reason to believe that the Panmure had become an established lodge. It was not numerous in its members, but those it had were good workers. In the absence of quantity they possessed quality; and as long as they had sufficient members to pay their working expenses they need not regret they were not stronger than they were now. They were very comfortable, which was a great desideratum. Better to be few in number and harmonious, than numerous with the elements of disturbance among them. No doubt it would be more numerous when it was better known, and ultimately it might be a lodge of considerable credit to the Order at large, and especially to the Province of Surrey. Speaking for himself he could assure the brethren that he would always be present when possible, and nothing but sickness or very pressing emergency would keep him away. The W.M. then gave "The Health of the Officers," to which Bro. T. Poore replied, and the brethren shortly afterwards separated. The lodge and banquet-rooms were draped in consequence of the death of Bro. John Thomas, and the brethren refrained from enjoying the usual pleasure of music for the same reason.

Red Cross of Constantine.

EDINBURGH.—It affords us much pleasure to be able to speak of the progress of the Red Cross Order here, so much so that it has been deemed advisable to organise a second conclave, which has been chartered, the St. Giles's, No. 103. The members have secured the services of a very distinguished Sir Knight as their first Sovereign, in the person of Sir Knt. H. E. Jones, and the E.V.E. is also a well known and zealous Mason. They have already installed several eminent brethren in the district and apparently a prosperous future is before them. The "Edinburgh" Conclave, No. 4, resumed its meetings on the 23rd ult., under the presidency of its respected M. P. Sov., Ill. Sir Knt. C. G. C. Christie, when a goodly muster of Sir Knt. Companions assembled at roll call. After the routine business of the conclave was disposed of, the M.P.S. submitted a sketch of a banner, procured from Sir Knt. Kenning, which being highly approved of, a motion was carried unanimously that a banner be ordered without delay. The M.P.S. then presented a handsome donation towards defraying the expense thereof. It is very gratifying to be able to announce that in recognition of Sir Knt. Christie's services to the Order in Scotland, the Most Illustrious the Grand Sovereign, Earl Bective, has been pleased to appoint him Intendant General for Midlothian. The rank of Knight Grand Cross has also been conferred upon Sir Knt. R. S. Brown, an Hon. Sov. P.V., the indefatigable Recorder and one of the original members of No. 4.

Masonic Tidings.

SURREY MASONIC HALL COMPANY.—Messrs. Pain & Clark, of Buckingham-street, Strand, have been appointed Architects, in the place of the late Bro. John Thomas.

The Grand Council of the Illustrious Knights, K.H. 30°, will be held at the Masonic Hall, Golden-square, on Wednesday, 15th October. The agenda contains a list of fourteen candidates for advancement to the 30°.

The Victoria Club of Instruction, held at the Victoria Tavern, Lower-road, Rotherhithe, meets every Monday evening, at 8. p.m., Bro. Howes, P.M. Instructor.

An emergency meeting of the Great City Lodge, No. 1426, will be held at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street, E.C., on Friday, October 10th, at five o'clock, p.m., precisely, and the first regular meeting of the lodge on Saturday, October 11th, at three o'clock, p.m.

The consecration of the Mount Edgecumbe Lodge, No. 1446, took place on the 13th inst., at the Swan Tavern, Battersea, Bro. Hervey being the Consecrating Officer.

The fifteen sections will be worked in the Wellington Lodge of Instruction, No. 548, at the White Swan Tavern, High-street, Deptford, on Monday, the 20th October next, at 7 o'clock, p.m., by Bro. F. H. Pulsford, P.M. 1158, assisted by fifteen members of the Belgrave Lodge of Instruction No. 749.

Bro. Colonel Burdett moved, at the Richmond Select Vestry, on Tuesday, to oppose the application, of which notice had been given by the Star and Garter Hotel, for a music and dancing license. An amendment to oppose only the dancing license was moved by Mr. Burt, and carried by 12 votes against 6.

"THE POORER MASSES AND THE RICHER CLASSES" suffer alike at certain seasons from fever, diarrhoea, dysentery and similar ailments, which everybody knows, prevails in autumn, and it should be as well known, that these complaints can be safely and successfully subdued by Holloway's purifying preparations. Holloway's Ointment well rubbed over the entire abdomen, his pills taken internally, and his dietary rules strictly observed, embrace the domestic medical management of these diseases, which, when neglected weaken, if they fail to prove fatal. These remedies remove the causes of complaint from the system, and no sufferer whether his disease be chronic or acute, should despair till a trial has been given to these medicines, which will secure a safe deliverance from disease.—ADVT.

THE LATE BRO. JOHN THOMAS.

A numerous gathering of Freemasons assembled on Saturday, the 27th ult., in the large Board-room of the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, to take into consideration the best means of perpetuating the memory of the above-named lately deceased brother, and to appoint a committee to carry out the resolutions which such meeting might determine upon.

The chair was taken at 3 p.m. by Bro. Edward Worthington, P.M. 507, P.Z. 720, and amongst those present were:—Bros. James Stevens, P.M. 25, 720, 1216, and W.M. of the Great City Lodge, 1426, &c.; Henry C. Levander, P.M. 507, P.Z. 720, &c.; the Rev. W. B. Church, W.M. 165; R. Wentworth Little, P.M., P.Z., &c., Secretary Royal Masonic Institution for Girls; C. A. Cottebrune, G.P., &c.; Edward Clark, P.M. 1194, 1329, &c.; Newington Bridges, P.M. 772, W.M. 1216; M. S. Larham, S.D. 1216; G. Macdonald, 1158; N. B. Headon, S.W. 1426; D. Drysdale, P.M. 211; W. S. Cackett, 1216; D. R. Bryant, 1326; W. Mann, W.M. 1381, &c.; James Dann, W.M. 72; John Oliver, 1328; Dr. W. V. Bedolfe, 1328; Henry Martin, 1329; and many others. Letters of regret for non-attendance from Bros. John Hervey, Grand Secretary; Fred. Binckes, Secretary to Boys' School; J. Terry, Secretary of Benevolent Institution; George Kenning, Joseph Nunn, E. H. Hunt, S. C. Davison, Overall, Allman, and several other brethren were read.

The Chairman briefly addressed the meeting, stating the object for which the brethren were assembled, and expressed his conviction that all present were of one mind in regard to the propriety and necessity of recording for present and future generations of Freemasons, the good and noble works of the worthy and distinguished Mason whose loss they had so much reason to deplore. He had no doubt that a practical expression of such unanimity of feeling would result from the proceedings of the day, and would call upon Bro. James Stevens to move the first resolution.

Bro. Stevens said that the duty which now devolved upon him was one which for some reasons he would have preferred should have been undertaken by another, but which on other accounts he admitted was most appropriately his to perform, he having been the earliest of all present to enjoy the companionship and encouragement of our late lamented brother. For nearly 25 years, had the friendship, first formed by Masonic introduction, increased from year to year, and for all that period the same useful instruction, kindly advice, and generous actions which had so endeared him to all who now mourned his loss so much, it had been his (Bro. Stevens's) proud privilege to enjoy. And during that period what opportunities had been afforded to discover and appreciate the sterling good qualities, both social and Masonic, of our worthy departed! The true embodiment of "Brotherly love, relief, and truth," he never tired in the practical exemplification of those "three grand principles." The first was thoroughly portrayed in his earnest and sincere desire for the fullest instruction and progress of those who were glad to call him their preceptor, to whom he was at all times accessible, and with whom it was his delight to walk many miles, and to pass many hours in communicating to them a knowledge of our mystic art. His Stewardships to our several Charities, especially his devotion to the cause of the indigent aged and unfortunate, bore testimony to his regard for the second principle upon which our Order is founded; whilst his upright, courteous, and conscientious discharge of his social duties, no less than those which devolved upon him in his Masonic position, gave glorious evidence of his truthful nature. This was the character of the brother who has gone before us, at the comparatively early age of 65, and such the man whose memory it was now sought to appropriately honour. The brightness of such an example ought not to be allowed to dim whilst it was in the power of so many whom he had cheered and assisted to maintain its brilliancy by perpetuating the frequent recollection of his revered name. Truly, in many

places, in many breasts, such recollections will remain even without the aid of monumental record. The lodges he has himself founded, those he has so greatly assisted by his connection with them, the Masonic works with which he has been associated, will all cherish his memory; whilst individual Masons will, as they gain Masonic culture and position, remember him as the original promoter and cause of their zeal and assiduity. But beyond these there are many who have not had the privilege of personal acquaintance, yet have known our lamented brother by repute and the record of his good works; and also others, distinguished as zealous advocates of our Order, and who never lose an opportunity to promote its interests by placing bright examples before its members and bidding them to follow. It is to these three classes, those who knew him, those who have heard of him, and those who would see his like again, that Masonry should now look to preserve his name amongst us, that whilst, as we humbly hope and believe, he is reaping the reward of his good works, in the Grand Lodge above, his words and actions in this life may prove a guiding star to lead others to the same desired haven of peace and salvation. Bro. Stevens concluded by proposing the following resolution, viz., "That this meeting desires to express its sense of the deep loss which Freemasons have sustained by the lamented decease of Bro. John Thomas, P.M. of several lodges, and particularly the brethren of the South of London, to whom he had ever proved a dear friend and genial instructor." This was seconded by Bro. Newington Bridges, W.M. 1216, and carried unanimously.

Bro. H. C. Levander said that he fully endorsed the remarks of Bro. Stevens, and could add his testimony to the merits of the late Bro. Thomas. As, however, a lengthened speech could be but a reiteration of what had been already said, and those merits were so well known by all present, he should dispense with further preface and at once move, "That in order to perpetuate the memory of so good a Mason, a committee be formed for the purpose of raising a fund, the manner of disposal of which shall be hereafter determined by such committee, and of which disposal the subscribers shall have notice."

Bro. the Rev. W. B. Church seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed to.

It was then determined that the Committee should comprise all brethren then present, with the addition thereto of Bros. Joseph Nunn, P.M. 507; S. C. Davison, and E. H. Hunt, and with power to add further to their number, if considered necessary. The following were selected from the sub-committee for working the details of management, viz., Bros. E. Worthington, J. Stevens, H. C. Levander, Joseph Nunn, C. A. Cottebrune, N. B. Headon, W. V. Bedolfe, W. Mann, Edward Clarke, G. Macdonald, M. S. Larham, and W. B. Church.

Bro. Stevens proposed, Bro. Clarke seconded, and it was resolved, that the fund shall be called "The Thomas Memorial Fund."

Bro. Levander was elected Treasurer to the fund, and Bro. Joseph Nunn, the Secretary; and it was also resolved that the sub-committee be empowered to incur such expenses and take such steps, as they may deem advisable to give publicity to the undertaking. The meetings of the committee will be held at the Board room of the Surrey Masonic Hall Company. Subscriptions may be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, H. C. Levander, 30, North Villas, Camden Square, N.W., and communications to the Hon. Secretary, Bro. Joseph Nunn, the Triangle, Kennington Road, S.E.

Bro. Worthington, the Chairman, having first proposed that the thanks of the meeting be offered to the Board of General Purposes and the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Board room (which proposition was carried unanimously) expressed his gratification that the purposes of the meeting had been so cordially supported, and his anticipations that the fund proposed to be raised would be in full proportion to the merits of the departed brother.

The subscription list was opened, the whole of the brethren present subscribing thereto, and thanks having been voted to the Chairman, the meeting separated.

THE EMULATION LODGE OF IMPROVEMENT.

This excellent lodge of instruction dates its existence from the 2nd of October, 1823, and so highly were the founders and their mode of working appreciated that in the course of a few months they were joined by a considerable number of eminent brethren, many of whom had frequently assisted in the ceremonies at the Lodge of Reconciliation.* Amongst these latter may be included Bro. Edwards Harper, Grand Secretary, W. Longstaff, P.M. 407, and Peter Gilkes, P.M. 25, the first named brother having been Secretary to the Lodge of Reconciliation, while the two latter may be reckoned amongst the most earnest promulgators of our rites and ceremonies, as practised at that lodge. Bro. Gilkes soon became the Preceptor of the new lodge of instruction, and continued to hold that important office down to the time of his decease.

We believe the oldest member now living is Bro. W. Farnfield, P.A.G.S., who joined the lodge on the 10th of February, 1826, and although of late years he has refrained from taking an active part in the work at the weekly meetings, until prevented by his recent illness he was invariably to be found occupying the venerable post of father of the lodge at its annual Festivals, and we are sure our readers cordially join us in the wish that he may long continue to hold that distinguished position.

We hope at no distant period to present our readers with a more comprehensive history of this old established lodge of instruction, and to furnish them with the names of many other able and zealous brethren, who are entitled to the warmest gratitude of the English Craft for having assisted in preserving and handing down to us our beautiful lectures and ceremonies, with scarcely any variation, since they were first promulgated by the Lodge of Reconciliation. Our present object is to direct the attention of brethren in search of genuine Masonic knowledge (more especially such of them as are desirous of attaining proficiency in the different ceremonies) to the importance of attending this well regulated lodge of instruction. No doubt it will amply suffice for this purpose to give a brief sketch of the system of conducting the business, and the progress of the Lodge during the last few years.

The lodge is under the supervision of the Committee of General Purposes, who are selected from amongst the oldest and most experienced members, one of whom acts as Preceptor at each meeting.

The present committee consists of the following distinguished brethren, whose names are doubtless a sufficient guarantee of good order and regularity:—Bros. John Hervey, P.G.D. and G. Sec.; Thos. Fenn, P.A.G.D.C.; C. A. Murton, P.G.D.; A. A. Richards, P.G.S.; and A. Green, W.M. No. 7, Secretary. Bro. Hervey has filled the office of Treasurer to the Lodge for the last 26 years, during which period he has had the satisfaction of paying to the different Masonic charities from the funds of the Lodge upwards of £600. The ceremony of installation is worked on the first Friday in the month, from October to March inclusive. The number of brethren who joined the lodge in 1870 was 105; in 1871, 112; and in 1872, 116; while the attendance for the same period was as follows—in 1870, 114; in 1871, 133; and in 1872, 1573 (exclusive of the large gathering at the annual Festivals, when, as is well known, some two or three hundred brethren assembled), and we doubt not that the close of the current year will show a corresponding degree of prosperity.

* The "Lodge of Reconciliation" was constituted in 1813, in conformity with the Act of Union, and was composed of an equal number of brethren from the two Grand Lodges, for the purpose of effecting an uniformity of working, and arranging the future ceremonies of the Craft. These brethren brought their labours to a close in 1816, when the ceremonies, as proposed by them, received the sanction of the United Grand Lodge.

FRATERS ROSICRUCIANÆ SOCIETATIS
IN ANGLIA.

By command of the R. W. Chief Adept, C. Fitzgerald Matier, 9°, the fraters of the United College of Manchester, Liverpool, and the Northern Counties were summoned, on Saturday last, to the Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool, to assist in forming the M***** C*****. There were present R. W. Frater C. F. Matier, 9°, Chief Adept; Fraters G. Turner, 8°, Sub.-Adept; T. Entwistle, 6°, Celebrant; J. Kellett Smith, 7°, Treas. General; G. P. Brockbank, 5°, T. B., as First A.; J. R. Goepel, 4°; T. Clarke, J. Lloyd, &c. The M***** C***** was duly formed, after which the minutes were read and confirmed. Ballots were then taken for several aspirants to the grade of Zelator, and the following being in attendance were severally introduced, and, having passed the required tests, were received as fraters of the brotherhood:—T. Ashmore, J. Wood (of Liverpool), T. Wilson (Wigan), R. Harwood and J. W. Taylor (Bolton). The circle was afterwards dissolved, and the fraters adjourned to banquet.

CONSECRATION OF A ROYAL ARCH
CHAPTER AT ANERLEY.

One of those interesting ceremonies that only occur occasionally took place at the Thicket Hotel, Anerley, on Thursday last, when a new chapter—the Stanhope—was consecrated by that veteran amongst Freemasons, Comp. W. Watson, P.M.E.Z., ably assisted by Comp. A. P. Leonard, William Platt, Foxall, and several other companions, all of whom have held the distinguished office of M.E.Z. in other chapters.

The ceremony was performed with that solemnity which always distinguishes the consecrations presided over by Comp. Watson.

The consecration ceremony over, Comp. John Hart, P.M. of the Stanhope Lodge, No. 1269, was installed as M.E.Z., Comp. H. W. Lindens, P.M. Stanhope Lodge, as H., and Comp. Joseph W. Terry, P.M. West Kent Lodge, No. 1297, as J.; Comp. Underhill of the Stanhope Lodge was elected by the companions P.S.

The chapter having been closed in due form the companions adjourned to partake of a excellent banquet, which Comp. Laishman provided with his usual liberality; the pleasures of the evening were enhanced by some excellent singing by the companions, all of whom retired at an early hour, highly gratified with the prospect of success that appears to assist the new chapter.

Muttum in Parbo, or Masonic Notes and
Queries.

BENTVOGEL SOCIETY.

What was the initiation ceremony (commencing at a tavern, and ending next morning at the tomb of Bacchus) which was used by the Flemish painters at Rome, when a brother artist from their country was admitted into this society.—GEORGE MARKHAM TWEDDELL.

Original Correspondence.

THE LATE BRO. JOHN THOMAS,
To the Editor of *The Freemason*.

Dear Sir, and Brother,—

A meeting took place at the Board Room of the Grand Lodge on Saturday last to consider the subject of a testimonial to the memory of the late Bro. Thomas.

A committee and sub-committee were formed for the purpose of receiving subscriptions and performing the other duties which necessarily devolve on them.

It is indeed a fact not to be forgotten, especially by South London Freemasons, even amidst the hurry and bustle of life, that a man in many respects remarkable has passed away.

An architect by profession, he was to his professional friends a man of ability and sterling worth, to his neighbours in his general intercourse he was frank and generous, and each during his long residence among them could speak of him in the words of Pope:—

"An honest man close buttoned to the chin,
Broad cloth without and a warm heart within."
To the Masonic brother he was however far

more, and from his Masonic cradle, he was his friend, to teach him, to guide him, to allure him wisely in the way he should go.

Few who have not known Bro. Thomas with some degree of intimacy can understand the peculiar influence he exerted over all, even to the youngest brother, while his presence and personal influence rarely failed to banish discord, and restore harmony and peace, where, from any cause it had been disturbed. It is also most certain that amongst the hundreds and thousands to whom, in his long career he has been instructor and friend no one has ever been known to express other than feelings of love and devotion, those feelings they still retain, and still, as a dear possession,

"Treasure the looks they cannot find,

The words that are not heard again."

Yet it is not merely as a friend and teacher that Bro. Thomas will be remembered. To some of the more thoughtful he will be endeared as the traditional Masonic historian "par excellence" of his day.

Freemasons are often asked for some proofs of the antiquity to which they lay claim. Like all other municipal institutions, Freemasonry has a Roman origin, and although actual Roman institutions have been traditionally handed down almost to our day, or, as institutions, still exist, yet there is confessedly a difficulty in bridging over the gap which connects the Freemason of to-day with the *quasi* Masonic Institutions of former times. When, however, men, like our deceased friend, devote 30 years of life to its teachings, we can readily understand how a few such men in succession may bridge over a very long period of time, and hence how in times of ignorance and neglect it has come down through the highways and byeways of history.

How feelingly and lovingly does Sir Walter Scott describe his "Old Mortality" as consecrating his life to the memory and history of those he held dear, and who indeed was a greater "Old Mortality" than Sir Walter Scott himself? Guizot, in referring to this very creation of our unrivalled novelist, declares that it is by such means chiefly that the history of past times has descended to our day. "We have heard with our ears, and our fathers have told us" is even in the bible the seal of truth. How deeply interesting indeed would be a book written on such men, of whom we may consider Bro. Thomas as a type, and we rejoiced that he has raised up a school not likely readily to forget either his practice or his doctrines. Of this great truth the first testimonial meeting at the Grand Lodge gave evidence.

W. VINER BEDOLFE,
S.W. 1329.

"SPIRITUALISM."

(To the Editor of *The Freemason*.)

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Although the columns of *The Freemason* do not seem to be exactly the locality wherein to seek a discussion on what is known as "spiritualism," still as the subject has been partly ventilated there, may I trespass on your space with a few remarks.

I have been interested in the matter for some years, and have had various opportunities of investigating the alleged phenomena. In the course of my examination, I have met with quite enough to restrain me from endorsing the assertion that what is known as Spiritualism is either a delusion or an imposture.

So much for my personal experience, which, as I put it, must be taken as at least "negative evidence." Looking at the subject generally, and knowing what is stated of many of the phenomena, and by whom, I see no rational conclusion than that those phenomena are proved facts.

Much of the confusion that exists in judging of this, as of other matters, arises probably from ignoring the distinction between two kinds of evidence, the direct, and the secondary description.

When our Bro. Carpenter asserts that his belief in the phenomena is based upon what has spontaneously occurred in his own residence, no one being present but his wife and himself, the

evidence he tenders is both direct and secondary, direct as regards himself, and in consequence he knows the facts to be true, secondary as received by others, and valued by them in proportion to their belief in his veracity and power of impartial judgment.

In every-day life we are compelled to accept and act on secondary evidence. For example. If two men walking in the street see a third man steal a purse, and he be given into custody, they know him to be the thief, but the magistrate who sentences him to the punishment provided for the offence, does so because he believes him to be guilty on the statement of those who were witnesses to the act. Bearing in mind the number, character and capabilities of those who have come forward to attest of their own knowledge the genuineness of what are called spiritual phenomena, if we deliberately reject their accumulated testimony and ascribe the facts they affirm to be true, to either delusion or deceit, I would like to learn on what principle we should accept any secondary evidence on any subject, and I would suggest to the rejectors that logically carried out, their scepticism would apply to subjects that possibly they might consider it profanity to doubt.

Bro. Buchan, in last week's number, deals very fairly with the subject, basing his argument on his own personal experience. I for one would prefer explaining admitted facts by known laws, but if all the facts stated by spiritualists be true, I see no theory but that of spiritualism to cover them all.

It is a very different thing for clever illusionists to imitate phenomena under circumstances provided by themselves, and for a medium to produce those phenomena, in a strange locality, under test conditions, and surrounded by watchful and suspicious sceptics. Professional media are almost always regarded with suspicion, and it is probably better that it should be so. If their powers are real, test conditions will help to prove their reality, if they assist the phenomena designedly, the sooner they are found out the better for the cause of truth, and the less likely others may follow the example.

I say nothing now of the teachings of Spiritualism, in their detail. One serious objection to "Circle Sitting," is the avidity with which some inquirers seem to take in as gospel truth, any statement purporting to come from spirit sources, apparently forgetting both the precept "Believe not every spirit, but try the spirits," and the assertion, "that in the last days some shall depart giving heed to seducing spirits." The spiritual theory of future existence, rightly understood, seems to be both philosophical and rational, which is more than can be said of some of the teachings of "Orthodoxy" as expounded by the Churches.

In conclusion, I may allude to the fact well known to those interested in the subject, that what is called "Spiritualism" in one shape or other, is making great progress in general society. Few "outsiders" have any notion of the extent to which it has become acclimatized within the last few years, and some of these fine days when the clergy wake up, and possibly find it their duty to preach down the heresy, they will be somewhat startled to find how much it has undermined their "cut and dry" theology.

With all the rubbish associated with its investigation, and encumbered though it be with tremendous proportion of "twaddle" and nonsense, there is something in it that seems to commend it to the spirit of the age, and it would be well if those who assume to be the teachers of the people, would do their duty by honestly investigating it, and endeavouring to separate the wheat from the chaff in the phenomena and their inferences.

Fraternally yours,

JOSEPH H. WOODWORTH.

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COSMOPOLITAN CALENDAR, DIARY AND
POCKET BOOK FOR 1874.

We have forwarded, addressed to the Secretaries of every Lodge, a form that requires to be filled in, to show any alterations and additions that may be needed for the *Cosmopolitan Calendar, Diary and Pocket Book for 1874*. As the Calendar will be published early this month, it is respectfully requested that the form may be filled in at once, and returned to the Publisher, George Kenning, 198, Fleet-street.

The latest time for receiving corrections will be October 4th.

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Answers to Correspondents.

The following communications stand over:—J. S.; W. C.; W. P. B.; K.

A Report of the Laying of the Foundation Stone of a New College at Knutsford, by the Rt. Hon. Lord De Tabley, R.W. Prov. G.M. Cheshire, will be given next week.

REMITTANCE RECEIVED.

A. Magnussen, Wisconsin, U.S.A., P.O.O. 11/7.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

MARRIAGE.

BLAMPHON—WHITE.—On Sept. 24th, at St. Mary's Church, Edge-hill, Liverpool, by the Rev. J. Turnbull, Bro. James Newbery Blampkin, of Lodge 667, Liverpool, Professor of Music, to Emma, eldest daughter of Thomas White, Esq., formerly of that town.

LIVERPOOL THEATRES, &c.

Week ending October 11.

ROYAL ALEXANDRA THEATRE, Lime-street.—Lessee Bro. E. Saker. Miss Bateman in "Bitter Fruit."

ROYAL AMPHITHEATRE, Great Charlotte-street.—Lessee Bro. H. Leslie. "The Wandering Heir."

PRINCE OF WALES THEATRE, Clayton-square.—Lessee Mr. Sefton Parry. Burnand's Burlesque, "Kiss Kiss."

THEATRE ROYAL, Williamson-square.—Lessee, Bro. De Frezee. "Grand Duchess."

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The Freemason,

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1873.

THE PHILADELPHIA MASONIC
TEMPLE.

We called attention in our last impression to the new Masonic Temple, erected in Philadelphia, by our Pennsylvanian brethren, and as the subject is still fresh in our memories, and it may interest our English brotherhood to realise what is going on in America in our common Craft, we have thought it well to recur to the subject to-day. We have been favoured, moreover, by a brother in England, with the detailed account of the building, which follows, and which we feel persuaded will be gladly perused by all those who, like ourselves, ever feel that Masonry is both one and universal, and that what affects and advances the Order in America, must also affect and advance it amongst us in this great home of pure and true Masonry.

We give, then, the following extract from the *New York Weekly Herald*, in extenso, as we think that any pruning of its flowing words would only serve to weaken instead of strengthening the general description, and we wish our brethren to receive their impressions of this great and genuine American enterprise from a purely American source.

All we can do is to wish sincerely all prosperity to the new Masonic Temple, and to those who shall from time to time perpetuate our mysteries or carry out our kindly teachings amid the graceful and gorgeous halls of this great Masonic Temple.

To use the words of an ancient formulary, "May the blessing of the Great Architect of the Universe rest upon all the assemblies of Freemasons, within those consecrated walls, and on all the regular meetings of Freemasons throughout the world."

"The Masonic brotherhood of the Quaker City are making extraordinary preparations for the dedication of their magnificent temple in Broad-street. Invitations have been extended to every lodge throughout the country, and many delegates are expected from France, Germany, and England.

The jubilee attending its completion will commence on the 25th of September, and will be kept up until the evening of the 27th.

"The dedicatory ceremonies will be conducted by the Grand Master of the State of Pennsylvania, assisted by the Masters and subordinates of other lodges, and it is estimated that 100,000 members of the mystic tie will participate in the festivities.

"The temple is now in an advanced state of completion, and from its immense size and imposing style of architecture is one of the most conspicuous public buildings in the city. Much has been said by New Yorkers and Bostonians in praise of their respective Masonic temples, but it is now generally conceded that the Philadelphia

structure far surpasses, both as respects size, cost, and beauty. It will make two of that at Boston, and is a third larger than the temple in Sixth avenue and Twenty-third-street. It is of such an immense size, and is filled with so many lodge, chapter, and commandery rooms, that to those uninitiated it is almost a labyrinth. As it has never been fully described, a running sketch may not be amiss, as it gives evidence that the Masons throughout the country are on the high road to prosperity, and as a brotherhood are marching on in irrepressible phalanxes to success. It is composed entirely of finely-dressed granite of a whitish lead-coloured tint, is 250 feet in length, is 150 feet wide, and is three lofty stories in height. The ground upon which it is built, in Broad-street, near Market, together with the structure, cost upwards of twelve hundred thousand dollars.

"The architecture of the building is a combination of the old and new schools admirably blended, and is pleasing to the eye. Its three unique towers, reaching heavenward, can be seen from the four quarters of the compass, and are as conspicuous landmarks to the Philadelphians as the Herald building is to those of the Long Island and Jersey shores. The inner masonry alone involved the consumption of 10,000,000 bricks, and the number of cubic feet of granite in the outer walls, if known, would probably to the reader seem fabulous.

"The main entrance, in Broad-street, is of the Venetian style of architecture, and resembles perfectly the doorway to St. Mark's, at Venice. Once inside, the magnitude and beauty of the edifice becomes apparent. Broad and massive stairways, richly carved pillars, and heavy and peculiarly shaped doors and cornices of the Norman and Gothic pattern, with carved Masonic cabalistic signs in each, afford to the uninitiated unlimited sources of wonder and conjecture.

"The main hall upon entering is twenty feet wide from end to end, and 250 feet in length. The floors of this hall and of all the halls and passages on both this and the principal floor above are laid with black and white marble tiles, in patterns, with borders, and there is a continuous wainscoting, four feet in height, of the finest Lisbon marble, highly polished, to the various halls.

"Two magnificent stairways lead to the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter-rooms, lodge halls, and the asylum of the Commandery. The Grand Secretary's and Grand Treasurer's, and the Grand Lodge library, and numerous other offices are situated on the right and southern side of the main hall. Walking to the north-east corner of the structure, the suite of rooms of the Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania is encountered. They are three in number, and consist of a reception, private Secretary's, and his own room, all of which are elaborately fitted up, and would charm Solomon himself, could he but once have an opportunity of reclining in one of the richly carved divans and surveying the architect's and masons' handiwork.

"Among the numerous apartments none attract more attention than the Egyptian Hall. It is a marvel of massive grandeur and solidity, with twelve elephantine columns extending

around the hall, and are fac-similes of those in the principal temples on the Nile. Each of the walls of the hall is divided by columns, which stand clear of it, into five sections, all of which are enriched with panel decorations, consisting of variegated borders. The Master is well provided for in this hall, as his throne or chair is of the richest and most imposing description. His pedestal, contrary to the conventional Masonic rule, is placed at the right of the throne, thus giving him an unobstructed view of his brethren. It is flanked on either side by two mysterious looking Sphinxes, who gaze with a solemn air of authority upon the surroundings. This hall has a seating capacity for 250 persons.

"Wandering around among the labyrinthian passages of this huge pile of mortar a curiously carved door, with symbolic decorations, is met in the north-east corner of the principal floor. Once thrown open the interior of the Norman Hall is visible. This is a large apartment, richly wainscotted, and is furnished with quaint and substantial styles of furniture. It is well ventilated, and has accommodation for over one hundred persons.

"Not a great distance from this is the Ionic Hall. Its style is pure, graceful and elegant, but unelaborate. Its natural ventilation is perfect, by its exposure on two sides by numerous windows to the open air. Its furniture is composed exclusively of wood, and the beauty of the room is further enhanced by twenty odd marble columns, carved and plain, which extend around its walls. It is seventy-five feet long by fifty feet wide, and is thirty feet high.

"Next in dimensions and beauty of design is the banqueting hall, on the north side of the structure. This hall is 150 feet in length, by 50 feet in breadth, and will seat comfortably upwards of five hundred persons. It will be used during the dedicatory ceremonies, and is now being rapidly overhauled. The sixteen unique columns that stretch through it in pairs give it a grand aspect, and when its heavily carved tables groan beneath the bountiful repast that will be spread for the distinguished guests, and its immense chandeliers are illumined, it will show off to greater advantage. The cuisine department of this hall is located in the basement beneath, and for size and appointments will compare favourably with the largest hotels in the country.

"Next in point of interest to the body Masonic as well as the stranger, is the Grand Lodge Hall. Every feature of this large chamber is of interest, from its massive columns down to the heavily tiled floor of marble. Its architectural style throughout is purely Corinthian, the distinguishing feature of which is the deep and polished capital, together with a larger cornice than is observed in the other orders. Its dimensions are in keeping with the purposes for which it was designed, its length being 107 feet, height 50 feet, and width 51 feet. The ventilation and light are admirable. The furniture will be rich, and will consist of walnut and cedar chairs, divans, &c., covered with blue velvet. The facades of the east and west of the chamber are decorated with ornaments representing vessels of corn, wine and oil, and over the grand east, standing out in bold relief, is the inevitable

square and compass. Over the grand south and grand west is the sun at high noon and shedding his parting rays at eventide.

"Another and beautiful feature of the Temple is the Asylum of Commanderies, which is located at the east end of the principal floor. It is of the Gothic style of architecture, and is, without a doubt, one of the handsomest apartments in the Temple. It is reached by two stairways, which lead to a vestibule, where are placed fountains, which will flow ice water in its season. The Gothic Hall, the Red Cross or Council Chamber, the central main hall, north-west hall, regalia room, oriental hall, and the Grand Lodge library, are splendidly arranged apartments, both as regards size, fitting up and their styles of architecture. They will soon be thrown open to the public, and then will remain closed until the grand event, (the dedication) rolls round.

"On the evening of September 25th there will be a grand Templar tourney in the Temple, and the Grand Lodge banquet will come off on the 26th."

LAYING THE FOUNDATION STONE OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTH SHIELDS.

On Monday, 18th September, the interesting ceremony of laying the corner stone of a new church in the recently constituted district of St. Mark's, South Shields, took place in presence of a large concourse of people, and the fact that permission had been obtained from the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master, Bro. John Fawcett, to lay the stone with complete Masonic ceremony, invested the event with more than ordinary interest and importance.

The district of St. Mark's was constituted by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in February last, previous to which time the large and powerful neighbourhood embracing Green Street, St. Cuthbert Street, and the many thickly inhabited thoroughfares situated to the South of them, were included in the district of Holy Trinity.

The present incumbent, the Rev. D. W. Evans, took charge of the district in 1868, at which time the congregation worshipped in a small upper room above two cottages in Cambridge-street, where mission services had been commenced a short while previously. Mr. Evans soon made himself acquainted with the district, and finding an extensive field of some 3,000 people in which to labour, he resolved upon increasing his opportunities of ministering to the spiritual welfare of the district by providing a more accessible and comfortable place in which to hold service.

After considerable exertions, he was enabled to erect an elegant iron church on some vacant ground near Victoria Street; and subsequently he added to the church a comfortable little infant school.

The school accommodation in the neighbourhood was defective, and in order to utilise the available erections for educational purposes, the church was also used as a day school during the week.

The success which had thus far rewarded the Rev. Mr. Evan's untiring zeal induced him to promote the scheme of having erected a substantial church suitable in all respects to the requirements of that part of the borough. The movement met with a hearty response, the Rev. R. Green generously offered a suitable site, close to the iron church, valued at £500, and the Ecclesiastical Commissioners also contributed liberally.

The plans of the proposed church were prepared by Messrs. Robert Clark and Son, Nottingham, who designed the edifice to accommodate 500 people, the building being in the early decorated style of architecture. The total cost of the erection is estimated at £4,000,

towards which £3,000 has been already raised. The contract for the building has been entrusted to Mr. Edmund Suddards, builder, South Shields.

The Rev. D. Evans, being a member of the mystic brotherhood, solicited to have the stone of his new church laid according to the rites and customs of the ancient Order, and to this request the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master, Bro. John Fawcett, gave a willing consent, and called a special meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Durham, to be held in the Mechanics' Hall, South Shields, in order to enable the brethren of the province to lay the stone in due Masonic formula.

When it was known that the ceremony was likely to be of so imposing a nature, no small amount of interest was manifested by the people of the district, and great anxiety was felt respecting the chances of the day proving favourable or otherwise. Fortunately, however, the weather was, in spite of the strong wind that blew from the north-west, on the whole exceedingly favourable.

The Provincial Grand Lodge assembled in the Mechanic's Hall, Ocean Road, at one o'clock, the chair being occupied by R.W. Bro. Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., M.P., D.P.G.M., who was appointed Acting Provincial Grand Master, in the absence of Bro. John Fawcett, Esq., R.W.P.G.M., who was fulfilling a prior engagement with Lord De Tabley, R.W.P.G.M. of Cheshire.

The lodge having been opened in due form, the officers and brethren formed themselves into procession, and marched up King Street, across the Market Square, and round by the Station Bank, to the site of the new church.

The entire route of the procession was lined with spectators, and many of the tradespeople, in honour of the occasion, added to the effect by displaying flags, banners, and bunting from their premises, and at two or three more prominent points in the route streamers of bunting were stretched across the street.

At the neighbourhood of the stone, and within the spacious enclosure, there were immense numbers of people gathered. Within the enclosed space there would not be less than 2,000 ladies and gentlemen; but though the crowds were so great, perfect order was maintained, a posse of the borough force, under Mr. Superintendent Richardson, assisting in preventing the people from crowding too near the stone.

Among the clergy and the general public at the stone were:—Rev. D. Evans, R. Green, G. E. Sharland, W. Ede, H. Morton, E. L. Butcher, T. N. Roberts, P. H. Moor, Dr. Hoopdell, John Coulson, M. Graham, J. J. Taylor, A. A. Philpotts, A. Dyce, W. Bulmer, J. Cator, J. Battle, W. B. Houldley, W. Bennet, Edwin Jones, H. O. Sterland, John King, Charles Green, Henry Bishop, W. Wilson, H. S. Hicks, G. E. Greak, J. Bee, J. Hooper, J. J. Day, T. Featherstone, James Sunter, and the Mayor and Mayoress (Mr. Ald. and Mrs. T. Glover), Mr. J. M. Moor (Town Clerk), and Mrs. Moor, George Elliott, Esq., M.P., Mr. J. White. On arriving at the enclosure within which the imposing and interesting ceremony was to be performed, the brethren of the Mystic Craft opened to the right and left, making an avenue up which the acting Provincial Grand Master passed, preceded by the P.G. Sword Bearer and the other Provincial Grand Officers. The Provincial Grand Master having taken up his proper position beside the corner stone to be laid with such ceremonial, the proceedings proper were inaugurated by St. Mark's choir singing the "Old Hundred" in a very impressive manner. Bro. Rev. Robert Green then stepped forward and presented the trowel—which was of richly chased silver, and mounted in a fine ivory handle—to the Right Worshipful Bro. Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., M.P. In doing so, the Rev. Brother said he had to thank Sir Hedworth Williamson and the brethren of the ancient Craft for their presence. The trowel bore the following inscription:—"Presented to Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., M.P. on the occasion of his laying the foundation-stone of St. Mark's Church, South Shields, Sept. 18, 1873." The upper and lower stones having been previously prepared, the upper one was raised, and the Provincial Grand

Chaplain (Bro. Rev. C. D. Trotter, P.M.), delivered up an appropriate prayer, on the conclusion of which Bro. W. H. Crookes, P. G. Secretary, read the following inscription on the brass plate which was deposited in the stone:—"St. Mark's Church, South Shields. To the eternal glory of God, the Great Architect of the Universe, and in the faith of Jesus Christ, the corner stone of the above Church was laid with the formalities of Craft Masonry, by Bro. Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., M.P., D.P.G. M., on the 18th day Sept., A.L. 5873, A.D. 1873, and 37th year of the reign of Queen Victoria. Charles Baring, D.D., Bishop of Durham; Rev. David Evans, first incumbent; Rev. Robert Green, donor of site; Robert Clark and Son, Nottingham, architects; Edmund Suddards, South Shields, builder." This was followed by the Provincial Grand Master commanding Bro. G. W. White, P.M. 240, acting P.G. Treasurer, to deposit the phial, containing various coins, and also copies of that morning's daily papers, &c., in the cavity of the lower stone, over which the plate above mentioned was placed. These formalities having been duly performed, the two stones were then duly adjusted and cemented together, the band the while performing with great solemnity "To Thee, O Lord." The acting Provincial Grand Master having, according to the formula of the Order, proved the stone properly adjusted by the plumb rule, level, and square, he declared the stone duly laid. The ancient ceremony of pouring corn, wine, and oil over the stone was then duly performed by Bro. Sir Hedworth Williamson, who said as he did so "I strew this stone with corn, I strew this stone with wine, I strew this stone with oil." The Provincial Grand Chaplain offered up another prayer, at the close of which the acting Provincial Grand Master inspected and approved of the plans of the new building, and formally handed them to the architect for his guidance. The elaborate and highly interesting ceremonial having been thus duly and most satisfactorily performed,

Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., M. P., mounted the stone amid great cheering, and said: If even custom did not require him to offer a few remarks upon the successful conclusion of that very interesting ceremony, common courtesy would require him to thank the numerous assembly for their attendance there that day. He was sure that he echoed the sentiments of all the brethren who had assisted him during the ceremony, and also the wishes of the public generally, when he hoped that the beginning ceremony in connection with the erection of St Mark's Church was but an omen of its future career. The object of the church was to alleviate the spiritual want there was in that increasing district—a want that must be felt in all increasing labouring populations, such as were found in populous manufacturing towns like South Shields; and it must be gratifying to all present, as it had been to himself, to be present to assist Bro. Rev. D. Evans, the first incumbent of the district, in so noble and good a work; but when that work is allied to one through their Fraternity an additional feeling of gratification was felt. As all the brethren of the Craft were aware, in their Order they allowed of no difference or distinction as regards religious opinions. Within their lodges no such difference existed, but all thoughts and such causes of discord were banished, and it would be well if the different Christian sects in England would take a lesson from the humble brethren of the Masonic Craft. The erection of the church was to relieve a want now being felt in Shields, and in no way could the principle of Masonry be carried out in a better or nobler way than in inaugurating a building to be devoted to the worship of the Great Architect of the Universe, whom all, whether brother Masons or not, are bound to reverence and adore, and before whose presence they all must soon appear. The R.W. P.G. Master concluded by calling upon the brethren to exercise one great principle of the order—viz., charity—by their contributions to the building fund. A collection was then taken at the stone, amounting to £58, after which the brethren re-formed in procession, and marched back to the Mechanics' Hall, where the Provincial Grand Lodge was closed in due form.

In the afternoon a public banquet was held at the Golden Lion Hotel (Mr. Burchby's), King street, South Shields, where upwards of 200 ladies and gentlemen sat down to a sumptuous repast. The chair was occupied by Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., M.P., who was supported on the right by Mr. George Elliot, M.P., Mrs. Evans, Mr. M. Palmer, Mr. Ald. Glover, the Mayor of South Shields, &c.; and on the left by the Rev. Robert Green, Mr. J. C. Stevenson, M.P., Mrs. Bennet, Miss Bennet, Mr. A. Clint, Liverpool, Mr. Wm. Anderson, J.P., Mr. John Green, Dr. Robson, &c. Among others present were the clergy and brethren who were present at the laying of the foundation-stone.

The Chairman gave "The Queen and the Prince and Princess of Wales and the rest of the Royal Family."

Mr. F. A. Clint next gave "The Bishop and Clergy of all Denominations," and in doing so paid a well-deserved compliment to the perseverance and zealous labours of the Rev. D. Evans, to whose energy it was due that they had laid the foundation-stone of St. Mark's that day.

The Rev. Robert Green, who was cordially received, responded.

The Chairman proposed "The Army, Navy, and the Volunteers," and in doing so said that it was customary to say that the army had done its duty in the past, and would do so in the future; but during the past few days a small war had sprung up which he was afraid would tax the energies and the patience of their gallant soldiers, and a war in which the gallant soldiers could get little or no glory. Yet the war, though small, would have to be carried out, because no insult to the British flag could be allowed to pass unnoticed. They would all hope that the war would be short and successful, and he was sure that the brave men had the sympathies of all Englishmen in the trials they would have to endure in the pestilential climate they had gone to.

Lieut. Col. Palmer, in rising to respond, was warmly received. He said that he had for some years made navy vessels a peculiar study, and whenever he had an opportunity he visited vessels of war to whichever navy they belonged, and he could certainly say that the British navy was not only second to none, but was superior to any. (Hear, hear, and applause.) With respect to the war in which they had embarked, he could say that in spite of the very unhealthy climate the soldiers had to encounter, the officers and men were volunteering to go and defend the honour of the British flag—(hear, hear, and applause)—and determined that the flag should come out triumphantly. After referring to the increasing efficiency of the volunteers, the gallant Colonel again thanked the company for the honour they had done him.

Mr. Wallis, briefly and in complimentary terms, proposed "The Health of the Rev. D. Evans, incumbent of St. Mark's," which was received with applause.

The Rev. D. Evans responded in suitable terms, and thanked the people for the support they had given him, and thanked his Masonic brethren for their presence and assistance.

Mr. W. Anderson proposed "The County and Borough Members."

Mr. G. Elliot, M.P., who was warmly cheered, after thanking the company for his enthusiastic reception, said that though he was too late to join in the Masonic procession, he had taken the opportunity to visit the vicinity where it was intended to erect the very handsome church, and he was so convinced of the great necessity for such a work being carried out that he felt greatly impelled to say to Mr. Evans, "You may add £100 to my subscription." (Applause.) He thought that Mr. Evans's great success was due in no small measure to the fact that he had combined the education of the young with his other work. (Applause.) He hoped that within twelve months the noble church would be completed. One thing he felt convinced, it would not be stopped for want of money. If more were wanted, their friends need not hesitate to appeal again to him. (Applause.) Having referred to the arduous duties of a member of the House of Commons, he said he

always tried to do his duty to his constituents. (Applause.)

Major J. C. Stevenson, M.P., who was loudly applauded, briefly responded, and paid a high compliment to the zeal and industry of the Rev. Mr. Evans, and mentioned the pleasure he had in assisting the rev. gentleman in his negotiations with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

Several other toasts followed, and in the evening a grand concert was held in the Mechanics' Hall, South Shields, where there was a numerous company, the chair being occupied by Mr. J. C. Stevenson, M.P. The choirs of St. Mark's and the principal members of the choir of Durham Cathedral took part in the concert.

HISTORICAL NOTES ON SCOTCH LODGES.—No. I.

By D. MURRAY LYON.

GLASGOW KILWINNING, No. 4.

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In accordance with a custom inaugurated by Mother Kilwinning towards the end of the 17th century, and followed in after years by other lodges, Glasgow Kilwinning began at a very early stage of its existence to grant commissions to make Masons. The following is a copy of a letter of authority to work in Edinburgh:—

"Dearly beloved brother,—Your letter to us of the 30th of last April, praying for a power to receive and admit Masons and members of Glasgow Kilwinning, being read at our monthly meeting of May, it was unanimously resolved to comply with your request. In consequence of which resolution you are vested with power, privilege, and authority from us, as we do hereby give you full power, privilege, and authority to receive and admit all such of a worthy and honest character as shall apply to you to be received and admitted members of Glasgow Kilwinning; and this we authorise you to do, though at a distance from our lodge. Provided always and with this restriction that no brother or brethren shall be admitted or received under the name of Glasgow Kilwinning till he or they shall pay the sum of twenty seven shillings and six pence sterling, as the *ordinar* and usual charge stipulated and appointed by our rules and regulations as the expense to be paid by every brother who shall be admitted. At same time, you are required pointedly and exactly to make remittance of such sums of money as you shall receive for the admission of a member or members, and that per first post or other opportunity after such admission or admissions, and you are at the same time to send the name and designation of every new brother, with the date of his admission, so as he may be enrolled in our books. As we are well convinced of your abilities, we think it now necessary to put you in mind of charges and instructions to be given the young intrants. We therefore only add that we wish you, as a dear brother, all spiritual and temporal blessings in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen. These presents, retaining a power at our pleasure to revoke and repeal them, are given at our Lodge of Glasgow Kilwinning, and sign'd and seal'd with our seals, the 23rd of July, in the year of our Lord, 1741, and of Masonry 5741. Sic. Subr., George Murdoch, Glasgow Kilwinning, William Clark, S.W.; Jno. Hamilton, p. J.W. To our worthy and well beloved brother John Cumming."

In 1817 a member residing in Hamburg reported that with the assistance of some German Masons he had entered two Scotchmen to Glasgow Kilwinning. The lodge indorsed the act, and instructed the brother to be careful to remit the entry-money of any future intrant he should admit.

[Notes on No. 4 will be concluded in the next of the present series of papers.]

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COSMOPOLITAN MASONIC CALENDAR.

We wish to draw the attention of our numerous readers to the advertisement of the Cosmopolitan Masonic Calendar, Diary, and Pocket-book for 1874.

Among the many valuable additions made in the issue for the coming year, we may mention that the London meetings of every degree appear in the memorandum space of each day, the country lodges in towns, alphabetically arranged.

The Charge and Entered Apprentice's Song, have also been added.

We feel assured that this year's issue will prove of far greater value than any of its predecessors.

The editor of the "Bauhütte" has founded at Florence an establishment for the sale of German and English books. We have much pleasure in introducing the same to the notice of our many readers who may visit the fair city, feeling assured that they will meet with every attention from those in charge. The address is—Messrs. Flor and Findel, German and Foreign Booksellers, 24, Lung Arno Arriagoli, Florence, Italy.

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS.

For the Week ending Friday, October 4, 1873.

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

Saturday, October 4.

General Committee, Boys' School, at Freemasons' Hall, at 4.

Lily Lodge of Instruction (820), Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, Surrey.

Star Lodge of Instruction (1275), Marquis of Granby, New Cross-road, at 7; Bro. C. G. Dilley, Preceptor.

Monday, October 6.

Lodge 25, Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall.

" 69, Unity, London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street.

" 72, Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.

" 144, St. Luke's, Masons' Hall, Masons'-avenue.

" 188, Joppa, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.

" 1319, Asaph, Freemasons' Hall.

Chap. 28, Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall.

" 174, Sincerity, Cheshire Cheese Tavern, Crutched Friars.

" 1056, Victoria, Masons' Hall, Basinghall-street.

Mark Lodge, No. 22, Southwark, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.

Strong Man Lodge of Instruction (45), Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's-gate, Clerkenwell, at 8; Bro. Beckett, 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's Union Lodge of Instruction (180), Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street (opposite the Pantheon), Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. J. R. Stacey, Preceptor.

Wellington Lodge of Instruction, White Swan Tavern, Deptford, at 8; Bro. C. G. Dilley, P.M. 11.55, Preceptor.

St. John of Wapping Lodge of Instruction (1306), Gun Tavern, High-street, Wapping, at 8; Bro. T. Mortlock, Preceptor.

West Kent Lodge of Improvement (1297), St. Saviour's College, Stansted-road, Forest-hill, at 7.30; Bro. H. W. Lindus, Preceptor.

Tuesday, October 7.

Colonial Board at 3.

Lodge 7, Royal York Lodge of Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall.

" 9, Westminster and Keystone, Freemasons' Hall,

" 101, Temple, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.

" 172, Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall.

" 217, Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.

" 765, St. James's, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.

" 1257, Grosvenor, Caledonian Hotel, Adelphi.

" 1259, Duke of Edinburgh, New Globe Tavern, Bow-road.

" 1298, Royal Standard, Marquess Tavern, Canonbury.

" 1381, Kemington, Surrey Tavern, Kemington-oval.

" 1397, Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley.

Varborough Lodge of Instruction, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8. Bro. Barnes, P.M., Preceptor.

Metropolitan Chapter of Instruction, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7; Comp. Brett, Preceptor.

Domestic Lodge of Instruction, Palmerston Tav., Grosvenor-park, Camberwell, at 8.

Faith Lodge of Instruction, Refreshment Rooms, Victoria-st. (opposite Westminster Palace Hotel), at 8; Bro. C. A. Cotterburne, Preceptor.

Prince Fredk. William Lodge of Instruction (753), Lord's Hotel, Lord's Cricket Ground, St. John's-wood, at 8; Bro. F. G. Baker, Preceptor.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, King Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.30; Bro. J. Saunders, Preceptor.

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.

Constitutional Lodge of Instruction (55), Wheatsheaf Hotel, Hand-court, Holborn, at 7; Bro. J. R. Stacey (P.M. 180), Preceptor.

Wednesday, October 8.

Committee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 3.

Lodge 3, Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall.

" 13, Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, William-street, Woolwich.

" 15, Kent, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street.

" 87, Vitruvian, White Hart, College St. Lambeth.

" 147, Justice, White Swan, High-street, Deptford.

" 238, Pilgrim, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.

" 749, Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.

" 781, Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E.

" 1017, Montefiore, Freemasons' Hall.

" 1260, Ilverey, Swan Hotel, Walham Green.

" 1305, St. Marylebone, Eyre Arms Tavern, St. John's-wood.

" 1306, St. John of Wapping, Gun Tavern, High-st., Wapping.

Pythagorean Lodge of Instruction (79), Prince of Orange, Greenwich, at 8; Bro. J. Robt. Nash, Preceptor.

United Strength Lodge of Instruction (228), the Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales's-road, Kentish-town, at 8; Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor.

Israel Lodge of Instruction, Rising Sun Tavern, Globe-road, at 7.30.

New Concord Lodge of Instruction, Rosemary Branch Tavern, Hoxton, at 8.

Confidence Lodge of Instruction, Railway Tav., London-street, City, at 7.30.

Royal Union Lodge of Instruction, Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street, Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

Peckham Lodge of Instruction, Maismore Arms, Park-road, Peckham, at 8; Bro. David Rose, Preceptor.

Temperance in the East Lodge of Instruction, George the Fourth, Catharine-street, Poplar.

Stanhope Lodge of Instruction, Thicket Hotel, Anerley, at 7.30 p.m.; Bro. H. W. Lindus, Preceptor.

Fidelity Lodge of Instruction (3), Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Tottenham Court-road, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

Thursday, October 9.

Quarterly General Court, Girls' School, at Freemasons' Hall, at 12.

Lodge 19, Royal Athelstan, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street.

" 206, Friendship, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.

" 860, Dalnousie, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.

" 1076, Capper, Marine Hotel, Victoria Docks.

" 1216, Macdonald, Head Quarters, 1st Surrey Rifles, Brunswick-road, Camberwell.

Chap. 73, Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.

" 140, St. George's, Globe Tavern, Royal Hill, Greenwich.

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.

Whittington Lodge of Instruction (862), Crown Tavern, Holborn, at 8; Bro. Lewis Alexander, P.M. 188, Preceptor.

Doric Chapter of Instruction, Three Cranes Tavern, Mile-end-road, at 8; Comp. T. J. Barnes, Preceptor.

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Highgate Lodge of Instruction (No. 1366), Bull and Gate, Kentish-town, at 8; Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor.

Friday, October 10.

Lodge 177, Domestic, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.

" 1426, Great City, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street. (Emergency).

Chap. 33, Britannic, Freemasons' Hall.

Mount Calvary K.T. Preceptory, Freemasons' Tavern.

St. George's Lodge of Instruction (No. 140), Globe Tavern, Royal-hill, Greenwich.

Robert Burns Lodge of Instruction, Union Tavern, Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.

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Unions Emulation Lodge of Improvement for M.M.'s, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.

Temperance Lodge of Instruction, Victoria Tav., Victoria-road, Deptford, at 8.

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MASONIC MEETINGS IN LIVERPOOL, &c.

For the Week ending Saturday, October 11, 1873.

Monday, October 6.

Lodge 613, Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport, at 6.45.

" 1380, Skelmersdale, Blundellsands Hotel, Great Crosby, at 6.

Chap. 605, De Tabley, Seacombe Hotel, Seacombe, at 6.

Everton Lodge of Instruction (823), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 7.30.

Skelmersdale Conclave of the Knights of Rome (No. 77), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 7.

Tuesday, October 7.

Lodge 178, Antiquity, Royal Hotel, Wigan, at 6.30.

" 897, Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helen's, at 6.

Chap. 203, St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

Merchants' Lodge of Instruction (241), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

Downshire Lodge of Instruction (No. 594), 90, Duke-street, Liverpool, at 7.

Walton Mark Lodge, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, at 6.

Wednesday, October 8.

Lodge 1094, Temple, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

" 1356, De Grey and Ripon, 140, North Hill-street, Toxteth-park, Liverpool, at 6.

Chap. 86, Lebanon, Royal Hotel, Prescott, at 6.

" 673, St. John's, 90, Duke-st., Liverpool, at 6.30.

St. John's Lodge of Instruction, (No. 673), 90, Duke-st., Liverpool, at 8.

Neptune Lodge of Instruction (No. 1264), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

Thursday, October 9.

Lodge 216, Harmonic, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool, at 7.

" 786, Croxteth United Service, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

" 1035, Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, at 6.

Mariners' Lodge of Instruction (No. 249), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 8.

Duke of Edinburgh Lodge of Instruction (No. 1182), 150, Park-lane, Toxteth-park, Liverpool, at 7.

Friday, October 10.

Lodge 155, Perseverance, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

" 1289, Rock, Rock Ferry Hotel, Rock Ferry, at 7.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN GLASGOW.

For the week ending Saturday, October 11, 1873.

All the Meetings take place at 8 o'clock.

Monday, October 6.

Lodge 332, Union, Masonic Hall, 170, Buchanan-st.

Chap. 119, Roslin, 25, Robertson-st.

Tuesday, October 7.

Lodge 31, St. John, 213, Buchanan-st.

" 73, Thistle and Rose, 170, Buchanan-st.

" 87, Thistle, 213, Buchanan-st.

" 437, Govandale, Portland Hall, Govan.

Wednesday, October 8.

Lodge 219, Scotia, 170, Buchanan-st.

" 333, St. George, 213, Buchanan-st.

Chap. 113, Partick, St. Mary, Hall, Partick.

Thursday, October 9.

Chap. 50, Glasgow, 213, Buchanan-st.

Friday, October 10.

Royal Ark Mariners, 170, Buchanan-st.

Council Red Cross Degree, 170, Buchanan-st.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN EDINBURGH.

For the Week ending Saturday, October 11, 1873.

Monday, October 6.

Grand Lodge of the Royal Order of Scotland, Freemasons' Hall, George-street, at 3.

Lodge 429, St. Kentigern, Penicuik.

Tuesday, October 7.

Lodge 5, Canongate and Leith, 80, Constitution-street, at 8.

" 36, St. David's, Ship Hotel, E. Register-street, at 8.

" 405, Rifle, Freemasons' Hall, George-street, at 8.

Wednesday, October 8.

Lodge 2, Canongate Kilwinning, St. John's Chapel, St. John's-street, at 8.

Chap. 1, Edinburgh, Freemasons' Hall, George-street, at 8.

Thursday, October 9.

Lodge 8, Journeymen, Masnie Hall, Blackfriars-street, at 8.

Friday, October 10.

Chap. 56, Canongate Kilwinning, St. John's Chapel, St. John's-street, at 8.

ELECTION—13th OCTOBER, 1873. ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

The Votes and Interests of Governors and Subscribers are earnestly solicited on behalf of

DAVID DOVE,
AGED NINE AND A HALF YEARS.
His Father, Bro. Edward Dove, formerly a Builder, at Scarborough, was initiated in the Old Globe Lodge, Scarborough, No. 200, in May, 1857, and continued a Subscribing Member for nearly ten years.

Through failure in business he left Scarborough, and subsequently was appointed Inspector of Buildings on the North Eastern Railway. After a short illness died (of inflammation of the lungs brought on by exposure to cold in the discharge of his duties) on the 16th November 1870, leaving a Widow and three Children; since which time the mother has deserted them, and they are by the kind assistance of friends now being supported. This case is deserving of the utmost sympathy and support of the Craft generally.

The case is strongly recommended by the following Brethren, and by several lodges in the Province of North and East Yorkshire:—

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SECOND APPLICATION.

ELECTION—OCTOBER, 1873.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

The Votes and Interest of the Governors and Subscribers of this Institution are respectfully solicited on behalf of

HARRIET DAVIS,
AGED EIGHT YEARS.

Daughter of Bro. James Davis (1275), who died suddenly leaving a Widow and Eight Children totally unprovided for.

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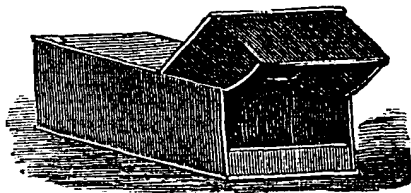
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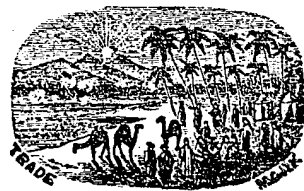
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