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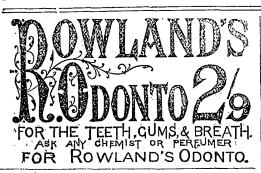
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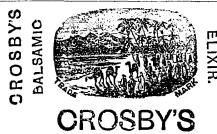
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REPORTS OF MASONIC MEETINGS.

Craft Masonry.

MARGATE.—Union Lodge (No. 127).—On Friday evening, the 17th inst., this lodge met at the King's Head Hotel, High-street, Margate, the chair of K.S. being occupied by the W.M., Bro. Alfred Wootton, Prov. G.S., who was supported by his officers, Bros. E. H. Thompson, S.W.; G. Harnett, J.W.; T. M. Compton, I.P.M.; Bro. Brasier, P.M.; Smith, Wallace, Aubrey, Matthews, Spurrier, Trewe, Chancellor, Searle, and others. The lodge having been opened in due form, the minutes of the previous nieeting were read and confirmed. M. Alfred Style being present, was then initiated into the mysteries and privileges of antient Freemasonry. The ceremony of initiation was most beautifully and faultlessly rendered by the W.M., assisted by Bro. Aubrey on the harmonium, and it is seldom we ever witnessed the ceremony of initiation performed more impressively than by the W.M., and the members of the lodge ought to congratulate themselves on having so efficient a Master as Bro. Wootton. After the lodge was closed Bro. Smith, at the request of the W.M., gave the charge after the initiation to the newly initiated brother, which was listened to with the greatest attention, and at its conclusion Bro. Smith was greeted with a burst of applause from the entire lodge for his faultless delivery of the charge. The visitors present were.—Bros. J. T. Moss, P.M. 169, 1326, W.M. 1423, Z. 73, Prov. G.S.D. Middlesex, F. Adlard, P.M. 7; Saunders, W.M. 887; Wells, 86.

Irswich.—St. Luke's Lodge (No. 225).—The usual meeting of the St. Luke's Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Ipswich, on Wednesday, the 15th inst., when a goodly number of the brethren were present, amongst whom were :-Bros. A. Gamman, W.M., Prov. G.S.B.; N. Tracy, P. Prov. G.S.W.; S. B. King, P. Prov. G.D.C., Secretary, G. S. Findley, P. Prov. G.D.C.; and several other members of the lodge. Bro. Emra Holmes, Prov. G. Reg., and S. Wright, S.W. of the British Head Lader Wright, S.W. of the British Union Lodge attended as visitors. There had been an initiation, passing, and raising on the lodge summons, but neither of the candidates had been able to attend. Bro. N. Tracy, therefore, in order that the brethren should be profitably employed gave the lecture on the tracing board appertaining to the first degree which was much appreciated by the brethren present, as that able the most expert Craft Masons in the province, and holds the office of Preceptor jointly with our learned brother the Rev. R. N. Sanderson (without doubt the most distinguished Mason in Suffolk) of the Perfect Ashlar Lodge of Instruction recently formed in connection with the British Union Lodge. The routine business of the lodge having been completed the brethren retired for refreshment. Bro. Gamman presided at the banquet and proposed in due course "The Queen," "The Grand Master" and

the other customary toasts. Bro. N. Tracy responded for the Past Provincial Grand Officers, and Bro. Emra Holmes for the present holders of office in the province. Bros. Churchyard, Holmes and others, contributed to the harmony of the evening, and the brethren separated before twelve, after enjoying a very pleasant social hour.

LEICESTER.—St. John's Lodge (No. 279). The working of this lodge, after the summer recess, was resumed on Wednesday, the 1st inst. Bro. Clemont Stretton, P.G.W., W.M., ever zealous in the discharge of his important duties, had taken a special run from Brighton, in order to preside. There were also present Bros. E. J. Crow, I.P.M.; A. Palmer, S.W.; J. W. Smith, J.W.; W. Weare, Treas.; J. M. M'Allister, Sec.; G. W. Statham, S.D.; C. E. Stretton, J.D.; S. Tebbutt, Org.; Rev. J. H. Smith, Chaplain; S. S. Partridge, Proc. G.S.; F. A. Wykes, Sec. 523; and E. Mason, 1391. Owing to an unfortunate accident to one of the candidates, and the unavoidable absence of others, the ordinary business set forth in the agenda could not be transacted. The W.M. therefore embraced the opportunity to impart instruction to those present who had recently devoted themselves to our ancient, and honourable Order, by the further elucidation of those secrets which consist in the exercise of every social, and moral virtue, not only in their ostensible actions of our conduct, but also in private life, our latent springs being science and truth, our Craft reason and good sense, our plots and contrivances sincerity and benevolence, and our revenge against our enemies—as Pythagoras tells uslabouring to convert them into friends.

SPHINX LODGE (No. 1329).—The usual meeting of this lodge took place on Saturday, Oct. 11th, at the London Bridge House Hotel, when in the absence of the W.M., Bros. Forbes and Williams were raised by Bro. Hyde, P.M. The ceremony of consecration was then proceeded with, and Bro. Viner Bedolfe, M.D., the W.M. elect, was duly installed into the chair of the lodge, and the charter or warrant committed to his keeping for the ensuing year. The ceremony was very ably performed by Bro. P. A. Nairne, Hon. P.M. of the lodge. The new W.M. immediately proceeded to invest Bros. Vorkins, Sugden, Abbott-Dunbar, and the other officers, with their respective collars, after which three candidates being proposed, and the usual business transacted, the brethren adjourned to partake of the wellknown hospitality of the Bridge House Hotel. Since the previous meeting the lodge has had to mourn the death of its chief ornament, Bro. Thomas, and the "Thomas Memorial Fund" was responded to by brethren of the lodge. The excellent Treasurer, Bro. Reynolds, also by the application of that old instrument of torture, the charity box, succeeded in extracting some pounds from the members' pockets on behalf of the "distinguishing" virtue. The Masonic Hall Company was well represented on the oc-casion by Bro. Stevens, W.M. Great City Lodge, and Bro. Larlham, both directors of the company, whilst the acceptance of the office of Architect to that proposed institution by Bro. E. Clark, P.M., P.G. Sup. of Wks. Middlesex, was felt to be very satisfactory, both out of respect to him, and as a pledge that under his able and business like management, it would be carried to a successful issue, for it is to the persevering influence of Bro. Clarke, as founder and first W.M., that the Sphinx Lodge owes much of the success which attends it at the present day. Healths were duly given and harmony prevailed, when the brethren, in obedience to the retarded Tyler's Toast, and like Gray's Ploughman, plodded their homeward way leaving the world to its "darkness."

Colonester—St. Edmund's Lodge, (No. 1008).—The first monthly meeting of the Royal St. Edmund's Lodge, 1008, since the summer recess, was held at the Angel Hotel, on Wednesday 8th. inst. The meeting possessed unusual interest, as on this occasion a very handsome testimonial, consisting of an elegantly chased silver salver, weighing forty-four ounces, and a purse of 30 guineas, were presented to the Secretary of the Lodge, Bro. W. H. Lucia. The testimonial was the result of a subscription set

on foot among the members, and there were over 70 contributors. The presentation made by the W.M., Bro. W. W. E. Bailey, who alluded to the great services which Bro. Lucia had rendered in the cause of Freemasonry since his initiation into the Craft in 1845. conjunction with Bro. Diver he succeeded in resuscitating Lodge 100 at Yarmouth, and afterwards served as its Master. During the time he had the honour of filling the chair in that Lodge, he formed one of a deputation who waited upon Bro. B. B. Cabbell to request him to take the vacant Grand Mastership of Norfolk. They were successful in their object, and Bro. Cabbell is still the highly esteemed Grand Master of the neighbouring Province. On Bro. Lucia's removal to Bury, he, finding that there was then no Masonic Lodge in the town, exerted himself, with a few other brethren, to establish one, and the result was the consecration of the Royal St. Edmund's Lodge, 1008, which has since prospered exceedingly, and is now one of the largest and most influential in Suffolk. Bro. Lucia took pleasure in visiting neighbouring lodges, and his exertions in the cause of Freemasonry were rewarded by the offer of the chair of the Junior Warden of the Province, which he accepted, and filled for the exceptionally long period of three years. On the retirement of Bro. Marriott, Bro. Lucia was appointed P.G Secretary, an office which he still holds with the greatest credit to himself and the satisfaction of the brethren. He has also acted as Secretary of the Royal St. Edmund's Lodge, ever since its foundation, and has twice passed the chair. It was as some acknowledgment of these long and varied services that this presentation was made by the brethren of his Lodge. The salver bore the following inscription :-

"Presented, with a purse of thirty guineas, to Bro. W. H. Lucia, Past Master 100 and 1008, Past Prov. G. J.W., and Prov. G. Sec. Suffolk, and Sec. 1008, by the Brethren of the Royal St. Edmund's Lodge, 1008, as a mark of their appreciation of his exertions for the establishment of the Lodge, and of his lengthened and valuable services in the cause of Freemasonry. Bury St.

Edmund's, 8th October, 1873."

Hampton.—Era Lodge (No. 1423).—The brethren of this lodge met on Saturday, 11th inst., at the King's Arms Hotel, Hampton Court. In the unavoicable absence of the W.M., Bro. J. T. Moss, P. Prov. G.D. Middlesex, Bro. F. Walters, P.M., Sec., P.G. Steward Middlesex, opened the lodge, and presided over the meeting. The Rev. Bros. M. Holden, P.M. 907, and Bro. J. H. Milburn, 80, were elected joining members. All the candidates were unanimously elected, and as no one in this Province can be ballotted for and initiated at the same meeting, the initiations were deferred until December, which will be the next regular meeting. The raising of Bros. J. H. Milburn, and E. G. B. Holder, of Lodge No. 673, to the third degree was most ably performed. The Rev. Bro. Holden, P.M., was unanimously recommended to the office of Provincial Grand Chaplain in 1874. Bro. S. Woolf was elected Steward to represent the lodge at the forthcoming festival of the Boys' School, in March, 1874. Notice of motion was given to vote ten guineas from the lodge funds for a testimonial to Bro. John Thomas Moss, for services rendered to the lodge. Several candidates were proposed for initiation, and the lodge was closed in due form. The brethren then adjourned to refreshment, after which Bros. J. H. Milburn, E. G. B. Holder, and others, greatly contributed to the evening's enjoyment by some capital songs and recitations. There were present Bros. H. A. Dubois, P.G. Steward Middlesex, S.W.; J. W. Baldwin, I.W.: Rev. J. M. Vaughan, P. G. Chaplain, Middlesex, P.M., Chaplain; E. H. Thiellay, S.D.; J. Baxter Langley, I.G.; A. F. Loos, S. Woolf, and others. Amongst the visitors were Bros. W. Smeed, P. Prov. G.W. Middlesex, P.M.; H. C. Abraham, and E. G. B. Holden.

testimonial, consisting of an elegantly chased silver salver, weighing forty-four ounces, and a purse of 30 guineas, were presented to the Secretary of the Lodge, Bro. W. H. Lucia. The testimonial was the result of a subscription set held at Dawlish, when the Salem Lodge was

consecrated. There was not time however. after all the business of the Province had been transacted, to instal the first W.M., B ro J. S. Short, and consequently the ceremony was deferred till September the 9th, when it was performed by Bro. Cann, of Exeter. The officers were appointed and invested, and no reason remained why operations should not be commenced forthwith. The W.M. did not long defer the performance of his duties, for he summoned his brethren to meet at the rooms in the Town Hall, appropriated to the purpose, on Wednesday, September the 17th, when all who had been concerned in forming the lodge met to work the ceremonies for the first time. The lodge having been opened by the W.M., a ballot was taken for four candidates, which proved unanimous in their favour, and they were at once conducted through the ceremony of initiation, which was very creditably worked by the W.M. and this officers, most whom were quite new to their duties. Bro. Dr. Hopkins, P.M., P.Z., P. Prov. G.S.W., at the request of the W.M. delivered the charge to Bros. S. J. Whidborne, D. Smith, H. L. Friend, and R. Tripe, and also the lecture on the first tracing board. Some arrangements were made in reference to the compilation of bye-laws, a candidate was proposed; and no other business offering, the first labours of the lodge terminated in peace and harmony. The members of the Salem Lodge assembled for their second meeting on Wednesday, October, the 15th, all the officers being in their places, viz.:—Bros. J. S. Short, W.M.; S. Loram, S.W.; W. Ball, J.W.; Tomes, Sec.; G. B. Avant, S.D.; C. W. H. Spencer, J.D.; Hullett, W.M. 303, I.G.; P. Haggerty, Tyler. By request of the W.M., Bro. Dr. Hopkins occupied the chair of I.P.M. The lodge was opened by the W.M., and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. A ballot was taken for Mr. James Horsham, as a candidate for Masonry, which proved unanimously favourable. Bros. Widborne, Smith, and Friend were then examined as to their proficiency in knowledge of the 1st degree, entrusted, and dismissed for preparation. The lodge was opened in the 2nd degree, the candidates were re-admitted, and passed to the rank of Fellow-Craft, the ceremony being commenced by the W.M., but, owing to his sudden indisposition, completed by Bro. Dr. Hopkins, who also gave the charge and the lecture on the second tracing board. The lodge was then closed in the second degree by Bro. Short, who had resumed the chair of W.M. The candidate for initiation named above was admitted properly prepared, and received the benefit of the first step in Freemasonry at the hands of Bro. Dr. Hopkins, (owing to the continued indisposition of the W.M.) who also gave him the charge Again the W.M. took his position and conducted the remainder of the business, which consisted mainly in the reading and adoption of the proposed bye-laws, and the consideration of some communications on Masonic business from various quarters. Several candidates were proposed, whose claims for the privileges of Masonry will of course be considered at the November meeting. The lodge was finally closed and the brethren dispersed at about ten o'clock.

Boyal Arch.

LION AND LAMB CHAPTER (No. 192) .- A meeting of the Lion and Lamb Chapter was held on Wednesday, the 15th inst. Comps. Roberts, M.E.Z.; Newman, Copstick, Birdseye, Cook, Muggeridge, Yeoman, Cann, Figes, Jones, Cox, Chapman, and Kenning. Visitors, Comps. Boyd, Little, Thiellay, Archer, Taylor. Bro. Bartholomew of the Vitruvian Lodge was exalted, the officers for the ensuing year was then balloted for, the result being unanimous in favour of Comps. King, M.E.Z.; Roberts, and Newman, the usual banquet and toasts followed.

Mark Masonry.

BOLTON.—Rose and Thistle Lodge, (No. 158,)

October, when there were present Bros. G. P. Brockbank, Past G. Mark Warden, W.M; John Tunnah, P. Prov. M.O., S.W; Robert Harwood, P. Prov. G. Mark Deacon, as J.W; Thomas Entwistle, P. Prov. Mark Master. (Lancashire,) Wilson, Rutter, Sharples, Newton, Brown, James Horrocks, Thomas Morris, Prov. G. Mark Sword Bearer, and others. The lodge being opened in due form and the minutes confirmed, the W.M. elect, Bro. John Tunnah, P. Prov. Grand Mark Overseer, was installed into the chair by Bro. Entwisle, P. Prov. G.M.M., and the following brethren appointed and invested as officers of the lodge viz.—Bros. T. H. Winder, S.W.; Thos. Wilson, J.W.; Martin Rutter, M.O.; Jas. Brown, S.O.; Jas. Pilington, J. O.; Rev. E. J. Bolling, Chaplain; John Sharples, Treas.; Robt. Harwood, Reg. of Marks; Jas. Newton, Sec.; R. Knill Freeman, S.D.; Samuel Crowther, J.D.; Thomas Entwistle, Dir. of Cers.; J. W. Taylor, Org.; Frank Ainsworth, I.G.; Wm. Dawson, Tyler. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to Bro. Entwistle for his services as Installing Officer. A Past Mark Master's Jewel was ordered to be presented at the cost of the lodge, to Bro. J. P. Brockbank, the retiring Master, as a mark of appreciation for his valuable services in the chair. A candidate was proposed for advancement and the lodge was then closed.

Anights Templar.

CAMBUSCAN.—The Knights Templar of the No. 3, Encampment here (by virtue of charter from the Grand Conclave of Scotland, dated 1812) held their annual meeting on Friday, the 10th inst., for the election of office-bearers for ensuing year. The Sentinels being posted, the encampment was opened in due and ancient form. when the election took place, and stands as follows:—Sir Knts. W. Jarvie, M.N.C.; J. Jarvie, P.C.; G. Brown, C.G.; Jas. King, First A.P.C.; J. Fulton, Second A.P.C.; Jas Twaddell, Third A.P.C.; Wm. Burns, U.C.; E. Rennie, Treasurer; A. M. Young, Recorder; John Paterson, Prelate; Robt. Weir, Standard Bearer, Jas. Punn, Sword Bearer; Jas. Burns, P.C.; John Jarvi, Janitor. The Sir Knights were afterwards called from labour to refreshment, and spent'the night harmoniously together until high twelve. when the encampment was closed in due form, and the Sentinels called in, the encampment broke up, each one being seemingly well pleased.

Incient and Accepted Bite.

BOLTON.—St. Peter's Chapter, 18°.—A convocation of this chapter of Rose Croix was held on Saturday, the 4th inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, Bolton, where there was the largest gathering of the Order yet held in this part of the country. The chapter was opened, according to the old established ceremonial of the Order, by Bro. Thomas Entwistle, 18°, M.W.S., shortly after four o'clock, supported by the following officers and members of the Order: Bros. G. P. Brockbank, 31°, P.M.W.S.; the Rev. P. Hains, acting P; C. F. Matier, 30°, 1st Gen.; Dr. J. D. Moore, 30°, 2nd Gen.; 30°, 1st Gen.; Dr. J. D. Moore, 30°, 2nd Gen.; R. Harwood, 18°, Raphael; Reginald Young, 18°, C. of Guard; J. W. Taylor, 18°, H.; J. Martin Rutter, 18°, Registrar; J. Newton, 18°; J. Brown, 18°; S. Chatwood, 18°; J. I.loyd, 18°; J. Brown, 18°; S. Chatwood, 18°; J. I.loyd, 18°; Dr. J. Kellett Smith, 18°; J. E. Hall, W. Pennington, Joseph Wood, J. T. Poulter, A. Midgley, F. Ainsworth, T. Clark, W. Doyle, J. E. Jackson, T. Morris, 18°; T. Ashmore, W. Shortis, T. W. Brockbank, J. T. Poulter, and others. The records of the previous convocation were read and confirmed. The following candidates for installation were ballotted for and Lancashire, the manner in which the work dates for installation were ballotted for and declared duly elected:—J. C. Lunt, T. Ashmore T. Clark, W. Doyle, J. E. Jackson, and W. Shortis (Liverpool), W. Hewitt, W. H. J. Jones, and R. K. Freeman (Bolton), J. Hall, (Salford), A. Midgley (Huddersfield), and J. K. Poulter (Leeds). Eleven candidates being in attendance, BOLTON.—Rose and Thistle Lodge, (No. 158.)

The regular meeting of this lodge was held in Freemasons' Hall, Bolton, on Thursday, 2nd by Bro. Entwistle. There being no other "Em. Sir Knt. Nelson, M.P.S.," to whom, he

business of importance the chapter was closed and the sovereign princes sat down to an excellent and substantial tea.

Aed Cross of Constantine.

Edinburgh.—St. Giles's Conclave (No. 103) .--The second monthly meeting of this new conclave was held on Thursday evening, the 16th inst., when there were present Em. Sir. Knts. H. E. Jones, M.V.S; R. Irlam, E.V.E; Sir. Knts. A. M. Bruce, S.G; J. M. Thuson, H.P; A. W. Rennie, Treasurer; D. Shearer, Rec; J. Clark, Prefect; E. Sellentin, S.B; W. Schintzter, S.S; and a large attendance of Sir. Knights. There were also present as visitors V. Em. Sir. Knts. J. B. Mercer, K.G.C., P.S. No. 4; and Em. Sir Knts: J. Taylor, E.V.E. No. 4.; The Conclave having been opened by the M.P.S., the following brethren viz:—Thomas Davie, M.M. No. 39, S. W. Haywood, M.M. No. 145, and Brownlie M.M. No. 392, were after due examination admitted and duly installed as Knights Companions of this illustrious Order. After the minutes had been read and confirmed, the Recorder submitted a code of Bye Laws. prepared by the committee appointed for that purpose, which after careful discussion and some slight alterations were finally adopted. The altar, a very chaste piece of workmanship, presented by the E.V.E., was greatly admired by all present, as was also a handsome Testament, presented by the High Prelate. Several proposals for admission were then made, and the conclave thereafter closed in ancient form.

Leicester.—Byzantine Conclave (No. 44).— The regular meeting took place on Wednesday, the 8th instant, at Freemason's Hall, Leicester, when there was a full attendance of officers and members. As however none of the candidates on the roll were in attendance, the time was principally occupied with arrangements for the forthcoming visit of the Grand Council on the 21st instant.

LIVERPOOL. -Skelmersdale Conclave (No. 77.) An assembly of the Masonic Knights of Rome and of the Red Cross of Constantine, connected with this flourishing conclave, was held at the Masonic Temple, Liverpool, on Monday, 6th inst. Em. Sir. Knt. Henry Nelson, M.P.S., occupied the throne, and in the conclave chamber were assembled the following members of the Knightly Order:—Sir. Knights J. T. Callow, V.E.; J. Banning. S.G.; W. Cottrell, J.G.; H. Jackson, H.P.; T. Ashmore P.S., Treas.; J. McCarthy, Rec.; J. Skeaf, P.S.; W. H. Corbin, S.B.; H. Morris, O.; C. Leighton, Org.; W. Quayle, H.; P. Ball, S; J. C. Lunt, M.P. S. 97.; J. Dawson, W. Oldham, C. Clements, H. Jones, H. Burrows, J. Lolley, J. Atkinson, and J. Wood, Treas, 55. Ill. Sir. Knts. Dr. J. Kellett Smith, Dep. Int. Gen. for West Lancashire, and Past Sov. 55; and Sir. Knts. R. Washington, H.P. 55; were present as visitors, After the records had been read and confirmed and the muster roll called, several candidates were ballotted for and approved, and Bros. Large and Gordon, being in attendance, were installed as Knights of the Order. The whole of the ceremony was admirably performed by the M.P. S. and his officers, but special mention is due Lancashire, the manner in which the work conclave was done, the furnishof the ing, and the clothing, all of which were most unquestionably the best out of London. had also the greatest pleasure in notifying the fact that the Rt. Hon. Lord Skelmerdsale had kindly consented to take the Intendant General-

said, they were indebted for much of the prosperity and progress he had referred to. The M. P.S. replied in suitable terms, and then gave the "Em. Past Sov., Sir. Knt. T. Ashmore," who responded. "The Officers," "The Newly Installed Knights," The Private Members," were amongst the other toasts of a most enjoyable and harmonious assemblage. Songs and recitations were contributed by Sir. Knts. Jackson, Banning, Mc'Carthy, Large and others.

CENTENARY BANQUET OF THE FORTITUDE LODGE, TRURO.

The monthly meeting of this ancient Lodge, on Tuesday last, was of a very interesting nature, from the fact that on that day was celebrated the

rooth anniversary of its existence. For some time past Bro. W. J. Hughan, P.M., has been hard at work in obtaining evidence of its uninterrupted existence for 100 years, and has succeeded in securing a recognition of the fact from the R.W. the Grand Master of England, the Marquess of Ripon, in the shape of a warrant from the Grand Lodge, authorizing the members to wear a Centenary Jewel, commemorating the event. A large number of brethren assembled at the lodge, among whom were the R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Sir. F. M. Williams, M.P.; the Past D.P.G. Master, Bro. Reginald Rogers; Bro. W. Tweedy, P.M., P.G. T.; and many Past Masters and brethren from other lodges. During the evening a very interesting presentation was made to Bro. W. J. Hughan, consisting of a beautifully illuminated address, and a gold jewel. The address was as follows:

"To the Worshipful Bro. W. J. Hughan, P. M. 131, P. Prov. G. Sec. for Cornwall, &c., &c. "Dear Sir and Bro.—We, the undersigned, on behalf of the brethren of the Fortitude Lodge, No. 131, Truro, in pursuance of a resolution unanimously passed at a lodge meeting, held this day, desire to offer you our hearty thanks and warmest congratulation on the success that has attended your arduous efforts to obtain from the Grand Lodge of England a warrant conferring on us the distinguished privilege of wearing a

centenary jewel.

"We are justly proud of this mark of distinction obtained no less by your persevering efforts in rescuing the obscure and scattered records of our lodge from oblivion than by the influence and weight which your position in the Craft as an author and historian has given to the evidence you have been able to adduce of our

"We have always felt, as a lodge, greatly honoured in numbering so distinguished a Mason on our Roll of Past Masters; and the example you have shewn of self sacrificing zeal in advancing the cause of Charity, and the noble principles of our Order, will, we trust, be an incentive to us to aim at the highest point of

Masonic honour and virtue.

" In conclusion, we would express our most fervent hope that T.G.A.O.T.U. may long spare you to pursue your researches 'into the hidden mysteries of nature and science.

(Signed) "W. Middleton, W.M. " N. B. Bullen, S.W. " J. C. R. Crewes, J.W. " H. Hosking, Sec.

aso nic Rooms, Quay Street, Truro,

Oct. 13, 1873."
On completion of his Mastership in 1868, Bro. Hughan was presented with a gold lever watch and a gold Past Master's jewel, from the manufactory of Bro. Kenning.

The W.M., Bro. Middleton, who has also devoted a great deal of time, and worked energetically with Bro. Hughan in this matter, was also presented with a gold jewel by the this unexpected proof of their regard and kindofficers of the lodge. After the lodge the brethren adjourned to the Royal Hotel, where a banquet was prepared, presided over by the W.M., Bro. Middleton, and supported by the D.P. Grand Master, and many distinguished brethren. During the evening Bro. Hughan gave a most interesting history of the lodge, from its formation at Chatham, in 1772, to the present year,

volume on the subject, which the growing taste for Masonic antiquarianism will cause to be eagerly welcomed.

The whole proceedings were most heartily entered into by all present, and it can safely be affirmed that no more pleasant gathering of the lodge, during its 100 years of existence, has ever taken place.—Cornish Weekly News.

PRESENTATION TO BRO. G. B. ADAMS, IN GLASGOW.

Bro. G. B. Adams, the worthy Treasurer of Lodge 360, Proxy Master of 187, and a very active member of the Royal Arch and K.T. degrees, who for many years had filled the onerous position of Manager of the Western Club, the most aristocratic establishment in the city, having resigned his position, a few friends determined to present him with some tangible mark of their esteem, but out of respect to his well known feeling, it was determined to keep it private.

The presentation took place on Friday, Oct. the 3rd, at Bro. McKenzies, the Athole Arms, who had provided a sumptuous banquet. In the absence of Bro. J. Davison, the Chairman of the Committee, Bro. G. W. Wheeler presided, while Bro. J. Balfour ably filled the office of Croupier.

As some present were not Masons, no purely Masonic toasts were given, but the usual loyal and patriotic toasts had full justice done to them. Capt. Farquarson, of the Reserve Force, Editor of The Greenock Advertiser, replied on behalf of the Army, Navy and Volunteers; Bro. Fox, on behalf of the Clergy; Mr. Bissett, for the Lord Provost and Town Council, proposed by the Croupier; Bro. McCrewe, replied for the

Trade and Commerce of Glasgow.

The Chairman said they had now come to the toast of the evening, the "Health of their esteemed guest, Bro. G. B. Adams." His only regret was that their proper chairman was not there to fulfil this duty, for he had not had the privilege of knowing Bro. Adams so long, but he could say that the longer he had known him the more he had respected hin. (Cheers). He was one of those men who improve upon acquaintance, one of those who did good by stealth and then blush to find it fame, but in the present company it would be a work of supererogation to rehearse his many good qualities, and the very fact of this testimonial being got up in less than three weeks, and without it ever being mentioned either in a lodge room or any other public place. Had it been otherwise the amount might have been larger, but he knew their friend would value it the more as the offering of a few of his private friends-that the feeling thus evinced would be prized more than the money value of the gift. He would now hand him a silver snuff box with a suitable inscription. As a business man he had shown that he was "up to snuff," and from the kindness of his heart he hoped he would never want a friend " at a pinch." He had also to present him a purse, containing 75 sovereigns; they were bright pure metal, and of intrinsic value, and therefore a very appropriate testimonial to one who had proved that his virtues were of a similar character. (Cheers). At this moment Bro. Davison entered. He appealed to the company, explaining that in consequence of the break down of a mineral train, himself and friends had been obliged to stop at a siding for three hours and a half, knowing all the time that his friends would be wondering at his absence from the post he had promised to fill, but he was deeply indebted to his friend Wheeler for stepping in to fill his place.

Bro. Adams then replied in a very feeling speech, saying he was uite overpowe ness; he could not think that his past conduct had earned it, so that he must endeavour in the future to show that their kindness had not been misplaced, but would redouble his efforts to be serviceable in his day and generation.

Bro. J. Davison having assumed the chair, and intimated his intention of publishing a small out of their difficulty by so efficiently filling the local pain and give the greater relief.—Apvr.

chair. As one of Mr. Adam's most intimate friends, he thanked him, and when he informed the meeting that on Mr. Wheeler's list was the largest sum that had been given by any single individual, viz., that by Mr. G. Kenning, proprietor of The Freemason, and that this was given, not because Bro. Kenning was a friend of Bro. Adams, but simply because the late chairman had vouched that he was a good and true man. This spoke volumes for the heart and conduct of both, and would commend the sentiment he had to propose to them now. (Cheers.)

Bro. Wheeler replied in suitable terms, and proposed "The Health of Bros. Bell, Tweed,

and Munro," who were absent through illness.

The Croupier gave "The Members of the Western Club," who proposed this testimonial. Messrs. Fox and Stewart responded.

The Chairman, in a very eloquent speech, gave "The Ladies."

Mr. Adams responded in felicitious terms, saying he yet hoped to be blessed with some good man's daughter.

Bro. Fox, in a highly humorous speech, in which he alluded in happy terms to the narrow escapes of their friend, then proposed "The Health of the Chairman," who replied, and proposed that of the "The Host," for the excellent way in which he had catered for their enjoyment that

evening.
Mr. McKenzie acknowledged the compliment.

The last toast was " Happy to meet, sorry to part, and happy to meet again," after which Auld Lang Syne was sung by the company, thus closing in harmony this truly social gathering of the friends of Mr. G. B. Adams.

Bros. Davison, Balfour, Fox, Ure, Farquarson and Graham, by their excellent singing, added considerably to the pleasure of the evening.

Masonic Tidings.

The death is announced of Mr. George Ormerod, of Sedbury Park, Gloucestershire, F.R.S., F.S.A., D.C.L., &c., a well-known antiquary. He was eighty-seven years of age.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked in the Faith Lodge of Instruction, No. 141, held at the Restaurant, 2, Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., on Tuesdsy evening, October 28th, 1873, at half-past six o'clock precisely. W. M. Bro. C. A. Cottebrune, G.P. The annual banquet will take place on Tuesday evening, November the 4th.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked in the Langthorne Lodge of Instruction, at the Swan Hotel, Stratford, E., on Wednesday, the 29th instant. The Lodge will be opened at 7.0 p.m. by Bro. Lattreille, P.M. 1056, who will occupy the chair on this occasion.

The St. Luke's Lodge of Instruction, No. 144, has removed from 33, Brompton-road, to the Rose Tavern, 86, Fulham-road, where its meetings will be held, every Friday evening at 7.30.

BATH ABBEY .- A window for the south transept of this church, which is in course of restoration, was promised by a friend in Bath in 1872, in commemoration of the restoration of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. window, which is by Messrs. Clayton and Co., is just completed, and adds greatly to the adornment of this ancient and beautiful edifice.

The Eat and Countess of Carnaryon have arrived at their seat, Highelere Castle, near Newbury, from Bretby Park, Burton-on-Trent,

ed activity of mind and motion in these modern days, have gained ends undreamt of in olden times. For example Holloway's Ointment and Pills remove rheumatism, neuralgia and similar painful maladies, formerly scourges of both rich and poor. The number of testi-monials of cures of these classes of diseases, effected by Holloway's remedies is unprecedented, and should be enforced on the attention of all sufferers from these complaints. The part in pain should be fomented for some Bro. J. Davison having assumed the chair,
Bro. R. Stewart rose to propose "The Health of
Bro. Wheeler," who had very kindly got them

minutes with warm brine, two or three times a day, dried warm brine, two or three times a day, dried warm brine, two or three times a day, dried warm brine, two or three times a day, dried warm brine, two or three times a day, dried warm brine, two or three times a day, dried warm brine, two or three times a day, dried warm brine, two or three times a day, dried warm bri

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Answers to Correspondents.

The following communications stand over:— Letters from "Lupus," "True Blue."

Reports of Lodges 73, 1327, 1326, 606; Prov. Grand Lodge of Essex; Mark Lodge 161; K.T. Preceptory Prince of Peace; Grand Conclave Red Cross of Constan-

G. T .- Your communication arrived too late for insertion last week, as also did that of the present week.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

MARRIAGES.

CAVE-BROWNE-CAVE.—MARSHALL.—Oct. 14, at the Parish Church, St. Leonard's-on-Sea, by the Rev. T. K. Finch, Rector of Stafford, and the Rev. F. A. Cave-Browne-Cave, vicar of Ethel, Bro. the Rev. Edward F. Cave-Browne-Cave, M.A. rector of Bretherton, Lancashire, to Sarah Maria, daughter of the late William Marshall, Esq., of Penwortham Hall, Lancashire.

HALPIN-MUNN.—Oct. 14, at Christ Church, Southport, Bro. Captain Halpin, of the S.S. "Great Eastern," to Jessie, youngest daughter of the Hon. J. Munn, of

The Freemason,

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1873.

THE OPENING OF THE MASONIC HALL AT PHILADELPHIA.

The accounts of the opening and the consecration of the new and magnificent Temple at Philadelphia are not only very interesting in themselves, but seem to show pretty conclusively that the labours of that eventful day for the Pennsylvanian Masons were most truly crowned with all the success and completeness that all true Freemasons could wish.

The 26th September was to those who witnessed its advent and its departure, and will be for many a long year, to the loyal Masons of Philadelphia, a red-letter day indeed!

Indeed the word "Philadelphia" itself seems to suggest thoughts and feelings most congenial with fraternal unity and brotherly love.

To use the words of a somewhat gushing but excellent reporter "daylight dawned this morning" (the 26th) " bright and salubrious, and Philadelphia was made happy, for this was to be a day of days in the annals of the city's history.' We need not carry our readers through long details and longer columns of type, as some of us have seen Masonic processions before, and have read of a good many Masonic dedications, but we will shortly sum up the account of the large gathering and "impressive ceremonies," as our contemporary, The New York Herald, terms them, which duly marked the inauguration and dedication of the great Masonic Temple at

It seems that 300 lodges in the State were represented at this assembly of the Pennsylvanian Grand Lodge, besides 50 lodges of other jurisdictions, and that 12,000 brethren marched in the procession, the route of which was carefully guarded by 900 police, under the command of Captain Thompson of the detective department, and amid numberless crowds of spectators.

"To form some idea of the grand pageant, almost countless," says the same active reporter quoted above, "from a description on paper would be a faint picture. It had to be

seen to be fully realised. Fully 12,000 men were in line. Each person was attired in full black evening dress, white gloves and aprons: every ostentation was strictly eschewed, not a banner was to be seen in the entire line, except such as were displayed from the buildings. The entire route marched over is estimated to have covered nine miles."

The arrangements inside the temple seem to have been as excellent and as effective as those without.

Of course, as it was impossible to accommodate 12,000 brethren within the hall, the dedication ceremonies were proceeded with in the presence of the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge members, and the visiting brethren alone. These were such as are customary in like cases in the Craft, but we are struck with the presentation of the Architect, Bro. Windam, to the Grand Master, and the emphatic encomiums he passed on that skilful brother, and which, from the account of the building itself, and the print of it we have seen, appear to be most fully merited.

These needful ceremonies were concluded at last, and that great building now remains dedicated and consecrated, in the name of the Great Architect of the Universe to Freemasonry. And long may it happily so continue, and minister to the peace and happiness and comfort of the Philadelphian brethren, and the progress and prosperity of the Pennsylvanian Grand Lodge.

We therefore feel it our duty, as English Masons, to congratulate our brethren in Philadelphia and in America on the completion of this, their gigantic undertaking, and the happy success which has attended their labours, their devotion, and their sacrifices. They have the gratification of believing and knowing that they have so far the most elaborate, and the most extensive, and the most ornate Grand Lodge buildings in the world, and such as will undoubtedly serve to enhance the value and importance of Freemasonry in the eyes and feelings of their countrymen in America.

Now we look on the erection of all such stately and superb edifices" to be most truly, not only for the good of Freemasonry, but the welfare of mankind.

Wherever "Freemasons most do congregate," there we find the liberal arts and sciences are sure to find friends and patrons, and we see goodwill, peace, charity, and toleration, the distinguishing ornaments of those who boldly avow their fealty to their Supreme Grand Lodge, and adherence to their own Masonic principles.

Freemasonry has had opponents in past times, and has its impugners now, but no one can deny that there is, that there must be, some bond of constraining power and efficacy which thus brings men together, greatly different and differing other respects, whether in political views, or denominational teaching, for one common purpose of fraternal concord, active benevolence, and sympathising good will.

And thus, beyond the mere gathering at Philadelphia, on September 26th, for the purpose of dedicating that new and goodly building to Masonic uses and purposes, that firm march of 12,000 united brethren tells a remarkable tale to

the thoughtful mind of the unity of our great Masonic system, and the active power of its great principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

But besides this, we feel that we in England are bound ever to hold out the warm hand of fellowship and the genuine welcome of true Freemasonry to our brethren and the lodges in America.

For not only may we claim American as the child of English Freemasonry, and therefore we all ought to feel the deepest interest in its progress and prosperity, but the American Masons, as it seems to us have deserved indeed well of the Masonic Fraternity at large, for they have surmounted great difficulties and dangers, they have lived down open persecution, they have adhered faithfully to the principles of Freemasonry, and now they have their reward in the peaceful ye rapid expansion of their Order, throughout their great country.

Few of us there are, we think, in respect of the United States, who do not often echo the words of that anonymous poet, who sang so well and so truly :--

Land of the Pilgrim Fathers, the refuge of the

With what forgiving tenderness our hearts have beat for thee

The ancient feuds were banished, and the battlefields o'ergrown

And thy heroes to our history were as precious as our own.

Thy sons and ours have walked abreast as kinsfolks and as friends.

As men who seek the same high goal and choose the same pure ends.

Thy sons and ours we thought should teach the world to hold in awe,

The cloudless face of liberty, the level gaze of

And hence with this record fresh before us of Pennsylvanian Masonic enterprise, and with an appreciation of the zeal and energy and earnestness of our American brethren, we are glad to be permitted to day to offer them, in all heartfelt sincerity, the assurance of our warm congratulations and of our fraternal goodwill.

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 as also been added.

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

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THE FUTURE OF FREEMASONRY IN IRELAND.

SIXTH ARTICLE.

(Continued from page 339.) THE HIGH GRADES.

The change in the Constitution of the Templar Order, lately completed, will tend to modify considerably the relations existing between Craft Masonry and the High Grades in this country, and until time has tested the new arrangements, it is almost a matter of speculation to what extent the modification may reach.

The new Order, with its sounding title, and absurdly incongruous costume, patronised as it is by Royalty, and commanded by the Heir Apparent, may attain to a lustre, before which the scintillations of "Sovereign Princes," "Grand Inspectors," yea even of "Holy Emperors" shall wax dim, or it may continue to be here, what it has hitherto been, a kind of stepping stone to those "ineffable" degrees, which the rank and file of Masoury, however worthy as men and as Masons, may hope to reach, but not to pass, the good things beyond being reserved for the chosen few who come up to the required standard of fitness, appointed by the happy monopolists above.

Our business just now is simply to see in what way the influence of the "High Grades" has been brought to bear on our proposed new constitutions, the final settlement of which has been fixed for the ensuing month of November.

There are just two laws to which it is necessary to direct the attention of our brethren, so that they may be prepared to expunge or modify, if they think it fit so to do-statutes that if passed as they stand, are intended to protect, and perpetuate a state of things that has been, and if continued must always be, most injurious to the true interests of Freemasonry.

Proposed rule 30 reads thus:-

"The Grand Lodge strictly prohibits as unlawful, all asemblies of Freemasons in Ireland, under any title whatever, purporting to be Masonic, not held by virtue of a warrant or Constitution from the Grand Lodge, or from one of the other Masonic Grand bodies, recognised by, and acting in Masonic union with it. Any brother being a member of any lodge on the Registry of Ireland, or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, who shall take part in such unlawful assembly, or shall join or become a member of any body or society purporting to be Masonic, and not in connection with or sanctioned by the Grand Lodge or other Masonic grand body recognised by it, shall be liable to suspension, or such other penalty as Grand Lodge may think fit.

There can be no reasonable objection to the first clause of this proposed law, which, with some slight verbal alterations, is identical with one of the existing rules, but the second clause is entirely new and has evidently been inspired by a desire to bring the power of Grand Lodge to bear for the protection of the monopoly of certain high degrees, which in its character as governing body of Craft Masonry, it has nothing to do with, and of which in fact, in such capacity, it officially knows nothing.

It is not necessary now to narrate the history of what is known here as "The Manchester Movement" Some of these days if I have time. Some of these days if I have time, and feel so disposed, I may have something to say on that subject, and if all the facts of the case were fairly stated, probably many brethren, who are very imperfectly informed in the matter, might see reason for changing their views. At present we have to consider the bearing of the proposed new law on the Order generally, although there can be little doubt that the movement to which I have alluded gave birth to the objectionable clause in the proposed new law. Let it be clearly understood that the omission of the words "in Ireland" after society, is not accidental. Their insertion has been sug-

As the proposed addition to the existing law stands, it is a most unwarrantable attack on the individual liberty of the members of our Order. It is quite right, having regard to the position of Freemasonry in Ireland, and to the various sur- based is a very plain one. If the axe be applied

gested in the proper quarter, and has been

deliberately rejected.

rounding circumstances, that Grand Lodge should take every precaution to guard against the introduction of societies purporting to be Masonic, but not under its jurisdiction, or that of any governing body with which it is allied, But by what right would it attempt to interfere with its members joining any society, in England or Scotland for example, sanctioned by the laws of the land, and friendly to Freemasonry.

Probably the oldest and most respectable representative of the "high grades" will be found in "The Royal Order of Scotland." A call to membership of that Order would justly be considered a high honour to receive. But as "The Royal Order" is not, I believe either "in connection with or sanctioned by the Grand Lodge or other Masonic Grand body recognised by it," it follows that any member on the Irish Registry accepting such houour, would, if this law be passed, "be liable to suspension or such other penalty as Grand Lodge may think fit." The same remark of course applies to the English 'Order of Rome and Constantine." however applicable to "The Rosicrucian Society of England" as they preface their rules by the statement "The Society of Brethren of the Rosy Cross, is totally independent, being established on its own basis, and as a body is not otherwise connected with the Masonic Order, than by having its members selected from that Fraternity.

"En passant" I would commend this statement to the attention of the heads of the " New United Orders." Altering the title, it would admirably suit their position, and would honestly define it.

If Grand Lodge should think it right to pass the proposed new law in its entirety and unlimited as to locality, I belive the result will be most mischievous Practically, I am inclined to think it will be inoperative, and therefore weakening to the general authority of Grand Lodge. It is one thing to submit to laws as to the mere expediency of which we may differ. It is another thing to obey those whose inherent injustice makes it almost a duty to disregard them.

The other rule to which I call attention is No.

"Any brother expelled, suspended, or restored by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, the Grand Priory of High Knights Templar, the Grand Chapter of Prince Masons of Ireland, or the Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree for Ireland, shall on the case being officially communicated to the Grand Lodge of Ireland, be expelled, suspended, or restored, as the case may be, without any further enquiry or investigation.

I still maintain the view I long since stated, that strictly speaking both of the last named above Orders are unrecognized, and consequently illegal, but waving that point we have to consider is it for the advantage of Craft Masonry, that the Grand Lodge should be compelled, without enquiry to suspend or expel a member, at the bidding of the so-called "High Degrees?

I cannot, I think, do better than quote the statements of one who is justly regarded as a very high authority in Masonry, and who cannot be considered as otherwise than friendly to the "High Grades," holding as he does their highest

Bro. Albert G. Mackey, in his "Text Book of Masonic Jurisprudence," in dealing with the subject of "Expulsion," rules thus, (page 538, et seq.)

"An important question remains to be discussed, which refers not only to the penalty of expulsion, but also to that of suspension. Does suspension or expulsion from a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, a Council of Royal and Select Masters, or an Encampment of Anights Templar, carry with it, as a necessary consequence, suspension or expulsion from Symbolic Masonry? To this question, reason and the general usages of the Order lead me unhesitatingly to reply that it does not. The converse of the proposition is, however, true, and suspension or expulsion from a Symbolic lodge is necessarily suspension or expulsion from all the higher bodies.

"The principle upon which this doctrine is

to the trunk of the tree, the branches which spring out of it, and derive their substance through it must die. If the foundation be removed the edifice must fall. But a branch may be lopped off, and the trunk will still live; the capestone may be taken away, but the foundation will remain intact.

"So Symbolic Masonry, the Masonry of the lodge, is the trunk of the tree, the foundation of the whole Masonic edifice. The Masonry of the chapter or the council is but the branch which springs forth from the tree, and receives all its nourishment from it. It is the capestone which finishes and ornaments the building that rests upon Symbolic Masonry. Hence there is an evident dependence of the higher on the lower degrees, while the latter are wholly independent of, and may exist without the former.

"Again, from the very organisation of the two institutions, a chapter is not recognisable as a Masonic body by a Symbolic lodge. A Master Mason knows, technically, nothing of a Royal Arch Mason. In the language of the Order 'he may hear him so to be, but he does not know him so to be by any of the modes of recognition used in Masonry. We cannot conceive, says the Committee of Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Texas, 'by what sort of legerdemain a lodge can take cognisance of the transactions of a chapter, an entirely independent body.' But chapters, on the other hand, are necessarily cognisant of the existence and the proceedings of lodges, for it is out of the lodges that the chapters are constructed. And if a Master Mason were expelled from the rights and privileges of Masonry, and if this expulsion were not to be followed by a similar expulsion from the chapter, then all Master Masons who should meet the expelled Mason in the latter body would be violating the law by holding Masonic communication with him.

"Lastly, under the present organisation of Masonry, Grand Lodges are the Supreme Masonic tribunals over all Master Masons, but exercise no jurisdiction over chapters, councils, or encampments. If, therefore, expulsion from either of these bodies involved expulsion from the lodge, then the right of the Grand Lodge to hear and determine causes, and to regulate the internal concerns of the institution, would be interfered with by an authority outside of its organisation, and beyond its control.

"The law may, therefore be explicitly stated in these terms:—suspension or expulsion from a chapter, council, or encampment, does not involve a similar sentence from a Symbolic lodge. But suspension or expulsion from a lodge carries with it, ex necessitate, suspension or expulsion

from every higher degree."

I shall not occupy space by re-stating what has been so admirably put by our Bro. Mackey, but may mention that in the recently confirmed new laws of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland, which came into operation on the 1st of July last, the above principle has been adopted, and the former compact with the Templars, Prince Masons, &c., no longer exists. It will be well if Grand Lodge follows the example.

It would I think be very desirable, if Grand Lodge would also adopt another rule recently enacted in the Royal Arch Order, and would prohibit its subjects from wearing, at any meetings of surbordinate lodges, whether for labour or at refreshment, any apron, device, or decoration, other than those permitted to be worn in Grand Lodge.

By this means we would be assimilated on that subject with the English practice. Our members would not be so anxious to obtain "high degrees" for the purpose of gratifying the unmasonic vanity of flaunting their jewels in the presence of those whom they profess to meet "on the level." And other brethren would not be likely to be tempted to go to "a foreign jurisdiction" to obtain degrees, the insignia of which they would not be permitted to wear at any purely Masonic meeting.

In conclusion, let me express an earnest hope that when we meet next month, for our most important purpose, we shall have well considered and duly weighed the bearing of the various matters under discussion, that the good of Free-

masonry, pure and simple, will be our leading desire, that neither time-serving nor expediency will be suffered to interfere with principle, and that those who have the power, will exercise it well and wisely, for the general welfare of our Institution.

"May Prudence direct us, temperance chasten us, fortitude support us, and justice be the guide of all our actions." So mote it be.

JOSEPH H. WOODWORTH,
P.M. Commercial Lodge No. 245.
Dublin, Oct. 12, 1873.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF NORFOLK.

The annual Grand Lodge of the Freemasons of the province of Norfolk was held at Yarmouth, on Friday, the 10th inst., and the day being beautifully fine, there was a numerous attendance of brethren in full Masonic Craft clothing, at the Hospital School, at half-past 11. At high twelve the lodge was opened in due form by Bro. the Hon. F. Walpole, D.P.G.M. The lodge was in mourning in consequence of the death of the late Grand Master of all England, the Earl of Zetland. Among the brethren of the province present, in addition to the Worshipful D. Prov. G.M., Bro. F. Walpole, M.P.; Bro. Major Penrice, S.W.; Bro. G. W. F. Lostus, and Bro. A. M. F. Morgan, Secretary; there were Bros. G. Brittain, H. J. Mason, J. Scott, R. Gunn, J. A. Gore, J. E. H. Watson, G. Kersey, T. Lord, F. Wright, R. J. Lord, G. Baxter, H. J. Martin, R. Kiddell, F. W. Lock, G. Green, C. T. Love, G. T. Furse, J. E. Bane, J. F. Boswell, F. Mills, P. Soman, A. Hanlon, G. B. Mickleburgh, J. H. Martin, G. Plumstead, A. T. Death, E. Beeston, W. Standley, C. Palmer, J. H. Christopher, H. Howlett, W. G. Greenwood, H. S. Campling, H. A. Campling, R. Chadwick, G. S. Woodlark, E. Bostock, J. Hodges, F. Mills, H. Bly, D. R. Fowler, J. N. Palk, G. A. Ashley, W. Barnard, T. White, G. W. Pretty, F. Danby Palmer, E. Barwell, J. Hammond, J. W. Smith, C. Bonfellow, H. Brand, C. Chipperfield W. L. Palmer, J. G. Franklin, G. Harvey, C. Clarke, and others. The visiting brethren were numerous. Those from Suffolk included Bro. the Rev. C. J. Martyn, Prov. G. Chap., and there were also present:—Bros. W. A. Bowler, W. W. Walesby, T. C. Blanchflower, G. Fenn, J. F. Hills, J. S. Sterry, G. H. Cooper, S. Pike, and many others.

The following are the appointments made by R. Cates,..... Prov. G. J.W. J. R. Chadwick,..... Prov. G. Reg. Rev. T. White,..... Prov. G. Chap. J. Barwell, Prov. G. Treas. A. M. F. Morgan,.... Prov. G. Sec. A. Hanlon,.... Prov. G. S.D. G. Plumstead, Prov. G. J.D. G. O. Last,..... Prov. G. S. of W. H. J. Mason,..... Prov. G. D. of C. George Baxter, Prov. G. A.D.C. G. Plumstead, Prov. G. S.B. George Brittain, Prov. G. O. John Franklin,..... Prov. G. Purst. Rev. J. P. Deacon,..... J. Parke, S. Pike,

At half-past two o'clock the brethren attended divine service at St. Nicholas Church. There was a large congregation. The sermon was preached by the Prov. G. Chaplain, Bro. the Rev. T. White, M.A., in aid of the Yarmouth Hospital. The service was full cathedral. The rev. brother selected as his text Proverbs, iii. 6, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths." In commencing his sermon the rev. gentleman dilated upon the wisdom of Solomon, whom he characterised as being one of the greatest Masters of Masonry, and, whose noble intellect had been tutored by the Almighty until it became the wonder of his own day and the admiration of succeeding ages. Of this divine wisdom and of all Solomon's morality, the foundation had been the maxim

embodied in the text. Among Freemasons the Book of Proverbs was highly valued, and he would not be revealing their secrets if he said their Order was founded upon the acknowledgment of God in all things, and that this was the starting point of all the ceremonies and the keynote to all its ritual. He urged the brethren to practise what they professed, for without God human enterprise was futile and human philanthropy abortive. Experience and God's worth both proved that their efforts could only be crowned with success when they put their trust in Him. Without this acknowledged dependence on infinite wisdom and love, it mattered not what designs were set on foot, they would meet with failure, but if they adopted this principle they would be, like wise builders, laying down a strong corner stone. The merest tyro in Freemasonry knew that their ancient and honourable Order rested on the fullest acknowledgment of the sovereignty of God. He then referred to the universality of this belief, and dilated upon the connection which this belief in God had with the leading principles of Freemasonry, and urged the brethren to divulge their mysteries only by truth, comparison, and religious devotion. They were assembled in a Christian church; they had joined in solemn praise to Almighty God; there was no antagonism between Christanity and their art; the best Christians would make the best Masons. He compared Freemasonry to a rainbow encircling the earth, beautiful even to those who knew nothing of its formation, but far more to the scientific student. "He is not a Jew who is one outwardly, but he is a Jew who is one inwardly. Let truth be their guiding star on the voyage of life, for this principle alone would enable them to lay out their lives according to the Masonic rule. There was everything in their art to impress upon their minds the truths of religion and morality, and Masons would never forget it was God who had stretched forth the heavens as a canopy and planted the earth as His footstool. They were urged to copy love, because He had so loved them; and pity, because of His infinite mercy towards them. The sick and suffering would never appeal in vain to Masons, and in they would not forget that "The liberal soul deviseth liberal things." It was not necessary to urge this upon Masons, for none better understood that "The quality of mercy is not strained;" their guiding motive was the doing of good. Let them imitate their gracious Lord, who went about doing good, by showing mercy to all in need; and let them carry into their lives those virtues they were taught assiduously to cultivate.

The collection on behalf of that excellent institution, the Yarmouth Hospital, amounted to £13.4s. 5d.

The brethren having returned to the schoolroom, some further business was transacted, and the Grand Lodge having been closed in due form, an adjournment was made to the Town Hall, where Bro. Franklin supplied a magnificent banquet, the hall and the tables being beautifully embellished. In addition to the brethren already named, there were present Bros. Sir. E. H. K. Lacon, Bart, M.P., Captain Dods, and Captain Coleman. Altogether 147 sat down. The chair was of course taken by the Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master. In proposing the toast of "The Queen," the Chairman said he was sure it would be most heartily drunk by the brethren of the Craft, as it ought to be by all men who valued public worth or esteemed private virtue (cheers). "The Grand Master of England the Most Noble the Marquess of Ripon. was honoured in the usual way, and the Chairman next proposed "The Health of P.G.M H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Lord Carnarvon, and other Past Grand Officers," the toast being acknowledged by P.G.C. the Rev. C. J. Martyn who eulogised the personal and Masonic good qualities of the Prince, and the great distinction of the D.G.M. (Lord Carnarvon) both as a statesman, and a Mason. The Chairman then gave "The Health of the venerable Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Benjamin Bond Cabbell," who has so eminently cultivated the first great principle of Freemasonry-charity. Bro. Sir

E. H. K. Lacon proposed. " The Health of the D.P.G.M., which was drunk with great enthusiasm. In responding, the Worshipful D.P.G.M. expressed his great pleasure in welcoming so many young Masons in the province, who would hand down the traditions inherited by the Craft and improve their knowledge of them by assiduous attendance at lodges of instruction. would, he was afraid, be necessary for them n Norwich to look out for rooms in which finally to locate themselves, for Freemasonry must not be peripatetic, wandering about in search of public-houses wherein to hold their meetings, and he trusted the Committee would be able to make a recommendation on the subject which would be acceptable to all of them. If Masonry had not flourished so much in the province as might have been expected, it was the fault of the Masons themselves, for there never were more energetic and worthy Masons than at the present time. He thanked them most sincerely for a thousand kindnesses he had received from them, and he trusted that Freemasonry would long flourish among us, and that its high principles of morality and of charity would ever be cultivated by them. He then gave "The Health of the Prov. G. C., the Rev. T. White," whom he thanked for his able and eloquent discourse. The Prov. Grand Chaplain, in responding, said he was very thankful that he had obtained the right to participate in the secrecy of Freemasonry. He had a brother who was highly versed in all the arts and secrets of Freemasonry, and the very high opinion he formed of the Craft from the life of his brother had led him to become a member. For the stream of benevolence and goodness which flowed from Freemasonry the world had much to be thankful for, and he was glad to say that the Craft had lived out the unjust aspersions which had been cast upon it. So long as a man was a social being, so long as in his nature there remained a sense of brotherhood with those around him, so long would Freemasonry continue and flourish. Might the benign influence of the Great Architect of the Universe foster their efforts to create good fellowship among all conditions and ranks of men, and might this sinful and suffering world of ours be sweetened by the light of divine truth, and render the Craft, more than it had ever ben a means by which men might look up to God as their loving Father, and look around upon their fellow men as brothers in heart and soul.

The Chairman then proposed "The Provincial Grand Officers, past and present," which was acknowledged by P.P.G.S.W. Bro. Major Penrice, who expressed his gratification at having seen the

lodge so well attended.

A few other toasts, and most of the brethren (including the D.P.G.M.) departed to catch the mail train. A jovial party, however, stayed, under the chairmanship of the Rev. C. J. Martyn, till a late hour. The worthy host of the Crown and Anchor (Bro. Franklin), although unwell, made (as usual) such excellent arrangements that the brethren will remember with pleasure the visit of the Provincial Grand Lodge to

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF JERSEY.

The annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge was held on Tuesday, October 7th, at the Masonic Temple, when a considerable number of brethren attended to show respect to the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Dr. John LeCronier, who, owing to the absence of Bro. Col. Malet de Carteret, P.G.M., opened the Provincial Grand Lodge in due form, supported by Bros. A. Schmitt, P. Prov. S.G.W., as D.P.G.M.; J. G. Scott, P.G.S.W.; W. L. Pugsby, J.W.; P. W. Benham, Treas.; J. Durell, P. Prov. G.S.W.; C. Kingworthy, P. Prov. S.G.W.; F. Cooke, Reg.; J. O. LeSueur, Sec.; Geo. J. Renouf, S.D.; R. Barrow, J.D.; Elias A. Owen, Supt. of Wks.; Ed. Martel, as D.C.; Major Woodall, S.B.; J. Oatley, Purs.: Prov. Grand Stewards Masters Oatley, Purs.; Prov. Grand Stewards, Masters, P.M.'s and Wardens.

The minutes of the previous Grand Lodge were read and unanimously confirmed. The Secretary then read the minutes of the Com-

mittee of the P. G. Fund of Benevolence, shewing that they were able to alleviate the distresses of several necessitous brethren in the Province.

The Treasurer presented his annual statement, duly examined by the Audit Committee, which was approved and passed. The report of the Board of General Purposes was likewise read, received, and ordered to be entered on the min-

The brethren were now called to elect a Treasurer for the ensuing year, when Bro. A. Schmitt at once nominated Bro. Benham; this motion being seconded by Bro. J.G. Scott, was carried unanimously.

The P.G.M. appointed and invested his

officers as follows

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١	J. Oatley,	Prov.	G.S.	.D.
I	F. P. LeMarquand,	Prov.	G. J.	.D.
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This being the regular period of elections of the Board for General Purposes, the Scrutineers collected the ballotting papers and withdrew. On their return they handed to the P.G.M. a list of the result of the ballot, when the following brethren were declared members of the Board for the ensuing year :

Bro. A Schmitt, President; C. Kingworthy, M. 245: I. Oatley, P.M. 500; W. T. P.M. 245; J. Oatley, P.M. 590; W. T. Pugsby, P.M. 245; Jos. O'Flaherty, W.M. 958; J. G. Scott, P.M. 491; R. Barrow, P.M. 491; F. P. Lemarquand, W.M. 491. It was moved by Bro. A. Schmitt, seconded by Bro. Benham, and carried unanimously:—
"That the sum of £10 10s. be voted to

the Masonic School for Girls."

Levesque, S.W. 244 "

The Prov. Grand Lodge was closed in form. At 6 o'clock the brethren sat down to a dinner presided over by the acting P.G.M. who was supported on his right by Bros: A. Schmitt, Benham, J. Durell, F. Cooke, and J. Oatley; on his left by Bros: Scott, Pugsby, and C. Kingworthy.

Bro. Ph. Binet, occupied the vice-chair, where the usual loyal Masonic toasts were given, and a very enjoyable evening was spent in a truly

Masonic spirit.

CONVEYANCE OF GOODS BY MEANS OF AIR. The Pneumatic Company (Limited) have opened a receiving office in the Post Office Yard, St. Martin's-le-Grand, at the corner of Cheapside, from whence they now dispatch goods to and from the railways. The company have in working a service of cars of some 10 or 12ft in length, and these are forced through the tubes from the Central office in Holborn, at the rate of 30 to 40 miles an hour by a steam engine and powerful pneumatic apparatus. The little air subway can be seen in the vault beneath the office at the Post Office Yard. The office itself is conveniently fitted up for the reception of goods, and the cars will take packages of considerable size. The little building fills up what has hitherto been ; an ugly blank by Mr. weeting

It is stated that an Irish club for London is to be established in the City.

WIRE-QUILTED SOLED BOOTS, which save 50 per cent. WIRE-GUILTED SOLED BOOTS, which save 50 per cent. in wear, may be had from Burgess, 29A, Oxford-street, W; Speak, 13, Broadway, Ludgate-hill; Blundell, 66, Forestreet, City; Lewis, 209, Liverpool-road, N.; and elsewhere. N.B.—Your regular bootmaker can procure soles readyquilted in every size from the Wire Quilting Company, Limited; or have his own leather quilted by forwarding same to the Company's works. In instant. same to the Company's works, Leicester.—ADVT.

Original Correspondence.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTH SHIELDS.

To the Editor of the Freemason.

Dear Sir and Brother,—
One or two slight errors crept into your otherwise excellent report of the interesting ceremony connected with the laying of the foundation stone of the above church, on the 18th Sept., which I am anxious to correct, as they have led astray several of my clerial and lay brethren, who are about to engage in church building, and who have recently written to me for information upon the subject.

The minimum estimated cost of the church is not £4,000, as reported, but £4,513, exclusive of extras, which are already beginning to trouble the Committee. The total cost of the building cannot be much less than £5,000:

The population of the new Parish of St. Mark is nearly three times larger than the number given in your paper, viz., over 8,000, and not

3,000 only.

The people are all, either working men and women, or tradesmen in a small way of business, so that the difficulties experienced by the Committee in raising so large a sum as £5,000 may perhaps be imagined, but certainly cannot be put on paper.

The Committee will have to raise £1,000 during the next twelve months, otherwise the

church cannot be consecrated.

I desire very cordially to thank the Masonic brethren who honoured us with their presence on the 18th Sept., also those who have kindly assisted us with their contributions.

I may add that the proceedings left a deep and most pleasant impression on the minds of the inhabitants of South Shields, many of whom have since told me that they never before witnessed such a magnificent procession. The arrangements were evidently the result of considerable forethought and tact, and reflected great credit on the brethren who conducted the ceremony.

Yours Fraternally

D. Evans.

Incumbent of St. Mark's, South Shields.

SPIRITUALISM.

To the Editor of the Freemason.

Dear Sir and Brother,-

I do not know whether "X.O.", who writes on "Spiritualism Or?" in the American Herald, or Bro. Keet, who sent the communication for publication in the Freemason, intended to perpetrate a joke, or seriously meant it as an invitation to "spiritualistic mediums" and men of science. I can hardly suppose the latter, but if so, they can know but little, if anything, on the subject on which they write.

Whatever may be the relation between mesmerism, biology, and the phenomena of spiritualism, all being the result of some imponderable agency, the investigations that have been made, and the facts that stand upon record, afford abundant proof that they are not identical. In mesmerism and biology one person can act upon another, mentally and physically. But it is not so in "spiritual phenomena," and X.O. is altogether wrong in supposing that certain sounds and the moving of material bodies are effected at the will of the medium.

The medium is as powerless in the effecting of any of these phenomena as are the substances operated upon, and "the joint wills of several mediums" are of as little effect as is the will of a

single medium.

The discovery of the points" referred to, are therefore, altogether out of the question. The will of a medium has nothing at all to do with the occurences which take place, whether the moving of material substances, the utterance of audible voices, the writing of intelligent sentences, the production of drawings, or conversations carried on by the various means familiar to those who investigate the phenomena. If the investigations of scientific men, and the placing of mediums at their disposal, for such investigations, are what is desired by X.O. and Bro. Keet, they may be informed that if there be any lack of such investigations it is not the fault of spiritualists.

Spiritualistic mediums have, over and again, offered to submit their claims to the strictest test, and have the judgement of scientific men upon them. Mr. Home, for instance, proposed to submit the phenomena which are so often witnessed in his presence, to Professors Faraday and Tyndall, and it is to be regretted that they did not more frankly accept the invitation addressed to them. But there are scientific men who have not refused to investigate the subject, with the acgiescence of mediums; Professor Hare, of Philadelphia, for instance, a scientist of great repute, although believing that the so-called phenomena of spiritualism were the results of trickery, believed the subject to be of so much importance as to be worth the most elaborate investigation; and to guard against the possibility of fraud on the part of the mediums, he contrived an apparatus, which, if spirits were actually concerned in the phenomena, would enable them to exercise their power independently of control. And the results were so conclusive, that he became known as one of the most eminent spiritualists of America. At this moment, we have several fellows of the Royal Society, amongst whom are Messrs. Wallace, Crookes, and Varley, each, perhaps, the most eminent scientist in his own department of knowledge, who have conducted the most patient and searching investigation into the subject, and who have all avowed their conviction of the reality of the phenomena, and of their production by some invisible power; as may be seen in the Report of the Dialectical Society, and elsewhere. These gentlemen know as much of mesmerism, biology, and spiritualism as most men, and they know that although the phenomena of each are of a very marvellous description, they are by no means to be identified as the same. Whether mesmerism be capable of suggesting "a new mode of telegraphy to all parts of the world, without cables." by putting two mesmerised persons en rapport, I will not undertake to say; but to obtain this through two spiritualistic mediums being placed en rapport, is not, I believe, on the

I concur with Bro. Buchan, in believing that when the history of this century shall come to be written, it will present some curious pages, and I believe that of those not the least noticeable will be the flippancy with which pretenders to knowledge treat things they know nothing of, and the credulity they display in believing things that are utterly incredible. I am quite willing to leave those who know me, and have known me for many years, to determine whether I am the poor fool which Bro. Buchan is pleased to depict me, and also, to determine whether Bro. Buchan is likely to obtain any respect, by misrepresenting what I wrote, in order to furnish the ground whence he might assail me. I spoke of six or seven conversations, of from two to three hours and a half in length. He reduces them to one, which, "if it was not aided by trickery, was the mere result of imagination.' It is quite clear that Bro. Buchan is as ignorant of the literature of spiritualism, as he is of its facts, or he would not, at this time of day, write such trash as he does of "Spiritualistic trick sters coming to seances fully prepared,' and of the phenomena being "a coarse compound of trickery, credulity, animal magnetism, nervous disorder and spectral illusion," and if he was not as arrogant as he is ignorant, he would not seek to hold me and others up to ridicule and contempt, as the victims of such nervous derangement as to render us only fit for a lunatic

We are lunatics in good company however, for although he is ignorant of the fact, it is well known that several fellows of the Royal Society, including its president, and each eminent in his own department of science, are all so fully convinced of the verity of what he calls "a coarse compound of trickery, credulity, animal magnetism, nervous disorder and spectral illusion" that they have been, for some months, investigating the phenomena, under conditions which preclude the possibility of any of the causes which Bro. Buchan, in his wisdom, assigns for them.

Yours fraternally,
WILLIAM CARPENTER.

RESUSCITATION OF A ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER AT PAISLEY.

Abbey Chapter, No. 76, which, owing to the death within the last few years of several of its most active members, and the removal from the town of others, has been practically dormant, though still retained in the roll of chapters, was formerly re-opened on Monday Oct. the 20th, principally owing to the exertions of Comp. H. Rowan, the indefatigable Scribe E., and Jas. Anderson, the R.W.M. of the Renfrew County Kilwinning Lodge, No. 370, in whose hall the chapter met, having in, conjunction with Comp. Guy, P.Z. of Chapter 109, invited a member of the Glasgow companions to assist in resuscitating the chapter, and on the appointed day sent out a carriage and pair of greys to convey them to and from their destination. Some others availed themselves of other modes of conveyance, and Johnstone also sent its deputation to assist in the good work.

On the arrival of the Glasgow brethren, they not only met with a fraternal greeting, but found a substantial repast awaiting them, thus having

refreshment before labour.

At the request of the Paisley companion the chapter was officered by Glasgow brethren, assisted by Comp. Guy, of Johnstone. The offices were thus filled, Comps. L. Crab, P.Z. of 50, P.G.S.N. as Z.; John Frazer P.H. 50 as H.; G. B. Adams, P.J. of 50, J.; W. Guy, P.Z. 109, Scribe E.; J. Tweed, J. of 73, Scribe N.; G. W. Wheeler, H. of 73, First S.; D. Robinson 50, Second S; R. Moss, 50, Third S.; John Crab, 50, Captain of the Vail; J. M. Oliver, Scribe E. 69, Captain Second Vail; W. Nicholson, 69, Captain of Third Vail; J. Johnson, 109, Treasurer; A. A. Smith, T. 50, I.G.; J. Miller, 50, Organist.

A Lodge of Mark Masters was then opened, and the following five brethren, who had previously taken that degree, were affiliated as members of this Mark Lodge, viz., Bros. J. Anderson J. G. Drummond, Mark Cook, J. Marshall, W. E. Nevan, having been initiated into the mysteries of this degree and duly passed through the veils, a Holy Royal Arch Chapter was then opened, and the same five gentlemen were exalted to that degree. The whole of the ceremonies were worked with that precison that distinguishes Comp. Crabb's working.

The solemn music, so well rendered by Comp. Wheeler, Z. 60, and the gorgeous robes and head dress of the three Principals, which were supplied by Comp. G. Kenning, combined to produce a deep effect, not only on the minds of the candidates, but also on all the companions present, while the embellishments of the hall and the tracing boards of the Arch, as well as those of the Craft, that were displayed on the walls, while unusual in a Scotch Lodge, yet added much to the effect, and all present will long remember the favourable auspices under which the Abbey Chapter was re-opened. The whole of the visiting companions were then affiliated, and the chapter closed.

After the protracted labour was over the companions proceeded to refreshment, and in the unavoidable absence of the First Principal of the chapter, Comp. Jas. Anderson, R.W.M. 370, was called to the chair. He expressed the great pleasure it had given him to have been instrumental in getting up this meeting, and he was sure that all would be pleased at the successful result, the kindness of the visiting brethren, the correctness of the working, and the magnificance of the dresses, taken altogether, had produced such an effect upon his mind that he must acknowledge his total inability to do justice to it.

After the usual loyal and Masonic toasts had been given, "The Three Grand Chapters" was given by Comp. Jas. Crabb. Comp. G. W. Wheeler, responded on behalf of England, he being a member under that Constitution as well as the Scotch. Comp. Fraser replied on behalf of Ireland, stating it was a favourable augury for the Abbey Chapter that it had been re-opened by Representatives of the three Grand Chapters, Comp. Gray responded for Scotland. The Chairman then gave "The Visitors from Glasgow," Comp. Jas. Crabb replied and pro-

posed "The Five Newly-exalted Companions." Comp. Anderson replied, stating the gratification they had all derived from having been exalted under such very favourable circumstances, and with such accessories. Comp. Wheeler proposed "The Sir William Wallace Chapter, No. 109, and the Companions from Johnston," which was acknowledged by Comps. J. Johnson, and J.W. Gray, the Z. and P.Z. of 109. The Chairman then gave "69," responded to by W. Nicholson, who said that after traversing all quarters of the Globe, he still loved to visit his native place and mix with the brethren of the Mystic Tie. Comp. J. M. Olive, Scribe E. 69, also briefly acknowledged the compliment. Comp. Gray gave "Chapter 73" which was responded to by Comp. J. Tweed, J.; and Comp. G. Wheeler, H. of that Chapter. Comp. Adams said that the two last speakers, as well as himself, and Comp. Jas. Crabb had left a meeting of Knights Templar to be present to-night that, proving the fraternal feeling that exists in the various grades of Masonry in Glasgow and its vicinity. to meet, sorry to part, and happy to meet again" was then given, and with "Auld Lang Syne" wound up this truly successful and harmonious meeting. The pleasures of the evening were materially enhanced by the really excellent singing of Comps. James and John Crabb, i Miller, D. Ross, Robinson, Gully, Fraser, and last and not least, A. A. Smith, who presided at the harmonium at refreshment, as Comp. Miller had officiated during the ceremonies, and the Glasgow Companions returned, well pleased that their visit to Paisley had been so pleasant to all.

FREEMASONRY IN THE WEST INDIES.

It is gratifying to us to observe that in the Tobago Gazette, the Government Journal, there is the following notice of the appointment of the Honorable Joseph King Wattley, Chief Justice of Tobago, to the Provincial Grand Mastership of the Province of the West Indian Islands, under the Scotch Constitution. The notice is headed by a device and is in the following terms:—

"Grand Lodge of Scotland.—A quarterly meeting of the Grand Lodge of Scotland was held vesterday afternoon, in the Freemasons' Hall, George Street, Edinburgh. The M.W. Grand Master Mason of Scotland, the Right Honourable the Earl of Rossyln, occupied the throne, and was supported by the Right Honourable the Earl of Dalhousie, K.T., Past Grand Master. After several matters had been disposed of, on the recommendation of the lodges in the West India Islands, Bro. Chief Justice Joseph King Wattley, was unanimously appointed Provincial Grand Master of that Province."—From the Edinburgh Courant of 5th August.

The above appointment, it need scarcely be added, gives unbounded satisfaction to the members of the Craft, not only in this Island but generally throughout the West Indies, where Bro. Wattley's services have been for many years known and appreciated, and to the lodge No. 488, it is highly complimentary."

Glasgow is to be the resort next year of the Social Science people. It is a long step from the Wensum to the Clyde. In the magnificent city of steamships and ironfoundries the congress will be surrounded with mightier proofs not industrial enterprise and commercial well-being, but they will hardly receive a heartier welcome than was accorded in Norwich.

SEDADENT.—The only guaranteed cure for Toothache.—This ex traordinary application, marvellous in its effects, gives immediate relief, without injuring the tooth, and forms a temporary stopping. 18, 1½d.; post free 18, 3d. The Coralite Tooth Paste, for cleansing and improving the teeth, imparts a natural redness to the gums, and gives brilliancy to the enamel. Price 18, 5d. The Royal Dentiferce, prepared from a recipe as used by her Majesty, gives the teeth a pearl-like whiteness, and imparts a delicious fragrance to the breath. Price 18, 6d. Sold by all chemists and perfumers, and by the proprietors, Messres, Gairrie, the old-established Dentists, 72, Ludgate-hill and 50, Harley-street, Cavendish-square, London.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

At the election of twenty girls from a list of thirty-one candidates, on Saturday, 11th inst., the following were the unsuccessful candidates :--

	voics.
Ann Gertrude Tippett	347
Helen E. Weedon	597
Adela E. Thomson	129
Harriet Davis	504
Ellen Lambden	76
Louisa C. Sirr	552
Maude Ada Jay	129
Alice M. Newboult	288
Maria English	164
Agnes K. Chapman	504
Alice M. Thornbury	542
The votes polled will be carried on	to the
ext election.	

A list of the successful candidates was given in last week's Freemason.

Obituary.

COMP. DYER. P.Z. 185. It has pleased the G.A.O.T.U. to call another member away from the Jerusalem Chapter, Comp. Dyer, P.Z. and Treasurer. He breathed his last on Thursday, October 2nd, 1873. His remains were interred at Kensal Green Cemetery, on the 9th ult. A number of the Craft attended, to pay the last respects to the deceased Companion, among whom we noticed the following companions of the Chapter: Holbrook, M.E.Z.; Watts, P.Z.; Burton, P.Z.; Shepherd, P.Z.; Arliss, P.Z.; Davage, P.Z.; Harfield, P.Z.; F. R. Stevens, P.Z. and Scribe E. pro tem., Gillard, Wagner, and P. Robinson. At the last convocation Comp. F. K. Stevens was deputed to send a letter of condolence to the widow.

Multum in Parbo, or Masonic Aotes and Queries.

Bro. A. F. A. Woodford is greatly obliged to Bro. G. W. Chirnside, Liverpool, for the New York Herald, with the account of the opening of the new Masonic Hall at Philadelphia, but will not trouble him to send, kindly, the Philadelphia Keystone, or any further account, as he has received the same direct from Philadelphia. Bro. Woodford is much obliged to Bro. Chirnside.

Bro. A. F. A. Woodford is also deeply obliged to the editor of the Philadelphia Keystone, for the papers, and description of the Temple and dedication service, which he has received from him. Bro. Woodford has writen to Philadelphia.

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS.

For the Week ending Friday, October 31, 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 25.

Lodge1293, Burdett, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court, at 3.30. ,, 1297, West Kent, Forest Hill Hotel, Forest Hill. Red Cross Conclave, 6, Roman Eagle, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.

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 27.

Monday, October 27.

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

79, Pythagorean, Ship Hotel, Greenwich.

183, Unity, London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street.

831, British Oak, Bank of Friendship, Bancroftplace, Mile End.

" 902, Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street. " 905, De Grey and Ripon, Angel Hotel, Great Ilford

Chap. 25, Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall. 188, Joppa, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.

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.

Camlen Lodge of Instruction (704), Adelaile 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. 1155, 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 28.

Lodge 14, Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall. 92, Moira, London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street.

141, Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.

145, Prudent Brethren, Freemasons' Hall,

186, Industry, Freemasons' Hall. 205, Israel, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street.

, 1158, Southern Star, Montpellier Tavern, Walworth. gate.

,, 1341, Ebury, Morpeth Arms Tavern, Millbank. Chap. 7, Royal York Lodge of Perseveranco, Free-masous' Hall.

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

Domatic 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.

Cottebrune, 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. Saumlers, Preceptor.

Florence Nightingale Lodge of Instruction, Masonie 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 29.

Lodge 898, Temperance in the East, 6, Newby-place, Poplar,
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, Catherine-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, Londonst., Tottenham Court-road, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

Finsbury Park Lodge of Instruction (1288), Finsbury Park Tavern, Seven Sisters-road, N. at 8. Bro. P. Dickinson, Acting Preceptor.

Thursday, October 30.

General Committee, Girls' School, at Freemasons' Hall,

Lodge 22, Neptune, Guildhall Tayern, Gresham-street. 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. Ebury Lodge of Instruction, Bro. Palmer's, 12, Ponsonby st., Millbank.

Union Club of Instruction Windsor Castle, Victoria Station, at 8 p.m.; H. Ash, P.M. Instructor.

Highgate Lodge of Instruction (No. 1366), Bull and Gate Kentish-town, at 8; Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor. Friday, October 31.

Lodge 861, Finsbury, Jolly Anglers, Bath-street, St. Luke's. Chap. 134, Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-

street.

749, Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street. George's Ladge of Instruction (No. 140), Globe Tavern, Royal-hill, Greenwich. George's

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

Belgrave Lodge of Instruction, (749), Coach and Horses,

Strand, at 8; Bro. Pulsford, Preceptor Stability Lodge of Instruction (No. 217), Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-st., at 6 p.m; Bro. H. Miggeridge, Preceptor. Panmure Lodge of Instruction (720), Balham Hotel, Bal-

ham, at 7.30.

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

Temperance Lodge of Instruction, Victoria Tav., Victoria-

road. Deptford, at 8.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instruction (1278), Approach Tavern, Approach-road, Victoria-park, at 8; Bro. Geo. W. Verry, Preceptor.

Clapton Lodge of Instruction, White Hart, Clapton, at 7.30;

Bro. James Brett, P.G.P., &c., Preceptor.
Royal Standard Lodge of Instruction (1298), the Castle
Tavern, Holloway, at 8; Bro. W. F. Rogers, Precep-

Pythagorean Chapter of Instruction (No. 79), Prince of Orange, Greenwich-road, at 8; Comp. W. West Smith, Preceptor.

Westbourne Lodge of Instruction (733), Horse and Groom, Winsley-street, Oxford-street, at 8.

Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7; Bro. Brett, Preceptor. United Pilgrims Lodge of Instruction, Antelope Tavern,

Lorn-road, Brixton, at 7. St. James's Lodge of Instruction, New Tanners' Arms

Grange-road, Bermondsey, at 8; Bro. Howes, P.M. Preceptor. Duke of Edinburgh Lodge of Instruction, Silver Lion,

Penny-fields, Poplar, at 7; Bro. D. S. Potts, Preceptor. Doric Lodge of Instruction, Three Cranes Tayern, Mile end-road, at 8.

Burgoyne Lodge of Instruction, Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales's-road, N.W., at 8.

Luke's Lodge of Instruction (144), Rose Tavern, Fulham-road, S.W.

Chigwell Lodge of Instruction, Bald-faced Stag Hotel,

High Cross Lodge of Instruction (754), Coach and Horses Tavern, High Road, Tottenham, at 8.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN LIVERPOOL, &c. For the Week ending Saturday, November 1, 1873.

Monday, October 27. Lodge 148, Lights, Masonie Rooms, Warrington, at 6.30. Chap. 241, Friendship, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 5.30.

Tues lay, October 28. Lodge 1393, Hamer, Windermere-street, Breck-road, Liver-pool, at 6. Chap. 823, Everton, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

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

Downshire Lodge of Instruction (No. 594), 90, Duke-street, nshire Louge o. . . . Liverpool, at 7. Wednesday, October 29.

Lodge 86, Loyalty, Royal Hotel, Prescot, at 6.
,, 580, Harmony, Wheatsheaf Inn, Ormskirk, at 5.
,, 758, Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcorn, at 6.
Alpass Encampment of Knights Templar, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

St. John's Lodge of Instruction (673), 90, Uuke-street Liverpool, at 8. Thursday, October 30.

Lodge 1313, Fermor, Masonic Hall, Southport, at 7.
" 1384, Equity, Widnes, at 6.
Mariners' Lodge of Instruction (249), Masonic Temple,

Liverpool, at 8.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN GLASGOW.

For the week ending Friday, October 31, 1873. All the Meetings take place at 8 o'clock.

Monday, October 27.

Lodge 103, Union and Crown, 170, Buchanan-st., 119, Star, 12, Trongate., 362, St. Clair, 25, Robertson-street., 541, Marie Stuart, Crosshill.

Chap. 122, Thetis, 35, James-street, Tradeston. Tuesday, October 28. Lodge 413, Athol, 213, Buchanan-street.

Chap. 67, Cathedral, 22, Struthers-street.

,, 73, Caledonian Unity, 170, Buchanan-street. Thursday, October 30. Chap. 117, Govan, Portland Hall, Govan. Provincial Grand Lodge of Glasgow, 213, Buchanan -

street, at 8. Friday, October 31.
Lodge 153, Royal Arch, Town Hall, Pollockshaw's.
,, 347, St. John's, Old Council Hall, Rutherglen.

Provincial Grand Chapter for Lanarkshire, 213, Buchana street.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN EDINBURGH. For the Week ending Saturday, November 1, 1873.

Monday, October 27 Lodge 349, St. Clair, Freemasons' Hall, George-street, at 8.

Tuesday, October 28.

Lodge 151, Edinburgh Defensive Band, Masonic Hall, Blackfriars-street, at 8.30.
Red Cross Coaclave No. 4, Edinburga, Ship Hotel, E.

Register-st., at 8. Friday, October 31. Lodge 223, Trafalgar, Masonie Hall, Salamander-street

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