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CONSIDERING how great was the disproportion between the number of vacancies to be filled at the Girls' School Election on Saturday last, and the number of candidates who competed for them, it is not surprising that the polling should have been unduly heavy, and that many of the unsuccessful candidates would have stood a good chance of being at or near the top of the poll on ordinary occasions. The highest successful candidate was one of two Warwickshire girls, who polled no less than 5308 votes, of which 1074 were brought forward from April last; and as the girl who stood second—DORA SIMS, of London—obtained a total of only 4221 votes, made up of 1640 brought forward, and 2581 polled on the day itself, it is clear that the Warwickshire lassie would have headed the list if she had had none whatever standing to her credit from her previous attempt. The third on the list—E. A. B. POOLER, London—scored 4131, of which 1883 were already to her credit from the April contest; while E. W. R. MACKAY from Malta and London, stood fourth with 4109 votes. A. C. TURTON, hailing from North and East Yorkshire, was next with 3907 votes, and F. N. WELLS, of London, sixth, with 3680 votes, of which 1474 votes were brought forward. A. W. BELTON, one of the two candidates from Northumberland, won the seventh place with 3508 votes, and SARAH BISSETT, of London, the eighth, with 3365 votes, the number already to her credit being 394, while MARY E. WILSON, the single West Lancashire candidate, brought up the rear with 3165 votes. Thus, London carried four of its 19 candidates, and had a share in the success of a fifth; while the remaining four were provincial, hailing from Warwickshire, N. and E. Yorkshire, Northumberland, and West Lancashire respectively. Of the four girls who had this one and only chance of success, only one succeeded, there being apparently no serious effort made to ensure the success of the remaining three, the girl GEACH, who brought forward 470 votes, only raising her total to 555, while E. L. J. WELLS scored 168 votes—of which 77 were brought forward—and A. L. SMITH 61 votes. The array of unsuccessful children was headed by a girl from the Australasian Colony of Victoria, who has 2784 votes, the Nottinghamshire candidate being well up with 2701 votes, and then HARLING, of London, with 2564 votes, LEE, Hants and Isle of Wight, with 2424 votes, and LIVERD, of Berks and Bucks, with 2418 votes. The group following these was headed by COOKES, of Warwickshire, with 1846 votes, there being no less than 13 candidates who obtained between 1000 and 2000 votes, and seven who scored between 500 and 1000 votes. The aggregate of votes brought forward was 19,464, and the number issued for the Election 39,659, making a grand total of 79,123 votes available; but only 54,385 were polled and passed by the Scrutineers, the number spoiled or unused being 5274, which is rather in excess of the number in the case of the Boys' School.

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THE contest at the recent Boys' School Election does not appear to have been unduly keen. There was a heavy list of candidates, but there was at the same time a considerable number of vacancies to be filled, the candidates being to the proportion of about three to one. But there was some heavy polling notwithstanding, and three of the applicants, who might in reason have been expected to win places, are among the unsuccessful, and two of these three have now lost all chance of being admitted, and will have their names removed from the list. A provincial candidate who hailed from Somersetshire headed the poll with 3702 votes, of which 2151 votes were brought forward from April, and as it was the boy's only remaining chance of entering the School, his friends seem to have been determined he should win, and obtained for him 1500 more votes than, as the result shows, were required for the purpose. An applicant from London stood second. The votes he brought forward would have carried him through, but his friends, wisely determining to leave as little as possible to chance, raised his credit of 2428 votes to 2810 votes, and so obtained for him a place without unduly

exerting their strength. The boy TROOP, of East Lancashire—and the only candidate from that extensive province—polled 2658 votes offhand, and thus secured his election at the first attempt; while FURSEY, the solitary candidate from Sussex, increased his total from April last to 2633, and was thus close at the heels of the East Lancashire lad. The one Devonshire boy stood fifth with 2544 votes, of which 1976 were brought forward; and Norths and Hunts was close up with 2535 votes, of which 1965 votes were the result of previous efforts. One of three candidates from Norfolk, who had 1177 votes already to his credit, increased his total to 2466, and thus obtained the seventh place, a second London candidate, who polled 2453 votes, of which 1371 votes were brought forward, being next on the roll. Essex, which had two candidates, carried the election of the boy GREEN, who had but this one chance of getting into the School, just contenting itself with adding a few votes to his credit of 2299 votes, and raising his total to 2441; while Cumberland and Westmorland adopted a similar course in behalf of the lad MOSSOR—one of three candidates from the same district—the 2279 votes remaining from the April election being raised to 2380 votes. A London candidate stood 11th with 2374 votes, made up of 1455 votes brought forward and 919 fresh votes; while the 12th successful boy hailed from Somersetshire, which, notwithstanding the votes that had been needlessly polled for GRIMSEY (No. 1), thus secured the election of both its candidates. West Yorkshire, which is skilled in the management of elections, carried all its three candidates, GEORGE RUSHWORTH being 13th with 2245 votes, and KENDALL and PINDER 17th and 18th, with 2201 and 2171 votes respectively. A London boy, with 1603 votes to his credit from three previous attempts, stood 14th with 2230 votes, and then came one of three boys from Kent—F. D. W. MENPES—with 2221 votes, a second Kentish lad standing 20th with 2126 votes, of which all but 15 were polled on this occasion. BAYLIS, from London, with 1641 votes to the good, was 16th with 2217 votes, and then, after the second and third West Yorkshire candidates, another applicant from the same centre (FRED WILSON), who had 1135 votes to his credit, and polling a further 1014 votes, raised his total to 2149. The boy who stood 21st (R. E. MORGAN) was also from London, and scored 2116, the remaining three successful candidates being all of them from the Provinces, F. E. EVERTON, standing No. 22, and polling 2076 votes, being from Worcestershire; A. H. WINDSOR, at No. 23, with 2066 votes, from Oxfordshire; and F. J. HARRIS, at No. 24, with 2032 votes, from Wiltshire. Thus London carried seven out of its 17 candidates, West Yorkshire its three candidates, Somersetshire its two candidates, and Kent two out of its three candidates, while Norfolk and Cumberland and Westmorland carried each one out of three and Essex one of two candidates, the remaining seven being the representatives of the seven provinces already assigned to them. The two highest unsuccessful candidates, who polled 1988 votes and 1868 votes respectively, will be able to carry forward their votes to the election in April, 1889, and so will the boy LAWRENCE, who polled 1677 votes; but JOSEPH WOOD, of London, and H. GRAY, from South Africa, though they had 1049 votes and 1024 votes already to the good respectively, seem to have been unable to follow up the advantage which those votes gave them, and, polling the former a total of 1733 votes, and the latter one of 1433 votes only, will now disappear from the list altogether, and thus for the want of a little good generalship at the critical moment, these poor boys, after standing the one seven and the other six contests, are now left out in the cold. The names of three other boys will be also removed under the operation of the same law as to age, but, though this is to be regretted, it is only in the case of one who had been a candidate at five elections, that the failure stands out conspicuously. As to the votes brought forward and issued, of the former there were 33,369, and of the latter 59,200, making a grand total of 92,569, but the number of votes polled and passed by the Scrutineers was 54,310, so that 4890 votes, of which a few no doubt were spoiled, were never turned to account.

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OUR Charitable Institutions have been so considerably enlarged during the last few years, and the benefits they confer are so much more valuable than they used to be formerly, that it is not surprising we should every now and then hear of additionally stringent Rules as to the qualifications of candidates being passed. It is generally known that the provision made by the Masons of England for their indigent brethren, and for the widows and children of deceased or indigent brethren, is on a generous scale, and, as a consequence, there has been for some time past an appreciable increase in the number of persons who apply for initiation into our Society. They hear men, whom they know to be Freemasons, speaking in terms of praise of the Schools and Annuity Funds established by the Order; they read glowing accounts in the daily press of our Anniversary Festivals, and the immense sums annually subscribed for our Charities; and they consider it will be worth their while to seek, and, if possible, obtain admission into our ranks. They are not altogether to be blamed for this view. They know nothing of the constitution of our Society or of the principles which it professes; and they jump

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The new Law as to Qualification of Candidates, Boys' School.

to the conclusion that Freemasonry is a benefit society, which it is open to any one who can obtain an introduction and possesses the necessary qualifications to join, and from which, when he has been admitted, it will be in his power, or in that of his wife and children, should sickness or calamity or death overtake him, to obtain some direct and tangible benefit. But we, at all events, know that Freemasonry is differently constituted from the Oddfellows or Foresters. We do not invite men to join our ranks, and we make a point of requiring from all who seek to be initiated the solemn declaration that they have been influenced to join the Society for its own sake, and not from any unworthy motives of ulterior gain to themselves or their families. In spite, however, of all the precautions that are taken, and the advice so constantly urged by such brethren as our late Grand Secretary HERVEY and Bro. Col. SHADWELL H. CLERKE, the present occupant of that important office, men are sometimes admitted into our lodges who should never have been accepted as Masons, and, as was pointed out at the Boys' School Quarterly Court, on the 26th ult., there are good grounds for believing that the admission of such persons has had the effect of largely increasing the number of applicants for the benefits of our several Institutions. We trust that the Rule, as it now stands, which requires that for a boy to be accepted as candidate his father must have been seven years a member of some lodge, or must have been stricken by death or calamity incapacitating him from work within that period, will have the desired effect of keeping out of our ranks those who would join us from motives of self-interest, and, at the same time, of reducing the pressure on the resources of our Charities. It is a part of our duty—which every true Mason is only too glad to discharge—to help the sorely afflicted brother or his family; but it does not come within our province to relieve the mere adventurer, who only desires to extract as much as possible out of the Society.

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The Province of North Wales, like that of Shropshire, has made the most of the opportunities it has enjoyed since its constitution as a separate district. Its organisation is now as complete as it ever will be, its funds are in a prosperous condition, and every year it continues to raise the wherewithal to substantially assist our central Masonic Charitable Institutions. When, speaking Masonically, it formed the greater half of the Province of North Wales and Shropshire, under the late Bro. Sir W. WILLIAMS-WYNN, Bart., it discharged its obligations with punctuality and goodwill; as a Province by itself under the rule of Bro. Lord HARLECH, it shows itself to be equally punctual and well-disposed, while the friendly rivalry which seems to exist between it and Shropshire—its old associate—has apparently had the effect of stimulating it to still greater exertions in behalf of Freemasonry. So, at least, we gather from the proceedings of its Provincial Grand Lodge, which met at Carnarvon on the 17th ult., when the reports of the executive Provincial officers and the remarks of the Provincial Grand Master most clearly indicated that its affairs were being well administered, and, as a consequence, were in a thoroughly satisfactory position. It had largely added to its voting strength during the past year; its Charitable Association, notwithstanding a slight falling off in the number of its subscribing members, had a considerable balance in its favour; and there is the promise of a new lodge shortly being formed at Llanberis. During its brief career as a Province it has raised some £1400 for our principal Institutions—that is to say, in 1886, £220; in 1887, £410; and in 1888, £780, the contributions at the Girls' School Centenary being entered as £664. These are most creditable returns, and reflect the highest credit on our North Wales brethren, who have shown thus conspicuously that the Charity they believe in is not confined to words. Indeed, there seems to be no branch of Masonic labour in which the Province has not maintained and even enlarged its ancient fame, and we feel that we are only giving proper expression to the feelings of our readers when we say that North Wales has their entire sympathy as well as their heartiest good wishes for a long continuance of its present prosperity.

#### HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE LODGE ST. MUNGO, No. 27, GLASGOW.

By the courtesy of Bro. James Dick, the present genial R.W. Master of "St. Mungo" Lodge, Glasgow, No. 27, formerly No. 28, I have been enabled to look through the existing records of that venerable Institution. It seems to have been formed for the express purpose of receiving speculative (?) brethren who were not eligible in the parent body, St. John's, now 3 bis., which was purely operative till about 1842, and for some 200 years previously only accepted persons connected with the building trade, with which it was closely identified, for the Deacon of the Incorporation of Masons was *ipso facto* Master of St. John's Lodge.

The first nine pages of their earliest minute book have gone amissing, and we begin in the midst of "Regulations" for the guidance of the lodge. The Initiation fee was five Merks with one shilling each to the Secretary and Tyler, besides a "moderate treat" to the Br. present: while four Merks were charged for passing. There is so far no mention of the Third Degree, but the Master was empowered to commission any "Master Mason" (*sic*) to receive entrants; but the next by-law puts a somewhat different complexion on this permission, for it is enacted "that any of the members of the Lodge may enter and pass persons without acquainting the Master, at Two Miles distant from Glasgow," provided that they handed over the proceeds to the Treasurer. Fees of honour were enforced, for the R.W.M. had to pay five shillings sterling money into the box, and the other office bearers two shillings each. Unless the yearly subscription of one shilling each was paid, no brother was eligible for office or allowed to vote. At this point we note the attestation "at our Lodge of St. John, Saint Mungo's, Kirk of Glasgow Kilwinning, the sixth day of February, 1729." In the minutes of 2nd August, 1762, we find that Grand Lodge speaks of them in the charter "as a pendicle of"

"the ancient Mother Lodge of Kilwinning." The *official* date of the charter is given as 1736. We have the customary rules as to keeping the keys of the box, &c., and also a statute that the Articles of Association should be read over annually prior to the election of officers. In 1767 the entry money was 7s. 6d., with 2s. 6d. for passing and *raising*, which latter sum went to "St. Mary's," Edinburgh, evidently meant for Grand Lodge, which met in the same building as Mary Chapel. This is the first reference to the Third Degree. "Any person who has been admitted a Mason, and has not joined a 'regular body' before his admission as a member of this Lodge must pay 4s. 6d.," and the joining fee was 3s. for members of other recognised bodies. To meet the difficulty of non-acceptance when appointed to office it was resolved, in 1769, that fines, ranging from 2s. 6d. for an inferior post up to 7s. 6d. in the case of the Master, should be enforced on recalcitrants.

We now discover, as in other lodges, that the authorities began to find some difficulty in obtaining payment of the deferred fees for entering, &c. Very few appear to have practised "cash payments"—the majority gave acceptances for the amount, and in not a few instances the liquidation of these debts of honour is not traceable in the cash book, which dates from 1788; for example, one balance-sheet shows cash received £22, while the fees owing are £56, and this, after more stringent rules had been passed, The abuse finally became so clamant that entries occur of payment to Sheriff Officers (debt receivers, &c.) for expenses incurred in the attempt to collect the outstanding amounts, and for commission paid in cases where satisfaction had been obtained. In January, 1798, some intrants of 1789 and 1790 are credited with the guinea fee they had so long owed to the Treasurer. The then considerable gratuity of 21s. was in 1774 voted to a brother who "had been a member of this lodge upwards of fifty years" (but this may be a mis-statement possibly.) Evidently in a liberal vein, they determined to allow fourpence as expenses to each of their members when on "deputation" duty. The Bi-centenary of the Spanish Armada was duly celebrated with bonfires, and a joint gathering of the City Lodges; but politics were rigidly excluded. Of the 7 Lodges which took part in the laying of the Foundation-stone of the Royal Infirmary, in 1792, only 3 now remain, viz.: St. Mungo, Union and Crown, and St. John's. Shortly after this, we find No. 27 claiming precedence in processions, in which it was upheld by Grand Lodge, and, eventually, St. John's was ignored (as far as its trade position rendered possible) until 1850, when this admittedly ancient body yielded homage, and became 3 bis on the Grand Roll. At the latter end of last century, the benefactions were very meagre, for in eight years only 12s. 7½d. was voted as relief. In 1811 and the following year, 26s. was dispensed in Charity, although there was a charge of Four guineas for a Band, with 16s. 6d. for toddy to quench the thirst of the players, and an annual item of 20s. to three pounds "for a Transparency."

While K. R. H. Mackenzie and Dr. Mackey give 1801 as the first mention of the phrase "Sublime Degree," I find this term used here on 20th July, 1785, and, in 1793, three guardsmen were entered, passed, and raised to the *Sublime* Degree of M.M. The minutes were probably written up at about their respective dates, for they are usually certified by the signatures of the neophytes, as well as of the presiding officer. We meet with a very pleasing entry in February, and again in March, 1794, for we are informed that the R.W.M. gave a Masonic Lecture on the Apprentice Degree, which was greatly appreciated. Pity it is that so good a beginning was not continued. In 1767, new rules were brought into existence, which the intrants were required to sign, and did so to the number of 115; the officers at this time seemed mainly "coal-hewers."

Mahomet Calibi, an Algerine, was, in 1785, admitted a member, after being duly vouched for. Three years later, we discover the use of a rectangular figure to denote a lodge—and in a minute of this date, 7 members (including two from Ireland) sign themselves as being K.T. Honorary Members became plentiful, and almost every meeting saw an addition to their numbers—the Cheshire Militia Band were admitted on condition that they should play for the Lodge during their stay in Glasgow. At the commencement of this century "St. Mungo" was dormant for 4 years, but after its revival, times continued unfavourable. They were at one period seven years in arrears with their payments to Grand Lodge. Amongst their more questionable practices was the attempt to make money by sale of intoxicants. In order to buy cheaply they invested largely in Rum, with the necessary concomitants, but while one year showed a profit of four pounds, the whole transaction was not a success. The Tyler and Secretary were allowed 1/- worth of toddy apiece, afterwards increased to 1/6 per night. One result of this traffic appears in the constantly recurring entries in the Cash Book for the repair or renewal of candlesticks and furniture, and the replenishment of the stock of glasses! On one occasion the Treasurer got the loan of a pound, on the understanding that it should become a gratuity if he brought up some new intrants.

Those are now forgotten records, only interesting to the student, for in common fairness we must conclude our remarks by a frank statement that after a varied experience of the many changes of fickle fortune, this ancient lodge has now become firmly established, and if the offices continue to be filled by as able and energetic brethren as have of recent years directed No. 27, we feel sure that *St. Mungo* will flourish so long as the grand old Cathedral of her Patron Saint looks down on the city named after him, who also furnished a designation to the lodge whose history we have had under review.

EDW. MACBEAN, 2076.

#### OLD FREEMASONS.

It will be some time before our American friends are able to match our late Bro. Tresidder, who, at the time of his death, was in his 103rd year, and had been a Mason since the year 1805; but the *Tyler*, of Detroit, Michigan, in a recent article, enumerates several brethren still living who were initiated into Freemasonry when the present century had only just entered or was still in its "teens." The first on the list is a Bro. Richard Holmes, of Lake Eloida, near Farmersville, who was born 27th April, 1787, and initiated in 1813, and is now an honorary member of Farmersville Lodge. Bro. Holmes is described as being in remarkable health and strength and with his mental faculties still unimpaired. Our contemporary's surmise that he is probably "the oldest Mason, not only living in Canada, but in the United States," we should consider in all likelihood correct. The next ancient brother is a Bro. David J. Baker, a retired farmer of Dryden, New York, who is in his 95th year, and was initiated in Sylvan Lodge, No. 41, Moravia, on the 27th March, 1816; and the third is a Bro. E. Sumner,

of San Francisco, 71 years a Mason. For this brother it has recently been claimed that he is the oldest Freemason in the United States, to which claim, however, the *Tyler* tells us objection has been taken by Bro. Edward C. Parmelee, Grand Secretary of Colorado, by whom the following list of venerables is given, viz.: Bro. John B. Hollenbeck, Past G. Secretary Burlington, Vermont, initiated 1813, Bro. David McDaniel, Vermont, initiated May, 1814, Bro. Wilkinson Dean, Manton, Rhode Island, initiated May, 1814, Bros. G. Potter, Long Island, Israel Coe, Waterbury, Conn., and George Kinney, Norwich, Conn., all initiated in 1815; and Bros. B. Nye, Brookfield, Mass., and Daniel Warren, Bloomfield, Ohio, both initiated in 1816. We shall not attempt to settle the precise merits of the cases enumerated above, but we hope to hear of their continuing to flourish for some time to come.

### BRO. HUGHAN AT HOME.

Knowing as I do the interest with which everything concerning my valued friend, our Bro. Hughan, is received amongst the Craft the wide world over, I cannot but wish a worthier pen than mine had written this article, but, yielding to none in sincere respect and admiration for him, both personally and Masonically, I will crave the indulgence of the brethren for any shortcomings they may perceive in it, having done my best, feeling assured that if they knew of the difficulty I had in persuading Bro. Hughan to permit of my thus sketching a few of his surroundings, they would all the more appreciate my fraternal effort.

I cannot commence in a better way than by quoting from Dr. Mackay's "Encyclopedia," biographical section—"The History of Masonry in England, in which the brotherhood of the world is so deeply interested, will never have justice done to its historians, unless there is placed amongst the first entitled to immortality the name of William James Hughan . . . . The fraternity have an international interest in him, and look forward hopefully to the attainments of his continued labours, which have resulted already so favourably."

Like many other learned men, Bro. Hughan's habits are exceedingly simple, and the old adage, "Early to bed and early to rise," finds a very practical exponent in him, which enables him to get through the bulk of his work before dinner, and he tells me that he very rarely writes by gas-light. He also makes a special point of having been always a total abstainer, "hence," he says, "I always rise with a clear head." Enormous as is the amount of writing he gets through on every conceivable subject connected with the Craft, he never copies anything after he has written it; the MS. goes at once to the printer, and it is to this fact he attributes being able to get through so great an extent of work in a limited time.

MSS. are often sent to him from every part of the country for personal and friendly revision prior to publication, or for him to kindly write introductions; indeed, there appear to be very few Masonic works of any kind published of late years with which he has not had something to do; and, while on this topic, I may mention for the interest of the Craft, that I saw at his house the proof sheets of two most valuable forthcoming books, to be issued shortly. The first is the "History of the Royal Union Lodge of Cheltenham," by Bro. Geo. Norman, P.M., &c., "with an introduction by William James Hughan, P.G.D.," and the other is "The Religion of Freemasonry," by Bro. H. J. Whympier, P.D.D.G.M. Punjab, edited by the indefatigable Secretary of Lodge "Quatuor Coronati" (Bro. G. Speth), also with an introduction by Bro. Hughan. Both these works will form important additions to the literature of the Craft, and will doubtless receive the support they deserve, that of Bro. Whympier's, I understand, now being ready for sale.

His house is full of books, and the walls of every room are decorated with portraits of Masonic celebrities from every part of the world, being highly valued by the recipient, the number of similar remembrances in albums being without end.

His library contains many rare and valuable books, amongst which, as especially deserving of notice, I will mention a perfect copy of "The Constitutions of the Freemasons" with a fine frontispiece by John Pine, dated 1723, being the first speculative Masonic work ever published, and next, in point of value, the "Constitutions of 1767-76," the *rarest* edition, because of the appendix; but his greatest treasure is a superb copy of the edition of 1784, bound in scarlet morocco, and containing a "proof before letters" of Bartolozzi's magnificent plate; and I also glanced at a valuable copy of the original edition of "Ahiman Rezon," by Bro. Lawrence Demott, of the year 1756.

Coming down to more modern times I must note a beautifully bound, and interleaved copy of Bro. John Lane's "Masonic Records" (presented by the Author), in speaking of which Bro. Hughan remarked "I consider this book to be the most extraordinary single volume ever issued in regard to the Fraternity," and when we take into account the enormous amount of labour and research necessary to collect the data from which to complete the particulars respecting over 3600 lodges, chartered by the Grand Lodge of England, and, that the volume was finished in *four years*, the term "extraordinary" is the only one which will describe such an exhaustive and valuable work.

With regard to Bro. Hughan's own writings, the first volume he brought out was "The Constitutions of the Freemasons," the special feature of which was a fac-simile of Cole's "Constitutions" of 1728-9 (copper plate), of this work only 70 copies were published in 1869, the price being half-a-guinea, but so scarce has it become that one was sold the other day for three guineas. His next book was the "Masonic Sketches and Reprints," two works in one volume published in 1871, which was so popular that it was reprinted in America in the same year by consent of the author, in a very handsome form. Next came "The Old Charges of British Freemasons" in 1872, of which the author says—"This is, perhaps, the most successful work I ever brought out, probably from the fact of its going over entirely new ground." It was the first collection of "old charges" ever made, and was enriched with fac-similes of several from the XVI. century downwards, the whole forming a very striking volume. The fifth was "Masonic Memorials," published in 1874, containing a reprint of Dr. Dassigny's work of 1744, in which we have the first typographical reference to Royal Arch Masonry.

The most artistic of his productions, however, is "The Masonic Register

of Lodges," published in 1878, with coloured lithographs in thirteen tints. The frontispiece is an illustration of the arms of the Grand Lodge of England, being the first coloured representation of the kind ever produced; and the sketch for this purpose was specially made for Bro. Hughan by the R.W. Bro. Sir Albert Woods (P.G.W.), G.D.C., Garter King at Arms. The volume also contains reproductions of the jewels of No. 1, "Grand Master's Lodge;" No. 7, "Royal York Lodge of Perseverance;" No. 4, "Royal Somerset House Lodge;" No. 259, "Prince of Wales' Lodge;" No. 67, at Calcutta; and the special jewels designed for the inauguration of Freemasons' Hall in 1869; and for the Grand Stewards serving at the Installation of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales as M.W. Grand Master; with many others. All the above works were printed at Truro by his old and valued friend, Bro. William Lake, P.M. 131 (now of London), and I cannot too highly praise their artistic and typographical excellence. Nothing like them was ever attempted before in Devon or Cornwall, and all of them, but especially the "Masonic Register," would reflect the greatest credit on *any* firm. Bro. Hughan's last work ("We are Seven," he said) was "The Origin of the English Rite of Freemasonry, especially relating to the Royal Arch Degree, with a preface by Bro. T. B. Whythead," dated 1884. This volume contains coloured lithographs of the seals of the "Old York Grand Lodge of All England," and several others. It is handsomely got up, and published by Bro. George Kenning, who is now Bro. Hughan's publisher. He is just bringing out a new book, which promises to be of a most interesting character, and will be eagerly sought after, as it contains a facsimile reproduction of the engraved list of Lodges of 1734, of which there is only one copy in the world, and has been kindly lent by its owner, Bro. James Newton, P.M., &c., of Bolton, for the purpose. Bro. Hughan hopes it will be out in November, and I would recommend Masonic students to obtain copies as soon as possible after publication, as they will be sure to be caught up quickly.

Of English Lodge Histories he possesses a copy of every one published, from that of No. 1 downwards, and in many cases the formula, "with an introduction by William James Hughan," appears on the title-page.

Foremost amongst the decorations of his drawing-room, which bears striking evidence, as does the whole house, of the good taste of his most excellent helpmeet, Mrs. Hughan, is an artist's proof-engraving of the celebrated painting by Edward J. Harty, of the Installation of the Prince of Wales as M.W.G.M., in the Albert Hall, the value of this proof being enhanced by having at the foot the autograph signatures of H.R.H. "Albert Edward," "Edward J. Harty, with fraternal regards, July, 1878," and "E. G. Hester" the engraver. In another prominent place is an address on vellum from Lodge, 131, Truro, presented to him on the occasion of the celebration of the lodge's centenary in 1873, and beautifully illuminated by Bro. W. Lake, also diplomas of Honorary membership of "St. Mary's Chapel," No. 1, Edinburgh, "Mother Kilwinning," No. O, Kilwinning, together with votes of thanks for Stewardships of the various Charities. In this latter branch of the science Bro. Hughan has rendered most invaluable services, for which his adopted province cannot but feel the utmost gratitude, and it can truly be said of him that

"He hath a tear for pity, and a hand  
Open as day for melting Charity."

He has served as Steward for each of the Institutions many times, and the widows and orphans have to thank him for the collection of over £2000 on their behalf. He has 45 votes for the "Boys" alone, and the united number he possesses is 95, the whole of which he gives to the Province of Cornwall, on account of his long connection with it; and whilst speaking of this, I must note a very handsome gilt purse that I detected under a "shade," which, on enquiry, I found was presented to Bro. Hughan with 270 sovereigns, and a P. Prov. Grand Secretary's jewel by the R.W. Bro. the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, Prov. G.M., on behalf of the brethren of Cornwall, in token of their great esteem and affection for him, and of their regret at his leaving that province for Torquay. It is a curious coincidence that the value of the votes he has donated for his lifetime is almost precisely that of the presentation.

He expresses a great admiration for Bro. Gould's latest work; indeed, it was by his desire and recommendation that Bro. Gould was entrusted with the preparation of "The History of Freemasonry," and the noble way in which it has been carried out amply justifies Bro. Hughan's satisfaction in having done so, and also in having been able to assist him in it.

The motto "Order is Heaven's first law" is studied most perfectly in his "sanctum." There is a place for everything, and everything is in its place, and clever little contrivances abound for keeping every book and paper just where it can be most easily got at when wanted. This, again, is one of the secrets of his success as a writer. He is now collecting materials for a work on medals, and also contemplates a "History of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter." Whilst telling me of the first-named, Bro. Hughan mentioned that he was assisting Bro. Marvin, of Boston, Mass., in an appendix to his fine book on medals, and finished by showing me some very fine specimens in his own possession.

I cannot but give the place of honour to the beautiful Masonic Jubilee Medal, struck by Bro. George Kenning. Everything produced by Bro. Kenning is of the highest artistic excellence, but in this case he has surpassed himself, and I have never seen a more beautiful specimen of the medallic art, whilst it entirely throws into the shade the official Jubilee Medal, as must be acknowledged by everyone who has seen the two, side by side, as I did. The face of her Majesty on the *obverse* is "three-quarter face" instead of in profile, the gain in dignity of expression being immense, while the *reverse* has a minutely faithful reproduction of the arms of Grand Lodge. Three other fine specimens were examined by me, viz., the "Duke of Sussex" medal, the "Athol Lodge" medal, and the "Mossop" Charity medal, the first being that struck at Bath in 1819, very rare and valuable; the second, designed by Kirk and struck in 1775, is still rarer; and the last-named, believed to be a "proof" medal, is a large oval, finely impressed, and struck at Dublin.

In another case are jewels of various Degrees, including special Lodge jewels, noteworthy amongst which is the curious one of the (German) "Pilgrim" Lodge, consisting of a key and trowel, suspended from a ribbon. I believe I am right in stating that Bro. Hughan holds, or has held, Grand rank in all the regular Degrees in England, up to the Thirty-second inclusive. In the Craft he is a P.S.G. Deacon; in the Holy Royal Arch a Past Asst. Grand Soj., this being Past rank given by his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales as Grand Z.; in Mark Masonry, by *patent*, a Past Grand Warden; in the "Ancient and Accepted Rite" he has received the 30°, 31°, and 32°, *honoris causa*; is a Knight Templar; a Knight of the Royal Order of Scotland, R.C.Y.C.S.; a P. Senior Sub.

Magus IX<sup>o</sup>, and Honorary Vice-President of the Rosicrucian Society of England; while the Grand Lodges of Egypt, Quebec, and Iowa have each made him an Honorary Past Senior Grand Warden; and a very large number of Craft and Mark Lodges and Royal Arch Chapters, both at home and abroad, have voted him their Honorary Membership.

In 1869 he was presented with a gold lever watch and P.M. jewel by Lodge "Fortitude," No. 131, Truro; in 1873 by the same Lodge with a gold centenary jewel and the illuminated address before referred to; and again, in 1874, the members presented the embroidered Collar and Jewel of a P.G.D. of England; while the members of No. 589, Redruth, gave him the apron and gauntlets which complete the suit of clothing.

The most elaborate testimonial for his great Masonic service that our brother has received, however, is a very beautiful *secrtaire*, which he showed me with pardonable pride, and from the recess of which he produced a purse, ornamented with a silver plate and inscription. The *secrtaire* was given to him by Bro. George Kenning, Treasurer of the Fund, and the R.W. Bro. Sir John B. Monckton, P.G.W., presented the purse, with a cheque for £365, in London, in 1884, on behalf of a number of subscribers from all parts of the world, and I could see that the compliment was as highly appreciated as it was richly deserved. For the information of any subscriber who may read this article, I must say that although I saw the *purse*, the cheque was *not there*.

Another honour which he values very highly is, that he was elected in 1871 to the honorary Life-membership of "Lafayette" R.A. Chapter, No. 5, Washington, U.S.A., in company with M.W. Bro. the Most Hon. the Marquess of Ripon, then Grand Z.; Lord Tenderden, and Sir John Macdonald.

A pretty badge of garter blue, with the English and American flags in saltire, and the monogram G.K., which attracted my attention, proved to be a memento of the Grand International Masonic Banquet, given by Bro. G. Kenning, on July 31st, 1878, to a number of brethren from Philadelphia, "Which was," said Bro. Hughan, "the finest thing of the kind I ever attended."

Among the most valuable books he possesses are a complete set of quarterly Grand Lodge reports from 1771 to the present time, in bound volumes (it is very doubtful if another such set exists outside the Grand Lodge Library), and the reports of the Grand Chapter from 1816; all the reports of the Mark Grand Lodge that have been published; those of the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter of Scotland for many years, and many foreign Grand Lodges, particularly American, together forming a most valuable collection of this particular branch of Masonic literature. Also worthy of special notice is a goodly row of volumes of the *Freemason*, from Vol. I. in 1869 to Vol. XX.; and it struck me that, in consideration of the value and interest the journal has so long possessed for brethren all over the world, its "coming of age" in the completion of the present and XXI. Volume, should be marked by some special commemoration in recognition of its services to Masonry in general. Taking up the first volume, Bro. Hughan directed my attention to the following paragraph, by the Editor, on the first page, under the heading of "Our Address": "The antiquities and bibliography of the Order will occupy the position due to these monuments of the past, and we rejoice to hail our esteemed Bro. Hughan as the first Craftsman in this department of labour," and we all know how ably he has attended to this branch of the journal, there being some article from his pen in most of the weekly numbers of each volume. He is, I believe, the oldest surviving editor of "Masonic Calendars" in England, having originated and for the last 18 years compiled the official Masonic Directory of the Province of Cornwall; while as early as 1865 he edited the first Masonic Calendar for Devon and Cornwall, which was the first work he ever brought out in a separate form; and it was also in this same year that he commenced to write for the now defunct "Freemasons' Magazine," and continued to do so until 1869, when the *Freemason* was so successfully launched.

He has been very active as a founder, not only in the Craft, but in the "higher Degrees," as the following record of his services in this direction will show. In 1874 he founded the "Fortitude" Lodge of Instruction at Truro, of which he was elected, and re-elected Preceptor, until he left the county. He was one of the founders of the celebrated "Quatuor Coronati" Lodge, No. 2076, in which he takes the greatest interest. In 1865 he founded Mark Lodge No. 78, at Truro, and was installed as first W.M.; and in 1866 was one of the chief promoters of the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Cornwall, being the first Prov. Grand Sec. (declining that of D.Prov. G.M.); and in 1875 he founded the "Cornwall Rose Croix" Chapter at Truro, besides other Bodies, &c., in the county.

He has lectured on various branches of Freemasonry in many parts of England, especially in Devonshire Lodges, after which collections were made, and in the last named county alone, he thus raised fifty guineas, which were handed over to the "Devon Masonic Educational Fund," in the names of the respective lodges; thereby not only benefiting the Charity for the moment, but creating by his impressive addresses, a lasting interest in that excellent Society.

It is doubtless the reverence we have for the Volume of the Sacred Law which turned Bro. Hughan's attention to his other study, namely, that of the ancient MSS. and various early Translations of the Bible, on which he is an authority, and has lectured all over England, from Scarborough in the North, to Camborne in the South. On this subject, as on Masonry, his fluency is unlimited, and he says himself, that he "remembers all his facts as easily as the names of his friends," clearly showing what a wonderful gift he possesses.

With this, I must bring my very imperfect sketch of our learned brother to a close, but I cannot conclude without a personal tribute. In spite of his great learning, and the honours which have been literally heaped upon him from all parts of the world, my friend, Bro. Hughan, is most modest, genial, and accessible, and it may indeed be said that he is

"The kindest man,  
The best conditioned, and unwearied spirit,  
In doing courtesies."

And I feel sure that the brethren of every Degree, from the highest to the lowest member, will unite with me in the earnest hope that this Shining Light may long adorn the Bright Firmament of Masonry, to guide and direct us in the paths of Virtue and Science.

FRED J. W. CROWE, Lodge 2189.

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## NOTES ON THE CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION.

BY BRO. H. SADLER.

From a very remote period, the accession of an individual to any important office of honour or power has been attended by certain forms and ceremonies, which were doubtless deemed necessary and suitable to the occasion. It is highly probable, therefore, that from the earliest formation of Freemasons' lodges a ceremony of some kind was usual on the elevation of a brother to the dignity of the Master's chair. We are enabled to form a pretty conclusive opinion as to the nature of the ceremony observed in the olden time by a perusal of the postscript to the first printed Book of Constitutions, published in the year 1723, which contains a description of the manner of constituting a new lodge and investing the officers "according to the ancient usages of Masons." As this important volume, by reason of its scarcity, is inaccessible to the general body of the Craft, I will now place before the brethren the portion referred to, being under the impression that they will not fail to observe a striking resemblance to our recognised practice of the present day:

"A **NEW LODGE**, for avoiding many Irregularities, should be solemnly constituted by the *Grand-Master*, with his *Deputy* and *Wardens*; or in the *Grand-Master's* Absence, the *Deputy* shall act for his *Worship*, and shall chuse some *Master* of a *Lodge* to assist him; or in case the *Deputy* is absent, the *Grand-Master* shall call forth some *Master* of a *Lodge* to act as *Deputy pro tempore*.

"The *Candidates*, or the new *Master* and *Wardens*, being yet among the *Fellow-Craft*, the **GRAND-MASTER** shall ask his *Deputy* if he has examin'd them, and finds the *Candidate Master* well skill'd in the *noble Science* and the *royal Art*, and duly instructed in our *Mysteries*, &c.

"And the *Deputy* answering in the affirmative, he shall (by the *Grand-Master's* Order) take the *Candidate* from among his *Fellows*, and present him to the *Grand-Master*; saying, *Right worshipful GRAND MASTER, the Brethren here desire to be form'd into a new Lodge; and I present this my worthy Brother to be their Master, whom I know to be of good Morals and great Skill, true and trusty, and a Lover of the whole Fraternity, whosoever dispers'd over the Face of the Earth.*

"Then the **GRAND MASTER**, placing the *Candidate* on his left Hand, having ask'd and obtain'd the unanimous Consent of all the *Brethren*, shall say; *I constitute and form these good Brethren into a new Lodge, and appoint you the Master of it, not doubting of your Capacity and Care to preserve the Cement of the Lodge, &c.*, with some other Expressions that are proper and usual on that Occasion, but not proper to be written.

"Upon this the *Deputy* shall rehearse the *Charges* of a *Master*, and the **GRAND-MASTER** shall ask the *Candidate* saying, *Do you submit to these Charges, as Masters have done in all Ages?* And the *Candidate* signifying his cordial Submission thereunto, the **GRAND-MASTER** shall, by certain significant Ceremonies and ancient Usages, install him, and present him with the *Constitutions*, the *Lodge-Book*, and the *Instruments* of his Office, not all together, but one after another; and after each of them, the *Grand-Master*, or his *Deputy*, shall rehearse the short and pithy *Charge* that is suitable to the thing presented.

"After this, the *Members* of this *new Lodge*, bowing all together to the *Grand Master*, shall return his *Worship* Thanks, and immediately do their *Homage* to their *new Master*, and signify their Promise of Subjection and Obedience to him by the usual *Congratulation*.

"The *Deputy* and the *Grand Wardens*, and any other *Brethren* present, that are not members of this *new Lodge*, shall next congratulate the *new Master*; and he shall return his becoming Acknowledgments to the **GRAND-MASTER** first, and to the rest in their Order.

"**THEN** the *Grand-Master* desires the *new Master* to enter immediately upon the Exercise of his Office, in chusing his *Wardens*: And the **NEW MASTER**, calling forth two *Fellow-Craft*, presents them to the *Grand-Master* for his Approbation, and to the *new Lodge* for their Consent. And that being granted,

The *senior* or *junior GRAND WARDEN*, or some *Brother* for him, shall rehearse the *Charges* of *Wardens*; and the *Candidates* being solemnly ask'd by the *new Master*, shall signify their submission thereunto.

"Upon which the **NEW MASTER** presenting them with the *Instruments* of their Office shall, in due Form, install them in their proper Places; and the *Brethren* of that *new Lodge* shall signify their Obedience to the *new Wardens* by the usual *Congratulations*.

"And this **LODGE** being thus compleatly constituted, shall be register'd in the *Grand-Master's* Book, and by his Order notify'd to the *other Lodges*."

This description, with hardly any variation, was printed in every edition of the *Constitutions* issued during the last century, and yet the ceremony of Installation appears to have been almost lost sight of by one of the two great sections of our Order that had their head-quarters in London down to the year 1813. These rival bodies were, and still are, referred to as "Ancients" and "Moderns," although the latter, as an organisation, was some thirty years older than the former, but, as I have shown in my recently published "Masonic Facts and Fictions," having made certain alterations and allowed many of the old customs to fall into abeyance, they had earned for themselves the appellation of "Moderns," while the junior body, so far as regards its consolidation and formation of a Grand Lodge, had preserved and adhered to the original system, and amongst other customs had strictly observed the ceremony of Installation of Master.

In the year 1809 the following resolution was passed in the "Modern" Grand Lodge, and circulated amongst the lodges under its jurisdiction: "That this Grand Lodge do agree in opinion with the Committee of Charity, that it is not necessary any longer to continue in Force those measures which were resorted to, in or about the year 1739, respecting irregular Masons, and do therefore enjoin the several Lodges to revert to the Ancient Land-Marks of the Society." At this time there was a general feeling on both sides that an union of the two Fraternities was within measurable distance, and the passing of this motion was evidently intended to smooth the way for so desirable a consummation. The first result of this decision was the issuing of a Warrant, bearing date 26th October, 1809, authorising certain distinguished brethren "to hold a special lodge for the purpose of ascertaining and promulgating the Ancient Land-Marks of the Craft, which Warrant empowers them to add to the Lodge such discreet and intelligent Brethren as to them may seem proper."

(To be continued.)

**ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.**

The Quarterly Court of Subscribers to this Institution was held last Saturday, at Freemasons' Tavern. Bro. Horace Brooks Marshall, C.C., Past G. Treas., Treasurer of the Institution, presided, and was supported by Bros. Frank Richardson, P.G.D., and C. J. Perceval. Bro. Hedges, Sec., was present. A large number of brethren attended.

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes of last Quarterly Court, the General Committee's minutes were read, when Bro. PERCEVAL, who, at one of those Committees, gave notice of motion for this Quarterly Court that "in the event of the recent addition to Law 55 being confirmed, to add the following rider, viz.: 'That this clause shall not apply in the case of a child whose father was a Life Governor of the Institution at the time of his death,'" withdrew the motion, and gave notice of motion for next Court in January, in the following words:

A girl shall not be eligible for election unless the father, if living, has been a subscribing member to a lodge, or lodges, for seven years. If the father be dead, he must have been a subscribing member to a lodge for three years. *But* should death, or permanent incapacity, occasioned by paralysis, blindness, fire, shipwreck, or other calamity, have occurred within three years of his initiation, this rule shall not apply, providing, nevertheless, that at the time of such occurrence the father was a subscribing member."

Bro. C. H. WEBB seconded.

After the formal business had been completed, and before proceeding to the election, the CHAIRMAN said he was sorry that after the munificence of the brethren at the last Festival the Institution could not admit more than nine girls, out of the 62 candidates on the list for admission. They could not do more than the limits of the Institution would allow. Every part of the building was occupied, but they hoped that at the next April election the alterations would be completed, and that by next October, if not in April, the remainder of the candidates would be admitted. There were, however, four candidates on that day's list, Nos. 3, 4, 11, and 52, whose last chance it was; that day was with them now or never. He hoped the brethren would support them, and, anxious to discharge his duty as Chairman, he should reserve his votes as usual to assist last application cases.

Bro. HENRY SMITH, D.P.G.M. West Yorkshire, pointed out that it was an utter impossibility to admit more children. The building was already over-crowded.

The CHAIRMAN went on to say that, although at these half-yearly elections a certain number of candidates had to go away, yet when the building was increased they hoped to take in all the rest of the 63 candidates.

Bro. J. A. BIRCH, East Lancashire, said the Chairman had left out of calculation altogether the new candidates who would apply between the present election and the April election.

The CHAIRMAN contended that old candidates stood a better chance than new ones. If the friends of the children he had named would use their exertions to secure their election, the Committee had reasonable expectations that the whole of the others would be elected in April or October next. He went on to say that he considered it an outrage that people should put down candidates without intending to do their best to secure their return.

Bro. J. A. BIRCH protested against such an expression. East Lancashire had a candidate, which it did not intend to carry that day, but would reserve it for a future time.

Several other brethren expressed dissatisfaction with the remarks of the Chairman, and the election of 9 out of 62 girls was proceeded with. At the close of the day the following was found to be the result:

**SUCCESSFUL.**

Name.	Votes.	Name.	Votes.
Frances Jessie Short ...	5308	Frances Norah Wells ...	3680
Dora Sims ...	4221	Annie Winifred Belton ...	3508
Ellen Anne Blanche Pooler ...	4131	Sarah Bissett ...	3365
Elsie Winifred Reay Mackey ...	4109	Mary Elizabeth Wilson ...	3165
Ada Charlotte Turton ...	3907		

**UNSUCCESSFUL.**

Name.	Votes.	Name.	Votes.
Ruby Rosetta Webster ...	2784	Fanny Clark Campbell ...	335
Henrietta Jessie Codling ...	2701	Ruby Blanch Loefchen Butcher ...	314
Adelaide Howett Jane Harling ...	2564	Helen Maud England ...	297
Leonie Rosamond Lee ...	2424	Ivy Grace Towse... ..	182
Hilda Maud Liverd ...	2418	Ethel Lilian Julia Wells ...	168
Mabel Alice Cookes ...	1846	Harriet Fitzwater ...	142
Florence Charlotte Hemmings ...	1764	Jane Routledge Wilkinson ...	129
Henrietta Ada Staff ...	1732	Nellie Burgess ...	102
Laura Amelia Thaw ...	1701	Muriel Agnes Smith ...	102
Georgina Balch ...	1520	Anita Mary Thorne ...	67
Bertha Elizabeth Venables ...	1395	Florence Ethel G. Dixon ...	61
Mabel Elizabeth Bruce ...	1290	Ada Lilian Smith... ..	61
Olga Katinka Tettenborn... ..	1180	Agnes Le Gros ...	47
Annie Elizabeth Alice Sumner ...	1148	Emily Frances Griffith ...	41
Eliza Pether ...	1134	Alice Louise McCue ...	33
Amy Florence Gorton ...	1063	Elizabeth Lamplough ...	24
Edith Winterbottom ...	1046	Beatrice Cochrane ...	14
Lilian May Astington ...	1012	Alice Winifred Bingham ...	13
Mary Ponsford Gould ...	985	Mary Gwendoline Robson... ..	12
Priscilla Minnie Swaebe ...	788	Alice Katie Beatrice Prout ...	10
Hilda Collard ...	775	Jane Troop ...	5
Dorothy Janet Wood ...	600	Ada Haylett ...	3
Alice Taverner ...	593	Bertha Johnston ...	3
Margaret Ellen May Roberts ...	558	Dorothy Parnell Anthony ...	—
Norah Geech ...	555	Frances Emma Hooke ...	—
Mary Ellen Morris ...	371	Mary Maud Watson ...	—
Ethel Mansfield Boyd ...	343	Jessie Sophia Ives ... (Withdrawn)	—

**ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.**

The October Quarterly Court of the Subscribers and Governors of this Institution was held on Friday, 26th ult., in the large hall at Freemasons' Tavern. Bro. William Roebuck, P.G. Swd. Br., presided, and at the Chairman's table were Bros. Raynham W. Stewart, P.G.D.; Richard Eve, P.G. Treas.; Henry Smith, Deputy Prov. G.M. for West Yorkshire; John Wordsworth, P. Prov. G.W. West Yorkshire; and Frederick Binckes, Secretary of the Institution. A large number of supporters of the Institution were present.

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes of the July Quarterly Court, and the reading of other minutes for information,

Bro. JAMES STEVENS, L.G., introduced the following motion, of which he had given notice: To expunge Law 55, including Second Paragraph, and to enact in lieu thereof as follows:—

A boy shall not be eligible for election unless the father, if living, has been a subscribing member to a lodge, or lodges, for seven years. If the father be dead, he must have been a subscribing member to a lodge for three years. *But* should death, or permanent incapacity, occasioned by paralysis, blindness, fire, shipwreck, or other calamity, have occurred within three years of his initiation, this rule shall not apply, providing, nevertheless, that at the time of such occurrence the father was a subscribing member.

He said he did not know that he had anything to add to the words on the motion, but he might observe that it did not in any way affect the principle of the law; it was intended merely for the purpose of explaining a rule which had been to a great extent misunderstood, or not fully understood, by the Committees with regard to applicants, and their qualifications for admission to the School. His motion, he believed, would remove all difficulty.

Bro. A. E. GLADWELL, and other brethren wished to know whether instead of being a member of a lodge it should not be "a member of the Craft."

Bro. BINCKES said the object was that the brother should have been a member of a lodge or lodges for seven years.

Bro. JAMES STEVENS, alluding to the awkwardness of these suggestions as affecting his motion, said he was afraid he should have to fall back upon the word "concurrently" after all.

Another BROTHER wished to know if a brother who had not subscribed for three years, but had become a Life-Governor or a Vice-Patron of the Institution, was to have his son excluded.

Bro. JAMES STEVENS said that his wishes went in favour of a brother so qualifying himself, though certainly his motion did not embrace such a case.

It was then suggested that, as the present was not the proper occasion to settle the wording of a motion or resolution, Bro. Stevens should withdraw the motion, and bring it forward in due form at another meeting.

Bro. RICHARD EVE proposed that, instead of "a lodge or lodges," the words should be, "some lodge."

Bro. STEVENS remarked that of late, there was no doubt about it, many persons came into Freemasonry for the sole object of benefiting themselves or their wives or children. (Hear, hear). As the contingencies of life went, they might be persons who, at the time, were fairly entitled to enter the Order. But there were other cases where the initiates were hardly able to pay their initiation fee. If the father were alive, it should be distinctly shown, when his child was a candidate for the School, that when he joined Masonry he was in a condition of life to warrant his going into the Order.

At Bro. RICHARD EVE suggesting the words "if living" were omitted as being unnecessary.

Bro. C. J. PERCEVAL thought that Life Governors or such qualified persons should have an exception made in their favour, and he proposed an addition to the motion to that effect.

Bro. A. E. GLADWELL opposed the amendment. Ten guineas would be a very cheap and advantageous investment.

Bro. BINCKES also opposed. To do such a thing would render Freemasonry and its Institutions a benefit society.

Ultimately the motion was carried in the following form:

A boy shall not be qualified for election unless the father has been a subscribing member to some lodge for seven years. If the father be dead, he must have been a subscribing member to a lodge for three years. *But* should death, or permanent incapacity, occasioned by paralysis, blindness, fire, shipwreck, or other calamity, have occurred within seven years of his initiation, this rule shall not apply if at the time of such occurrence the father was a subscribing member."

On behalf of the House Committee, the following motion was proposed, seconded, and carried:

"That three additional Vacancies be declared—in consequence of withdrawals from the Establishment—and that such Vacancies be filled up by the Election of the same number of Candidates, in addition to the number announced in the Voting Papers, at the Quarterly Court on the 26th October inst."

To Elect Twenty-One Boys—or, should the Notice of Motion as above be adopted, Twenty-Four Boys—from an approved List of Seventy-Seven Candidates, reduced to Seventy-Five by the withdrawal of Two Candidates, Nos. 12 and 35.

The election was then proceeded with, and, at the declaration of the poll, the following was found to be the result:

**SUCCESSFUL.**

Name.	Votes.	Name.	Votes.
Arthur Henry Grimsey ...	3702	George Rushworth ...	2245
Charles Ball ...	2810	Francis Pater Turner ...	2230
Herbert Troop ...	2658	Fras. Dealtry Witherden Menpes ...	2221
Samuel Henry Reginald Fursey ...	2633	Stanley Baylis ...	2217
Robert Percy Chinneck ...	2544	Kenneth Kendall... ..	2204
Vernon Peed Gaches ...	2535	William Hubert Pinder ...	2175
Walter Land ...	2466	Fred Wilson ...	2149
Frederick Bland ...	2453	John Leonard Brown ...	2141
Charles William Green ...	2441	Rhys Edgar Morgan ...	2116
Charles Irwin Mossop ...	2380	Frank Edmond Everton ...	2076
Ernest Murley ...	2374	Arthur Herbert Windsor ...	2066
George Hancock Cox ...	2330	Frederick Joseph Harris ...	2032

**UNSUCCESSFUL.**

Name.	Votes.	Name.	Votes.
Stanley Aynsley Mundle ...	1988	Clement Siggers... ..	414
John Baron Fry ...	1868	Edward Dunthorne Hodgkinson ...	336
Joseph Wood ...	1733	William John Harrison ...	259
Harry Lawrence ...	1677	Lewis Gordon Causton Swornsbourne ...	218
Harold Gray ...	1433	William Arthur Mears ...	207
Alex. Sydenham Sherriff Clunes ...	1374	Arthur Thomas Browne ...	186
George Wilkinson ...	1371	Frederick Wm. John Scott ...	132
Arthur Edward Kennedy ...	1307	Arthur Stanley Hill ...	112
Edward George Jarman ...	1165	Archibald Wallace Campbell ...	99
Samuel Carr ...	1160	Edmund Arnold Greening Lamborn ...	98
Arthur Howard Kemp ...	1081	Frederick George Hart ...	55
Miller Bassett Lumsden ...	1049	James Carruthers ...	23
Austen Royle Podmore ...	1018	Martin Roddwell Bostock... ..	18
Wallace Peter Charles Bosco ...	993	Ernest Edward Whale ...	18
Edgar Holmes Burgess ...	988	William Robson Binks ...	15
Alfred William Clarke ...	959	Basil Glover Wood ...	13
Stanley Edmund Rolls Pratt ...	920	John Crossman ...	10
Ernest James Brown ...	857	Benjamin Lamplough ...	9
Benjamin Henry Tiedeman ...	833	Redfern Edward Gee ...	8
Harry Vernon Moreton ...	828	Herbert John Drawitt ...	5
Frank Gowland Harvey ...	818	Wilfred John Atley ...	5
Lewis Morris Nicholl ...	790	Frank Roberts ...	2
John Heralut de Caen ...	664	Alfred Ernest Perkins ...	1
Percy Howard Wells ...	473	William Ralph Pugh ...	1
Walter Woolcomb Bloomfield ...	473	Frederick Woodman ...	—
William John Jennings ...	417		

Votes of thanks to the Scrutineers of votes, and to the Chairman of the day, closed the proceedings.

## PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND.

By command of the Provincial Grand Master, the Right Hon. the Earl Ferrers, the annual meeting of the above Provincial Grand Lodge was held at the Agricultural Hall, Oakham, on Wednesday, the 17th ult., under the auspices of the Vale of Catmos Lodge, No. 1265.

In the absence of the P.G.M., the P.G. Lodge was presided over by the Dep. Prov. G.M., Bro. S. S. Partridge, P.A.G.D.C., Bro. Robert Berridge, Prov. J.G.D., ably assisting as D.P.G.M.

There were also present the following officers and members of Prov. G. Lodge:—

Bros. W. S. Allen, as P.S.G.W.; W. A. Musson, as P.J.G.W.; the Rev. W. R. Hurd, P.G. Chap.; W. Vial, P.G. Reg.; Rev. C. Henton Wood, P.P.S.G.W., P.G. Sec.; E. Jeeves, P.G.S. of W.; M. J. Walker, P.G.D.C.; J. Jessop, P.G.S.B.; J. E. Beazeley and G. Newsome, P.G. Std. Brs.; C. Lowenstein, P.G. Purst.; T. Corcoran, R. B. Starkey, and E. J. Thompson, P.G. Stwds.; J. Tanser, P.G. Tyler; T. A. Wykes, P.P.G. Treas.; C. J. Wilkinson, P.P.G.D.C.; J. H. Marshall, P.P.A.G.D.C.; C. J. Massie, P.P.G.P.; T. G. Charlesworth, W.M. 523; F. G. Boden, P.M. 779; G. Austin, W.M. 1130; R. Symington, P.M. 1330; S. Knight, P.M. 1391; J. B. Fowler, W.M. 1560; J. G. Simpkin, W.M. 2028; J. L. West, W.M. 2081; and many officers and members of private lodges in the province. Visitor: Bro. F. Binckes, P.G.S.B., Sec. R.M.I.B.

The Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form, after which the rolls of lodges and Prov. Grand Officers were called, and the minutes of the preceding annual meeting and a special meeting held on the 9th ult., on the occasion of laying the memorial stone of the Children's Hospital in Leicester, were read and confirmed.

The reports of the Committee of General Purposes and the Provincial Charity Committee were read, submitted for approval, and adopted. The latter made special reference to the successful result of the efforts of the Charity Stewards on behalf of the Girls' School, the total contributions from the province at the Centenary Festival of the Institution exceeding £600. The report concluded by recommending the Boys' School for the support of the province in the coming year, and at a subsequent period of the meeting Bro. J. H. Marshall, P.P.A.G.D.C., volunteered to represent Provincial Grand Lodge as Steward, and he was unanimously appointed.

The Prov. G. REGISTRAR submitted his report, showing a nett increase of 20 in the membership of the province, the total number of subscribing members on 24th June last being 522.

A very satisfactory report on the Prov. Grand Treasurer's accounts having been received, it was duly adopted, and a vote of thanks accorded to Bro. R. Waite for his services.

Bro. Waite was immediately afterwards re-elected as Provincial Grand Treasurer.

The Provincial Grand Officers for the coming year were then appointed and invested as follows:

Bro. T. A. Wykes, P.M. 523	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" W. A. Musson, P.M. 779	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" Rev. R. Colquhoun	...	...	} Prov. G. Chaps.
" Faithfull, 1560	...	...	
" Rev. C. J. B. Scriven, 1265	...	...	
" R. Waite, 279	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" T. Coltman, W.M. 1265	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" Rev. C. Henton Wood, P.M. 1560	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" G. Newsome, P.M. 523	...	...	Prov. S.G.D.
" T. Corcoran, W.M. 1007	...	...	Prov. J.G.D.
" G. Austin, W.M. 1130	...	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
" M. J. Walker, P.M. 1265	...	...	Prov. G.D. of C.
" F. G. Boden, P.M. 779	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" R. Symington, P.M. 1330	...	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" W. H. Goodwin, P.M. 1265	...	...	} Prov. G. Std. Brs.
" J. G. Simpkin, W.M. 2028	...	...	
" C. E. Birch, 279	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" J. L. West, W.M. 2081	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" S. Knight, P.M. 1391	...	...	Prov. A.G. Purst.
" J. B. Waring, 523	...	...	} Prov. G. Stewards
" T. G. Charlesworth, 523	...	...	
" J. L. Hassan, 1265	...	...	
" W. B. Ray, 1330	...	...	
" T. Carter, 1560	...	...	
" J. Kidney, 2081	...	...	} Prov. G. Tyler.
" James Tanser, 279	...	...	

The ACTING PROV. GRAND MASTER called the attention of the brethren to the closely approaching 50th anniversary of the initiation into Freemasonry of Bro. W. Kelly, P.P.G.M., and in his speech enlarged upon that worthy and distinguished brother's great Masonic knowledge and experience, only equalled by his fraternal goodness and kindness of heart, his unwearying efforts for the advancement of the Order, and the exceeding prosperity of the province, consequent in great measure upon his labours. He further spoke of Bro. Kelly as being at the present time the father of Freemasonry in the province, and pointed to his long career as an example the brethren might humbly endeavour to follow, though they might not attain its perfection. The speaker concluded by moving the following resolution: "In view of the fiftieth anniversary of the initiation of the R.W. Bro. William Kelly, P.P.G.M., now closely approaching, and in grateful recognition of the zeal and enthusiasm ever displayed by him in all Masonic matters, and of his valued and successful labours on behalf of Freemasonry generally, more especially for the permanent welfare of this province, the members of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Leicestershire and Rutland most heartily congratulate their illustrious brother on the interesting occasion, and offer their very sincere wishes that he may long be spared to enjoy the continued esteem and respect of his brethren whilst watching over the progress of the Craft he so loves and adorns."

The resolution was duly seconded, and carried by acclamation.

The invitation offered at the last annual meeting by the Howe and Charnwood Lodge, No. 1007, to the Provincial Grand Master to hold the next general communication under the banner of that lodge was renewed on the present occasion.

Several communications and letters of apology having been read, the Provincial Grand Lodge was closed.

The proceedings terminated with an excellent banquet, provided by the worthy host of the George Hotel, Bro. J. Read, P.M.

## SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

The following is the business to be transacted on Wednesday next:—  
The minutes of the last Quarterly Convocation to be read for confirmation.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

To the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England.

The Committee of General Purposes beg to report that they have examined the accounts from the 18th July to the 16th October, 1888, both inclusive, which they find to be as follows:

To Balance, Grand Chapter	£313 19 7	By Disbursements during the	
" " Unappropriated		Quarter ... ..	£310 12 5
Account ... ..	201 3 10	" Balance ... ..	255 11 11
" Subsequent Receipts ...	242 2 6	" " Unappropriated	
		Account ... ..	191 1 7
	<u>£757 5 11</u>		<u>£757 5 11</u>

Which Balances are in the Bank of England (Western Branch).

The Committee have to report that they have received the following petition:—

From Comps. Henry Cook, as Z.; John Murray, as H.; Philip Lancashire Booth, as J.; and thirteen others, for a chapter to be attached to the Hartington Lodge, No. 1021, Barrow-in-Furness, to be called The Henry Cook Chapter, and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Abbey-road, Barrow-in-Furness, Lancashire (W.D.)

This petition being in all respects regular, the Committee recommend that the prayer thereof be granted.

The Committee have likewise to report that they have received a memorial from the Grand Chapter of South Australia reporting that they had been regularly established in March, 1886, and asking recognition by the Grand Chapter of England, and that fraternal relations and communication may be established between the two Grand Chapters.

The Committee recommend that inasmuch as the Grand Lodge of South Australia has been duly acknowledged by the Grand Lodge of England and Representatives exchanged, the Grand Chapter of South Australia be also recognised.

The Committee have also received memorials, with extract of Minutes, for permission to remove the following chapters:—

Granite Chapter, No. 1328, from Freemasons' Hall to the Holborn Restaurant, High Holborn.

The Pattison Chapter, No. 913, from the High School, Brook-hill, to the Freemasons' Hall, Plumstead, Kent.

The Andrew Chapter, No. 834, from the Bell and Anchor Tavern to the Windsor Castle Hotel, Hammersmith.

The Committee being satisfied of the reasonableness of these requests, recommend that the removal of the above-named chapters be sanctioned.

(Signed) ROBERT GREY, President.

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.,  
October 17th, 1888.

## PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF SOMERSETSHIRE.

The Prov. Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Somersetshire was held on the 19th ult. at the Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath, under the banner of the Royal Sussex Lodge, and was presided over by Bro. the Rev. R. C. Else, Prov. G. Master, who was supported by Bro. Col. William Long, D.P.G.M.

The visitors included Bros. Baron De Ferrieres, P.G.M. of Gloucestershire, and H. P. Montague, P.G. Warden of England.

The SECRETARY (Bro. Elworthy) having called the roll of lodges, it was found that all the working lodges in the province were represented.

The minutes of the lodge meeting at Yeovil last year having been confirmed,

Bro. W. RADWAY, the Treasurer, read the accounts, which showed a balance in hand of £63 11s. 3d.

The following officers were invested for the ensuing year:

Bro. Colonel Long	...	...	D.P.G.M.
" S. Edwards, P.M. 119	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" J. B. Mercer	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" N. A. Duckett, W.M. 191	...	...	Prov. G.M.O.
" T. Holroyd	...	...	Prov. S.G.O.
" Shorland, W.M. 119	...	...	Prov. J.G.O.
" Rev. F. W. McDonald	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" C. W. Radway	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" Surgeon-General Ringer	...	...	Prov. G.R. of M.
" T. F. Elworthy	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" J. Knight	...	...	Prov. S.G.D.
" G. W. Bewsey	...	...	Prov. J.G.D.
" J. Gill	...	...	Prov. G.I. of W.
" Stranbridge	...	...	Prov. G.D. of C.
" Captain Newell	...	...	Prov. G. Swd. Br.
" J. T. Dunsford	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" Nosworthy	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" Peckett	...	...	Prov. G.I.G.
" Wilson	...	...	Prov. G. Stwd.

KNIGHT OF THE CORK (Chevalier due Bouchon).—Thory says that this order was founded in Italy, after the publication of the Papal Bulls; but this is very doubtful. Clavel says that it was instituted in Germany in the last century, and that its laws and secrets were printed in French, in octavo, without date; but this statement is equally questionable. It is apparently (whatever it was really) a French society, in all probability convivial.—*Kenning's Cyclopaedia of Freemasonry.*

PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF WEST YORKSHIRE.

The annual meeting of the above lodge was held at Wakefield on Wednesday, the 24th ult., under the banner of the Lodge of Integrity, No. 110. The lodge was opened by the W.M. and officers of the Integrity Lodge. The Prov. G.M.; Bro. C. Letch Mason, accompanied by Bro. the Rev. T. C. Smyth, D.D., Past G. Chap., Deputy Prov. G.M., entered, and Provincial Grand Lodge was duly opened.

The following brethren were present :

Bros. Hugh Sugden Holdsworth, G. Stwd., Prov. S.G.W.; Jeremiah L. Atherton, Prov. J.G.W.; Joseph W. Monckman, Past G. Stwd., P.P.G.W.; Henry France, P.P.G.W.; John Barker, Past G.I. of W., P.P.G.W.; William R. Massie, Prov. G.M.O.; George Marshall, P.P.G.O., as P.S.G.O.; George E. Bennett, P.P.G.D., as P.J.G.O.; William Frederick Tomlinson, P.P.G.O.; Rev. William Dunn, M.A., Prov. G. Chap.; James Henry Gratton, P.P.G.W., as P.G. Treas.; Edward J. Massie, Prov. G. Reg.; William Cooke, Past S.G.O., Prov. G. Sec.; Francis Smith, Prov. S.G.D.; Charles Greenwood, Prov. J.G.D.; Henry Smith, Prov. G.I. of W.; Fred Barber, Prov. G.D. of C.; William Ackroyd, Prov. A.G.D. of C.; George Henry Locking, Prov. G.S.B.; Thomas Howden, Prov. G. Std. Br.; George F. Carr, Prov. G. Org.; Thomas Myers, Prov. G.I.G.; Thomas Gaukroger, John P. Hewitt, John Johnson Green, and Edwin Billington, Prov. G. Stwds.; Samuel Barrand, as P.G. Tyler; Dearden, 53; J. Rhodes, 58; W. H. Wilson, 58; A. E. Dalzell, 58; J. A. Thornton, P.M. 110; Wm. Flockton, 111; W. H. B. Atkinson, 111; A. Gill, 137; A. F. Fitzpatrick, W.M. (T.I.); C. J. Schott, J.W. (T.I.); W. Hutchinson, 352; R. E. Collinson, W.M. 352; W. Tapman, 352; R. D. Kendall, 14; A. F. McGill, S.W. 374; Rev. J. H. Evans, 374; Tudor Trevor, P.M. (S.C.); and others.

The PROV. GRAND MASTER, in acknowledging the salutation, said : Brethren, accept my thanks for the very hearty reception you have accorded to Prov. Grand Lodge to-day. It is to myself a matter of personal congratulation that the Integrity Lodge, No. 110, under whose banner we are assembled to-day, is in such a flourishing condition. The lodge, brethren, as many of you are well aware, obtained its warrant on the 11th May, 1870, to meet in the town of Morley, but was afterwards removed in 1875 to this city of Wakefield; first it held its meetings at the Great Bull Hotel, but on the 12th March, 1885, it was removed to this handsome and commodious hall in which we are at present assembled. It is not always a desirable thing to move a lodge from its original moorings, yet I think I may say, without hesitation, that it has been beneficial both to this lodge and the Portal, No. 127, which now meets at the neighbouring town of Barnsley. During the 12 months ending the 30th June last 12 new Mark lodges were consecrated, one of which holds its meetings at Crowle, in the adjoining Province of Lincolnshire. I have heard rumours of further extension in West Yorkshire, but as yet they have not taken definite shape. Although, from a financial point of view, the Mark Benevolent Festival of July last was not quite so successful as that in the preceding year, the amount raised being only £1818 2s., as against £2260 in 1887, yet the number of the Stewards was larger, in fact the largest on record, being 163, and this following close on the great Centenary Festival of the Girls' School, thus indicating that the work of the Benevolent Fund is appreciated, and the interest therein increasing. I desire to thank most sincerely those brethren of West Yorkshire who kindly acted as Stewards, and by whose endeavours our province stood well on the subscription list. It may not be out of place briefly to state the plan on which this fund is worked. It is divided into three branches—the Benevolent, the Educational, and the Annuity Fund. The Benevolent Fund is for relief and benevolence, and is under the control of the General Board, who have the disposal of all amounts below £20, sums above that amount requiring the confirmation of the Grand Lodge. During the 12 months ending the 30th June last, grants to the amount of £85 were made. The object of the Educational Branch, is to educate and clothe the children, eligible for assistance, of Mark Master Masons at grammar or other schools in the vicinity of the homes of their parents or friends. From a recent return we find 13 boys and 13 girls are being thus educated by means of this Fund, and in addition Grand Lodge, by a special resolution, voted £5 annually to each child to procure clothing, &c. The Annuity Fund was established in 1885, when Grand Mark Lodge voted £1000 as a nucleus. Its object is to grant annuities of £20 each to aged and decayed Mark Master Masons, and £16 each to widows of Mark Masons. At the present time there are 4 male annuitants and no female. The Benevolent Fund has now been in existence 19 years, during which time it has been steadily increasing; its invested funds now amount to £6000, besides a substantial sum to its credit in the hands of its bankers. Roundly speaking, one-third of the income is appropriated to the Benevolent, one-third to the Educational, and one-third to the Annuity Fund. I again commend this matter to your thoughtful consideration. It is with regret that I observe that our Bradford brethren have lost an eminent worker and Past Master of their lodge, Bro. Frederick Smart. He was installed into the chair of the Time Immemorial Lodge in 1883, was appointed to the office of Provincial Grand Steward in 1882, and to that of Prov. Grand Inspector of Works, in 1883. I cannot be insensible, brethren, to the efforts that are being made throughout the province by many earnest brethren to promote the efficiency and extend the influence of Mark Masonry, and I observe with pleasure the activity of several lodges; yet, brethren, let me again and again impress upon you that it is your bounden duty to be extremely careful to admit no one "to a participation of our privileges unless you have strong grounds to believe that he will ultimately reflect honour on our choice." Bear always in mind those words spoken by one who was for a time the Chief Ruler of the Craft, words that I should like to see emblazoned on the walls of every Masonic lodge: "Remember, the strength of our Order lies not in the number of our lodges, or in the increasing roll of our members, but in the fraternal spirit by which the members are animated, and which lives and breathes in our lodges." Brethren, this being our annual meeting, I desire

to say a few words on Masonry generally. Freemasonry, as practised by us, is speculative. It is also symbolical. We rear no material buildings, employ neither brick nor stone in the construction of our edifice, nor mortar in our operations; but we use the cement of brotherly love and kindness, and endeavour to build up a "spiritual house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." As a speculative science, Freemasonry has become a widespread and far-reaching organisation, bearing within itself the most convincing evidence that it was formed for a worthy purpose; to promote among men peace, goodwill, mutual sympathy, relief, and brotherly love; to cultivate love of affection for the land of one's birth, and to avoid everything "that may have a tendency to subvert the peace and good order of Society." To thoroughly understand Freemasonry, we must not be content with its outward forms, but must turn to that inner, to that invisible, nature which forms the superstructure upon which rests man's spiritual and intellectual being. Freemasonry is the product of civilisation, refinement, and knowledge, and, while based on the spiritual, and interwoven in its structure with the social nature of man, it is only developed as the mind expands, strengthens, and becomes fully ripe for new and enlarged enjoyments, to be found only in its hidden recesses and intricacies of thought. It appeals to and captivates the inner man, furnishes food for reflection and study, charms and entices men to attach themselves to it in every clime, and in every county where civilisation exists; hence we may infer that it possesses that organism, character, and modes of procedure which pleases man, wins his regard for a higher and nobler nature, satisfying the craving of his mind and the aspirations of his soul. "It hath virtue for its aim, the glory of God its object, and the eternal welfare of man is considered in every part, point, or letter of its ineffable mysteries." Freemasonry has withstood the fierce assaults of religious bigotry and the vindictive hate of political denunciation. It has been calm and silent amid the unprovoked attacks of its enemies and of Papal anathemas. Wise and distinguished statesmen and divines have stood firm in its defence, and without fear or misgiving avowed their love for, and confidence in, it. There must, then, be something peculiar, something extraordinary in its nature, which thus adapts itself to all classes and conditions of good men, and which for long years has given its strength, power, and influence among the best and most enlightened of mankind. It must strike some hidden cord in human nature which causes a quick response, and which we doubt not was implanted by the G.A.O.T.U. for some good and beneficent reason. It is this mental machinery, this unseen reasoning force, that coming into action binds men, cultured to the highest point, strong in every faculty, to Masonry, and gives them enjoyment and satisfaction in a participation of its ceremonies, in loving, teaching, and expounding its nature and principles, and perhaps while they cannot tell why it is yet they feel its inspiration, and are neither ashamed to own it, nor willing to ignore it. The profane may assure the initiate that its ceremonies are frivolous or without practical benefit, yet where is the man who has knelt at its altars and penetrated into its mysteries who is not impressed with the solemnity of its spiritualistic observance and the utility of its lessons of wisdom and of virtue, tending to smooth the rough pathway of life, and pointing to that higher and more real life "of everlasting happiness in the celestial mansion of eternal bliss and glory," reserved for the good and true of all time and of every nation? Thus, my brethren, I trust we may all feel that Freemasonry is an institution designed to meet the need of human nature, to be cherished as one of the great influences that make men better, wiser, and happier; and as we labour on in our respective spheres of life perchance some heart may be cheered, some brother or companion may be made happier and better for it. May we all strive, with God's blessing, to promote its welfare and to extend its influence amongst mankind.

The D.P.G.M., Bro. the Rev. Dr. SMYTH, P.G.C., briefly acknowledged his salutation.

The roll of lodges was called, when every lodge in the province was represented.

Apologies for non-attendance from the three officers absent were read, and were deemed satisfactory.

The minutes of the last meeting of Prov. Grand Lodge, held at Huddersfield, were confirmed.

Bro. G. Normanton was again unanimously re-elected as Treasurer for the ensuing year.

The Provincial Grand Master then appointed and invested the officers for the ensuing year, as follows:—

Bro. Francis Smith, Prince Leopold Lodge	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" Fred Barber, Britannia Lodge	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" Jesse Arthur Thornton, Integrity Lodge	...	Prov. G.M.O.
" E. J. Massie, Portal Lodge	...	Prov. S.G.O.
" Henry Smith, Integrity Lodge	...	Prov. J.G.O.
" Rev. J. H. Evans, M.A., St. Chad's Lodge	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" G. Normanton, Fearnley Lodge, Past G.I. of W.	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" Thomas Gaukroger, Prince Edward Lodge	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" Wm. Cooke, Fearnley Lodge, Past S.G.O.	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" William Ackroyd, Fearnley Lodge	...	Prov. S.G.D.
" Thomas Howden, Integrity Lodge	...	Prov. J.G.D.
" Thomas Myers, Copley Lodge	...	Prov. G.I. of W.
" Christopher William Fincken, Portal Lodge	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" John P. Hewitt, Britannia Lodge	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" John J. Green, Fearnley Lodge	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" A. F. Fitzpatrick, Old York Lodge	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" George F. Carr, Copley Lodge	...	Prov. G. Org.
" Arthur Ferguson McGill, St. Chad's Lodge	...	Prov. G.I.G.
" Robert D. Kendall, Prince Edward Lodge	...	} Prov. G. Stwds.
" Alfred Gill, Truth Lodge	...	
" C. J. Schott, Old York Lodge	...	
" Robert E. Collinson, Prince Leopold Lodge	...	

The P.G. REGISTRAR read a statement of the numerical position of each lodge up to the 31st December, 1887.

The Prov. Grand Wardens and Prov. Grand Overseers were elected to serve on the General Purposes Committee for the ensuing year.

Prov. Grand Lodge was then closed, and the brethren afterwards sat down to tea, after which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, and a hearty vote of thanks accorded to the Wakefield brethren for the arrangements made for reception of Prov. G. Lodge.

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At a QUARTERLY GENERAL COURT of this Institution, held at FREEMASONS' TAVERN, Gt. Queen-street, Lincoln's-Inn-Fields, London, W.C., on SATURDAY, October 27th, 1888, Bro. Horace Brooks Marshall, J.P., P.G. Treasurer, Treasurer of the Institution, in the chair, after the General Business was disposed of, the Governors and Subscribers proceeded to the Election, by Ballot, of 9 Girls into the Institution from a list of 62 approved Candidates, when the following were declared duly

No. on Poll.	No. on List.	ELECTED:	Votes.
1	28	Short, Frances Jessie	5308
2	26	Sims, Dora	4221
3	18	Pooler, Ellen Anne Blanche	4131
4	46	Mackey, Elsie Winifred Reay	4109
5	31	Turton, Ada Charlotte	3907
6	25	Wells, Frances Norah	3680
7	53	Belton, Annie Winifred	3508
8	4	Bissett, Sarah	3365
9	36	Wilson, Mary Elizabeth	3165

The number of Votes recorded for the Unsuccessful Candidates can be obtained on application at the Secretary's Office, and will be duly carried forward at the next Election, if eligible.

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At a QUARTERLY GENERAL COURT of the Governors and Subscribers, held at FREEMASONS' TAVERN, Great Queen-street, Lincoln's-Inn-Fields, London, on FRIDAY, the 26th day of OCTOBER, 1888, W. Bro. William Roebuck, V. Patron and Trustee (P.G. Sword Bearer), in the chair, a Ballot took place for the Election of 24 Boys from an approved list of 175 Candidates, the following being declared

No. on Poll.	No. on List.	SUCCESSFUL:	Votes.
1	20	Grimsey, Arthur Henry	3702
2	9	Ball, Charles	2810
3	63	Troop, Herbert	2658
4	10	Fursey, Samuel Henry R.	2633
5	25	Chinneck, Robert Percy	2544
6	27	Gaches, Vernon Peed	2535
7	34	Land, Walter	2466
8	38	Bland, Frederick	2453
9	4	Green, Charles William	2441
10	22	Mossop, Charles Irwin	2380
11	24	Murley, Ernest	2374
12	49	Cox, George Hancock	2330
13	56	Rushworth, George	2245
14	7	Turner, Francis Pater	2230
15	74	Menpes, F. Dealtry Witherden	2221
16	17	Baylis, Stanley	2217
17	26	Kendall, Kenneth	2204
18	41	Pinder, William Hubert	2175
19	43	Wilson, Fred	2149
20	36	Brown, John Leonard	2141
21	45	Morgan, Rhys Edgar	2116
22	68	Everton, Frank Edmond	2016
23	35	Windsor, Arthur Herbert	2066
24	64	Harris, Frederick Joseph	3032

List of Candidates (Successful and Unsuccessful), with full particulars of polling, &c., may be had on application. Votes of Unsuccessful Candidates will be carried to the credit of those qualified for election in April next.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1888.

## Original Correspondence.

## WHYMPER'S "RELIGION OF FREEMASONRY."

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

In your last number you review this thoughtful and thought-evoking work, and ask my consent to reprint the whole of Bro. Hughan's Introduction. I need scarcely say that any objection on my part, or that of Bro. Whympier, for whom I act, would be most short-sighted and ridiculous, and that I shall be pleased to see the Introduction reprinted in your columns.

Before quitting the subject, I feel constrained to take a rather unusual step, *i.e.*, thank your reviewer for his very able article and for the scrupulous fairness with which he has criticised a book, with whose conclusions (reading between the lines of his communication) I fancy he is not altogether at one. Whether Bro. Whympier be right or wrong, the thorough manner in which he has handled his theme must redound to his credit, and to that of the student-lodge which has enrolled him as one of its members.

—Yours fraternally,

G. W. SPETH, Sec. Quatuor Coronati, 2076.

## Masonic Notes and Queries.

## 804] FREEMASONRY IN NORTH AMERICA.

I have been interested on reading the leaderette in the *Freemason*, of Oct. 27th, relative to the progress of the Craft in the United States and Canada, based upon the accurate statistics compiled by M.W. Bro. J. H. Drummond, whose annual tables respecting the total membership of the various Grand Lodges and Grand Chapters are eagerly sought after, perused, and utilised from one end of North America to the other. The estimate in the leaderette as to the number of R.A. Companions was a very just one. According to the foregoing authority, in the 41 Grand Chapters, and the General Grand Chapter of the U.S.A., with those of Canada (Ontario), New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Quebec, there are 149,903 members (practically 150,000), all of whom, be it noted, are also *Mark Master Masons*. Bro. Stephen Berry, Editor of the racy little *Masonic Token* (Portland, Maine), is the never-failing guide, as respects the Knights Templars, his figures placing the large number of members of that Degree in the United States at 75,313! Canada is credited with 947, England and Wales with 2900, Ireland with 1300, and Scotland 450, making a grand total of 80,910, the largest yet reached, I believe. The number of subscribing members in the United States and Canada is estimated at 615,136, as noted in the leaderette aforesaid, and, as every brother is duly accounted for in all the Annual Returns, either as continuing on the Roll or removed from the cause recorded, the figures may be taken as exactly indicating the extent of our beloved Fraternity in the Countries or States noted.

W. J. H.

## 805] ROYAL YORKSHIRE LODGE, No. 265.

In reply to many enquiries, this lodge was warranted (or it would be more correct to say it received a York Dispensation), as stated by the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Tew, on August 23rd, 1788. It never had any other name, and never left Keighley. "Milnes Lodge" was a local term, merely used to distinguish the source of a lodge's constitution. For instance, an Atholl Mason would say, "I don't belong to a Milnes Lodge." The term applied to Duke of York's Lodge, 529, Hope Lodge, Bradford, 539, Loyal Halifax, 549, and others at Leeds and elsewhere, being "Milnes" lodges, *i.e.*, chartered by *Rd. Slater Milnes*, Prov. G.M. under the "Moderns." The first meeting of the Royal Yorkshire Lodge, No. 530, was held at the *Devonshire Arms*, where it remained for some years (I cannot say how many years exactly, without special reference), but was much longer at another public-house—the *Lord Rodney*—subsequently. Bro. Tew's errors through mixing up the Lodges 265 and 275 would easily occur under the excitement of such an occasion. They were corrected almost immediately, and I believe I am correct in stating that those errors will not appear in the Craft report of the proceedings, or, if they do, not without some explanation.

J. RAMSDEN RILEY.

## FREEMASONRY AND EDUCATION.

There has been some correspondence lately in our pages concerning the education of the sons of Freemasons who do not need nor desire to avail themselves of the Charity of their brethren, but apparently would be glad to make use of the great power of combination and have a School to which they may send their boys in some degree connected with the Craft to which they themselves are proud of being members. A company has now been formed, under the patronage of distinguished brethren, to establish a *Public School*, offering special advantages to sons of Freemasons. (See advertisement of Prospectus.)

We think the idea good, and likely to lead to great results. Westward Ho, for sons of Military men; Marlborough, for the Clergy, have been, and are, very successful; why should not Freemasons have a great Public School of first-class rank to which they may send their sons at a moderate cost, and to which may be attached exhibitions and scholarships to encourage and assist the most deserving?

We observe that the Rev. Dr. Morris, Head Master of the Royal Masonic School, is on the Directing Council, and that it is proposed to give exhibitions to boys leaving that Institution who deserve a lift up. The whole object of the movement is laudable, and in our judgment worthy of support; moreover, as a business transaction it can scarcely fail to be satisfactory.



## Craft Masonry.

## PEACE AND HARMONY LODGE (No. 60).

—This ancient and distinguished lodge met at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on the 26th ult., when there were present, among others, Bros. A. T. Layton, J.P., P.G.S., P.M. 181, W.M.; A. J. Altman, C.C., G. Stwd., S.W.; Dr. Kempster, acting J.W.; Henry Young, P.G.S., P.M., Treas.; F. Binckes, P.G.S., P.G. Swd. Br., P.M., Sec.; Rogers, S.D.; H. Slade, J.D.; G. H. Kenning, acting I.G.; Josling, P.G.S., I.P.M.; Kent, P.G.S., P.M., D.C.; Barton, P.G.S., P.M.; Chancellor, P.G.S., P.M.; T. C. Walls, P.G.W. Middx.; W. H. Kempster, jun., H. J. Lardner, P.A.G.D.C. Surrey; Cotton, Balliston, ex-Sheriff Higgs, E. J. Altman, and others. Bros. Sillitoe, P.G. Std. Br., P.M. 645; Whitmarsh, 1335; and Brown, 228 (S.C.), were visitors.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. W. H. T. Balliston was passed to the Second Degree. The ballot was taken on behalf of Mr. T. H. Alderton for initiation and Bro. W. Jacques, W.M. 1744, as a joining member, and it proved to be unanimous. Mr. Alderton, being in attendance, was duly inducted into Craft mysteries. Bros. Nicol, P.G.S., P.M., and James Moon, P.G.S., J.W., were absent through indisposition.

The lodge was then closed. The banquet which followed was well served under the personal supervision of Bro. Madell, and gave satisfaction. The W.M., being unwell, deputed Bro. Josling, P.M., to officiate at the banquet. The speeches from the chair were terse, but pertinent. Some of the responses were also good, notably those of Bro. Sillitoe for "The Grand Officers," Bro. Brown, for "The Visitors," Bro. Barton for "The P.M.'s," Bro. Young for "The Treasurer and Secretary," and Bro. Dr. Kempster for "The Officers."

Bros. Altman, C.C., Cotton, G. H. Kenning, Alderton, Young, and others, instrumentally and vocally entertained the brethren. The proceedings, which were throughout of a most successful and genial nature, terminated at an early hour.

## FAITH LODGE (No. 141).—The installation

meeting of this old lodge was held at Anderson's Hotel, on Tuesday, when Bro. George C. Hudson, the W.M., installed his successor in the chair. Bro. W. J. Hakim, the W.M. for the next 12 months, occupied the position of S.W. during the past year, and was unanimously elected to the position into which he was on Tuesday formally installed. After the conclusion of the ceremony, which was very perfectly performed by Bro. Hudson, Bro. Hakim proceeded to invest his officers as follows: Bros. Steng, S.W.; Wetzlar, J.W.; Carter, P.M., Treas. (for the 30th time); Stuart, P.M., Sec. (a position he has occupied for 17 years); Langdale, S.D.; Bye, J.D.; Shepherd, I.G.; Welch and Moles, Stewards; Taylor, D. of C.; Ryan, A.D. of C.; and Longstaff, Tyler.

After the closing of the lodge the brethren and their guests dined together, and after doing full justice to the elegant repast which was placed before them, the usual list of loyal and Masonic toasts was proceeded with, the intervals between the various speeches being enlivened by some excellent music, both vocal and instrumental. This department was entrusted to Bro. E. P. Delevante, who was assisted by Miss Emily Davies, soprano, Bro. Henry Parkin, tenor, Bro. A. G. Pritchard, well-known for his buffo sketches, and Bro. Hy. Prenton, bass, each of whom in their several walks of art gave great satisfaction to their audience. It should also be mentioned that Bro. E. P. Delevante, who was the pianist, performed several pieces during the course of the dinner, including an exceedingly pretty march ("March de Concert"), of which he is the composer.

After disposing of the toasts of "The Queen and the Craft" and "The M.W. the Grand Master," the Worshipful Master proposed "The Health of 'The M.W. the Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Carnarvon, the Earl of Carnarvon; the R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, the Earl of Lathom, and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past.'" In proposing this toast, the Worshipful Master said he had hoped to have had a Grand Officer present on that occasion whose name he might have associated with that toast, but by reason of a pressing engagement, the worshipful brother in question was unable to be with them.

All three toasts were warmly received, and duly honoured by the brethren present.

Bro. Hudson, as I.P.M., then proposed "The Health of the Worshipful Master." He said, although it was the only time he had the pleasure of proposing a toast during the evening, he appreciated the honour of having to propose the toast of the evening. From the time when Bro. Hakim was initiated in the Faith Lodge the brethren had never once been disappointed in him, and that evening his progress through the offices in the lodge had culminated in his acquiring the highest honour which the lodge was able to bestow on any of its members. He wished Bro. Hakim a very prosperous year of office, and he had no doubt that Bro. Hakim would receive the same kindness at the hands of the members as that which had been accorded to himself while he occupied the chair.

The toast having been drunk with enthusiasm, Bro. Hakim rose, and said he had very great pleasure in thanking the brethren for the kind way in which they had drunk his health, and in thanking P.M. Hudson for the flattering way in which he had proposed it. Bro. Hakim went on to say that he should always do his best to carry on the work of the lodge in a way to merit the approval of the brethren. Whenever he fell short he hoped they would attribute it to want of ability rather than to want of will. Since he had joined the Lodge of Faith he had always had the interests of the Craft at heart. He feared that he was not as proficient as he should wish to be, because a severe illness which he had some years ago had impaired his memory; but all that he could do by zeal and application, he would do. He hoped that the brethren had enjoyed themselves on that evening, and that

they would continue to do so during his year of office, and he felt quite sure that during the period that he should have the honour of presiding over the lodge, he should experience the same kindness at their hands as he had hitherto enjoyed.

The W.M. then proposed "The Health of the I.P.M.," who was also the Installig Master that evening. The brethren had all had the opportunity of seeing Bro. Hudson's work in the various offices, and also in the chair, and they all knew his excellence and his desire to be serviceable to the Craft, and to the brethren personally, and he did not doubt that he, himself, should be indebted to Bro. Hudson for kindly assistance during his term of office. The W.M. concluded by investing Bro. Hudson with a very handsome P.M.'s jewel which had been unanimously voted to him by the brethren.

Bro. Hudson having returned thanks for the manner in which his health had been proposed and received, and for jewel which had been presented to him, and which he should prize as an heirloom,

The W.M. proceeded to propose "The Health of the Visitors," which was responded to by Bros. Forge, Edwards, Warren, and others.

Toasts to "The Health of the P.M.'s of the Lodge," and also to "The Health of the Treasurer and Secretary," to "The Prosperity of the Masonic Charities," and to "The Health of the Officers of the Lodge," were also proposed and honoured, before the Tyler's toast terminated the proceedings of the evening.

Among the visitors were Bros. Freeman, 55; H. T. Warren, R. W. Forge, P.M. 1793; Edward Delevanti, 2021; C. P. Edwards, 172; John Ramsay, P.M. 1707; Morton W. Glover, 1694; H. Parkin, 1317; Edward Rosenberger, 2021; Pritchard, Org. 2021; and E. C. Massey.

## UNITY LODGE (No. 183).—This lodge met

at the Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, on Monday, the 22nd ult., when there were present Bros. E. A. Francis, W.M.; H. Hooper, R. Corsham, G. W. Speth, J. W. Oliver, S. C. Hester, G. H. Lindsay-Renton, G. R. Langley, S. Richardson, G. W. Pinnock, J. D. E. Tarr, F. W. Zimer, A. J. Hirsch, A. E. Johnson, G. Pragnell, E. Wareham, W. J. Godwin, A. O. Side, A. Cook, T. C. Tassell, F. W. McIlwraith, W. F. B. Watts, and W. Birkett; also the following visitors: Bros. W. N. Brown, 1567; Thos. Poore, 2105; Thos. Taylor, 1677; B. Ridge, 463; John Blackburn, 594; W. Hopekirk, G. Purst; Thos. Cull, 1446; H. C. Turner, 1693; Richd. Eve, P.G.T.; R. P. Angel, 179; G. H. N. Bridges, 772; H. Parker, 1706; R. Rowlands, 1658; and W. J. Edney, 933.

Bros. A. Cook, E. Wareham, G. Pragnell, and W. J. Goodwin were, on a unanimous ballot, admitted joining members of the lodge. Messrs. T. C. Tassell, F. W. McIlwraith, W. Birkett, and W. F. B. Watts were, subsequent to a ballot unanimously in their favour, initiated into Freemasonry and admitted to the membership of the lodge. Messrs. Newbold and Watson were proposed and seconded as candidates for the privileges and mysteries of ancient Freemasonry. The W.M. announced that, as Steward for the lodge, he had been enabled to take up £87 to the Centennial Festival of the Girls' School.

Private and routine business having been gone through, the brethren adjourned to the banquet room, where an exceptionally pleasant evening was brought to a harmonious conclusion at a somewhat late hour.

## BURGOYNE LODGE (No. 902).—The instal-

lation meeting of this lodge was held on the 22nd ult. at Anderson's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C. There were present Bros. Charles Castell, W.M., in the chair; Cross, S.W., W.M. elect; W. Smith, J.W.; G. Gabb, P.M., Treas.; H. C. Jefferys, P.M., Sec.; Beddoes, S.D.; White, J.D.; Larter, acting I.G.; Batty, P.M., D.C.; H. James, Org.; Field, P.M.; Byng, P.M.; Pocock, P.M.; Wilkins, P.M.; Prince, George, Duncan, Ransleigh, Horton, Gill, Richmond, Vatcher, Pilling, Nutting, Cowland, Stafford, Balfour, Terry, Fox, Burrell, Gillard, Dunn, Lewry, Hammond, and Bean. Among the visitors were Bros. Dr. Lott, P.G.O.; J. Mason, P.P.S. G.D. Middx.; C. Smith, P.M. 1441, P.Z.; Cooper, P.M. 1441; E. H. Bramley, P.M.; W. Drewett, W.M. 889, S.W. 1638; J. Drewett, I.P.M. 889, P.G.S.; H. Lynn, 217; Cromwell-Marsh, Jay, Ellis, Turner, 1767; G. Powell, P.M. and P.Z. 1185; Richards, W.M. 1185; and others.

Lodge having been opened, and the minutes of last meetings read and confirmed, the Committee presented their report and balance sheet, which was unanimously received and adopted. This showed a balance in favour of the lodge of £103 odd. Bro. John Charles Cross, W.M. elect, was then presented by the D.C. to the W.M. to receive the benefit of installation, which Bro. Castell carried out in his well known style, and elicited the well deserved approbation of the brethren. The W.M. then appointed and invested his officers as follows: Bros. Chas. Castell, I.P.M.; Walter Smith, S.W.; J. Beddoes, J.W.; George Gabb, P.M., Treas.; Jefferys, P.M., Sec.; White, S.D.; James, J.D.; Prince, I.G.; Batty, P.M., D.C.; Larter, Org.; George and Balfour, Stwds.; and Terry, A.D.C.

Lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to an excellent banquet, served in Bro. Clemow's well-known excellent style.

The toasts of "The Queen and the Craft" and "The M.W.G.M." having been proposed and honoured,

The W.M. gave the toast of "The Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Carnarvon, the Deputy Grand Master, the Earl of Lathom, and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past," and called on Bro. Dr. Lott, P.G.O., to respond.

Bro. Lott thanked the W.M. and brethren for the kind and cordial way his name had been received, as representing on that occasion the Grand Officers. He could only say that he had much enjoyed the very excellent working of the I.P.M., and could also add that he had never seen the work done better.

Bro. Castell, I.P.M., in proposing "The Health of the W.M.," said he was sure that the brethren could understand that, although he felt cross once or twice during the beautiful ceremony of installation, the feeling was only in the hand, for he experienced great pleasure in placing their unanimously elected W.M. into the chair of

K.S., for it was the highest honour the lodge could bestow on any of the members. Perhaps at the election they had remembered an oft-repeated saying, "No cross, no crown;" but he could assure the brethren that their W.M. was most anxious to do all in his power for the prosperity of the lodge. He would ask them to fill their glasses a bumper, and to drink the toast of "The W.M.," wishing him health and a prosperous year of office.

The W.M. thanked Bro. Castell, P.M., and the brethren for the kind way the toast had been proposed and accepted, and said it would be his great aim to emulate their I.P.M., and trusted he would receive the support of the brethren, in order that the coming year might be as successful as had been the past.

The W.M., in giving the toast of "The Installing and I.P. Master, Bro. Castell," said he was sure it would be received with enthusiasm. Every member of the lodge was delighted with the excellent working of Bro. Castell, especially as he had initiated no less than 15 during his term of office, and at nearly every meeting had had the Three Degrees to work. His rendering was very impressive, and would, he was sure, never be forgotten by those who had entered Masonry under his Mastership. He had great pleasure in pinning the P.M.'s jewel on Bro. Castell's breast, and to express his and the brethren's wish that he might live many years to wear it as a Past Master of their lodge.

Bro. Castell, in responding, said he felt, for once, lost for words to express his deep thanks for the kindness he had received from the brethren. That beautiful jewel would often remind him of the very happy year that he had spent as their W.M., following on those months of sickness, pain, and sorrow that preceded his installation, when he, as well as those who watched his illness, feared it was his last. The G.A.O.T.U. had restored him to health, and, in the future, it would be his earnest endeavour to do all he could for Freemasonry in general, and the Burgoyne Lodge in particular.

The Worshipful Master then gave the toast of "The Visitors."

Bros. C. Smith, P.M., Ellis, Bramley, and Turner responded, all expressing their pleasure at being present, and extolling the working.

The toast of "The Masonic Charities" was ably responded to by Bro. John Mason, who said he was glad to find that the Burgoyne Lodge had during the Mastership of Bro. Castell voted £10 10s. to each of the Institutions, and yet was able to hand over such an excellent balance. He expressed the hope that the lodge would continue in well doing, for one of the foundations of Masonry was Charity, and he reminded the brethren of the words of that "great light in Freemasonry," that old book of "sacred writings"—"The liberal soul shall be made fat."

The toasts of "The P.M.'s," "The Treasurer and Secretary," and "The Officers of the Lodge" were given and responded to, and the Tyler's toast brought to a close this successful meeting.

The P.M.'s jewel presented to Bro. Castell was manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, and was much admired by the brethren and visitors.

**ECLECTIC LODGE (No. 1201).**—On Friday, the 26th ult., a meeting of the above lodge was held at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street. The business transacted was of a formal character, the principal item being the presentation, by the W.M. and Wardens, of new officers' collars, &c., for which the cordial thanks of the brethren assembled was proposed, seconded, and unanimously carried.

The lodge being closed, the members repaired to the adjoining establishment, where, in the meantime, their wives and lady friends had been welcomed by a reception Committee; and, in due time, the company, numbering over 50, sat down to a most excellent banquet.

There were present Bros. A. F. Forman, W.M.; J. Leach Barrett, S.W.; C. H. Chauffourier, J.W.; J. Mander, P.M. and Treas.; Arthur E. Taylor, P.M. and Sec.; Lyon, S.D.; Surridge, J.D.; Restall, I.G.; Munday, I.P.M.; Dr. S. Lloyd, P.M.; J. H. Watts, P.M.; J. Amsden, P.M.; T. Pedlar, Madell, Hawkins, Le Y. D. Anley, H. Anley, Haworth, and Jourden. Visitors: Bros. C. Cooke, C. F. Hogard, P.G. Std. Br.; Long, Lechertier, Du Plat, Bird, Gartley, Roussillon, Beazley, Kift, Moore, and Frohlich. Mesdames Foreman, Barrett, Chauffourier, Mander, Taylor, Surridge, Eason, Munday, Lloyd, Haworth, Du Plat, Pedlar, Beazley, and Long. Misses Lyon, Lloyd, Vincent, and Bright.

At the conclusion of the banquet, the usual Masonic toasts were proposed and honoured, Bro. Hogard returning thanks for "The Grand Officers."

Bro. Munday, I.P.M., proposed "The Health of the W.M.," and congratulated him upon the success of the evening.

The W.M., in reply, warmly welcomed the ladies to this the second entertainment of the kind given by the lodge, the previous one having taken place in 1878, during the Mastership of Bro. Taylor.

Bro. Watts, P.M., having proposed, and Bro. Lyon, S.D., having returned thanks for "The Ladies,"

The W.M. rose, and said: I have now the pleasure to give what I consider the toast of the evening, viz., that of "The P.M.'s," and especially that of Bro. Taylor, P.M. and Secretary, for in placing this before you I am reminded of a most pleasing duty which devolves upon me. It is the presentation of a testimonial to our much respected Bro. Taylor. There is much I could wish to say respecting it, but the ladies and brethren will better understand the object of this testimonial by my reading the inscription thereon—"Presented to Bro. and Companion Arthur E. Taylor, P.P.G. Supt. of Works Surrey, P.M., P.Z. 1201, P.M., P.Z. 1851, by the Brethren and Companions of the Eclectic and Ewell Lodges and Chapters, to mark their appreciation of his services in various offices, especially as Secretary and Scribe E., and their admiration of his devotedness to the interests of Freemasonry in general. Bro. Taylor, no one can realise better than yourself the feelings by which we have been actuated in making this presentation. It will never be necessary for you to refer to it to be reminded of the sentiments of respect in which you are held by the members of the Craft, but when your son arrives (as I trust he will) at the estate of manhood, to be a source of happiness to you and yours, you may then point to it and tell him that your honourable career in Freemasonry has gained for you the respect and friendship; nay, I would say, the affection of all those bre-

thren who, in common with myself, have had the privilege of being brought into contact with you.

The testimonial consists of a most elaborate drawing in pen and ink, executed with the finish of a steel engraving by Bro. T. Pedlar, a member of the lodge, and represented a freize and pediment, supported by two columns, that on the left being a fluted Corinthian, and on the right Ionic, both with their respective pedestals, balustrades, &c. In the centre of the pediment over the main cornice is the All-seeing Eye, underneath on a scroll laying over the entablature is the Royal Arch jewel, underneath the freize is the date of presentation on a scroll, with the square and compasses on the left, and crossed gavel on the right. In the panel of the Corinthian column is the Past Master's jewel, on the corresponding side is the P.Z. jewel, and in the centre the Secretary's jewel and other Masonic emblems. The drawing is enclosed in a mount and solid oak frame.

Bro. Taylor, in reply, said: W.M., officers, and brethren—I hardly know in what terms I can express to you the feelings which arise within me at this moment, or how I can adequately reply to the remarks which have been so kindly conveyed by the W.M., beyond saying that the recollection of this event will remain in my heart till death. The long associations I have had with this my mother lodge have rendered it and its members very dear to me, and my connection with the Eclectic Chapter and the Ewell Lodge and Chapter, all of which I assisted in founding, has at all times given me the greatest possible gratification, and after the numberless proofs I have had of the esteem of the brethren, this last token of their kindness and goodwill affects me so powerfully that I am left without words properly to show the feelings of gratitude with which I am animated, and, W.M., I feel keenly your allusion to my son, and you may rest assured that the beautiful testimonial you have presented me with this evening will be an heirloom to be prized by him, and which, when he arrives at an age to understand it, I shall show him, with pleasure and pride, to testify to the esteem, love, and kindness always shown to his father by the members of those Masonic Societies to which he had the privilege to belong.

Music well rendered by several members and visitors assisted in enlivening the proceedings, Mrs. Surridge being much applauded for the excellent manner in which she delivered the song she had selected.

At the desire, however, of some, the W.M. soon after cut short both speech and song, and the room was cleared for dancing, which was kept up till the warning tones of Bro. Madell, the manager, in announcing the close of the establishment, caused members and friends to depart.

**CRIPPLEGATE LODGE (No. 1613).**—The installation meeting of this lodge was held on Thursday, the 18th ult., at the Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street, on which occasion there was a good attendance of members and visiting brethren.

The lodge was opened by Bro. Thos. Berg, W.M., and the minutes of the last lodge meeting and those of the Audit were read and confirmed. Bros. Leigh and Holton were then passed to the Second Degree, and Bro. J. F. Bell, S.W., having before been unanimously elected, a Board of Installed Masters was formed, when Bro. Berg installed Bro. J. F. Bell, W.M. elect, into the chair of K.S. according to ancient custom. The W.M. then invested his officers for the ensuing year as follows: Bros. T. Berg, I.P.M.; Cawwarden, S.W.; Stallard, J.W.; Stevenson, P.M., Treas.; Medwin, P.M., P.Z., Sec.; Mays, S.D.; S. J. Groner, J.D.; and Rean, I.G. Bro. Thos. Berg then delivered the three addresses in a most efficient manner, after which the Secretary read letters from several brethren, and there being no other Masonic business the lodge was closed.

The brethren then retired to the banqueting room, and sat down to a very good repast, presided over by Bro. J. F. Bell, W.M., at which the usual Masonic toasts were given.

At the toast of "The Past Masters" the W.M. presented the I.P.M. with the usual Masonic jewel, which was greatly admired by the visiting brethren. (The jewel was manufactured by Bro. George Kenning.)

During the intervals some very good vocal and instrumental music was given under the direction of Bros. F. Cousins and Heney.

**CAMBRIDGE.—Isaac Newton (University) Lodge (No. 859).**—The installation meeting of this lodge took place at the Lion Hotel, on Tuesday evening, the 30th ult., and was attended by upwards of 50 brethren, including Bro. A. H. Moyes, Dep. Prov. G.M. Bro. E. Armitage, P.S.G.W. Cumberland, W.M., occupied the chair, and in an able manner went through the Three Degrees with candidates, and afterwards installed his successor, Bro. W. G. Bell. The new W.M. subsequently appointed his officers, as under: Bros. E. Armitage, I.P.M.; H. C. Knott, S.W.; A. J. Gillott, J.W.; Rev. F. J. Foakes-Jackson, P.M., Chap.; A. Gray, P.M., Treas.; Rev. Dennis Hall, P.M., Sec.; C. W. Burn, S.D.; H. S. Cronin, J.D.; W. H. Francis, D.C.; A. P. Lilley, Org.; G. F. Rogers, I.G.; and Collier and Unwin, Tylers. The brethren afterwards sat down to banquet.

**BRADFORD-ON-AVON.—Friendship and Unity Lodge (No. 1271).**—The installation meeting of this lodge took place on Monday afternoon, the 22nd ult., at the Masonic Rooms, Bro. C. W. Bryant being installed into the Master's chair by the D.P.G.M., Bro. Sir G. Goldney, Bart., P.G.W. Eng.; Bros. J. Sparks, P.M.; G. J. Farrington, P.M.; and F. Barton, P.M., assisting in the ceremony. The W.M. invested the following brethren as his officers for the ensuing year: Bros. S. C. Little, I.P.M.; A. F. Brereton, S.W.; A. Wallington, J.W.; the Rev. W. N. C. Wheeler, P.M., Chap.; Colonel Magrath, P.M., Treas.; H. Found, Sec.; A. Scammell, S.D.; W. F. Gaby, J.D.; F. Barton, P.M., D.C.; D. H. H. Wassell, Org.; J. Stansfield-Brun, I.G.; W. J. Wilkins and J. Taylor, Stewards; and Tom Moore, Tyler.

After the lodge was closed the brethren adjourned to a banquet at the Swan Hotel, served in Mrs. Morris's usual first-class style. An enjoyable evening followed. The local brethren and visitors numbered upwards of 40.

**LIVERPOOL.—Emulation Lodge (No. 1505).**

—The annual festival in connection with the above-named lodge was celebrated on the 29th ult., in the Temple, Hope-street, a fairly large number of members and visiting brethren participating. The proceedings were opened by Bro. Albert H. Hallwood, W.M., who was assisted by the following officers: Bros. the Rev. H. G. Vernon, M.A., P.P.G.C., Chap.; W. B. Sweetman, S.W.; Robert Foote, P.M., P.P.G.T., Treas.; J. Worthy, Sec.; J. Greenlees and Eli Brooks, Stwd.; and James T. Callow, P.M., P.P.G.T., D.C. The visitors comprised Bros. H. M. Molyneux, P.P.G.D.C.; J. T. Screech, S.W. 2197; Edward Pierpoint, P.P.G.W.; T. M. Shuttleworth, P.M. 314, P.S.G.W.; John C. Robinson, P.M. 249, P.G.S.; George Morgan, P.P.G.D.; W. McLachlan, S.W. 241; Richard Armitage, P.M. 1620, P.A.G.S.; Robert Cain, P.M. 724, P.P.G.S.B.; Edgar Dow, W.M. 594; H. H. Smith, P.P.A.G.D.C.; and others.

The W.M. elect, Bro. W. B. Sweetman, was presented by Bros. the Rev. H. G. Vernon and J. T. Callow, and the installation was performed by Bro. Hallwood. Subsequently the new W.M. invested his officers for the ensuing year as under—Bros. A. H. Hallwood, I.P.M.; J. G. Hallwood, S.W.; J. Worthy, J.W.; R. Foote, P.M., P.P.G.T., Treas. (re-elected); J. Greenlees, Sec.; J. T. Callow, P.M., P.P.G.T., D.C.; Eli Brooks, S.D.; W. Griffin, J.D.; F. Simpson, I.G.; R. H. Wells, Metcalf, and Birkhead, Stwds; and Pratt, Org.

The brethren afterwards dined together, and in the course of the proceedings Bro. A. H. Hallwood was presented with a handsome P.M.'s jewel, manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, 2, Monument-place, Liverpool.

**GOSPORT.—Prince of Wales Lodge (No. 1705).**—A meeting of this lodge was held on Thursday, the 25th ult., at the Masonic Rooms, India Arms Hotel.

Present: Bros. W. C. Webb, W.M.; G. K. Smith, S.W.; G. Darby, P.M., Treas.; T. W. Darby, Sec.; F. J. Bolitho, S.D.; H. W. Power, J.D.; W. F. Burrell, P.M., D.C.; H. B. Morris, I.G.; H. J. Kindred, Stwd.; A. Sewell, Tyler; J. S. Senior, P.M.; G. F. Lancaster, P.M., P.P.G. Reg.; W. J. Smith, P.M.; W. A. Rowe, S. Smith, J. J. Darby, C. V. Birch; and G. Pearman. Visitors: Bros. T. Stretton, W.M. 2153; A. W. Hewett, W.M. 342; C. Hooper, G. Williams, M. Hart, and A. German, W.M. 1068.

Bro. W. F. Burrell, P.M., P.P.G. Reg., was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony of installation being performed in a very able and impressive manner by his predecessor. At the conclusion of the ceremony a very handsome and massive jewel was presented to the I.P.M. by the lodge as a mark of regard and esteem.

**SCARBOROUGH.—Leopold Lodge (No. 1760).**—The annual installation ceremony in connection with the above lodge took place on the 24th ult., at the Masonic Hall. Bro. R. Hamper was installed W.M., and the other officers were Bros. J. Bowes, I.P.M.; T. H. Pexton, S.W.; A. G. Welburn, J.W.; H. A. Williamson, P.M., P.P.G.R., Chap.; J. Knaggs, P.M., P.A.G.D.C., Treas.; J. E. Lupton, Sec.; E. H. Hackers, P.M., P.G. D.C., D.C.; F. Fletcher, S.D.; F. G. Pexton, J.D.; Charles E. Bradley, I.G.; W. Flockton and E. F. Hanes, Stewards; G. E. Royle, Organist; and R. Nicholson, Almoner. The W.M. elect was installed by Bro. G. Chambers, P.M., assisted by Bro. J. Bowes, I.P.M.

The customary banquet took place in the evening at the Castle Hotel, the newly-installed W.M. presiding. There was a large company present, including brethren from other lodges in the town and district.

**BRIGHTON.—Earl of Sussex Lodge (No. 2201).**—The installation meeting of this lodge, which was consecrated last year by the Prov. Grand Master of Sussex, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught and Earl of Sussex, K.G., took place on Saturday last at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, and attracted a very large gathering of brethren.

It was matter for regret, expressed by all present, that Bro. Gerard Ford, P.G.D., D.P.G.M. of Sussex, who had served as first W.M. of the lodge, was unable through the effects of an accident, to attend and perform the ceremony of installing his successor. A letter from Bro. Ford showed how much he himself felt his enforced absence.

Lodge was opened by Bro. Lieut.-Gen. C. W. Randolph, P.P.S.G.W., who was supported by the following officers, viz.: Bros. the Right Hon. Sir W. T. Marriott, O.C., M.P., P.G.S., S.W.; R. Clowes, J.W.; Rev. E. R. Currie, Chap.; W. H. Hallett, Treas.; Major-Gen. Ford, S.D.; Col. Mortimer Hancock, J.D.; Dr. Alfred King, Org.; H. E. Price, I.G.; C. Bampfyde Warre and C. W. Hudson, Stwds.; and H. H. Hughes, Tyler. The remaining members of the lodge present included Bros. R. Pidcock, P. Saillard, J. Slingsby Roberts, G. Lockwood Hawken, and J. P. Knight.

The installation of the W.M. elect, Bro. the Right Hon. Sir W. T. Marriott, O.C., Past Grand Steward (senior M.P. for Brighton), was conducted in an impressive manner by Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, Grand Sec. of Eng., and, on the conclusion of the ceremony, the W.M. appointed his officers for the ensuing year, those present being invested with the insignia of their respective offices, viz.: Bros. R. Clowes, S.W.; Rev. Dr. E. R. Currie, J.W.; W. H. Hallett, Treas.; V. P. Freeman, P.G.D., Sec.; Capt. Kembal Cook, S.D.; H. E. Price, J.D.; A. King, Mus. Doc., Org.; C. B. Warre, D.C.; C. W. Hudson, I.G.; Q. Pidcock and G. Lockwood Hawken, Stwds.; and H. H. Hughes, Tyler. Bro. H. E. Price was appointed to represent the lodge on the Provincial Charities' Committee. Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S., was requested, on behalf of the lodge, to present the retiring W.M., Bro. Gerard Ford, Dep. P.G.M., P.G.D., with a Past Master's jewel, in appreciation of his excellent services to the lodge during the Past year. Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke was presented with a founder's gold jewel as a recognition of his invaluable services to the lodge.

The lodge being closed, the large company adjourned to the banqueting-room, where they sat down to an excellent banquet served up in an admirable style by Bro. Mutton, whose catering gave the greatest satisfaction.

The newly-installed W.M., Bro. Sir W. T. Marriott O.C., M.P., presided, and among those present in additio

to the brethren of the lodge whose names appear above, were Bros. Lord H. Thynne, M.P., P.G.W.; Lord Walter Gordon-Lennox, M.P., S.W. 38; F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., G. Reg.; Thos. Fenn, Pres. Bd. Gen. Purps.; Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec.; J. C. Parkinson, P.G.D.; Edwd. Letchworth, P.G.D.; Rudolph Glover, P.D.G.D. of C.; H. J. Matthews, P.G. Std. Br.; Frederick Binckes, P.G. Swd. Br.; W. R. Wood, P.G. Purst.; A. M. Broadley, P. Dep. Dist. G.M. Malta; Sir W. Tindall Robertson, M.P.; Edmund Yates, P.M. 778, P.P.G. Stwd.; Baron G. De Worms, S.D. 1466; W. Lake, P.P.G. Reg. Cornwall; Wharton Ford, 1050; P. Morgan, P.M. 1771; Hicks, S.W. 1597; R. Groome, Org. 1928; Frank Harris; L. Desanges, 6, P.G.S.; J. Hinde Court, 1664; Montague Pitcher, 99; G. Carter Morison, P.P.G. Reg. Surrey; F. C. H. Jones, S.D. 51; and the following brethren of the Province of Sussex: Bros. E. Martin (Mayor of Brighton), P.P.G.W.; Jos. Farncombe (Mayor of Lewes), Prov. J.G.W.; W. Dawes, P.P.G.W.; C. F. Lewis, P.P.G.W.; C. J. Pocock, P.P.G.W.; H. Davey, P.P.G.W.; Rev. F. J. Greenfield, Prov. G.C.; Rev. W. A. Tooth, P.P.G.C.; G. Cole, Prov. G. Org.; B. Burfield, Prov. A.G. Sec.; S. H. Soper, P.P.G.D.; W. Balchin, jun., Prov. G. Steward; J. H. Hawes, W.M. 38; T. W. Markwick, W.M. 40; F. V. Paxton, W.M. 56; T. Billing, W.M. 271; S. Peters, W.M. 311; F. G. Lainson, W.M. 811; E. T. Cooksey, W.M. 851; R. E. Stuckey, W.M. 916; A. Caffyn, W.M. 1110; W. Jordan, W.M. 1184; Major Graham Edwardes, W.M. 1466; W. Hosken, W.M. 1610; A. Lloyd, W.M. 1726; G. Rawlinson, W.M. 1797; H. Ancombe, W.M. 1821; R. B. Higham, W.M. 1829; H. Humphreys, W.M. 1842; J. Eberall, P.P.G.P., W.M. 1947; F. Guy, 1636; W. Broad, W. Pratt, I.P.M., E. J. Waugh, M. Combridge, and C. F. Holland, of 1797; R. Gresham Bacon, 271; C. F. Miller, P.M., P.G. Stwd.; Dr. Ewart and Freeman Gell, of 811; J. K. Nye, 732; A. J. Dawson, S.W., W. A. Raper, and T. W. Holtham, of 184; E. M. Tod, 271; T. McQueen, P.M. 916; H. Endacott, Sec. 1947; Withers Moore, 271; Major Borrer, 1141; Walter Fitch, P.M. 1947, P.P.G.D. Berks and Bucks; F. Hollands, Stwd. 1636; Dr. Hauxwell, P.M. 732; and others.

The Worshipful Master gave the opening toasts "The Queen and the Craft" and "The M.W. the Grand Master, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, K.G.," which were duly honoured.

In proposing "The M.W. Pro Grand Master, the Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon; the R.W. Deputy Grand Master, the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom; and the Officers of Grand Lodge, Present and Past," the W.M. said he was pleased to see such a large gathering of Grand Officers present. He and the brethren of the lodge heartily welcomed them, and recognised the able manner in which they carried out their arduous duties.

The toast was acknowledged by Bros. Lord H. Thynne, P.S.G.W.; F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., G. Reg.; and T. Fenn, President of the Board of General Purposes. Each expressed the pleasure he felt in seeing Bro. Sir W. I. Marriott presiding as W.M., and wished continued prosperity to the Earl of Sussex Lodge.

The Worshipful Master next proposed "The R.W. Prov. Grand Master of Sussex, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught." It was a toast which would, he said, be received with enthusiasm, for Sussex Freemasons would not fail to remember the two occasions on which the Duke of Connaught had recently visited Sussex—to be installed as Prov. Grand Master by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and to consecrate the Earl of Sussex Lodge. Amidst his many duties in India, the Duke of Connaught never forgot the Sussex Province, and the brethren looked forward with pleasure to his re-appearance amongst them. The toast was received with great heartiness.

In submitting the next toast "The W. Deputy Prov. G. Master, Bro. Gerard Ford, P.G. Deacon, and the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, Present and Past." The W.M. said he was personally pleased, and the brethren of the Earl of Sussex Lodge shared his pleasure, in seeing so many Provincial Grand Officers present. He, and all present, deeply regretted the illness of their Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Gerard Ford, a zealous and thorough-going Mason, and sincerely trusted their absent brother would speedily be restored to good health. He called upon Bro. E. Martin, P.P.S.G.W. (Mayor of Brighton), and Bro. Joseph Farncombe, Prov. J.G.W. (Mayor of Lewes), to acknowledge the toast.

Bro. E. Martin said he regretted that he could not do such justice to the toast, as others around him could. For the past twelve months his municipal duties had prevented him from devoting much time to Freemasonry. He was associated with the Royal Brunswick Lodge, which numbered amongst its members six Mayors of Brighton, and, though many might not think that a recommendation, he assured them that he and those associated with them in the government of the town were largely interested in the success of the Craft.

Bro. Jos. Farncombe, in responding, expressed his regret at the absence and illness of Bro. Gerard Ford. He had hoped the Provincial Senior Grand Warden (Lord Algernon Gordon-Lennox) would have been present to reply to the toast, but, personally, he esteemed it an honour to be asked to acknowledge it. Alluding to the difficulties which were experienced in awarding Provincial Grand honours, he said he felt that the compliment of asking him to take office a second time was a pleasing recognition of the fact that he had been three times elected Mayor of Lewes, and he therefore highly valued his appointment as Provincial Junior Grand Warden.

Bro. Lieut.-Gen. C. W. Randolph proposed "The W.M. of the Lodge, Bro. the Right Hon. Sir W. T. Marriott, Q.C., M.P." He was deeply sorry, he said, that Bro. Gerard Ford was too unwell to be present to propose the toast, but he was sure all present would receive it with enthusiasm. He offered the W.M. the best wishes of himself and the brethren present, and felt that in his (Bro. Marriott's) hands the Earl of Sussex Lodge would maintain its prosperity.

The W.M., on rising to respond, was cordially received. He said he felt deeply grateful for the kind and hearty manner in which those present had received the toast. He esteemed it a great honour to occupy the chair, and was especially pleased to see so large a gathering of the Worshipful Masters of the Sussex lodges—23 out of the 26. At a meeting held on the previous evening, he had heard Sussex spoken of as "Silly Sussex;" but he himself felt the terms "sensible" and "sound" to be more appro-

prate, for, as Freemasons, they were united, and knew the strength of unity. The honour conferred upon him as W.M. he regarded as another strong link in the chain that bound him to the town of Brighton. The kindness which he had received at all hands he highly prized, and he would endeavour to discharge the duties of his office with fervency and zeal.

Bro. W. H. Hallett, P. Prov. G.W., proposed "The Visitors," and coupled with the toast the names of the W.M. of the senior lodge in the province, Bro. J. H. Hawes (Union, No. 38); Bro. Sir W. Tindal Robertson, M.P. (of a Scotch lodge); and two representatives of literature, Bros. Edmund Yates and Frank Harris.

Bro. J. H. Hawes, in responding, said that he had never before felt so deeply the responsibility attaching to the chair of the senior lodge in the province as he did on that occasion, when he was called on to respond to that toast in the presence of such a distinguished body of the brethren. He would only for a moment interpose between the company and the distinguished brethren who were to follow him by saying that, on behalf of the lodge in Chichester, which was the cradle of Sussex Masonry, he congratulated the Earl of Sussex Lodge—the junior lodge on the provincial roll—upon the great prosperity which had attended its opening meeting, and hoped that that prosperity would long be maintained.

Bro. Sir W. Tindal Robertson, M.P., congratulated the Senior Member for the Borough on his appointment as W.M. He, himself, had been unable to devote much time to Freemasonry, and felt that, in so large an assemblage of distinguished visitors, he, as a member of a Scotch lodge, had been highly honoured in being called upon to acknowledge the toast.

Bro. Edmund Yates responded in a telling and humorous speech. He said it was well-known if one went into the "quad" of Jesus (the Welsh College) at Oxford, and called for "Mr. Jones," there would be but about two men only who would not put out their heads at the windows. He was reminded of this by seeing all the brethren present rise when the toast of the visitors was acknowledged. He scarcely knew why he should be called upon, in such a distinguished assembly of brethren of all kinds, sizes, politics, and positions. Why should he, with his single, modest jewel, respond in the presence of his friend Parkinson with his blaze of jewels won in the battles of the Freemasons' Tavern. Still he did respond heartily, and thanked the W.M. for the kindness which had welcomed him to that hall. He was proud to be asked to respond for the visitors, and to be noticed by so distinguished a Master. To see Bro. Marriott, a distinguished member of the Government holding office and receiving no salary was but to realise the carrying out of the principles of Freemasonry to their highest point. Like their W.M., he (Bro. Yates) could not endorse the terms "Silly Sussex," but thought, from their sumptuous banquet and choice wines that evening, that "Southdown" or "Sillery" Sussex would be more appropriate.

Bro. Harris also responded.

The W.M. proposed "The Past Masters of and in the Lodge."

Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec., responded. He alluded to the visit of the Duke of Connaught to consecrate the lodge bearing his name, and his admirable work, which proved that their Provincial Grand Master was no ornamental Mason, but one at heart. He congratulated the province upon having so distinguished a Provincial Grand Master. For his own part he had personally been associated with Sussex for the last seventeen or eighteen years, and should at all times be delighted to assist the Craft in the good old province. He concluded by expressing the hope that Bro. Ford would soon be with the brethren again.

Bro. Lieut.-Gen. C. W. Randolph also acknowledged the toast.

Bro. Gen. Ford claimed the indulgence of the meeting while he conveyed the deep regret of his brother, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, at being unable to be present.

The W.M. proposed "The Royal Masonic Benevolent Institutions," to which Bro. Frederick Binckes responded, and "The Officers of the Lodge," which was acknowledged by Bros. R. Clowes, S.W., and the Rev. E. R. Currie, J.W.

The Tyler's toast completed the list.

During the evening the various speeches were agreeably interspersed by a programme of vocal music ably sustained by Miss Minnie Freeman, Miss Amy Freeman, Miss Maud Bond, and Bro. Reginald Groome, under the direction of Bro. Dr. Alfred King, P. Prov. G. Org., who gave the pianoforte accompaniments with his accustomed efficiency.

**THORNE.—St. Nicholas Lodge (No. 2259).**

—The monthly meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday, the 24th ult., when the chair of King Solomon was occupied by Bro. W. Delaney, I.P.M., in the absence of the W.M. Mr. W. Walker was duly initiated, and Bro. F. Pine was passed to the Second Degree. The I.P.M. performed the ceremony in an impressive manner, and was assisted by Bros. Gould, Thorpe, Wilkie, and Constable, and the various officers were well up to their work. There was a goodly number of brethren present.

## INSTRUCTION.

**JUSTICE LODGE (No. 147).**—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 25th ult., at the Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford, when there were present Bros. Jackson, W.M.; Prior, S.W.; Newell, J.W.; Hutchings, P.M., Preceptor; Speight, P.M., Sec.; Penrose, S.D.; Dixon, J.D.; Jenkins, I.G.; Emblin, and several others.

The lodge was opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed. The lodge was called off, and, on resuming, was opened in the Second Degree. The usual questions were duly answered by Bro. Dixon, and the lodge was advanced to the Third Degree, and the ceremony of raising rehearsed. The lodge was resumed in the First Degree. All business being ended, the lodge was closed.

**PRINCE FREDERICK WILLIAM LODGE (No. 753).**—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 30th ult., at the Eagle Tavern, Clifton-road, Maida Vale. Present: Bros. W. J. Stratton, W.M.; C. Coleman, S.W.; W. T. Dillon, J.W.; F. G. Baker, P.M., Treas. and Preceptor; J. J. Thomas, Sec.; J. T. Hill, S.D.; R. T. Redfearn, J.D.; V. Shaw, I.G.; W. D. Slyman, P.M. 753; R. T. Hill, P.M. 753; S. J. Humphress, P.M. 733; R. Dillon, W.M. 1567; A. G. Boswell, W.M. 1339; L. N. Nerwich, E. M. Bessel, and S. B. Nightingale.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed. Bro. Bessel candidate. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bro. Stratton having vacated the chair in favour of Bro. R. Dillon, the ceremony of installation was rehearsed. Bro. W. J. Stratton having been duly presented, was installed into the chair of K.S. according to ancient custom. The brethren having saluted the W.M. in the Three Degrees, the Installing Master, Bro. Dillon delivered the three addresses in a very efficient manner. A vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes to the W.M., Bro. Stratton, for the excellent manner in which he presided over the lodge for the first time. A vote of thanks was also given to Bro. R. Dillon for the able and efficient manner in which he rehearsed the ceremony of installation for the first time. Bro. Coleman was elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and appointed his officers in rotation. Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, after "Hearty good wishes," the lodge was closed.

**RANELAGH LODGE (No. 834).**—A meeting was held on the 26th ult., at the Six Bells Hotel, Queen-street, Hammersmith. Present: Bros. W. W. Williams, W.M.; A. Williams, S.W.; E. F. Nash, J.W.; J. Sims, P.M., Preceptor; D. S. Long, Sec.; F. Craggs, S.D.; W. C. Williams, J.D.; M. Rice, I.G.; J. Collings, P.M.; D. Stroud, P.M.; Higginson, and Gracie.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Gracie having given proof of his proficiency was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree and the ceremony rehearsed. Bro. Williams having vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Collings, the 1st and 2nd Sections of the Lecture were worked by the brethren, under the direction of the W.M. and Bro. Sims, Preceptor, respectively. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. The W.M. having risen, Bro. A. Williams was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week, was resolved that the Fifteen Sections be worked in the lodge and it on Friday, the 9th inst. The lodge was then closed.

**HYDE PARK LODGE (No. 1425).**—A meeting was held on Monday, the 29th ult., at the Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square, Paddington, W. Present: Bros. J. R. Allman, W.M. 1425, W.M.; C. W. Francis, S.W.; A. C. Stephens (visitor), J.W. 1425, J.W.; Rev. M. Haines, Chap.; H. Dehane, P.M. 1543, Sec.; J. Van Praagh, S.D.; C. G. Wetzler, J.D.; O. W. Battley, I.G.; W. Death, W.M. elect 511, Stwd.; J. H. Wood, P.M. 1642; W. H. Chalfont, P.M. 1425; T. Middleweek, and J. Smith.

The lodge was opened in due form. This being officers' night, the officers of the mother lodge took their respective offices. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Hakim being candidate. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. After the usual preliminaries, the ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Hakim being candidate. Bro. Death, at the request of the W.M., invested the officers. Bro. Stephens was elected a member. A sincere vote of sympathy with Bro. Capt. A. Nicols was passed, as was also a vote of thanks to Bro. Smith, to be entered on the minutes, for his genial courtesy and consideration of the comfort of the brethren. After "Hearty good wishes," the lodge was closed.

**ISLINGTON LODGE (No. 1471).**—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., at the Cock Tavern, Highbury. Present: Bros. A. Wolter, W.M.; H. B. Harding, S.W.; J. C. Yates, J.W.; W. Hancock, Preceptor; C. M. Coxon, Sec.; J. C. Petch, S.D.; F. W. Dines, I.G.; N. Amy, C. Hillier, and J. Duncan.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Amy candidate. Bro. Hillier having offered himself as a candidate for the Second Degree, was duly questioned and entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, Bro. Hillier candidate. Bro. Amy answered the questions leading from the Second to the Third Degree. The lodge was closed in the Second Degree. Bro. Harding was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and appointed officers in rotation. Nothing further offering, the lodge was closed.

**CHAUCER LODGE (No. 1540).**—The usual weekly meeting was held on Tuesday, the 30th ult., at the Old White Hart Hotel, Borough, when there were present Bros. G. F. Smith, W.M.; S. Renault, S.W.; W. Steel, J.W.; W. Wingham, Preceptor; Fred. Williams, Hon. Sec.; A. Wingham, S.D.; J. Hattersley, J.D.; J. Wright, I.G.; Hurl, W. H. Harper, H. C. Ball, W. Roots, C. F. Williams, J. Youlden, and F. J. Eedle.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Roots having answered the usual questions, was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, with Bro. W. Roots as candidate. Bro. G. F. Smith vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Wingham, who rehearsed the ceremony of installation, and placed Bro. John Hattersley in the chair of K.S. The lodge was closed in the Third and Second Degrees. The lodge was resumed in the First Degree, and the 2nd Section was worked by Bro. H. C. Ball. The W.M. rose for the first time, and the dues were collected. The W.M. rose for the second and third times. Bro. Wingham, Preceptor, proposed, and the J.W. seconded, that a vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes to Bro. G. J. Smith for his able working for the first time in this lodge—carried unanimously. Bro. Smith returned thanks, and the lodge was closed.

**COVENT GARDEN LODGE (No. 1614).**—The usual weekly meeting of this lodge was held at the Criterion, Piccadilly, S.W., on Thursday, the 25th ult. Present: Bros. J. Greenway, W.M.; F. Kedge, S.W.; J. Rowe, J.W.; W. Brindley, Preceptor; G. Reynolds, Treas. and Sec.; W. Hancock, S.D.; G. Stafford, J.D.; R. J. Harnell, I.G.; T. E. Weeks, Tyler; F. W. Cash, A. Clark, S. Lichtenfeld, C. O. Burgess, W. Richards, J. W. Ray, W. Groves, E. A. Rønnaasen, J. R. Meyrick, E. Morrison, H. G. Marsden, W. Proudfoot, C. Lambert, O. Lamare, A. Cogliati, J. D. Graham, R. Clare, E. Cox, C. P. Bellerby, J. R. Harnell, A. E. Gladwell, C. Corby, P. Frengnellucci, F. W. Buxton, F. H. Limergin, and F. M. Noakes.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bros. W. Brindley, Preceptor, and Greenway, W.M., worked the 1st and 2nd Sections of the First Lecture respectively. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bro. S. Lichtenfeld, having offered himself as a candidate to be raised to the Third Degree, was duly examined, entrusted, and retired. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree. The W.M. rehearsed the Degree of M.M. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. Bro. W. Brindley worked the 3rd Section of the First Lecture. On rising for the first time, the following brethren were unanimously elected joining members: Bros. E. A. Rønnaasen, 2191; P. Frengnellucci, 1559; J. R. Meyrick, 2146; J. W. Ray, W.M. 1624; and W. Groves, 1310. On rising for the second time, Bro. F. Kedge was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week. The W.M. elect appointed his officers in rotation. On rising for the third time, Bro. W. Brindley proposed that a hearty and cordial vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes of the lodge of instruction to Bro. J. Greenway, W.M., for the admirable and clear way in which he had worked the ceremony of raising and the 2nd Section of the First Lecture. He had also carried out the duties of the chair in an excellent manner, and it had been a great pleasure to all present to see him occupy the chair. Bro. W. Brindley said that this was no ordinary or empty compliment, for he had seldom, if ever, seen the work done better. The Worshipful Master, in reply, thanked Bro. W. Brindley for his kind remarks, and the brethren present for the attention they had given him. In a large meeting like the present confidence was gained, and he hoped to occupy the chair again, and would do all he could for the prosperity of the lodge of instruction. The lodge was then closed.

A meeting of the Charitable Association in connection with the lodge of instruction then took place, under the presidency of Bro. A. Clarke. Bros. A. Rønnaasen and T. Tomlin having been voted as tellers, two ballots took place for two Life Subscriberships of the Royal Masonic Charities, which were declared to be in favour of Bros. A. Clark and W. Groves. A vote of thanks to the President closed the proceedings.

**LANGTON LODGE (No. 1673).**—A meeting of this lodge was held on Thursday, 25th ult., at the White Hart Tavern, Abchurch-lane, Cannon-street. Present: Bros. J. E. Street, W.M.; S. G. Glanville, S.W.; A. Toulmin, jun., J.W.; J. Jupe, S.D.; P. H. Hall, J.D.; E. L. Balcombe, I.G.; Jos. Langton, Hobbs, Burne, Knight, Marshall, Webb, Brewer, Gordon Smith, Cawston, and Mapleton.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The Treasurer presented his report for the past year, which was of the usual satisfactory character, and which complimented the lodge on its flourishing condition. It was unanimously adopted, and ordered to be entered on the minutes. Bro. Marshall offered himself as a candidate, and, after answering the usual questions, was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed. Bro. Webb gave the explanation of the second tracing board. The lodge was resumed in the First Degree, and Bro. Glanville was unanimously elected W.M. for the next meeting. The W.M. rose for the second time, and a vote of thanks was unanimously passed to Bro. Brewer for the manner in which he had filled the chair at the last meeting, it being the first time he had occupied that position in the lodge. Regret was expressed that through a slight misunderstanding it had been overlooked at the previous meeting. A similar vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the W.M. The W.M. rose for the third time, and the lodge was closed.

At the previous meeting the following brethren were elected as the Committee for the ensuing year: Bros. Joseph Langton, J.D., P.M. 1673, Treas.; T. Burne, P.M. 162; J. S. Fraser, P.M. 174, W.M. 2096; H. M. Hobbs, P.M. 2096 and 1790, P.J.G.W. Surrey; G. T. Marshall, P.M. 69; Gordon Smith, P.M. 2041, G. Stwd.; C. W. C. Webb, P.M. 1397; and J. D. Langton, P.M. 1673 and 2096, P.P.J.G.W. Surrey, and C. W. Mapleton, S.D. 256, Hon. Secretaries.

**KENSINGTON LODGE (No. 1767).**—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 30th ult., at the Scarsdale Arms, Edwardes-square, Kensington, W. Present: Bros. W. Fayers, W.M.; A. J. Turner, S.W.; W. H. Dresden, J.W.; George Read, P.M., Preceptor; R. H. Williams, P.M., P.P.J.G.D. Middx., Treas.; J. R. Hubbard, Sec.; J. H. Wood, P.M., S.D.; G. E. Wilton, J.D.; C. E. Betts, I.G.; James Sims, P.M.; S. W. Keene, F. Craggs, W. T. Marsh, and G. E. Higginson.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Keene acting as candidate. The 1st Section of the Lecture was worked by the Preceptor, assisted by the brethren; the 2nd and 3rd were worked by Bro. Sims, P.M., assisted by the Preceptor and the brethren. A vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Fayers for the excellent manner in which he had conducted the duties of W.M. for the first time. Bro. Turner was elected W.M. for the next meeting, when the officers of the lodge will be elected.

**CREATON LODGE (No. 1791).**—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 25th ult., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's Bush, W. Present: Bros. Jennings, W.M.; Dresden, S.W.; Cross, J.W.; James Sims, Deputy Preceptor; Austin, P.M., Treas.; Chalfont, P.M., Sec.; Higginson, S.D.; Woodard, J.D.; Whittell, I.G.; Cavers, Stwd.; J. H. Wood, P.M.; Alais, P.M.; G. Read, P.M.; Stroud, P.M.; Craggs, Arnott, Bick, Marsh, Woods, Gilbert, Martineau, Cox, Stonnill, Johnston, Love, Cramp, Sansom, Head, and Cotton. Bro. Gomme, I.G. 945, was a visitor.

The lodge was opened, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The lodge was opened in the Second and Third Degrees, and resumed to the First Degree. The W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Craggs. Bro. Marsh having answered the questions of the ceremony of passing in a satisfactory manner, the lodge was resumed to the Second Degree, and the ceremony was completed. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree, and, having been called off and on, was resumed to the Second Degree. Bro. Woods having answered the questions of the ceremony of raising, was entrusted. The lodge was resumed to the Third Degree, and the ceremony was completed. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. Bro. Dresden was elected W.M. for the next meeting. The lodge was then closed.

**ST. AMBROSE LODGE (No. 1891).**—A meeting was held at the Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington, on Monday, the 29th ult. Present: Bros. W. C. Williams, P.G. Std. Br. Middx., W.M.; G. Swann, S.W.; J. Blake, J.W.; J. Collings, P.M., Preceptor; F. Craggs, Sec.; P. Skar, S.D.; David Stroud, J.D.; W. H. Bolt, I.G.; James Sims, P.M.; W. Hunt, Green, and others.

The lodge being duly opened in the several Degrees, many Sections were worked, and a very pleasant and instructive evening was spent. Bro. G. Swann was elected W.M. for the next meeting.

**CHISWICK LODGE (No. 2012).**—A meeting was held at the Windsor Castle Hotel, King-street, Hammersmith, on Saturday, the 25th ult. Present: Bros. J. Wood, P.M., W.M.; C. Hopkins, S.W.; T. W. Biggs, J.W.; M. Spiegel, P.M., acting Preceptor; G. Gardner, P.M., Treas.; J. Brown, Sec.; D. Long, S.D.; H. D. Aslett, J.D.; Bickett, I.G.; D. Cartnoll, P.M.; F. Craggs, R. H. Wimpey, A. Williams, H. Clark, and W. E. Coat.

The lodge was opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. A. Williams candidate. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and Bro. H. Clark offering himself as a candidate, the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of passing. Bro. Long, assisted by the brethren, worked the 1st Section of the Lecture. Lodge was resumed to the First Degree. On the second rising, Bro. C. Hopkins was unanimously elected to occupy the chair at the next meeting. The lodge was then closed.

**THE ABBEY (WESTMINSTER) LODGE (No. 2030).**—A meeting was held on Friday, the 26th ult., at the King's Arms, Buckingham Palace-road, S.W. Present: Bros. Gibson, P.M., W.M.; Hobbs, S.W.; Badderley, J.W.; Boulton, P.M., Preceptor; Coughlan, P.M., Sec.; Piper, S.D.; Grist, J.D.; Stutfield, I.G.; Brindley, P.M.; Molony, F. Purnell, Shaw, and Evans.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Shaw, a candidate to be passed to the Second Degree, answered the usual questions, and was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Shaw being the candidate. Bro. Evans, a candidate to be raised to the Third Degree, answered the usual questions, and was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and the ceremony of raising rehearsed, Bro. Evans being the candidate. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. Nothing further offering, the lodge was closed.

**LOUGHBOROUGH LODGE.**—The usual weekly meeting was held on Monday, the 29th ult., at the Gauden Hotel, Clapham-road Station (L.C. & D.R.), when there were present Bros. Westley, W.M.; Cochrane, S.W.; Templeman, J.W.; J. Andrews, Sec.; Allison, Anderson, Stokes, Boulton, Lingley, Hook, Partridge, Chapman, Limozin, Hill, J. Wright, Steele, Wood, Chambers, Poole, Folkard, West, Russell, Jones, Smith, Livett, Stone, Cole, Cowland, and Grover.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of installation was rehearsed with all the usual rites and ceremonies, Bro. Cochrane being installed as W.M., and he afterwards appointed and invested his officers. Bro. Westley, the Installing Master, gave the usual charges in a very able manner. Bro. Stokes having answered the usual questions of the ceremony of passing, was entrusted. Lodge was resumed to the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed, with Bro. Stokes as candidate. Lodge was resumed to the First Degree, and the W.M. rose for the first time, and the dues were collected. Bro. H. Chambers, 1056, was elected a joining member. Bro. Chambers duly responded, and hoped by constant attendance to render himself proficient in Masonic ritual. The W.M. rose for the second time, and the Preceptor announced that the officers for the ensuing week were already appointed. A cordial vote of thanks was given to Bro. Cochrane, P.M., for his admirable work in the chair for the first time in this lodge of instruction. Bro. Cochrane returned thanks. A vote of thanks was also given to Bro. Westley for the careful

way in which he had rehearsed the ceremony of installation for the first time in his Masonic career. Bro. Westley said he felt nervous with so many Past Masters present, but any fault he would endeavour to retrieve on some future occasion. The W.M. rose for the third time, and received the "Hearty good wishes" of the brethren, and the lodge was closed.

**Royal Arch.**

**STAR CHAPTER (No. 1275).**—The election meeting of this chapter was held at the Ship, Greenwich, on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., and was attended by Comps. Elliott, P.Z., M.E.Z.; J. Addington, H.; T. Grummant, P.Z., acting J.; Capt. C. W. Williams, S.E.; C. H. Stone, S.N.; Benedetti, 1st A.S.; Fry, 2nd A.S.; Major Williams, P.Z., Treas.; Patrick, Janitor; W. Cowley, P.Z.; Fred. Hilton, P.Z.; North, Fleck, Meirhoff, Dr. Makeham, Bumstead, P.Z.; C. Woods, and Crook. Visitors: Comps. F. B. Williams, P.Z.; and W. Kipps, P.Z. 79.

The minutes were read and confirmed. The result of the election was: Comps. Addington, M.E.Z.; Tuck, H.; Crook, J.; Major Williams, P.Z., Treas.; Capt. Williams, P.Z., S.E.; Benedetti, S.N.; Fleck, P.S.; Meirhoff, 1st A.S.; Charlie Woods, 2nd A.S.; and Patrick, Janitor. Comp. F. Hilton gave notice of a motion to present Comp. Elliott, M.E.Z., with a Past Principal's jewel at the end of his year of office. He also reported the satisfactory progress of the Star Chapter of Instruction, of which he is Preceptor, and Comp. Stone is S.E.

The chapter was then closed. At the banquet which followed, the toasts of "The Queen and R.A. Masonry," "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Grand Z.," and "The Grand H. and J.," and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past," were well received.

Comp. F. Hilton, P.Z., ably proposed the toast of "The M.E.Z." He said that Comp. Elliott was presiding for the last time that evening, and it would be a satisfaction to the chapter to know that, although he had been confined to his bed for nearly two months, he was able to be present to finish his work as First Principal.

In reply, Comp. Elliott, M.E.Z., said that that was the eighth time he had occupied the chair of a lodge or chapter. He would, therefore, not apologise for his shortcomings, for all the companions would know them. He must say that he had tried hard to attend the meetings of the chapter; but the dates of meeting were very awkward for him, coming at his busiest times. He was glad to be M.E.Z. of the Star Chapter, and he felt that he would be amply repaid for his work by the goodwill of the members. He had now nearly completed 21 years as a Mason, and hoped it would please the G.A.O.T.U. to spare him 21 more years to be a member.

The M.E.Z. proposed the toast of "Comps. Addington, H., and Tuck, J."

Comp. Addington replied, promising to do his best next year in the first chair.

Comp. T. Grummant, P.Z., acting J., replied for Comp. Tuck.

In reply to the toast of "The Visitors," Comp. F. B. Williams said that as a founder and P.Z. of the chapter, he was always glad to be present as a visitor. It was a pleasure to meet the companions of that chapter, both at work and at the banqueting table. He would gladly do anything for the good of the chapter.

Comp. Kipps, P.Z. 79, said that, although a visitor, he saw so many present to whom he was well known that he felt quite at home. He thought they should always feel at home in a Masonic lodge or chapter, as they met true brethren and real companions. He should be often a visitor, but that his Mark lodge met on the same date as the chapter.

The M.E.Z. proposed "The P.Z.'s," specially eulogising the indefatigable labours of Comps. Major Williams, P.Z., Treas., and Capt. Williams, P.Z., S.E., in furthering the interests of the chapter at all times, and specially at a time when its numbers were low. To speak of the lustre shed by Comps. F. Hilton, P.Z.; T. Grummant, P.Z.; and W. Cowley, P.Z., during their years of office, would be but to gild refined gold. The P.Z.'s were the backbone of the chapter, for without them it could not have existed.

Comp. Major Williams, P.Z., Treas., said that as senior P.Z., and Treasurer, as well as a founder, he felt it a high honour to be present. He had attended every meeting of the chapter with the exception of one, when he was 1000 miles away. He recalled his past years of office, and expressed his entire sympathy with everything that interested the chapter.

Comp. Capt. C. W. Williams, P.Z., S.E., said that he and his father pulled well together, because he was such a good father. He hoped to be spared long to hold office in the chapter.

Comp. F. Hilton, P.Z., said that it was nice to have two such able officers as those who had responded. The members stuck well together, and that was the secret of their present success. If they continued the same line of conduct they would increase in prestige and numbers. Of course, numbers were of little use if they did not keep together. It must be noted that three companions who had been exalted together, had that night been elected Sojourners together. All took office together, and would, doubtless, work for the prosperity of the Star Chapter.

The M.E.Z. proposed "The Officers," pointing out that in their election the companions decided what kind of rulers the chapter should have, and so settled the welfare of its members for many years.

Comp. Stone, S.N., responded, expressing his gratification at obtaining office, and regret at having to stand aside for a few years. He hoped the newly-elected officers would have more work to do than he had had.

The M.E.Z. proposed "The Health of Comp. Bumstead, P.Z.," who had done so much in teaching the members the beautiful R.A. ritual.

In reply, Comp. Bumstead expressed his gratification at receiving that honour. He was repaid for all his trouble by the results which he saw in the chapter. It was necessary to perfect oneself in a chapter of instruction, and he was glad to hear that the new one was making such good progress.

Comp. Tuck, J., H. elect, who had arrived, apologised for his absence, and thanked the companions for the honour they had conferred upon him, after which the Janitor's toast brought a happy evening to a conclusion.

**CHORLTON - CUM - HARDY.**—Chorlton Chapter (No. 1387).—The installation meeting was held on Wednesday, the 24th ult., in the Masonic Hall. There was a fair attendance. After the chapter had been opened, the annual balance sheet was, on a motion, adopted, the Auditor's report of same being very satisfactory. Subsequently Comp. Goodacre, P.G. Std. Br. of England, and Prov. G. Scribe E. West Lancashire, installed the Three Principals as follows: Comps. J. Crompton, Z.; C. Heywood, H.; and A. E. Pownall, J. The remaining officers were invested by Comp. Goodacre as follows: Comps. S. Locke, S.E.; T. Wilson, S.N.; F. S. Bedford, P.S.; J. Chadfield, Treas.; J. G. Batty, P.Z., D.C.; and Wm. Chessyre, Janitor.

Comp. H. Marshall, P.Z., P.P.G.P.S., was appointed Charity Representative. Comp. Goodacre concluded the ceremony by addressing the officers, and performed all the work in that business-like and satisfactory manner for which he is renowned.

There being no further business, the chapter was closed. Before the proceedings closed, Comp. Chas. Heywood, P.Z., was presented with a P.Z.'s gold jewel for his highly appreciated services during the past year.

In addition to the companions mentioned there were also present Comps. J. Thistlethwaite, W. Hall, and Ball. Visitors: Comps. E. L. Little, P.Z. 1730, P.A.G.D.C.; H. Crosby, 1730; and Everatt, of the Architect Chapter.

After supper, at the social board, "The Health of the Newly-installed Principals" was proposed and responded to, also "The Health of Comp. Wm. Goodacre, P.G.S.B., Prov. G. Scribe E.," who, in reply, testified to the great pleasure it gave him to perform any service for the Chorlton Chapter, which he had been attached to since its foundation.

Songs and recitations were contributed by Comps. Pownall, Thistlethwaite, Wilson, and Lisenden, a pleasant evening being spent.

**INSTRUCTION.**

**STAR CHAPTER (No. 1275).**—The usual weekly meeting of this chapter was held on Friday, the 26th ult., at the Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell. There were present Comps. J. L. Moore, H. 169, M.E.Z.; Templeman, H. 1339, H.; Wingham, 25, J.; F. Hilton, P.Z. 1275, Preceptor; Stone, S.N. 1275, S.E.; C. Woods, A.S. elect 1275, S.N.; W. Briant, 1329, P.S.; T. Grummant, P.Z. 1275; J. Addington, M.E.Z. elect 1275; and Calloway.

The minutes of the last convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Grummant personating candidate. The M.E.Z. rose for the first time, and the dues were collected. The M.E.Z. rose for the second time, and Comp. Templeman was elected M.E.Z. for the next meeting. Votes of thanks were accorded Comps. Templeman, H., and Wingham, J., for their excellent working in their respective chairs, being the first time in this chapter. The M.E.Z. rose for the third time, and Comp. Addington was congratulated on his unanimous election to the First chair of the mother chapter. The chapter was then closed.

**Mark Masonry.**

**EARL OF CARNARVON LODGE (No. 211).**—This lodge met at the Ladbroke Hall, Notting-hill, on the 25th ult. Among those present were Bros. Rickwood, W.M.; J. N. Frye, S.W.; F. C. Frye, J.W.; Parkhouse, M.O.; Huish, S.D.; Monson, J.D.; Dr. Pocock, M.D., I.G.; John Mason, P.M., P.P.G. Std. Br., Treas.; T. C. Walls, P.M., P.G.S.B., Sec.; Wadham, D.C.; Swan, and others. Bros. Dr. E. M. Lott, Mus. Doc., P.M. 5, P.G. Org., and Day, 22, were visitors.

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. Challenor, of 1642, was advanced to the Degree by Bro. Walls. Bros. J. N. Frye was unanimously elected W.M.; John Mason, Treas.; and Schofield, Tyler, for the year ensuing. A Past Master's jewel having been voted to the W.M., communications regretting absence were read from Bros. D. P. Cama, P.G.D. (Hon. Member), Smont, French, Lawson, Stevens, and others.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet.

The toasts were duly proposed in a most happy and genial vein by the W.M., and loyally responded to. The proceedings terminated at an early hour.

**FOREST OF DEAN.**—Royal Forest of Dean Lodge (No. 340).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday, the 24th ult., at the Speech House, when there were present Bros. Harry Clark, W.M.; M. F. Carter, S.W.; J. S. Bradstock, J.W.; Rev. Dr. Lyles, P.M., P.P.J.G.W., Chap.; S. J. Thomas, M.O.; J. J. James, S.O.; A. Stephens, Sec.; T. J. Nundy, S.D.; Job Webb, Tyler; J. Shaw Carleton, P.M., P.P.G. M.O.; and Wm. Spence.

Bro. M. F. Carter, S.W., was duly installed in the chair, the ceremony being ably performed by the outgoing W.M. He appointed as his officers Bros. H. Clark, I.P.M.; J. S. Bradstock, S.W.; S. J. Thomas, J.W.; J. J. James, M.O.; S. W. Haddingham, S.O.; T. J. Nundy, J.O.; Rev. Dr. Lyles, P.M., Chap.; A. Stephens, Sec.; E. James, S.D.; G. F. Minett, J.D.; G. W. Holmes, I.G.; and Job Webb, Tyler.

**Ancient and Accepted Rite.**

**DARLINGTON.**—St. Cuthbert's Chapter (No. 96).—This chapter was opened at the Masonic Hall, Archer-street, on Wednesday, the 17th ultimo, by the M.W.S., Ill. Bro. T. Ness, 30°. Ill Bro. Charles James Banister, S.G.I.G., 33°, Inspector of the District, was announced, and received under an arch of steel and saluted.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. In the absence of the Prelate, Ill. Bro. R. A. Lusk, 30°, P.M.W.S., took that office. The M.W.S. invited Ill. Bro. J. J. Wilkes, 30°, P.M.W.S., to take his place and confer the Degree on the two candidates, Bros. Macdonald and Burns, which he did, and gave the ceremony most impressively, assisted by Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister, 33°. The other candidate, Bro. Pearson, was unable to attend. Business of the chapter being finished, the M.W.S. closed the same.

The brethren adjourned to the dining hall to enjoy an excellent supper, which had been arranged by P.M.W.S.

E. and P. Bro. Bousfield, with his usual care, under the presidency of Ill. Bro. T. Ness, 30°, M.W.S., having on his right Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister, S.G.I.G., 33°; Ill. Bro. J. J. Wilkes, 30°, P.M.W.S.; E. and P. Bros. Macdonald and Burns, and others; and on his left Ill. Bro. H. Maddison, 30°, P.M.W.S.; E. and P. Bro. T. M. Barron, 2nd General; E. and P. Bro. S. F. Bousfield, P.M.W.S.; E. and P. Bro. Bailey, P.M.W.S.; E. and P. Bro. Hodgson, and others. E. and P. Bro. S. Wilson, 1st General, took the vice-chair.

After the cloth was removed, the M.W.S. proposed "The Health of her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen," and "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and the other Members of the Royal Family."

Both toasts were received most heartily. "The Supreme Council of the 33°" was proposed by the Chairman, and duly honoured.

The M.W.S. proposed "The Health of their dear and old Friend, Bro. Banister," in flattering terms, which was received most heartily.

Ill. Bro. Banister, 33°, thanked the M.W.S. for the way in which he introduced the toast, and the brethren for the way in which they always received him. He had the greatest pleasure in being with them, particularly as they had received two such worthy brethren that evening into the beautiful Christian Degree. He would come as often as he possibly could to the chapter, and trusted they would have other worthy brethren as candidates.

Before sitting down, Ill. Bro. Banister proposed "The Health of the M.W.S.," which was received right royally, and responded to in suitable terms.

Ill. Bro. J. J. Wilks, 30°, in an excellent speech proposed "The Health of the Candidates."

Bro. Burns and Bro. Macdonald each responded, and expressed themselves highly pleased with the ceremony, promising to attend regularly so that they might perfect themselves in the beautiful Degree they had the great privilege of having received amongst so many and valued friends.

Other toasts were proposed and responded to, and a most enjoyable and instructive evening was spent; each toast being interspersed with songs and recitations by Ill. Bros. H. Maddison, 30°; J. J. Wilks, 30°; John Bailey, P.M.W.S.; E. and P. Bros. Barron, Macdonald, and others.

The last toast was done justice to, and the brethren separated, happy to meet, sorry to part, and happy to meet again.

### Rosicrucian Society of England.

**METROPOLITAN COLLEGE.**—The quarterly convocation was held at the Masonic Hall, 16A, Great Queen-street, on the 11th ult. Present: M.W. Frater Dr. W. R. Woodman, M.D., S.M.; R.W. Fratres T. C. Walls, M.T.; John Collinson, D.M.T.; Robert Roy, P.M.T.; Dr. Wynn Westcott, Sec. and Gen. Sec.; S. L. M. Mathers, H. J. Lardner, T. W. Coffin, W. G. Lemon, Rev. T. W. Lemon, Nelson Prower; Fratres J. N. Frye, George Gregory, George Graveley, and John Gilbert, Acolyte.

The M.C. was duly formed, and the Chain of Union made perfect. The minutes of July 12th were read and confirmed. Bro. George Graveley, P.M., 898, having been duly proposed, was conducted into the College by R.W. Frater Mathers, and was advanced to the Grade of Zelator by the R.W.M. of the T. in ancient and solemn form. The S.M. conferred the Secrets, and the R.W. Frater Roy delivered the Lecture. R.W. Frater Mathers then finally burned the mystic token. Apologies for absence were received from 14 Fratres and from two candidates. R.W. Frater Mathers then, at the request of the author, who was unavoidably absent, read the answer of Frater Macbean to the criticisms expressed by the fratres at the July college upon his lecture on Rosicrucianism:—

"If the phrase 'Ex Oriente Lux' is accepted now, how much more powerful was it in the middle and earlier ages; and it would indeed be matter for astonishment if the Crusaders had not become saturated with particles, at least, of Eastern teaching. Influences have all along been tending Westwards, and the late Kenneth Mackenzie was cited as maintaining that Mazdeism was really the 'fons et origo' of the Illuminati of Italy, and the underlying cause that eventuated in the Albigenses and the Lollards. Frater Mackenzie had at his disposal sources of information available to but few; and, though by many esteemed as a visionary and deluded dreamer, displayed surprising familiarity with the oriental secret societies. The very object that took the Knights to Syria would, in human view, predispose them to mysticism and do much to prepare them to accept doctrines not always in apparent accord with the Exoteric teachings of Rome. I submit a few suggestive thoughts on the main lines that have induced the opinions already expressed about the Templars purposely keeping free of many considerations which are still (and likely to remain) subjects of animated discussion. In the ornamentation of the Historic Temple Church in Fleet-street, the oldest ecclesiastical fabric in the city, we are struck by the constant repetition of two figures; namely, the White Horse and the Beauseant Banner; of the latter it will suffice to say, that many curious arguments can be based on this pictorial representation of the opposing forces of good and evil. The Horse, always highly esteemed by the Easterns, enters largely into their mythology and religious narratives. Professor Max Müller shows that it was a concomitant of the Sun-God; although his evidence is not required to establish its primary position in the Mithraic cult. Doubtless we all allow the importance of Sun and Fire in the ancient mysteries; in Persia the sacred Fire is still the physical Symbol of Ormuzd, who is primarily Spento-Mainyus (Spirit of Light), the Supreme Being. All students of Occultism, even though superficial, are well aware that the Eastern esoteric wisdom was fundamentally the same in Egypt, Syria, Persia, and India; there were, of course, local colourings arising from special habits and surroundings, but this does not militate against the truth of the general statement advanced here. The Hermetic axiom 'quod superius, sicut quod inferius' lies at the base of Kabbalistic lore; the Sufis start with the maxim 'I am the truth,' Hindus say 'There is no Religion higher than Truth,' and whether as Tetragrammaton, Osiris Mithras, or Parabrahm worship was inculcated to the Great First Cause, as Pope sings, 'Jehovah, Jove or Lord, in every clime adored.'

The Sufis are looked upon as a sect amongst the Mohammedans, and are sub-divided into two parts, with one of them we are more immediately concerned, and may briefly describe its members as the Theosophists of that creed. They endeavour to reconcile Philosophy and Revealed Religion, and teach the pure Buddhist reformed Aryan or Pre-Aryan doctrine that 'besides the existence of God, there is no real existence, nor can there be, for that which exists not, cannot exist of itself; but that which does exist exists of itself, and that which is self-existent is God.' This will at once commend itself to a Vedantic scholar. It is unnecessary to discuss the question whether the worship of the sun was venerative of that luminary, 'perse,' or merely respect paid to it as the visible emblem of light and heat—'lux et ignis,' Uriel or Indra and Agni—symbolical of the supernatural power. My contention is that the sun was a central feature of the Eastern faiths, and that as the White Horse was attendant thereon, so the Templars, by adopting it as a chief sign of their organisation, really identified themselves with a great deal of what was implied by it, and accepted by those amongst whom the knights spent so many years. Although the Church of Rome has steadfastly set her face against such occult practices on the part of the 'oi polloi,' it is remarkable that some of the most powerful of the so-called magicians, including Archbishop Adalbert and Friar Bacon, have been in Holy Orders. The late Professor Palmer was entitled, both as the initiate and a cultured student, to speak with the authority begotten of knowledge, and he lays down as his deliberate opinion that Sufism is really a 'development of the primeval Aryan religion and Zoroastrianism is certainly the same. Max Müller says that 'Sufism is far removed from the Koran.' To sum up—the White Horse brings us in touch with the lower phases of the Eastern cults, and these, as taught on the higher planes, constitute the 'secret wisdom' of the Adepts. Thus much for W. Frater Rev. T. W. Lemon's request to be informed of my reasons for connecting the old Templar knights with the Oriental faiths. I deem this question sufficiently important to justify this lengthy explanation, having also in view the possible enlightenment of some who hold utterly untenable ideas respecting the modern quasi-Masonic Orders, which amuse themselves by aping the titles and dress of those 'brave knights of old,' with whom they have nothing in common save the name. In reply to the criticisms by the R.M. Master of the Temple, it is rather my misfortune than my fault that the essay is formal and lacks originality. My paper professes to deal mainly with Waites' book, though, after a cursory notice of some of the points he alludes to, I devote a brief space to a few veiled hints on this 'vexata questio' and cognate subjects. I may remind my reviewer of the sound advice given by the Jester to King Lear—'speak less than thou knowest'—as being, in part, an answer to his remarks. My learned friend, R.W. Frater Macgregor Mathers, deserves my hearty thanks for his kindly allusions to the writer; but he, for one, does not require to be informed that I referred in the body of my lecture to the 'Illuminati' as the Masters of occult power. The brotherhood of Avignon, like the society founded on moral precepts by Weishaupt, does not, in any way, concern the scope of my enquiries. The truly fraternal spirit in which my maiden effort before the metropolitan lodge has been received, merits my grateful acknowledgment. I very much regret that circumstances prevented my delivering it in person; although it could not possibly have suffered in the hands of the sympathetic and singularly able writer of 'Kabbalah Unveiled.'

There was no further discussion on Frater Macbean's answer.

R.W. Frater Dr. Wynn Westcott, Sec. General, then read a lecture on a very scarce and valuable German volume, entitled, "Geheime Figuren der Rosenkreuzer des 16 ten Jahrhunderts." He showed a copy of the work, which had just been purchased by the High Council to place among their archives, and also an English translation, just published, of which the High Council had also bought a copy for loan to the fratres. Dr. Wynn Westcott then read from that volume the "Prayer of a Rosicrucian," which the fratres considered to be a very fine adoration.

The M. of the Temple proposed, and the S.M. seconded, a cordial vote of thanks for the lecture.

This was accorded by acclamation. A long, but interesting, informal discussion on the subject of those volumes then took place, during the course of which Frater Collinson called attention to the peculiar position of a series of hands and arms as figured in one of the plates.

There being no further business, the M.C. was sundered, and the Chain of Union was rendered imperfect, until the second Thursday in January, 1889.

### West Africa.

#### AN INTERESTING MASONIC CEREMONY.

The brethren of the Lagos Lodge, No. 1171, gave a banquet in the Freemasons' Hall, Bamgbose-street, Lagos, on Saturday, the 8th Sept., and which was to celebrate the occasion of the Masons in this colony being now possessed of a lodge premises of their own, the first real property belonging to the Fraternity on the West Coast of Africa.

The W.M., Bro. J. A. Otonba Payne, F.R.G.S., etc., appointed Bro. A. B. Buttrick to act on the occasion as D.C. The D.C., assisted by Bros. Savage, Schmidt, and Smith, had the banqueting-hall most tastefully and artistically decorated.

The W.M., Past Masters, Officers, Visitors, and brethren sat down to a most sumptuous dinner, and which was all that could be desired.

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured with musical accompaniments by Bros. Schmidt, Speeding, Buttrick, Smith, Davodu, and King.

The W.M., Bro. PAYNE, in proposing the toasts of "The Queen" and "The M.W.G.M., H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, K.G.," respectively, expounded in a most becoming speech upon the good they had individually done to Freemasonry, and which toasts were received with the usual Masonic heartiness.

"The Officers," "Visitors," etc., having been given and duly responded to, the Tyler's toast closed a most pleasant and eventful day.

During the evening the Government brass band played several choice selections of music outside the hall.

Too much praise cannot be given to the W.M. for appointing Bro. Buttrick as D.C. on the occasion, for the able manner in which he carried out the several duties entrusted to his charge, also to those who so ably assisted him in the decorating, etc., of the banqueting-hall.

### New South Wales.

**RANDWICK.**—John Williams Lodge (No. 2161).—On Wednesday, August 15, the monthly meeting of the above lodge took place at the Masonic Hall. The W.M., Bro. R. A. Andrews, presided. After the usual preliminaries had been disposed of, steps were taken of a character which resulted in the augmentation of the numerical strength of the lodge. A report was then read from the Committee which had been appointed to consider the desirability of holding a Masonic social during the second week in September in the Town Hall. The Committee recommended that the social do take place, and their recommendation was unanimously approved by the lodge.

The next matter that received attention was the recognition of the services of Bro. Walton, P.M., D.A.G.P. In connection with the formation of the lodge and its continued prosperity, Bro. Walton took, and has continued to take, a very active interest; and, inasmuch as that meeting was the last to held under the old constitution, the brethren thought it was their duty to present him with a Past Master's jewel.

In making the presentation, the Worshipful Master passed a very high eulogium upon Bro. Walton's Masonic qualifications.

In acknowledging the gift, Bro. Walton thanked the brethren for their kindness and for their practical appreciation of his endeavours in the cause of Freemasonry, and for the progress of their lodge in particular.

After a pleasant hour had been spent at the festive board, the proceedings of the evening were brought to a close.

### New Zealand.

**WELLINGTON.**—Wellington Lodge (No. 1521).—The regular monthly meeting of this lodge took place on Friday, the 17th August, at the Freemasons' Hall, Boulcott-street, and, as the installation of W.M. and investiture of officers was to be held on that evening, a very large number of members of the ancient and honourable Fraternity assembled to witness the proceedings. The lodge was opened, and, after dealing with correspondence and other business, the W.M.'s of the New Zealand Pacific, Waterloo, St. Andrew's, Leinster, and Ulster Lodges, accompanied by the officers and members of their respective lodges, were admitted. The following distinguished brethren were then announced, and received in a manner befitting their Masonic rank, viz.: Bros. R. C. Hamerton, Prov. G.I. of the Provincial Grand Lodge (I.C.); H. J. H. Elliot, Prov. Asst. G. Sec. of the Provincial Grand Lodge, North Island of New Zealand (S.C.); and H. J. Williams, D.S.G.W. of the District Grand Lodge, Wellington (E.C.), who was accompanied by Bros. T. McKenzie, B. N. Manley, C. P. Powles, and W. B. Hudson, in their capacity as District Grand Officers. A very large number of visiting brethren from all parts of the Colony were also present. Apologies for non-attendance were read from the D.G.M., Bros. Sir H. A. Atkinson, K.C.M.G.; Sir F. Whitaker, K.C.M.G., Prov. G.M., North Island of New Zealand (S.C.); C. J. Toxward, P.D.G.M.; Dr. Johnston, D.P.G.M.; and from Bros. the Hons. Geo. Fisher, J. Ballance, H. S. Fish, F. Lawry, H. Feldwick, W. P. Moat, and J. Joyce, M.H.R.'s. Bro. George Robertson, who has served the lodge as W.M. for 12 months, and who has been re-elected to fill this important position, was then presented and installed in an able manner by Bro. Thos. Larchin, M.P. The following brethren were then invested by the W.M., as officers for the ensuing year, viz.: Bros. J. H. Richardson, S.W.; D. T. C. Innes, J.W.; B. N. Manley, P.M., Chaplain; T. Larchin, P.M., Treas.; J. C. Young, Sec.; H. J. Brooke, Org.; A. S. Chapman, S.D.; W. Jessup, J.D.; and R. Moate, I.G. The appointment of a Tyler was left over till the next meeting of the lodge. Bro. W. J. Meek, P.M., and Bro. W. B. Hudson acted as D. of Cers. during the evening, and performed their services most satisfactorily. The musical arrangements were entrusted to Bro. H. J. Brooke, Org., and to Bro. L. Mosch, and left nothing to be desired, the orchestral selections and solos by Bros. Arthur Clothier and J. W. Taylor being most appropriate. During the evening the W.M., on behalf of the members of the lodge, presented Bro. J. C. Young with a Secretary's jewel, as a token of the regard and esteem entertained for him by the members of 1512 (E.C.), and in appreciation of services rendered to the lodge during the past year. Bro. Young returned thanks in a few well chosen words, and assured the members that he would continue to do his best to further the interests of the lodge in every way.

"Hearty good wishes" were then tendered by the numerous visitors, and the lodge was closed.

An adjournment was then made to the banquet room, where the following toasts were honoured in bumpers, viz.: "The Queen and the Craft," "The Three Grand Masters," "The Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland," "The Representatives of the District and Provincial Grand Lodges," "The Worshipful Master," "The Installing Masters," "Sister Lodges," "The Newly-Invested Officers," "The Visitors," "The Choir and Organist," and the Tyler's toast.

Some capital songs were given by Bros. W. D. Lyon, J. W. Taylor, Arthur Clothier, J. C. McEwen, McGregor Wright, S. B. Ludbrook, and A. Wilson, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

### Scotland.

#### MASONIC CEREMONIAL AT LEITH

Last Monday night, the members of the Lodge Trafalgar, No. 223, Leith, with the assistance of a deputation from Grand Lodge, and representatives of most of the lodges in the Metropolitan province, inaugurated the splendid new hall which they have built in St. Anthony's-place. The

hall, which is a beautiful building, both exteriorly and from an inside point of view, is capable of accommodating 500 persons. It is treated in the Gothic style, in harmony with the traditions of Scottish Masonry, and over the main doorway is the name of the lodge and engraved Masonic symbols. The main hall measures 56 feet by 34 feet, and is 19 feet from floor to ceiling. The latter is of open timber, supported by strutted and arched principals, which spring from carved stone columns along the walls. Light is admitted by triple-arched windows, filled in with soft-tinted cathedral leaded glass. The dado of the walls is of glazed tiles, and the timber is varnished. The dais is artistically light, and bears the motto, "In the Lord is all our trust." The ventilation and acoustic properties are excellent, and altogether the building reflects much credit on Bro. G. M. Craig, the R.W.M. of the lodge, who is the architect, and on Mr. Shryun, the contractor.

The proceedings commenced with the opening of the lodge in the old lodge room in Bernard-street. The Master and most of his officers and about a hundred members of the lodge were present, and after the lodge had been opened all these, dressed in Masonic costume, and bearing the jewels and other paraphernalia of the lodge, formed into procession, and walked to the new lodge rooms. Numerous torches were borne by the brethren, and the townspeople turned out in large numbers to witness what they could of the function.

Arrived at the new buildings, the brethren took their places in the lodge. The chair was occupied by Bro. Craig, R.W.M., and he was supported by Bros. Stalker, P.M.; J. Johnston, Depute Master; C. Ritchie, Substitute Master; W. Mills, S.W.; Rev. J. Park, J.W.; J. Fair, Chap.; W. B. Naismith, Treas.; G. Shedden, Sec.; and other officers of the lodge. Shortly thereafter they received the Visitation Committee of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, to whom had been entrusted the duty of consecrating the lodge rooms. Bro. James Crichton headed the deputation, and there were also present Bros. D. Murray Lyon, G. Sec.; W. Officer, S.S.C.; J. Davidson, W. J. C. Abbott, H. Munro, and others. The ceremony of consecration was then proceeded with, and was carried through with much impressiveness.

Thereafter the members of the lodge and others, to the number of about 200, dined together; and afterwards deputations were received from lodges of the province, headed by their Masters. These included—Bro. Drummond, R.W.M. Lodge Canongate Kilwinning; Bro. Cuthbert, R.W.M. St. David Lodge; Bro. Hunter, R.W.M. Rifle Lodge; Bro. Young, R.W.M. Kilwinning Lodge; Bro. Douglas, R.W.M. Journeyman Lodge; Bro. Jones, R.W.M. St. Andrew's Lodge; Bro. Miller, R.W.M. Roman Eagle Lodge; Bro. Drysdale, R.W.M. North British Railway Lodge; Bro. Oliver, R.W.M. Defensive Band Lodge; Bro. Reid, R.W.M. St. Stephen Lodge; Bro. Bruce, R.W.M. St. Clair Lodge; and Bro. Webster, R.W.M. Lodge of Edinburgh.

After dinner, the MASTER proposed the usual loyal and Masonic toasts, including that of "The Grand Lodge."

Bro. CRICHTON, in replying to the latter, referred to the new Benevolent Fund, and said he believed it would afford comfort and happiness to many an old Mason, to many an old Mason's widow, and to the children of many a decayed brother. If it achieved that, it would be a credit to the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and would enable it to vie, in some degree, with the Grand Lodge across the border. Referring to the occasion of the meeting, he spoke of the beauty of the new building, congratulated the Master on being the architect of it, and him and the members on owning such a home for the lodge; and expressed a hope that their example would be followed by many of the lodges in the province.

Bro. WEBSTER, R.W.M. of No. 1, replied for the Metropolitan lodges, and expressed a similar hope.

Bro. CRAIG, in replying to a toast to the long-continued prosperity of Lodge 1741, which was proposed by Bro. Crichton, and enthusiastically drunk, gave an outline of the history of the lodge from its formation in 1808 on the anniversary of the battle from which its name is derived. He gave all honour to his predecessors for the inception of the idea of having lodge rooms of their own; expressed his hope that soon all the lawyer's bonds would be in the fire; and said that if the lodge succeeded as it had done in the past ten years it would soon have a surplus which they might dedicate to the New Scottish Masonic Benevolent Fund, or to a fund in connection with their own lodge.

The toast of the surviving members of the lodge at its resuscitation in 1859 was replied to by Bro. STALKER, P.M., who also proposed a toast to "The Building Committee."

This was acknowledged by Bro. SHEDDEN, Sec., as convener of the Committee; and toasts were also drunk to "The Wardens and Officers," and to "The Contractors."

Several songs were excellently sung, and the evening was very pleasantly passed.

**DEDICATION OF MASONIC ROOMS AT YORK.**

An event of very great interest in the Masonic history of this city took place on Monday, the 22nd ult.—the dedication of new rooms in Castlegate to be used by the Agricola Lodge, No. 1091.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Zetland, Provincial Grand Master North and East Ridings of York, was the Consecrating Officer, supported by the following Present and Past Prov. Grand Officers: Bros. Lieut.-Col. the Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett, J.P., D.L., P.G.W. Eng., Dep. Prov. G.M.; M. C. Peck, 1040, G. Std. Br., P.P.G.W., Prov. G. Sec.; Rev. G. L. M. Rees, 630, P.G. Chap.; Rev. Henry Greeves, M.A., 566, P.P.G.W.; Denis J. O'Donoghue, 57, P.P.G.W.; Rev. Wm. Valentine, M.A., 236, P.P.G. Chap.; Rev. J. E. M. Young, M.A., 236, P.P.G. Chap.; Geo. Garbutt, 236, P.G.D.; J. Marshall, 660, P.P.G.R.; G. Kirby, 236, P.P.G.D.C.; T. M. Goldie, 660, P.P.G.S.B.; A. Sample, 236, P.P.G.O.; and many brethren of the York, Eboracum, and other lodges in the province.

After the ceremony was completed, the Prov. G. Sec., Bro. M. C. PECK, gave the following appropriate oration:

The three great principles upon which our Order is founded are Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth; the Masonic triple triad is completed by the three architectural orders which are assigned to the Master and Wardens—the Ionic, Doric, and Corinthian—which represent wisdom, strength,

and beauty. As the Ionic column displays perfect harmony of design decorating a strong capital, the Doric column shows a neat, but massive, support, and the Corinthian exhibits a most beautiful and artistic arrangement of foliage to decorate the head of a column; so we expect to find in the three principal officers of a lodge that combination of wisdom, firmness, and culture of mind which should pre-eminently distinguish those who are advanced above their fellows and placed in responsible positions. Every brother who pursues steadfastly the study of the Craft, and makes himself thoroughly acquainted with its science, is eligible to become an officer of his lodge; the most expert are chosen to be the Wardens, from whom, by the suffrages of their brethren, the Worshipful Master is elected. When a brother has been elected to the Master's chair, and has discharged his duties zealously and faithfully for twelve months, the higher positions in the Craft become open to him, for merit alone is the passport to Masonic promotion. Thus Masonry presents the picture of a perfect republic. My dear brethren, let me exhort you to practise, both within and without the lodge, our three great principles—first, Brotherly Love! what an expression that is; how comprehensive and how vast; brothers in lodge may find brothers throughout the world. If we all practise this virtue, what a powerful factor for good might not Freemasonry become! Our Order spreads over every part of the globe.

"How vast the scope of Masonry,  
From earth to heaven 'twill soar;  
Its roots run under every sea,  
It blooms on every shore!"

And we might (if only we could) stretch a Masonic chain of linked hands and mutual assistance to encompass the globe, which in time would embrace all true and honest hearts that beat fervently for the welfare of the human race, for the true Craftsman views in every son of Adam a brother of the dust. Secondly, Relief is a theme which includes Charity, ever the distinguishing characteristic of a Mason's heart. Here I am happy to say we can display to the wondering world a little of our value, our Charities being deservedly famous. Yet, still, brethren all might do more. By a little self-denial here and there contributions could be sent from our province more liberally than is customary, and if you could personally see (as I have done) the blessings bestowed by our Masonic Charities, you would indeed agree with me that Relief is truly the greatest of the three Masonic virtues. Truth comes last. How valuable and how conspicuous it is when met with in the days in which we live. I have known a few worthy brethren whose lives were marked by perfect justness and uprightness of character, whose deaths were holy and peaceful, and upon whose memory not the slightest tinge of reproach could ever lie. Like the saints of old, they walked with God upon earth; they walk with Him in Heaven. O, then, dear brethren, strive in your daily life to act up to these grand principles; to be indeed Masons throughout; and when the last dread summons shall come, no fears will trouble you, but quietly laying down your implements of labour, your square, your level, and your plumb rule, you may cheerfully follow your guide through the dark valley of the shadow of death to shine as the stars for ever and ever.

The musical portion of the ceremony was very effectively rendered by Bros. J. E. Wilkinson, T. W. Dow, J. Sutcliffe, J. Wilson, and T. Laverack, of the Agricola Lodge, Bro. A. Sample presiding at the organ. The music selected for the occasion was "Atkinson's Dedication Service," and the rendering thereof formed a marked feature of the proceedings, the solos being efficiently given by Bros. J. E. Wilkinson and J. Wilson.

**JUBILEE OF A SUBSCRIBING MEMBER TO THE CRAFT.**

A very interesting ceremony took place on Wednesday evening, the 10th ult., at the Lodge of Hope, No. 54, Rochdale. In the absence of the W.M., Bro. R. Collinge (who was suddenly called away to London on business), the chair was occupied by Bro. James Hadfield, P.M., P.P. J.G.D. After the usual business of the lodge had been gone through,

Bro. HADFIELD said that, owing to the absence of the W.M., he had been asked to take the chair, but he would rather their W.M. had been in his usual place, for he would have gone through the business he had to do much better than he (Bro. Hadfield) could find words to express. In the first place, he had a very pleasant duty to perform in the presentation of an address to a very old and respected member of the Craft. He had known Bro. Hulme for a period of 25 years, and had always found him truthful, upright, and honest, and in every way an ornament to Freemasonry. It was true that he had not been in office much in the lodge (once he served that of Steward), but perhaps that in a measure was accounted for by his having to travel about a good bit in his younger days, and so was unable to attend his lodge with that regularity that all officers ought to aim at. Bro. Hadfield then, in the name of the W.M., officers, and brethren of Hope Lodge, formally presented Bro. Hulme with a beautifully engrossed testimonial, in a very neat gold frame, and said he hoped that Bro. Hulme would live many years to look upon it hanging upon his walls.

Bro. HULME, in reply, said they all knew as well as he did that he was no speechmaker, and if he was, the unexpected presentation of that beautiful testimonial would have completely knocked it all out of him, and he could only thank them from the bottom of his heart for so grand a gift. Bro. Hulme, who was completely overcome, then sat down, amidst the plaudits of his brethren.

The following is a copy of the testimonial:

"Hope Lodge, No. 54, Anti-nt Free and Accepted Masons of England. To Bro. George Hulme.

"The officers and brethren of the Hope Lodge of Freemasons desire to tender to you their hearty congratulations on the attainment of your fiftieth year as a subscribing member in Freemasonry.

"They feel assured that the annals of our ancient Institution have seldom recorded such an achievement; and although your career in the Craft has not been marked by the performance of official duties, still you have at all times taken an interest in its transactions, displayed a feeling of good-fellowship towards the brethren with whom you have for so long a time been associated, and have always been disposed to stretch out the hand of Charity to those of your brethren who may have been so unfortunate in life as to require assistance.

"On having reached your Jubilee of membership, their fervent desire is that you may for the rest of your life (which they trust may be prolonged for some years to come), enjoy health and happiness, and that many opportunities may yet be afforded to you of participating in the amenities of your brethren, who now most cordially reciprocate the good feeling you have for so long a period exemplified towards them.—We are, dear Sir and brother, your fraternally,

"ROBERT COLLINGE, W.M.; JAMES TAIT, S.W.; JOHN ATHERTON, J.W.; R. L. COLLINGWOOD, P.M., Treasurer; ROBERT COLLINGE, P.M., P.P. G.S.B., Secretary. Rochdale, October, 1888."

The following visitors were present representing neighbouring lodges: Bros. W. Whitehead, P.M.; L. Chadwick, P.M.; E. T. Fletcher, P.M., of 1129; J. Hepworth, 367; and J. Tonge, 298. Bro. J. Tait was in his usual place as S.W., and the J.W.'s duties were performed very creditably by Bro. T. Slott, the J.D., in the absence of the J.W.

**INVESTMENT OF THE PROV. GRAND SECRETARY FOR MIDDLESEX.**

On Friday, the 26th ult., Bro. Raymond H. Thrupp, P.A.G.D.C., Deputy Prov. Grand Master for Middlesex, attended, on behalf of the Prov. Grand Master, at the installation meeting of the Royal Hanover Lodge, Twickenham, for the purpose of investing Bro. Howard H. Room as Prov. Grand Secretary for Middlesex.

The DEPUTY PROV. GRAND MASTER stated that he wished to inform the brethren of the province of the manner in which the selection of Bro. Room had been arrived at. On hearing that Bro. Woodward was compelled to resign the position of Provincial Grand Secretary, Bro. Sir Francis Burdett, being aware that if that fact became known there would be numerous suggestions on behalf of the many experienced brethren in the province, several of whom had special qualifications for the post, and that that would involve considerable correspondence and delay, took counsel with him (Bro. Thrupp), Bro. Woodward, and others, and after carefully considering the merits of the brethren eligible for the post, selected 12, and these were, after further consideration, reduced to three, from amongst whom it appeared to the Prov. Grand Master that Bro. Room was the most eligible. Then, and not until then, he offered the position to Bro. Room, who accepted it. The D.P.G.M. then stated that he had much pleasure in investing Bro. Room with the collar and badge of his office, at the same time expressing his gratification of being enabled to do so in the Royal Hanover Lodge, that being the lodge in which Bro. Room was initiated. The D.P.G.M. told Bro. Room that he was succeeding one of the best Secretaries the province ever had, viz., Bro. Woodward, and counselled him to take Bro. Woodward as his guide in the future.

Bro. ROOM thanked the D.P.G.M. for attending for the purpose at some personal inconvenience, and pledged himself to do all in his power to promote the welfare of the province.

**ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE LEWISES LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 1209.**

The annual banquet of this lodge of instruction was held on Thursday, the 11th ult., at the Castle Hotel, Ramsgate. The chair was taken by Bro. Wm. A. Valon, C.E., W.M. 1209. The most recherché banquet, which the brethren thoroughly enjoyed, was placed before them by Bro. J. O. Eve, P.M. 429 and 1209, P.P.A.G.D.C.

After the removal of the cloth, the W.M. gave the usual toasts proposed at Masonic gatherings, and it is needless to say they were received with enthusiasm and duly honoured.

"The Health of the Worshipful Master" was proposed by Bro. A. H. HALE, P.M. 1209, who said that but few words were needed on his part to secure the toast a hearty reception at their hands. The W.M. while he had been in the chair had gained the esteem and affection, not only of the officers, but every member of the lodge. His genial and cordial manner, as well as his ability, in the conduct of the business of the lodge, had secured to him the admiration of every brother, and he sincerely hoped that he might continue health to persevere in his duties in the same exemplary and able manner up to the time of his having to resign the chair to a successor.

The toast was drunk with all the usual honours.

The W.M., in replying, said that the easiest way of overcoming a difficulty was to face it, and certainly the flattering manner in which his health had been proposed by Bro. Hale, and the very cordial manner in which it had been received by the brethren present, was calculated to inspire anything but the right words to express suitably his thanks. He need not assure them he duly appreciated the high honour of the Mastership, but he might say that the occupation of the chair had deepened his affection for everything in connection with Craft Masonry. He would endeavour to deserve, during the remaining term of his office, the high eulogiums they had been pleased to pass upon him.

The W.M. then proposed "The Health of the Visitors," coupled with the name of Bro. F. W. Willett, W.M. 127, whom he characterised as a Mason in act, as well as in word. He set to his lodge an example that might be followed by them all, viz.: constant attendance at the regular lodge meetings and the conscientious discharge of his Masonic duties in general, and he (Bro. Valon) hoped that Bro. Willett would be a guest at their banqueting tables for many years to come.

Bro. F. W. WILLETT, in replying, said that the eloquence of Bro. Valon completely robbed him of any power to return thanks to them as he should desire. The towns of Margate and Ramsgate were sister towns, and some of the members of the Margate lodge belonged to the Ramsgate lodge. It always seemed the proper thing when he could look round and see some of the Ramsgate brethren present at their ordinary meetings. He hoped that as many of them as possible would make it convenient to come over with their W.M. on the Tuesday following, when they had a little work to do, and he should be glad to give them a hearty welcome.

Bro. EDWARD WOTTON, J.W., then proposed "The Lewises Lodge of Instruction." Its vitality, he said, was proved by the fact that they had two Life Subscriberships to ballot for that evening. He himself derived the greatest pleasure from attending those weekly gatherings. There

was a real good feeling amongst the brethren, which it was always pleasant to be mixed up with, and he hoped that the lodge of instruction would be well attended during the winter months, as by its means alone could they be properly instructed how to perform the beautiful ceremonies of the regular lodge. Their new Secretary, Bro. Wellden, he was sure, would give the necessary time and attention to discharge the onerous duties; and he hoped at the end of the next financial year three, instead of two, Life Subscriberships would be drawn for. He coupled Bro. Wellden's name with the toast.

Bro. E. WELLDEN, in returning thanks, assured the brethren no effort should be wanting on his part to discharge the duties that he had voluntarily undertaken, and he would endeavour, by regular attendance, and a conscientious study of the interests of the lodge, to receive their approbation.

The draw then took place for two Life-Subscriberships, and a very singular incident occurred. The brethren decided to draw each prize separately, and that the winner of the first should not be excluded from participating in the second. In the result, Bro. S. Deveson was the winner of both, much to the surprise and amusement of the brethren present.

Bro. DEVESON, however, was equal to the occasion, for he immediately rose, and said that, as he had been the fortunate winner of both prizes, he should add another five guineas of his own, which would enable him to have a Life-Subscribership from each of the three Institutions; a decision at which the brethren expressed their great satisfaction.

The next toast, proposed by Bro. A. H. HALE, P.M., was "The Charities," in which he plainly set forth the duty incumbent upon every Mason, and hoped that that duty would be faithfully discharged. He coupled the toast with the names of Bros. J. O. Eve, P.M., P.P.A. G.D.C., and F. W. Willett, W.M. 127.

Bro. J. O. EVE, in returning thanks, also referred to the most gratifying part of their meeting, viz., the ability (as a result of an hour or two's social intercourse) of being able to send up to the Charities fifteen guineas. He himself had been enabled by the liberality of the brethren from time to time, as Steward to the various Charities, to take up substantial sums in aid of them. He trusted that the success of Bro. Deveson in drawing the Life-Subscriberships would impress upon him the good the lodge of instruction did outside its important functions as instructor, and that it would be an incentive to him and other brethren of the lodge to attend as regular as possible, so that the amount of the weekly subscriptions might be augmented, and fulfil the expressed desire of Bro. E. Wotton, J.W., viz., that they should have three, or perhaps four Life-Subscriberships to ballot for at the next banquet meeting. "The Officers of the Lodge," proposed by Bro. HALL, P.M., was suitably responded to by all the officers present.

A pleasant evening was brought to a close about 10.30. Many of the brethren having good voices, and some being good reciters, the time passed pleasantly and quickly. The brethren did not leave, however, without first expressing their thanks to Bro. J. O. Eve, for the arrangements he had made for their comfort, as well as the excellent fare he had provided for their enjoyment.

#### FUNERAL OF DR. ROB MORRIS.

The funeral services of Bro. Rob Morris, Past Grand Master of Kentucky and Poet Laureate of Freemasonry, were held at La Grange, Ky., on Wednesday, August 1st. There was a large attendance of brethren and friends, thus evincing the respect in which the deceased was held and the feeling of sorrow occasioned by his death. Before the removal of the body of Bro. Morris from his late residence, the mystic ceremonies of "The Palm and Shell," a society organised by the deceased, were performed about his remains. The public exercises at the Baptist Church were of a most solemn and impressive character, including a sermon by Rev. H. Calvin Smith, addresses by several distinguished brethren, the reading of hymns, and the rendering of such part of the beautiful Templar service as is appointed for the home or church. At the grave the Masonic burial service was conducted by Past Grand Master Bassett, who represented the Grand Master of Masons of the jurisdiction. The *Masonic Home Journal* says that the attendance at the funeral represented the brain and zeal of Kentucky Masonry. Among the prominent Craftsmen present it enumerates the following: Bro. Thomas Todd, the oldest P.G.M. (in service) of Kentucky; Hiram Bassett, who has presided over every Grand Masonic body of the York Rite in Kentucky, and is now a Grand Officer of the General Grand Chapter; Chas. Eginton, now 74 years of age; John H. Leathers, P.G.H.P. and Grand Treasurer; W. H. Meffert, Gr. Gen.; and Jas. W. Hopper, our last Grand Master; also Chas. E. Dunn, P.G.H.P.; H. B. Grant, Grand Secretary, and Grand Master of the Grand Council; Thos. H. Sherley, P.G. Commander; J. F. Weller, President of our Home; and a large number of present and past presiding officers of Masonic bodies. The funeral services were held on the second day after the death of Dr. Morris, and the short notice kept many away who otherwise would have been present. As it was, however, the attendance was very large.—*Freemasons' Repository*.

#### EXTRAORDINARY MASONIC ESCAPEDE.

##### LADIES AT THE "THIRD DEGREE."

On Thursday (says the *N.B. Daily Mail*), the Grand Lodge of Scotland holds its quarterly meeting in the Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, to consider, among other business, "Expulsion of Bro. William Edwards, and special censure of Bros. J. O. Fraser and Wm. Robertson, office-bearers of Lodge Celtic, No. 291." It appears the offence of the brethren named was in admitting two ladies to a lodge meeting in May last, where they saw and heard a considerable portion of the proceedings while the lodge was "tiled in the Third Degree." The precise height and depth of the "brethren's" offence may be gathered from the following extract from the minutes to be laid before the Grand Lodge on Thursday: "The sub-committee appointed 'to inquire into and report upon an irregularity said to have been committed by a member of Grand Committee, on the evening of 8th May last, in Lodge Celtic, Edinburgh and Leith, No. 291,' have made

an exhaustive investigation into the whole circumstances, in course of which parties implicated were fully heard, and witnesses examined, and find—That on the occasion of the Funeral Lodge held in Freemasons' Hall by Celtic, Edinburgh and Leith, No. 291, on 8th May last, in memory of the late Bro. Alexander Hay, two females were admitted to the inner approach to the organ loft, where they saw and heard, through the partially open glazed door, a considerable portion of the proceedings, which were being conducted while the lodge was tiled in the Third Degree. That the ladies in question were so admitted by Bro. William Edwards, Acting Past Master of the lodge, who was called out of the hall at their request; and having previously possessed himself of the key of the door, he deliberately broke the tiling of the lodge, and placed the Tyler inside along with the ladies, with instructions to attend to them. The Committee, therefore, recommend that Bros. J. Oliver Fraser, Senior Warden, and William Robertson, Secretary, be specially censured from the Throne of the Grand Lodge for having advised and supported the Lodge Celtic in its unconstitutional action in disposing of so grave a case in a manner other than that directed by Rule 202 of the Constitution and laws."—*Glasgow Evening News*.

#### PRESENTATION IN THE CITY.

On Thursday, the 25th ult., at Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, the members of the Great City Lodge of Instruction, under the presidency of Bro. J. Leach Barrett, entertained their late Treasurer, Bro. W. Howard Paddle, and during the evening presented him with a handsomely-illuminated address, richly framed, together with a Treasurer's jewel—specially designed by Bro. George Kenning.

The WORSHIPFUL MASTER, on rising to propose "The Health of the Guest of the Evening," eloquently referred to Bro. Paddle's deserved popularity, and the universal respect and esteem in which he was held by all present, and also by a wide circle of friends in the City, and cited the many acts of disinterested kindness and courtesy experienced by members and their friends at his hands. They might take a lesson from his happy facility of saying a kind word or doing a kindly service just at the time needed. He (the W.M.) begged his acceptance of the address and jewel, not as a parting tribute, but to consolidate their friendship in the future. They were proud of the honours he had achieved in the Craft, and his connection with the Grand Lodge and Chapter of Surrey.

The W.M. and SECRETARY of the Eclectic Lodge attended, and testified to the same cordial relations existing between their members and Bro. Paddle.

Bro. PADDLE replied in a characteristic speech, the acclamation with which its points were received proving there existed a bond of union between speaker and hearers stronger than the mere outward signs of appreciation and applause.



When we heard that Mr. Rutland Barrington was going to begin his career as a manager—having taken the St. James's Theatre—by the production of a play from Mr. F.C. Philips' novel "The Dean's Daughter," and that Mr. Sydney Grundy was assisting in the writing of it, we fully expected to witness a piece showing the seamy side of life, served up with plenty of cynicism. We have realised our anticipation. We felt it our duty to speak with no uncertain sound about Mr. Philips' "As in a Looking Glass," and "Ariane," which Mrs. Bernard Beere played so successfully for two seasons. Both these pieces we considered tendered to degrade instead of elevate the stage, although we admitted that there was much truth in all that was spoken and acted, but our chief fault with both those pieces was that they showed only one side of human life. No person of refined feelings or with the least goodness in them could uphold the representation of such plays to the general public. We do not say that such things are unfitted for book-reading. There are many subjects one may read without harm, but yet are not fit topics for conversation, say at the dinner table or in the drawing-room. We are not going to cry out for the extinction of Mr. Philips' novels, but we hope he will when writing again give us something from the brighter side of life, but we do say again, that they do not form good plots for plays. The writer is by no means a prude—goody-goodyism is offensive—but, considering actors play for the public, who are composed of young and old, and all sorts and conditions of men and women, then the pieces they play in should be wholesome, and such as will amuse, or teach, or refine the audience. We put it to the new manager of St. James's—supposing every theatre in London were now to bring out plays like these of Mr. Philips', and the public even supported the managers—Would not the drama be dragged through the mire, and its last days be near? It may be said that a theatrical manager only caters for the public taste of the day, and when the people show they do not want nasty plays then the managers will change their tactics. We are of opinion that the theatre is a noble institution, and of much power in the history of a nation, and that it not so much ought to follow the people, but lead them. We are convinced that it has great influence for good or evil. As the pen is sometimes mightier than the sword, so we believe the stage is to some people mightier than the pulpit. If we are to have thrust upon us plays as bad, if not worse, than those of our French neighbours, then let them be kept to particular theatres, and we know then what to expect if we choose to go to those certain theatres. By all manner of means let us have meanness, devilry, fraud, and vice of all kinds depicted on the stage, but pray do not give us a whole play of it. Let us have it mingled with all that is noble and true in man, and pure in woman. Plays should teach that honesty is the best policy; that virtue has its own reward, and that vice can only lead to unhappiness. We admire Mr. Sydney Grundy as a play-writer, and always have done so. We think he has not, until lately, been properly understood or appreciated. His recent adaptation "Mamma," now running at the Court, is an amusing and not an unpleasant

play. His "Silver Shield" was both funny and instructive, but was above the heads of the ordinary playgoers—it hit hard at certain forms of society journalism. But Mr. Grundy is a born cynic, he must be a pessimist, for we never detect any signs of the optimist in his pieces, so that he is the very last person to have been joined to Mr. Philips in adapting "The Dean's Daughter" for the stage. The Rev. Augustus St. Aubyn is a clergyman of which kind we are thankful to say there are few nowadays. He is deeply in debt. The local tradesmen come to him and dun him for money. He sends them away happy by informing them that the Dean of Southwick is dying and that he is sure to get the deanery, and so will be able to settle. The Dean does die for which Mr. St. Aubyn thanks Providence. His friend, Sir Henry Craven, who is an influential man with the Government, brings him the intelligence, and promises to use his power to get the dignity for the cleric if he will give his daughter in marriage to him (Sir Henry). Miriam St. Aubyn is most indignant at her father's horrible suggestion that she, a young girl, should link herself to an old man, and proudly refuses. But a friend—Mrs. Fortescue—a woman of the world, persuades her on account of the wealth, position, and title, to consent, as that is the only way her father will be promoted. She does, but she tells her father that she is being sold, not given. In the second act we learn that Sir Henry has been appointed Ambassador at Constantinople. A Mr. George Sabine calls and tells Lady Craven she is going to the seat of the Ottoman Empire, for he has heard her husband making arrangements for her on the journey. Sir Henry tells his wife he does not intend taking her, making an excuse that the climate would not suit her. She then discovers that the arrangements are for a Mrs. Montessor, and now knows she has married a libertine. She and Mrs. Fortescue go to Nice for the winter. Here she is visited by a Russian Prince, Balunikoff, whose overtures she repels. The knave bribes her maid to leave the drawing-room window open at night. George Sabine is staying here, but Lady Craven, finding she is getting fond of him, parts with him, as in honour bound. The maid, loving scandal, communicates with the Ambassador, who comes to Nice. The Dean also arrives there to get money from his daughter. The Prince enters her room, and declares his love. She bids him begone and screams; her cries are heard by Sabine, who ejects the Prince, and the lady swoons in Sabine's arms just as Sir Henry and her father enter. The situation is certainly compromising. The husband obtains a divorce—though we doubt if in Sir James Hannen's Court a "decree nisi" would be granted on such circumstantial evidence. Persuaded by Mrs. Fortescue, Lady Craven goes out into the world as a widow, under the name of Mrs. Gascoigne. A young peer, Lord Ashwell, meets her and offers marriage. She tells him her history, yet he is resolute; his mother sanctions the engagement. At a party she meets Lady Ashwell's future second husband, who is none other than the Dean her father. Lord Ashwell has to obtain the consent of his guardian, who, as luck would have it, is her former husband Sir Henry Craven. He, of course, forbids it, and her father inhumanly denounces her as guilty before the company. Lord Ashwell, who, up to that time, has acted as a man, now begs to be released from his engagement, and just then George Sabine, who was thought to be dead, makes his appearance, and we are led to believe she marries him. It will be seen from the plot we have described that there is no one in the piece worthy the rank of hero or heroine. In George Sabine is a weak sort of young man just where he should be strong. Miriam, for though she must be pitied, for the fates seems always against her, is not altogether a subject for sympathy, whilst the Dean and Ambassador are beneath contempt. We do not say that such a character as the Dean of Southwick is not to be found, nor do we say that because he is a member of such a profession that the black sheep of that flock may not be depicted on the stage. But we defy any dramatist to introduce us into such a circle of society as is represented in "The Dean's Daughter," for even they must have some good people about them. And this is why we take exception to this play. It may be true to nature, but it is not the whole truth, and we want nothing but the truth in the drama. Mr. Barrington, as the worldly Dean, never seemed to us to be quite in earnest. What was said seriously, the audience laughed at as fun. It may be that we have not yet got out of our minds Mr. Barrington's other characters, as in the "Mikado," "Ruddigore," etc. Miss Caroline Hill, whom we welcome back after her long absence, as Mrs. Fortescue, gives a most finished sketch of a woman of the world. Miss Dairrolles, as the lady's maid, we expected, after seeing her lately at the Olympic, would prove her aptness, is a part demanding subtlety, and she does so. Mr. John Beauchamp is all that could be wished as Sir Henry Craven. Mr. Aynesworth, as Lord Ashwell, only appears in the last act, but proves his efficiency for higher things. But the charm of the whole performance is Miss Olga Nethersole, as Miriam. This young lady we never heard of or saw until "The Union Jack" was produced at the Adelphi this summer. We then thought she played well, but we admit we did not recognise in her anything special. Mr. Barrington or some one else must have discerned in her some great talent. She has accepted a big part, and at once has sprung into notoriety. We once heard Bro. Sir Edward Clarke, the Solicitor-General, say that a great opportunity comes but once to a man, and if embraced is the making of him, and if neglected never returns. Miss Olga Nethersole appears to have had this opportunity, and has not missed it. We do not know her stage experience—we believe it is short—but her future is made. She displays much sympathy, and grasps firmly the character of the somewhat weak daughter. The staging of the play is on a par with the traditions of the St. James, and we hope Mr. Barrington will find in his new line a fortune. We think he will have to change his play, and we wish him every success. We must not conclude without calling attention to the curtain-raiser, called "A Patron Saint," by Mr. C. Thomas. Without hesitation we say it is one of the prettiest first pieces we have ever seen.

Bro. Lord Randolph Churchill, M.P., and Lady Randolph Churchill arrived at Bridgend, Glamorganshire, on Monday, en route for Dunraven Castle, where they were to be the guests of Bro. the Earl and Countess of Dunraven. Among the other visitors, actual or expected, were the Duchess of Manchester and Lady Mandeville, and Bro. the Marquis of Hartington.



Bro. John P. Fearfield will be installed W.M. at the first annual festival of the Fearfield Lodge, No. 2224, at Long Eaton, on Wednesday next.

At a meeting of the St. Dunstan's Lodge, No. 1589, held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on Wednesday, in last week, it was stated that the Lord Mayor had expressed his great gratification at the very delightful evening spent with this lodge at the above hotel on the 24th ult., and at which he, with the Sheriffs, Under-Sheriffs, and Grand Lodge Officers, were entertained at a banquet given in honour of his lordship. Bro. Benningfield, the Immediate Past Master (in the absence of Bro. R. H. Clemow, W.M., who was not present through illness), proposed the following resolution: "That the best thanks are due, and are hereby given, to Bro. David R. Lowe, Secretary, and to Bro. Wellsman, P.M., Director of Ceremonies, for the excellent manner in which all the arrangements were carried out by them, and which conducted so largely to the success of the most notable night in the history of the lodge." The voting was unanimous.

Bro. Capt. N. G. Philips and Mrs. Philips sailed in the *Kaiser-i-Hind*, on Thursday, for India, Ceylon, &c., and will be absent until the spring.

The installation of W.M. of the Weald of Kent Lodge, No. 1854, was held, on the 24th ult., at the Town Hall, Tenterden. Bro. R. Fuggle was installed W.M., the ceremony being performed by Bro. G. F. Varty, P.M. The following were appointed to the various offices: Bro. Capt. Tylden-Pattenson, I.P.M.; W. B. Maca, S.W.; A. W. Smith, J.W.; G. W. Connold, Treas.; W. E. Manby, P.M., P.P.A.G.S., Sec.; H. Lavence, P.M., S.D.; and C. Spilsted, P.M., J.D. Bros. W. E. Elliott, P.M., P.G.D.C., P.J.G.W.; and J. S. Eastes, D.P.G.M., were present, as also brethren from the Invicta and Wellington Lodges.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked at the Ranelagh Lodge of Instruction at the Six Bells Hotel, Queen-street, Hammersmith, on Friday, the 9th instant, under the Preceptorship of Bro. James Sims, P.M., assisted by many highly esteemed Preceptors and brethren. Secretary, Bro. D. S. Long.

Bro. the Earl and Countess of Zetland, Bro. Lord and Lady Charles Beresford, and Bro. Christopher Sykes, M.P., have been among the visitors entertained by the Marquis and Marchioness of Londonderry at Wynyard Park, Stockton-on-Tees, during the present week. On Monday next the hunting season in the neighbourhood of Bro. the Earl of Zetland's seat, Aske Hall, will commence.

Bro. Lord Mayor Sir P. De Keyser has contributed £50 to the building fund of the new French Hospital about to be erected in Shaftesbury-avenue.

A deputation from the National Rifle Association waited on the Secretary of State for War on Tuesday, for the purpose of invoking the assistance of the Government in the acquirement of land near London for the future annual prize meetings of the Volunteers. The Earl of Wemyss, who was accompanied by Bro. the Earl of Wharncliffe and other members of the Council of the Association, stated full particulars as to the various sites which had been suggested for the New Wimbledon, and the Secretary of State was desired to take these matters into his consideration, and give his answer at some future time.

The *Financial News* gives the following particulars of the Newport Pagnell Church Institute and Masonic Hall Company, Limited: Registered by Waterlow Brothers and Layton, Birchin-lane, E.C., with a capital of £600, in £1 shares. Object, the acquiring by purchase, upon the terms stated in an agreement dated October 15th, 1888, and made between Thomas Taylor for and on behalf of the Newport Pagnell Masonic Hall Company, Limited, on the one part, and the Rev. Charles Macmahon Ottley, Frederick James Taylor, and John Robert Wilmer, trustees for and on behalf of the intended Newport Pagnell Church Institute and Masonic Hall Company, Limited, of the other part; the buildings, grounds, and premises situate in Silver-street, Newport Pagnell, Bucks, now used as a Masonic Hall and Church Institute, and the acquiring, by purchase or lease, land in the parish of Newport Pagnell aforesaid, of any tenure, with or without buildings thereon, or any share or shares, interest or interests, in such lands.

An anonymous donor has forwarded £500 to the fund for maintaining the cruising hospital ships of the Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen.

Bro. Wolf Joel, of the Peace and Harmony Lodge, Detoispan, the famous diamond merchant of Kimberley, and Chairman of the De Beers Mining Company, recently stated on oath in the Supreme Court, at a recent trial in which he was plaintiff, that he turned over £2,000,000 a month.—*The Barberton Herald and Transvaal Mining Mail*.

**PRESENTATION TO A ROYAL ARCH MASON.**—A meeting of St. Michael's Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons was held at the Corn Exchange, Sittingbourne, last week, when a very handsome founder's jewel, of chaste design, was presented to Comp. J. M. Goldfinch (Mayor of Faversham), as a mark of very high esteem and regard, and in recognition of his services as the first M.E.Z. of the chapter. The presentation was made on behalf of the members by the present Z., Comp. Horatio Ward, and acknowledged by the recipient in suitable terms. The latter was afterwards entertained at a banquet, when his health was cordially drunk.

The Electric Light in its vast superiority to gas and all other forms of artificial light, is an apt illustration of the position which "Grant's Morella Cherry Brandy" maintains in comparison with all other Liqueurs, in its perfection of rich fruity flavour. Comforting in cold weather. Sold everywhere. Be sure and ask for Grant's. T. Grant and Sons, Maidstone. Makers also of the non-alcoholic wine "Morella," and of the delicious "Morella Marmalade." Sold by Grocers.

Bro. the Rev. Canon Portal, Past Grand Chaplain of England, will preach, on Sunday morning, Nov. 4th, at St. George's, Hanover-square, in aid of the National Society.

Bros. the Marquis of Hartington, A. Akers-Douglas, and the Right Hon. Hugh C. E. Childers were among the Members of Parliament who addressed political meetings held at various localities on Monday evening.

Bro. W. Kuhe, Past G. Org., will give his next evening concert at the Dome, Royal Pavilion, Brighton, to-day (Friday) Madame Albani, Middle. Trebelli, and Miss Kuhe being among the principal artistes who will perform on the occasion.

The Royal Commission of Inquiry into the naval and military defence of the country, of which Bro. the Marquis of Hartington, M.P., is chairman, will re-assemble on Thursday, the 8th instant, when it is expected the evidence of Bro. General Lord Wolseley will be taken.

**ST. JOHN'S KILWINNING LODGE, No. 173 (S.C.)**—A most enjoyable entertainment took place, under the auspices of this lodge, in the Artillery Hall, Largs, on the evening of Friday, the 26th ult. There was a good audience, and Bro. Alex. Fraser, R.W.M., occupied the chair. The entertainment consisted of an excellent concert, to which the following ladies and gentlemen contributed songs and recitations: Misses Armour and Paterson, and Mr. Dunlop Hunter and Mr. J. Stewart, and Bros. A. Houston, W. M'Arthur, J. J. Littell, and H. M'Cool. At the close of the concert several of the brethren, who so kindly assisted with the entertainment, were affiliated to the lodge, Bro. John Atkinson, R.W.M. of the lodge, performing the affiliation ceremony.

The Princess of Wales and the Princesses Louise, Victoria, and Maud arrived from Marlborough House at Sandringham on Saturday last for the winter season. On Friday, the 9th inst., the Prince of Wales, who was born on the 9th November, 1841, will complete his 47th year, and the anniversary will be celebrated with the customary rejoicings in London and at Windsor and Sandringham.

The Prince of Wales from Marlborough House, and the Princess of Wales and their three daughters from Sandringham, visited the Alexandra Palace on Tuesday, for the purpose of witnessing Baldwin's descent from his balloon with a parachute. An altitude of 5000 feet was attained, and then Baldwin dropped and accomplished his descent with perfect safety. The Prince and Princess warmly congratulated the professor on his successful performance.

**"A PERFECTLY LAWFUL LODGE."**—P.G.M. Bro. Josiah H. Drummond, in his report on correspondence to the Grand Lodge of Maine, for 1888, says of the first organised lodge on the continent of America—St. John's Lodge, Philadelphia, whose records begin in 1731:—"We maintain that, as the Masonic law then was, this lodge was a perfectly lawful lodge, and its work regular work." In other words, he agrees with Bros. Gould, Hughan, and others; and yet he holds that it was "a voluntary lodge, without written authority." We believe, however, that it will yet be proved, to the satisfaction of Bro. Drummond, that this lodge was warranted by Provincial Grand Master Bro. Daniel Cox.—*Keystone*.

Bro. William Kelly, Past Provincial Grand Master of Leicestershire and Rutland, who, 47 years ago, filed the chair of W.M. in St. John's Lodge, No. 279, Leicester, and who is again its Master this year, will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his initiation into Masonry and membership of the lodge at a regular meeting on Wednesday next, when he will read an address, entitled, "Fifty Years' Masonic Reminiscences." Few brethren have been privileged to retain an unbroken connection with their mother lodge for half a century, and fewer still have worked so laboriously in the interests of their lodge and province as the popular P.P.G. Master of Leicestershire and Rutland. Bro. Kelly's reminiscences are certain to be interesting and instructive, and we congratulate both the W.M. and his lodge on the happy event.

It is officially announced that the following illustrious personages will be present at the approaching festivities at Copenhagen in celebration of the King of Denmark's Jubilee: The Czarewitch, the Crown Prince Rudolph of Austria, the Crown Prince Gustave of Sweden and Norway, and Prince Henry of Prussia. The Crown Prince of Greece is also expected, and it is thought probable that the Prince of Wales will likewise be there.

The *Nottingham Daily Express* is responsible for the following: "It may be news to some people to learn that in the Masonic world there is a total abstinence party so strong that in a London lodge they have excluded, and it is said intend to exclude, from office all members who are not total abstainers. A senior member of the lodge has been displaced already, and a great trial of strength takes place next month on the election of Master."

The Lady Mayoress will hold her last reception at the Mansion House on Tuesday next between the hours of three and five in the afternoon.

We understand that the "Winter Exhibition" will be opened at Olympia—the site of the recent Irish Exhibition—on the 1st December. Great attractions are promised.

**OF THE SO-CALLED PAST MASTER'S DEGREE.**—P.G.M. Bro. the Rev. Henry Vehslage, of New Jersey, very truly says: "In connection with all that has been said on this subject, it may be permitted to a novice to suggest that the greater part of this controversy would have been avoided by a better choice of terms, which would exclude the idea of a 'degree,' and regard the matter as a ceremony adjunct to the installation of the W.M." That is precisely what it is in Pennsylvania and what it should be everywhere.—*Keystone*.

**HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT.**—Go where you may, in every country and in all climes persons will be found who have a ready word of praise for this Ointment. For chaps, chafes, scalds, bruises, and sprains, it is an invaluable remedy; for bad legs, bad breasts, and piles it may be confidently relied upon for effecting a sound and permanent cure. In cases of puffed ankles, erysipelas, and rheumatism, Holloway's Ointment gives the greatest comfort by reducing the inflammation, cooling the blood, soothing the nerves, adjusting the circulation, and expelling the impurities. This Ointment should have a place in every nursery. It will cure all those manifold skin affections which, originating in childhood, gain strength with the child's growth.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Cambridgeshire will be held on Friday, the 16th inst. The Right Hon. Lord Hardwicke, P.G.M., will preside.

Bro. Mostyn T. Pigott, who, as I.G., assisted at the consecration of the Rye Lodge, does not, as stated in our last week's issue, belong to the Province of Surrey, but is a member of the Apollo University Lodge, and is this year the P.G. Organist of Oxfordshire. He is the son of Bro. Dr. R. Turtle Pigott, D.C.L., P.A.G.D. of C.

The Prince of Wales concluded his visit to the Queen at Balmoral on Monday, and returned to town. On Tuesday, Prince Albert Victor of Wales opened a bazaar at York in aid of St. Stephen's Orphanage.

The Hospital Saturday Fund for the present year will close on the 30th of November.

**OPENING OF A NEW MASONIC HALL AT ROTHERHAM.**—On Thursday evening, the 25th ult., a new Masonic Hall, situate in Dominie Well-lane, Rotherham, was opened by the Prov. Grand Master, Bro. T. W. Tew, under the banner of the Phoenix Lodge, 904. The building consists of a large hall 51 feet by 24 feet, with convenient ante-room 17 feet by 13 feet attached, also supper room 20 feet by 15 feet, store room, &c. The approach is by a spacious entrance hall, with large open staircase leading to the hall and upper rooms. A caretaker's house had been provided. Heat is afforded by means of hot-water pipes, while the supper and ante rooms have ornamental stoves, with mantels, overmantels, and mirrors.

**THE OLD MASONIANS.**—The first social evening of the "Old Masonians" is announced to take place at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, to-day (Friday.) An attractive programme of music has been arranged, and we trust a goodly number will be present to support and encourage this very praiseworthy association in promoting the happiness and welfare of the "Old Boys."

The War Office authorities have approved of the Wallace Sword, which is now in the Armoury of Dumbarton Castle, being transferred to the National Wallace Monument, and the removal of the relic to its new destination may very shortly be expected.

Bro. F. Seager Hunt, M.P., presided at the second annual meeting held at the Constitutional Club on Monday evening of the Metropolitan Division of the National Union.

H.R.H. the Duchess of Connaught has been attending a course of nursing lectures with a St. John Ambulance Class at Poona, India, and has passed a very satisfactory examination. It is only a few weeks since her Royal Highness obtained the first aid certificate.

The Duchess of Teck, accompanied by the Princess Victoria, on Wednesday, visited Albert-street, Spitalfields, for the purpose of opening the King Edward Institute and Schools which are situated close to Hanbury-street. An address was read by Mr. Charles Montague, the Hon. Secretary, which gave the history of the work carried on in the buildings since 1846, when they were erected and opened as ragged schools and refuge by the late Lord Shaftesbury. Since 1872, until June last, the premises were used for an industrial school for girls, who have now been transferred to a more commodious home at Cambridge-heath. The block in Albert-street has been adapted for the purposes of an institute and schools in connection with the mission in King Edward-street. Thirty-eight distinct operations are carried on for the benefit of poor children, young people, and adults. The Duchess of Teck was conducted through the various rooms, which she afterwards declared open, expressing the hope that they would be a blessing to the neighbourhood.

**A GLORIOUS HARBOUR.**—There are two principal approaches to Sydney, the one by sea, the other by land. The express from Melbourne runs through, by way of Albury, in less than twenty hours, and for those who suffer from sea-sickness the railway journey has its advantages. The entrance into Sydney by rail is, however, dull, flat, and unprofitable; whereas the approach by sea is full of interest, and creates a delight which can never be forgotten. The North and South Heads of Sydney Harbour stand separated by a mile of troubled waters. On the south the grey and yellow sandstone cliffs of the coast trend to a point of little altitude, while the North Head is a bold and almost perpendicular cliff, conspicuous at a great distance because of its height and its peculiarly uncompromising appearance. As the incoming vessel enters the Heads, her bow points directly towards another bold rocky point only some three-quarters of a mile distant from the South Head. This is Middle Head, the southern point of the entrance to Middle Harbour. To anyone looking in from the outside ocean, this last-mentioned headland appears to mark the limit of the land-locked waters, and it was this fact, probably, that led Captain Cook to pass over the place as of small importance. Once inside the Heads, a wide and apparently endless expanse of waters is disclosed, and as the vessel steams along the channel to the south and west, innumerable wooded headlands, with their corresponding bays, are passed in quick succession. The windings and turnings of this inland sea are virtually endless. The shore-line is said to have been calculated, and to amount to not less than several hundred miles. The map of Port Jackson also shows 82 well-marked bays and nine islands, and each bay is a delight to the eyes, each island a jewel set in silver.—From "Cassell's Picturesque Australasia," Part 1., for November.

Mr. Sam Deards, whose patents for dry glazing of conservatories and other glass buildings have been so favourably known for years, has announced the formation of a limited company to take over his business, as will be seen by the prospectus, advertised in another portion of the *Freemason*. A number of influential and well-known gentlemen have subscribed their names to the articles of association, and have taken shares in the company. The capital is a very moderate one, considering the nature of the business, and the almost unlimited demand that is likely to exist for this useful invention. Mr. Deards has been so favourably known in connection with his business, and so deservedly respected, that we do not doubt the confidence thus inspired will cause the shares to be speedily taken up.

## METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS

For the week ending Saturday, November 10th, 1888.

The Editor will be glad to receive notice from Secretaries of Craft Lodges, Royal Arch Chapters, Mark Lodges, Rose Croix Chapters, Preceptorics, Conclaves, &c., of any change in place, day, or month of meeting.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3.

General Committee Boys' School, at 4.

CRAFT LODGES.

142, St. Thomas, Cannon-street Hotel.  
1567, Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham.  
1572, Carnarvon, Albion Hotel.  
1622, Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.  
2182, Sterndale Bennett, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.  
2202, Regent's Park, York and Albany Hotel, Gloucester-gate, W.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Alexandra Palace, Station Hotel, Camberwell New-road, at 7.30.  
Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King-street, Hammersmith, at 7.  
Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-street, Pimlico, at 7.  
Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8.  
King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross, at 7.  
Manchester, Blue Posts, Charlotte-street, Fitzroy-square, at 8.  
Percy, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8.  
Star, Five Bells, New Cross-road, S.E., at 7.  
Industry Chapter, Prince Regent, Dulwich-rd., Herne Hill, at 7.30  
1329, Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5.

CRAFT LODGES.

12, Fortitude & Old Cumberland, Ship & Turtle, Leadenhall-st.  
25, Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall.  
72, Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel.  
144, St. Luke's, Anderton's Hotel.  
186, Joppa, Freemasons' Tavern.  
256, Unions, Freemasons' Hall.  
1319, Asaph, Freemasons' Hall.  
1669, Royal Leopold, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.  
1731, Cholmeley, Café Royal, Regent-street.  
1853, Caxton, Freemasons' Hall.  
1924, Wickham, St. Peter's Hall, Wickham Park, Brockley.  
1996, Priory of Acton, Royal Assembly Rooms, Acton.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Beaconsfield, Chequers Hotel, High-street, Walthamstow, at 8.  
Coborn, Eagle Hotel, Snaresbrook, at 8.  
Eleonor, Seven Sisters Tavern, Tottenham, at 8.  
Hyde Park, Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square,  
Porchester-terrace, Paddington, at 8.  
Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30.  
Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, S.W., at 7.30.  
Marques of Ripon, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8.  
Metropolitan, Moorgate Tavern, 15, Finsbury-pavement, at 7.30.  
Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202, Whitechapel-road, at 7.  
Queen's Westminster and St. Marylebone, The Criterion, Piccadilly, W., at 8.  
Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, Putney, 8 till 10.  
St. Ambrose, Barons' Court Hotel, West Kensington, at 8.  
St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.  
St. Mark's, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New-road.  
Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, at 8.  
Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch-street, at 8.  
Strong Man, Bull and Bell, Ropemaker-st., Moorgate-st., E.C., 7.  
Upper Norwood, White Hart Hotel, Church-rd., Upper Norwood, 8.  
Upton, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate, E., at 8.  
Wellington, White Swan Hotel, High-street, Deptford, 8 to 10.  
West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, E.C., at 7.  
Zetland, York and Albany, Park-street, Regent's Park, at 8.  
Doric Chapter, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-road, at 6.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

1615, Bayard, 33, Golden-square.

MARK LODGES.

Grand Stewards, 8A, Red Lion-square.  
5, Mallet and Chisel, 8A, Red Lion-square.  
139, Pannure, 8A, Red Lion-square.

RED CROSS.

Premier Conclave, Masonic Hall, 16A, Great Queen-st., W.C.  
148, Invicta, King William IV., Greenwich.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6.

Colonial Board, at 4.

CRAFT LODGES.

7, Royal York Lodge of Perseverance, Albion Tavern.  
9, Albion, Freemasons' Hall.  
18, Old Dundee, Cannon-street Hotel.  
101, Temple, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.  
172, Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall.  
217, Stability, Anderton's Hotel.  
765, St. James's, Bridge House Hotel.  
1259, Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tav., Commercial-rd.  
1261, Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent-street.  
1381, Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington.  
1397, Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley.  
1472, Henley, Three Crowns Hotel, Woolwich.  
1602, Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow.  
1693, Kingsland, Railway Hotel, Highbury.  
2150, Tivoli, Tivoli Restaurant, Strand.  
2190, Savage Club, Freemasons' Hall.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich-road, Herne Hill, at 8.  
Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Kingston Hill, at 8.  
Camden, Lord Northbrook Hotel, Lee, at 8.  
Capper, Railway Tavern, Angel-lane, Stratford, at 8.  
Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton Buildings, at 7.  
Chaucer, The Old White Hart, High-street, Borough, at 8.  
Corinthian, George Hotel, Cubitt Town, Poplar, at 8.  
Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Corner of Queen's-road and Middleton-road, Dalston, N.E., at 8.  
Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New-road, at 7.30.  
Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, Queen-street, Cheapside, at 7.  
East Surrey Lodge of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, High-street, Croydon, at 7.45.  
Emblematic, Red Lion, York-street, Jermyn-street, W., at 8.  
Enfield, Rose and Crown, Church-street, Edmonton, at 8.  
Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tavern, Plough-road, Rotherhithe.  
Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street, at 8.  
Finsbury, London Coffee House Tavern, Ludgate Hill, at 7.  
Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-street, Woolwich, at 7.30.  
Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30.  
Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 7.30.  
Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.  
Kensington, Scarsdale Arms, Edward-square, Kensington, at 8.  
Mount Edgcombe, Crown Tavern, Lambeth-road, S.E., at 8.  
New Cross, Chester Arms, Albany-street, N.W., at 8.  
New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav., Finsbury Park, at 8.  
Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida-vale, 8.  
Pilgrim (German language), Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C., 1st and 3rd Tues.  
Royal Naval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, at 8.  
South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Waltham Green, S.W., at 7.30.  
St. George's, Public Hall, New Cross, at 8.  
Wandsworth, East Hill, Hot., Alma-road, S.W., at 8.  
Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8.  
Camden Chapter, The Moorgate, Moorgate-street, at 8.  
Earl of Carnarvon Chapter, Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove-road, Notting-hill, at 8.  
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Abchurch-lane, at 6.30.

MARK LODGE.

1, St. Mark's, 8A, Red Lion-square.

ROSE CROIX CHAPTER.

72, Canterbury, 33, Golden-square.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7.

CRAFT LODGES.

GRAND CHAPTER, at 6.

511, Zetland, Anderton's Hotel.  
1298, Royal Standard, Cock Tavern, Highbury.  
1583, Royal Commemoration, White Lion Hotel, Putney.  
1087, Rothesay, St. James's Hall, Piccadilly.  
1766, St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoreditch.  
1827, Alliance, Guildhall Tavern.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, 7 till 9.  
Crays Valley, National Schoolroom, St. Mary Cray, 8.  
Duke of Albany, Rock Tavern, Battersea-park-road, at 7.30.  
Duke of Connaught, Ryl. Edwd. Hot., Mare-street, Hackney, 8.  
Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New-road, at 8.  
Fidelity, The Alfred Tavern, Roman-road, Barnsbury, N., at 8.  
Hendon, Lower Welsh Harp, Hendon, at 8.15.  
Langthorne, Swan Hotel, Stratford, at 8.  
La Tolerance, Portland Arms, Great Portland-street, W., at 8.  
Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John-street, Mayfair, at 8.  
Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, Limehouse, 7.30.  
Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High-street, Boro', 7.30.  
New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8.  
Pannure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7.  
Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516, Old Kent-road, at 8.  
Plucknett, Bald Faced Stag, East Finchley, at 7.45.  
Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, Greenwich, at 8.  
Ravensbourne, George Inn, Catford, at 8.  
Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery-lane, at 8.  
St. Leonard, Pr. of Wales Hotel, Bishop's-road, Victoria Park, 8.  
Stockwell, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons'-avenue, E.C., 6.  
Temperance in the East, Greenwich Pensioner, Bow-lane, Poplar, 7.30.  
United Mariners, Lugard Hotel, Lugard-road, Peckham.  
United Strength, Hope Tavern, Stanhope-st., Regent's-pk., at 8.  
Vitruvian, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, at 8.  
Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street, S.W.  
Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8.  
Domatic Chapter, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

1196, Urban, Freemasons' Hall.

1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

CRAFT LODGES.

19, Royal Athelstan, Cannon-street Hotel.  
91, Regularity, Freemasons' Hall.  
206, Friendship, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.  
238, Pilgrim, Freemasons' Hall.  
263, Bank of England, Albion Tavern.  
534, Polish National, Freemasons' Hall.  
657, Canonbury, Albion Tavern.  
860, Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel.  
879, Southwark, Bridge House Hotel.  
1076, Capper, Guildhall Tavern.  
1383, Friends in Council, 33, Golden-square.  
1457, Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton, Essex.  
1471, Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury.  
1598, Ley Spring, Anderton's Hotel.  
1599, Skelmersdale, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.  
1642, Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill.  
1708, Plucknett, Bald Faced Stag, East Finchley.  
1791, Creation, Freemasons' Hall.  
1804, Coborn, Vestry Hall, Bow.  
1987, Strand, Criterion, Piccadilly.  
2033, University of London, Freemasons' Hall.  
2047, Beckenham, Public Hall, Beckenham.  
2076, Quatuor Coronati, Freemasons' Hall.  
2090, Hammersmith, Vestry Hall, Hammersmith.  
2168, Derby Allcroft, Athenaeum, Camden-road, Islington.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Burdett Coutts, Swan Tavern, New Bethnal Green-road, at 8.  
City of London, City Arms Restaurant, St. Mary Axe, 6.30.  
Covent Garden, The Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.  
Creation, Wheatheaf Hot., Goldhawk-rd., Shepherd's Bush, W., 8.  
Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's-gate, Clerkenwell, 9.  
Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern (opposite Limehouse Church, E.), at 7.  
Ebury, Greyhound Hotel, Streatham Common, at 8 p.m.  
Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, 7.30.  
Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham.  
Guelph, Town Hall, Leyton, 8.  
Highgate, Bull and Gate, Highgate-road, N., at 8.  
High Cross, Coach and Horses, High-road, Tottenham, at 8.  
Ivy, Railway Tavern, Battersea Rise, S.W., at 8.  
Justice, Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford, 8 to 10.  
Langton, White Hart, Abchurch-lane, E.C., at 5.30.  
Leopold, Blackwall Railway Hotel, 7, London-street, Fenchurch-street, E.C., at 7.  
Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House, London Bridge, at 7.  
Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Tottenham-ct.-rd., 8.  
Royal Albert, White Hart Hotel, Abchurch-lane, at 7.30.  
Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel (opposite Wimbledon Railway Station), at 7.  
Rose, Sterling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, at 8.  
Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, at 8.  
Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tavern, Liverpool-road, 8.  
Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New-road, 8.  
Southern Star, Sir Sydney Smith, Chester-street, Kennington.  
The Great City, M.H., Masons'-avenue, E.C., 6.30.  
Tredegar, Wellington Arms, Wellington-road, Bow-road, 7.30.  
Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-street, Woolwich.  
Victoria Park, George Tavern, Broadway, Stratford, at 8.  
West Middlesex, Bell Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30.  
Prince Frederick William Chapter, Eagle Tavern, Clifton-road, Maida-vale, 7.30.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

140, St. George's, Trafalgar Hotel, Greenwich.

554, Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney.

ROSE CROIX CHAPTER.

42, St. George, 33, Golden-square.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9.

CRAFT LODGES.

33, Britannic, Freemasons' Hall.  
134, Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.  
157, Bedford, Freemasons' Hall.  
177, Domatic, Anderton's Hotel.  
1536, United Military, Lord Raglan, Plumstead.  
1602, Sir Hugh Myddelton, Agricultural Hall, N.  
2000, Earl of Mornington, 8A, Red Lion-square.  
2157, St. Mark's College, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Albion, The Mitre, 125, Chancery-lane, at 7.30.  
All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.  
Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, at 8.  
Burgoyne, Essex Head, Essex-street, Strand, at 7.  
Chigwell, Loughton Public Hall, at 7.30.  
Clapton, Lord Stanley, Sandringham-road, Hackney, at 8.  
Doric, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-road, at 8.  
Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting-hill, at 8.  
Emulation Lodge of Improvement (for M.Ms.), F.M.H. at 6.  
Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-street, Oxford-st., at 8.  
Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington Park, S.E., at 8.  
Loyalty, Private Rooms, 206, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8.  
Metropolitan (Victoria), Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7.  
Ranelagh, Six Bells, Queen-street, Hammersmith, W., at 8.  
Robert Burns, Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden-lane, Covent Garden, W.C., at 8.  
Royal Standard, Builders' Arms, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, N.  
Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8.  
St. George's Globe Tavern, Greenwich, at 8.  
St. James's, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-road, S.E., at 8.  
St. John's, York and Albany Hotel, Regent's Park, N.W., at 8.  
Stability, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons' Avenue, at 6.  
Temperance, Railway Tavern, New Cross-road, at 8.

The Abbey, King's Arms, Buckingham Palace, at 7.30.  
Ubique, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street, at 7.30.  
United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-road, at 7.30.  
Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8.  
Wm. Preston, St. Andrew's Tavern, George-street, Baker-st., W.  
Hornsey Chapter, Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square, Paddington, at 8.  
Lily of Richmond Chapter, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, at 8.  
Pythagorean Chapter, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich.  
Star Chapter, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church-st., Camberwell, at 8.  
Royal Savoy (Mark), The Moorgate, 15, Finsbury Pavement.

MARK LODGE.

198, Croydon, 105, High-street, Croydon.

ROSE CROIX.

3, Mount Calvary, 33, Golden-square, W.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

45, Temple Crossing, Bridge House Hotel.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

CRAFT LODGES.

108, London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.  
173, Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall.  
1328, Granite, Freemasons' Hall.  
1426, The Great City, Cannon-street Hotel.  
1446, Mount Edgcombe, Bridge House Hotel.  
1584, Loyalty and Charity, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge.  
1607, Loyalty, London Tavern, Fenchurch-street.  
1686, Paxton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.  
1743, Perseverance, Anderton's Hotel.  
1839, Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall.  
1928, Gallery, Brixton Hall, Acre-lane, S.W.  
1964, Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel.  
2029, King Solomon, 8A, Red Lion-square.

MARK LODGE.

234, Brixton, Anderton's Hotel.

## PROVINCIAL MASONIC MEETINGS

For the week ending Saturday, November 10, 1888.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5.

CRAFT LODGES.

53, Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath.  
107, Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Lynn.  
113, Unanimity, Bull Hotel Assembly Rooms, Preston.  
119, Sun, Square, and Compasses, F.M.H., Whitehaven.  
135, Perpetual Friendship, Clarence Hotel, Bridgewater.  
154, Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield.  
156, Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth.  
199, Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Snargate-st., Dover.  
236, York, Masonic Hall, Duncombe-place, York.  
251, Loyal, Masonic Hall, Castle-street, Barnstaple.  
328, St. John's, Masonic Hall, Torquay.  
338, Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire.  
395, Guys, Crown Hotel, Leamington.  
422, Yarborough, Masonic Hall, Market-place, Gainsboro'.  
428, Sincerity, Angel Hotel, Northwich, Cheshire.  
431, St. George's, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street, North Shields.  
478, Churchill, Masonic Hall, Alfred-street, Oxford.  
482, St. James, Wretham-road, Handsworth, Staffs.  
529, Semper Fidelis, Masonic Hall, Worcester.  
622, St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne.  
694, Oakley, Masonic Hall, Sarum-street, Basingstoke.  
737, Wentworth, Masonic Hall, Wellingboro', Northamptonshire.  
850, St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire.  
928, Friendship, Masonic Hall, Petersfield, Hampshire.  
959, Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Ipswich.  
977, Fowey, Masonic Hall, Fowey, Cornwall.  
1009, Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.  
1045, Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire.  
1050, Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester.  
1051, Rowley, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Lancaster.  
1071, Zetland, Masonic Hall, Saltash, Cornwall.  
1077, Wilton, Red Lion Hotel, Blackley, Lancashire.  
1124, St. Oswald, Wynnstay Arms Hotel, Oswestry.  
1180, Forward, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.  
1211, Goderich, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.  
1220, Solway, Albion Hotel, Silloth, Cumberland.  
1239, Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.  
1254, Semper Fidelis, Masonic Hall, Gandy-street, Exeter.  
1264, Neptune, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.  
1380, Skelmersdale, Lathom Hall, Seaford, Liverpool.  
1434, Nottinghamshire, Masonic Hall, Nottingham.  
1452, St. Margaret, Masonic Hall, Lowestoft.  
1573, Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer-street, Swansea.  
1578, Merlin, M.H., Court House-st., Pontypridd, South Wales.  
1674, Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Rhyl, Flint.  
1798, Zion, 74A, King-street, Manchester.  
1874, Lechmere, Masonic Hall, Kidderminster.  
1954, Molesworth, Lees Assembly Rooms, Wadebridge, Cornwall.  
2103, Jersey Coffee Tavern, Southall, Middlesex.  
2166, Cotehele, Masonic Hall, Calstock, Cornwall.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

74, Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham, at 7.  
184, United Chatham, Ass. Ro., Old Brompton, Chatham, 7.30.  
213, Perseverance, 47, St. Giles-street, Norwich.  
302, Hope, Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford.  
315, Royal York, Royal Pavilion, Brighton, at 8.30.  
378, Loyal Welsh, M.H., Queen-street, Pembroke Dock, at 7.30.  
382, Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge, at 8.  
429, Royal Navy, Shipwrights' Arms, Ramsgate, at 8.  
471, Silurian, Masonic Hall, Newport, Monmouthshire, at 7.  
521, Truth, F.M.H., Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield, at 8.  
823, Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30.  
962, Sun and Sector, Ass. Ro., Portland-sq., Workington, at 8.  
1071, Zetland, M.H., Alexandra-square, Saltash, Cornwall, at 8.  
1218, Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossley, at 7.  
1221, Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds.  
1286, Bayons, Corn Exchange, Market Rasen, at 8.  
1424, Brownrigg, King's Arms Hotel, Old Brompton, Kent, 7.30.  
1449, Royal Military, 38, St. Peter's-place, Canterbury, at 8.  
1536, United Military, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich, at 7.30.  
1600, Hamilton, Masonic Hall, Chapel-street, Alford, at 8.  
1692, Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent.  
1776, Unity, F.M.H., 79, Commercial-road, Landport, at 7.  
1799, Arnold, Portobello Hotel, Walton-on-the-Naze, at 8.  
1804, Coborn, Eagle Hotel, Snaresbrook, at 8.  
1981, Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Park-road, Norbiton, at 8.  
2134, Wilberforce, 55, Charlotte-street, Hull, at 8.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

312, Britannia, Masonic Hall, West Cliff, Whitby.  
319, New Forest, Masonic Hall, Lymington, Hants.  
533, Warren, Masonic Hall, Congleton, Cheshire.  
1205, Elliott, Metham Masonic Hall, East Stonehouse, Devon.

MARK LODGES.

12, Minerva, Masonic Hall, Dagger-lane, Hull.  
35, Sincerity, St. George's Hall, East Stonehouse, Plymouth.  
256, Five Arches, The Masonic Rooms, South Parade, Tenby.  
276, Middlesborough, F.M.H., Marton-road, Middlesborough.

RED CROSS.

148, Invicta, King William IV., Greenwich.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6.

CRAFT LODGES.

47, Newstead, Masonic Hall, Nottingham.  
52, Union, 47, St. Giles-street, Norwich.  
70, St. John's, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth.  
103, Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.  
120, Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford.  
124, Marquis of Granby, Freemasons' Hall, Durham.  
158, Adam's, Britannia Hotel, Mile-town, Sheerness.  
209, Etonia, Masonic Hall, St. Alban's-street, Windsor.  
220, Benevolence, Red Lion, Littleboro'.

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This property is most admirably adapted for the purpose required. It is within 25 miles of London, on the main line of the Great Western Railway. The position is particularly healthy, being on high ground and gravel soil. The premises comprise:—the Head Master's residence, the College buildings, with accommodation for 127 boys, and, in addition to the ordinary requirements of a school, there are covered five courts, a cinder track for cycling and sports, a gymnasium, carpenter's room, large tepid swimming bath, and a laboratory.

The College was founded upwards of 40 years ago, and has ever since been doing good work in the education of sons of gentlemen.

It is now, and has for some years past been, conducted under the Head Mastership of the Rev. JAMES PAYNE, D.C.L., assisted by a Wrangler, and other Graduates in honours of Oxford and Cambridge, and in the last Report on the condition of the College, dated July, 1888, the Rev. R. K. VINTER, M.A. (late Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge, Examiner for the Cambridge Local Syndicate) says: "It is evident that the course of education adopted at Craufurd College is well defined and thorough. The youngest is able to move upward step by step until he is ready to present himself for the most searching competitive examinations. Such a plan avoids high-pressure, and must recommend itself to parents as the proper and surest way of educating youth."

Arrangements have been made by which Dr. PAYNE and the present staff of Masters will continue in the service of the Company, and there are at present some 50 boarders at the school. The advantage of the purchase to Shareholders is manifest, as the Company is saved the necessity of starting a school, by acquiring this long-established one, thus earning a dividend from the commencement.

There is no other school offering advantages to Freemasons; it may therefore confidently be expected that the number of pupils will speedily reach 100, in which case it is estimated that the profits of the Company will not be less than £10 per cent.

(I.) The Shares are, in the first instance, offered to Freemasons, and all vacancies in the school will be filled up first from the sons of Shareholders; in the second place from the sons of Freemasons; and lastly from the sons of the public generally. The holders of not less than five Shares may nominate a boy for admission into the school on the terms specified below.

(II.) Special exhibitions, tenable at the College, will be offered for competition to sons of Freemasons.

(III.) Scholarships will be given (as funds permit) to those who wish to proceed from the College to the Universities.

(IV.) Exhibitions will be offered to a few of the cleverest and most deserving boys of the Royal Masonic Institution, to enable them to continue their education at Craufurd College after leaving the former.

The terms are at present fixed as follows:—

BOARDERS	under fourteen nominated by Shareholders	...	...	...	...	...	50	Guineas.
"	" un-nominated	"	...	...	...	...	60	"
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"	un-nominated	...	...	...	...	...	24	"

The Directors are empowered (after the Shareholders have received at least £5 per cent.) to set aside the profits, or a portion thereof, for the above-mentioned Exhibitions and Scholarships, and it is believed that Freemasons will assist by donations to augment this Fund. A member of the Craft has already offered two exhibitions for the benefit of boys coming from the Royal Masonic School.

Applications for Shares should be made to the Bankers, Solicitors, or at the Offices of the Company.

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- 252, Harmonic, Freemasons' Tavern, Stone-street, Dudley.
- 265, Royal Yorkshire, Pri. Ro., Hanover-street, Keighley, Yorks.
- 340, Alfred, Masonic Hall, Alfred-street, Oxford.
- 364, Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Queen-st., Neath, Glamorganshire.
- 393, St. David's, Masonic Hall, Parade, Berwick.
- 457, Loyal Monmouth, Freemasons' Hall, Monmouth.
- 493, Royal Lebanon, Bell Hotel, Gloucester.
- 558, Temple, Masonic Hall, Folkestone.
- 660, Camalodunum, Freemasons' Hall, Malton, Yorkshire.
- 673, St. John's, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
- 685, Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
- 702, Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, Stroud, Gloucestershire.
- 734, Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington.
- 794, Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield.
- 804, Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Waterloo-road, Havant.
- 847, Fortescue, Masonic Hall, Honiton, Devon.
- 948, St. Barnabas, Masonic Hall, Linslade, Bucks.
- 967, The Three Grand Principles, M.H., Penryn, Cornwall.
- 974, Pentalpha, Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford.
- 995, Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston, Lancs.
- 1002, Skiddaw, Masonic Rooms, Challoner-street, Cockermouth.
- 1134, Newall, Masonic Hall, Adelphi-street, Salford, Lancs.
- 1161, De Grey and Ripon, Masonic Hall, Manchester.
- 1222, St. Kew, Masonic Hall, Weston-super-Mare.
- 1244, Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar.
- 1330, Square and Compass, Public Hall, Wrexham.
- 1367, Beaminster Manor, White Hart Hotel, Beaminster.
- 1488, St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amlwch, Anglesea.
- 1619, Sackville, Masonic Rooms, East Grinstead, Sussex.
- 1780, Albert Edward, Masonic Hall, Southampton.
- 1785, St. Petroc, Masonic Hall, Padstow, Cornwall.
- 1807, Loyal Wye, Masonic Hall, Builth, Brecon.
- 1908, Cholmondeley, Commercial Hotel, Frodsham, Cheshire.
- 1970, Hadrian, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields.
- 1993, Wolsey, Town Hall Buildings, King-street, Manchester.
- 2049, Eilan Vannin, Masonic Hall, Douglas, Isle of Man.
- 2133, Swan of Avon, Union Club, Stratford-on-Avon.
- 2260, Ridley, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- 111, Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Darlington.
- 119, Sun, Square, and Compasses, F.M.H., Whitehaven, at 7.30.
- 170, All Souls, Masonic Hall, Weymouth.
- 299, Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford.
- 371, Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall, Englefield-st., Maryport, 8.
- 463, East Surrey Lodge of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, at 7.45.
- 496, Peace and Harmony, Masonic Rooms, St. Austell.
- 591, Buckingham, Masonic Hall, Aylesbury, at 8.
- 603, Zetland, Masonic Hall, Cleckheaton, Yorkshire.
- 814, Parrett and Axe, George Hotel, Crewkerne, at 8.
- 820, Lily, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, Surrey, at 8.
- 855, Sympathy, Swan Hotel, Wootton-under-Edge.
- 991, Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, at 7.
- 1119, St. Bede, Masonic Hall, Grange-road, Jarrow, at 8.
- 1390, Whitwell, Masonic Hall, Millom, Cumberland, at 7.30.
- 1472, Henley, Three Crowns Hotel, North Woolwich, at 7.30.
- 1473, Bootle, 146, Berry-street, Bootle, at 6.
- 1638, Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Kingston Hill, at 8.
- 1783, Albert Edward, F.M.H., Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield, 8.
- 1787, Grenville, Town Hall, Buckingham.
- 1837, Lullingstone, Masonic Hall, Wilmington, Dartford.
- 1894, Herschel, Masonic Rooms, Slough.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

- 203, St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Hope-st., Liverpool.
- 261, Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Taunton.
- 297, Concord, Masonic Hall, Lincoln.
- 600, Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Salcm-st., Bradford, Yorks.
- 707, St. Mary's, White Hart Hotel, Beaminster.
- 784, Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal.
- 938, Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
- 1138, Devon, Masonic Hall, Newton Abbott, Devon.

MARK LODGES.

- 60, Cumberland, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle.
- 63, St. Andrew's, M.H., Albion-place, Southampton.
- 69, United Service, King's Arms Hotel, Westcourt-street, Old Brompton, Kent.
- 111, Copley, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.
- 293, Industry, Freemasons' Hall, Gateshead-upon-Tyne.
- 63, St. Mary, Derby.

ROSE CROIX CHAPTER.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7.

CRAFT LODGES.

- 74, Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham.
- 94, Phoenix, Masonic Hall, Queen-street, Sunderland.
- 159, Brunswick, M.H., Phoenix-place, East Stonehouse, Devon.
- 164, Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Sidmouth.
- 168, Mariners, Masonic Temple, Le Marchant-st., Guernsey.
- 279, St. John's, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester.
- 283, Bedford, Private Room, Bedford-square, Tavistock, Devon.
- 287, Unanimity, White Lion Hot., Great Underbank, Stockport.
- 298, Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Drake-street, Rochdale.
- 326, Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.
- 327, St. John's, Lion and Lamb, Wigton.
- 406, Northern Counties, M.H., Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
- 477, Faith and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Dorchester.
- 429, Royal Navy, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
- 471, Silurian, Masonic Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Mon.
- 611, Lodge of the Marches, Masonic Hall, Ludlow.
- 645, Humphrey Chetham, F.M.H., Cooper-street, Manchester.
- 678, Earl Ellesmere, Church Hot., Farnworth with Kersley, near Bolton, Lancashire.
- 838, Franklyn, Peacock Hotel, Boston.
- 929, Waveney, King's Head Hotel, Bungay, Suffolk.
- 970, St. Anne's, Masonic Hall, East Looc, Cornwall.
- 992, St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broughton, Manchester.
- 1003, Prince of Wales, Masonic Temple, Stopford-road, Jersey.
- 1010, Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship-street, Hull.
- 1013, Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
- 1085, Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby.
- 1167, Alnwick, Masonic Hall, Prudhoe-street, Alnwick.
- 1206, Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwiche.
- 1274, Earl of Durham, Freemasons' Hall, Chester-le-street.
- 1323, Talbot, Mackworth Hotel, Swansea.
- 1333, Athelstan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick.
- 1335, Lindsay, Masonic Hall, King-street, Wigan.
- 1354, Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Hope-st., Leigh, Lancs.
- 1431, St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull, Warwick.
- 1461, Clausentum, Masonic Hall, Woolston, Hants.
- 1532, Bective, 32, English-street, Carlisle.
- 1620, Marlborough, Derby Hotel, Tue Brook, Liverpool.
- 1660, Arlecdon, Freemasons' Hall, Frizington, Cumb.
- 1703, Windrush, Corn Exchange, Witney.
- 1736, St. John's, St. John's Rooms, Halifax, Yorks.
- 1842, St. Leonard's, Gensing Hall, St. Leonard's.
- 1862, Stranton, Masonic Hall, West Hartlepool.
- 2042, Apollo, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
- 2193, Queen's Jubilee, Lord Nelson Inn, Nelson, Lancs. (E.D.)
- 2200, Pantiles, Pump Room, Tunbridge Wells.
- 2203, Farnborough and North Camp, Queen's Hotel, North Camp, Farnborough.
- 2216, Egerton, Bull's Head Inn, Swinton, near Manchester.
- 2224, Fairfield, Pavilion, Long Eaton, Derbyshire.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- 20, Royal Kent Lodge of Antiquity, Mitre Hall, Chatham.
- 175, Vectis, Masonic Hall, John-street, Ryde, Isle of Wight, 7.15.
- 186, Industry, Railway Hotel, West Hampstead.
- 439, Scientific, Masonic Rooms, Fleece Inn, Main-st., Bingley, 7.
- 464, Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Haverfordwest, at 7.30.
- 546, Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Caroline-street, Longton, at 8.
- 574, Hope, White Hart Hotel, Newbury.
- 594, Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.
- 809, United Good Fellowship, Rose and Crown Hot., Wisbech, 8.
- 851, Friendship, Steyne Hotel, Worthing.
- 972, St. Augustine, Masonic Temple, Canterbury.
- 1166, Clarendon, Commercial Hotel, Hyde.
- 1459, Ashbury, 7, New York-street, Charlton-on-Medlock, at 7.

- 1601, Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham, at 8.
- 2099, Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Herne Bay, at 8.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

- 126, Nativity, Bull Hotel, Burnley.
- 200, Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough.
- 304, Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.
- 333, Royal Preston, Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston.
- 477, Fidelity, Masonic Chambers, Hamilton-street, Birkenhead.
- 1750, Adair, Regent House, Clevedon, Somerset.

MARK LODGES.

- 65, West Lancashire, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool.
- 66, Fortitude, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Princess-pl., Plymouth.
- 91, Huyshe, Ebrington Masonic Hall, Granby-st., Devonport.
- 113, Blair, Commercial Inn, Haslingden.
- 282, Derwent, Assembly Rooms, Workington.
- 339, William Kelly, Swan Hotel, Winhill, Derbyshire.
- 372, De La Pole, Masonic Hall, Seaton.

ROSE CROIX CHAPTER.

- 7, Palatine, Palatine Hotel, Manchester.
- 72, Coteswold of St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Cheltenham.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

CRAFT LODGES.

- 35, Medina, Masonic Hall, Cowes.
- 50, Knights of Malta, St. George's Hall, Hinckley, Leicestershire.
- 112, St. George's, Masonic Hall, Gandy-street, Exeter.
- 130, Royal Gloucester, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton.
- 139, Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
- 381, Harmony and Industry, M.H., Bank Buildings, Darwin.
- 437, Science, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Wincanton.
- 442, St. Peter's, Masonic Hall, Peterborough.
- 469, Hundred of Elloe, Masonic Hall, Spalding.
- 487, Portsmouth, Masonic Hall, Highbury-street, Portsmouth.
- 546, Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Longton, Staffordshire.
- 561, Zetland, Masonic Hall, Guisborough.
- 586, Elias De Derham, Freemasons' Hall, Salisbury.
- 732, Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.
- 739, Temperance, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
- 784, Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal.
- 786, Croxteth United Service, M.H., Hope-street, Liverpool.
- 816, Roysds, Sun Inn, Littleboro'.
- 991, Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland.
- 1035, Prince of Wales, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
- 1055, Derby, Masonic Rooms, Bedford-st., Cheetham, Lancashire.
- 1098, St. George's, Pri. Ro., Temperance Hall, Tredegar (Mon.)
- 1099, Huyshe, Masonic Hall, Stoke Damerel, Devon.
- 1182, Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
- 1213, Bridgewater, Cross Keys Hotel, Eccles, Lancashire.
- 1273, St. Michael's, Town Hall, Sittingbourne.
- 1416, Falcon, Masonic Hall, Thirsk.
- 1424, Brownrigg Lodge of Unity, King's Arms Ho., Old Brompton.
- 1429, Albert Edward Prince of Wales, M.H., Dock-street, Newport, Mon.
- 1457, Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton, Essex.
- 1583, Corbett, Masonic Rooms, Towyn, North Wales.
- 1697, Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot, Lancashire.
- 1863, Priory, Masonic Hall, Tynemouth.
- 1915, Graystone, Foresters' Hall, Whitstable.
- 1992, Tennant, Masonic Hall, Cardiff.
- 2016, Shaldon, Assembly Rooms, Alton, Hants.
- 2038, Portcullis, Langport Arms Hotel, Langport, Somersetshire.
- 2040, Warde, Westerham, Kent.
- 2047, Beckenham, Public Hall, Beckenham.
- 2217, Windermere, Central Buildings, Windermere.
- 2218, Rickmansworth, Swan Hotel, Rickmansworth, Herts.
- 2227, White Horse, Masonic Hall, Westbury, Wilts.
- 2324, Onslow, Constitutional Hall, Guildford.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- 31, United Industrious, Freemasons' Temple, St. Peter's-street, Canterbury, at 7.
- 70, St. John, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Princes-pl., Plymouth.
- 77, Freedom, New Falcon Hotel, West-street, Gravesend.
- 203, Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.
- 249, Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8.
- 289, Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds.
- 581, Faith, Old Boar's Head, Hyde's Cross, Manchester.
- 659, Blagdon, Mechanics' Hall, Blyth, Northumberland.
- 788, Crescent, King's Head Hotel, Twickenham, at 8.
- 1050, Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester, Kent.
- 1209, Lewises, Balmoral Hotel, Broadstairs, at 7.30.
- 1224, Stour Valley, Masonic Hall, Sudbury, Suffolk, at 7.
- 1360, Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel, Wimbledon, at 7.30.
- 1437, Liberty of Havering, Rising Sun Hotel, Romford, at 7.
- 1580, Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, at 7.30.
- 1809, Sandown, Masonic Hall, Sandown, at 7.
- 1884, Chine, Masonic Hall, Shanklin, Isle of Wight.
- 1892, Wallington, Public Hall, Carshalton, Surrey, at 7.30.
- 1957, Grove, Cock Inn, Hazelgrove.
- 1973, Wallington, Greyhound Hotel, Carshalton, at 8.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

- 51, Patriotic, Three Cups, Colchester.
- 202, Friendship, Masonic Hall, Granby-street, Devonport.
- 220, Harmony, Wellington Hotel, Garston, Lancashire.
- 254, Trinity, Queen's Hotel, Coventry.
- 464, Hwlford, Masonic Hall, Haverfordwest.
- 509, Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton-on-Tees.
- 613, Bridson, Freemasons' Hall, Eastbank-st., Southport, Lancs.
- 723, Panmure, Masonic Hall, Barrack-road, Aldershot.
- 789, Dunheved, Masonic Hall, Launceston, Cornwall.
- 818, Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Abergavenny.
- 935, Starkie, Masonic Hall, Salford.
- 948, St. Barnabas, Masonic Hall, Linslade, Bucks.
- 1513, Friendly, Masonic Hall, Eastgate, Barnsley.
- 1578, Naunton Davies, Masonic Hall, Pontypridd.

MARK LODGES.

- 97, St. Barnabas, Masonic Hall, Linslade, Bucks.
- 101, Boscawen, Freemasons' Hall, Chacewater.
- 182, Hamber, Freemasons' Hall, Osborne-street, Hull.
- 189, Scarlett, The Bull Hotel, Burnley, Lancashire.
- 250, Darlington, Freemasons' Hall, Archer-street, Darlington.

KNIGHT TEMPLAR PRECEPTORIES.

- 91, Geoffry de Bouillon, M.H., St. Nicholas Cliff, Scarborough.
- 21, Salamanca, Masonic Hall, Halifax.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9.

CRAFT LODGES.

- 36, Glamorgan, Masonic Hall, Working-street, Cardiff.
- 170, All Souls', Masonic Hall, Weymouth.
- 458, Aire and Calder, Masonic Hall, Boothferry-road, Goole.
- 526, Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.
- 815, Blair, Town Hall, Hulme, Manchester.
- 1087, Beaudesert, Ass. Ros., Corn Exchange, Leighton Buzzard.
- 1121, Wear Valley, Masonic Hall, Bishop Auckland, Durham.
- 1289, Rock, Masonic Chambers, 9, Hamilton-street, Birkenhead.
- 1428, United Service, Freemasons' Hall, Commercial-rd., Landport.
- 1661, Newton, Savings' Bank, Newark-upon-Trent.
- 1676, St. Nicholas, F.M.H., Grainger-road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
- 1983, Martyn, Town Hall, Southwold, Suffolk.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- 123, Lennox, Masonic Hall, Newbiggin, Richmond, Yorks, at 8.
- 187, Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol, at 7.
- 265, Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Rooms, Keighley, at 8.
- 306, Alfred, Private Rooms, 23, Albion-street, Leeds, at 7.30.
- 326, Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol, at 7.
- 523, Union, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester, at 7.30.
- 1034, Eccleshill, Alexandra Hotel, Bradford, at 8.
- 1071, Zetland, Masonic Hall, Alexandra-sq., Saltash, Cornwall, 8.
- 1391, Commercial, Masonic Hall, Leicester, at 7.30.
- 1393, Hamer, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
- 1802, Vernon, Exchange Buildings, East Retford, Notts.
- 1991, Agrigola, 3, Peter-lanc, Market-street, York.
- 1983, Martyn, Town Hall, Southwold, Suffolk, at 7.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

- 993, Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme, near Manchester.
- 1780, Albert Edward, Masonic Hall, Southampton.

MARK LODGES.

- 52, Economy, Masonic Hall, Parchment-street, Winchester.
- 110, Integrity, Bull Hotel, Wakefield.
- 195, Kent Dale, Masonic Rooms, St. George's Hall, Kendal.
- 198, Croydon, Harewood House, 96, High-street, Croydon.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

- 4, Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield.
- 55, Holy Rood, Masonic Rooms, Warwick.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

CRAFT LODGES.

- 1755, Eldon, Royal Hotel, Portishead, Somerset.
- 2069, Prudence, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.
- 2095, Caterham, Drill Hall, Stafford-road, Caterham, Surrey.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

- 478, Mersey, Hamilton-square, Birkenhead.

ROYAL CROIX CHAPTER.

- 43, Eureka, Masonic Rooms, Pavilion, Brighton.

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