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THE public, from "JOHN O'GROATS to Land's End," have been fully informed as to the serious "Masonic Scandal" at Edinburgh, and the utmost publicity has been given to a matter, that according to our minds, and the usages and customs of the English Craft, would have been most rigidly kept as private as possible, and would not even have come before the Grand Lodge. In times gone by, when brethren have so far forgotten their obligations to due secrecy as to violate the laws of Freemasonry, an *indefinite suspension*, after due trial before the "Board of General Purposes," has answered fully to mark the sense of the Craft of such flagrant and un-Masonic conduct. Of course, the defendant in such a case might have appealed to the Grand Lodge, but no one in their senses would be so foolish, as the result would be *expulsion*, and all the particulars would become known—to the greater punishment of the offender. The Board, if any report at all, had to be made, would take care not to make it in the unfortunate manner that the late escapade has been treated in Edinburgh. The misfortune is that the "Grand Committee" of the Grand Lodge of Scotland is required to regularly report *all their transactions* for the information and approval or disapproval of Grand Lodge," so that the transactions of this body on the 25th October, respecting the serious irregularity of one brother in particular, and also certain members of his lodge, were printed and circulated in the published report, No. 3, of the Proceedings for 1888, prior to the meeting of the Grand Lodge, when the vote for expulsion was finally agreed to. We cannot but think that the system adopted in this country is far preferable, and avoids undue publicity as to purely esoteric matters connected with the Craft, which, unless there is absolute need, should never on any account, in any way, appear in the columns of the public press. We suggest that, unless an appeal be taken, the proceedings of the kind noted should never be mentioned beyond the circle of those composing the Grand Committee of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and that the laws be altered accordingly.

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FOR many years past Freemasonry in the counties of Leicestershire and Rutland has been in a most flourishing condition. It is not, perhaps, very strong in the number of its lodges, but those which have been established work well together, the brethren are actuated by a thoroughly loyal spirit, and there are skilled and veteran Craftsmen to guide the fortunes of the Society in this favoured Province. As a consequence, it invariably happens that when the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge comes round, as it did the other day at Oakham, the reports which the different Executive Officers are called upon to lay before the brethren are, almost as a matter of course, satisfactory. The funds seem to be always well administered, and there is generally a good account to render of the work done in aid of one or other of our principal Charitable Institutions, a special effort having been made during the year now concluded in order that the Province might enter a more successful appearance than usual at the Centenary Festival of the Girls' School, when it figured for contributions amounting in the aggregate to upwards of £600. Unfortunately, the Prov. G. Master—Bro. the Earl FERRERS—was detained from the meeting, and so missed hearing the very glowing accounts which were given of the progress made by the Province during the year, and which it would have afforded him so much pleasure to hear. But his place was ably filled by his Deputy, Bro. S. S. PARTRIDGE, and under his able presidency everything passed off most satisfactorily, one circumstance, which was made the subject of a special resolution, very properly attracting to itself a considerable share of attention. This event was the approaching jubilee of the initiation into Freemasonry of that most able and experienced of Masonic veterans, Bro. WILLIAM KELLY, who for some two or three years was Provincial Grand Master and who still presides as Grand Superintendent of the Royal Arch Masons in the Province, and as head of the Mark Master Masons in Leicestershire and sundry of the adjoining

counties. There are few men living who have done better or more loyal service to the Craft than Bro. KELLY, and the brethren of Leicestershire and Rutland are conferring honour upon themselves by congratulating their able and genial Past Prov. Grand Master on so eventful an anniversary. Bro. KELLY'S services to his Province have been of incalculable value, whether we regard him as a former ruler, as the promoter of its Charitable Association, in connection with the establishment of the Masonic Hall in Leicester, or as the historian of its Freemasonry. He has distinguished himself in all the various capacities he has been called upon to fill, and it would be difficult to mention any position of eminence in Craft, Arch, or Mark Masonry to which he has not been appointed. We cordially re-echo the good wishes which were expressed on his behalf by his Leicestershire and Rutland brethren at the recent meeting of their Provincial Grand Lodge, and we trust it may be many, many years ere—to use a familiar yet expressive phrase—the place which this distinguished and veteran brother has so long and so ably filled in Freemasonry shall "know him no more."

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The Canadian
Invasion
of Victoria.

WE take an early opportunity of recognising the promptitude with which the *Canadian Craftsman* has endorsed our remarks on the recent wanton aggression by the Grand Chapter of Canada on the rights and privileges of the Grand Lodge and Chapter of England in the Australasian colony of Victoria. As we pointed out in our article condemning the establishment of two Canadian Royal Arch Chapters in the City of Melbourne, "it is difficult to imagine a more wanton, uncalled for, and graceless attack than this on the supremacy of our Grand Lodge and Chapter;" and the *Canadian Craftsman* is of opinion that the language is none too strong, considering the enormity of the offence committed. It describes the said offence as "an invasion, pure and simple," and adds that "a milder word would be entirely out of place." It further remarks: "In the Colony of Victoria there are at least eleven English chapters under the government of a District chapter, a fact that our leading Royal Arch Masons should be conversant with. In addition to the English chapters, there are also Irish and Scotch chapters, so that our Canadian companions not only planted their chapters in a colony already occupied, but where some of the chapters were organised under as distinctive a head as is allowed provincial chapters in England." It is, no doubt, an aggravation of the offence committed by Canada that English Royal Arch Masonry in Victoria is already furnished with just such an organisation as is accorded to our own Provinces at home, and the Executive Officers of the Grand Chapter of Canada should have known this; but, as our worthy contemporary very properly points out, the invasion must be condemned even less on this account than for the injury it is certain to inflict on Freemasonry as a body. It goes on to say: "For a vast Brotherhood, scattered over the globe, there should be harmony, if that Brotherhood means anything or aims to accomplish a good purpose." But, "Can harmony exist, or brotherly feeling be engendered, if studious efforts are continuously being made to bring about friction?" This is strictly in accordance with the view we enunciated in our former article, when we pointed out that, "if this new departure is continued, there must be an end to all harmony among the various Grand Lodges in the British Empire. It will be impossible for them to live on amicable terms with one another if every Grand Lodge to which the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland have conceded, or may hereafter concede, independence is to be free to attack or ignore the rights and privileges of the latter." The lodges in our Colonies which belong indifferently to the English, Irish, or Scotch systems have no difficulty in working side by side in the most complete harmony, such as has always prevailed among the parent Grand Lodges of the United Kingdom. It is difficult for the American Grand Lodges, with their elaborate codes of laws about matters which never concern us here, to understand the secret of this harmony, but it exists nevertheless, and is likely to exist, in all Colonies and Dependencies of the British Crown which are, Masonically, connected, as now, with the Mother Country. But we have an illustration in the Anglo-Quebec difficulty of the discords which are certain to ensue if the other Grand Lodges in the British Empire which have sprung from the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland should ever have conceded to them the right to establish lodges outside the limits of their respective territorial jurisdictions. What kind or degree of harmony would be likely to prevail among the lodges of half-a-dozen different systems working within a stone's throw of each other, especially when it is known that the laws which govern one half of those systems have been in very many things essential compiled in a different spirit from the laws which govern the other half, and are intended to promote or prevent objects to which the other half of the systems have ever shown themselves indifferent? However, as we said in our former

article on this Canadian invasion of Victoria, let us hope the Grand Chapter of Canada will have the grace to retire its warrants, and thus put an end to a difficulty which is entirely of its own creation. In the meantime, our thanks are due to the *Canadian Craftsman* for the readiness with which it has supported our contention and the determination it has thereby exhibited to prefer the welfare of the whole Craft to that of any particular branch or section.

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WE have read with considerable interest a letter addressed by Questionable R.W. Bro. W. J. CRAWFORD, Prov. Grand Master of South Advice. Australia, under the Irish Constitution, to his Deputy, Bro. J. PENN BOUCAUT, and to be read by the latter in open lodge to the members of the Duke of Leinster Lodge, No. 363 (I.C.), which is the only lodge in South Australia that has not seen fit to join the new order of things, preferring to remain in its old allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Ireland, from which it derives its constitution, to casting in its lot with the lodges under the Grand Lodge of South Australia. The letter is a long one, and has evidently been compiled with great care. It expresses many sentiments which cannot fail to excite our most respectful admiration, yet the advice it tenders to the brethren of the Duke of Leinster Lodge to remain firm to their present allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Ireland is of a questionable character, and we consider Bro. CRAWFORD would have done Freemasonry in South Australia a greater and more important service had he contented himself with advising the brethren he was addressing as to the conduct it would be their duty to observe so long as they remained under the banner of Ireland. Nothing, for instance, could be in better taste, or more in consonance with those feelings of mutual respect and goodwill which should always prevail among Masons, whether of the same or of different Constitutions, than the passage in this letter in which, after pointing out that the Grand Lodge of Australia has been "duly recognised by the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Ireland and the other Home and Foreign Grand Lodges, and that it is supreme in all Masonic matters in South Australia, except only such as appertain to your lodge." Bro. CRAWFORD goes on to say—"You will, therefore, pay to the MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA, and the officers of his Grand Lodge, the utmost respect, and show them on all occasions the utmost consideration; and you will, should they ever favour you with a visit, receive them with all Masonic honour, reserving, of course, your right, whenever occasion makes it requisite, to have your lodge confined to members of your own body only." And again—"You will pay all respect to the subordinate lodges of the sister Constitution and the members thereof, and receive them in due course, subject, as before mentioned, to your right of private meeting when necessary." At the same time, Bro. CRAWFORD, while urging upon them to give every respect and consideration to members of the South Australian Constitution, impresses upon them "to none the less guard and uphold" their own "rights and privileges." Up to this point we have no difficulty in agreeing with Bro. CRAWFORD, but, with all due respect, we consider him an unwise counsellor when, a little later on, he adds: "I strongly counsel you to adhere to your parent Constitution, and to continue to work under the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Ireland." No doubt he gives reasons in behalf of the advice thus tendered; but some of these appear to us to be extremely frivolous—as, for instance, that the lodge "will form a link between the old and the new Grand Lodges," which does not strike us as being an advantage to anybody; while upon others, as they relate to the private affairs of the lodge, we can pretend to form no opinion whatever. We fully recognise that the Duke of Leinster Lodge, No. 363, is acting within its right in holding aloof from the Grand Lodge of South Australia, and remaining by preference in its old allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Ireland; and we dare say it will not be difficult for its members to work side by side with their South Australian brethren in a spirit of the most complete harmony. It may be also that the reasons which relate to the Alfred Masonic Hall, and on which, as we have said, we offer no opinion, are of paramount importance, and fully justify the course pursued by the lodge, in retaining its old status. But it strikes us as being the height of un-wisdom for any one to advise a single lodge, or even half a dozen lodges, to hold aloof from a movement which has achieved its purpose by legitimate constitutional methods. An overwhelming majority of the South Australian brethren have determined that it is better they should have an independent Grand Lodge of their own than remain under their old Constitutions, and though, as we have said, the minority are exercising no more than their just right in remaining as they have been always—a lodge under the Irish Constitution; yet it is manifestly to the advantage of Freemasonry that the Grand Lodge of South Australia should be the one and only Supreme Masonic Authority in that Colony.

HARRIS, THADDEUS M., THE REV., D.D.—Was an American brother and writer of some pretensions, and was born in 1767, and died in 1848. He was Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and had been corresponding Grand Secretary, and also Deputy Grand Master. His first work was the editing the Constitutions of the ancient and honourable Fraternity of Freemasons, at Worcester, Mass., 1792, of which we have a copy of the second edition for 1798. His volume of "Masonic Discourses," published in 1801, is a very interesting and very readable production. His addresses as Grand Chaplain are also much prized, Mackey tells us, in America, though we have only seen the volume of "Discourses" for 1801. He was a zealous Mason, and an able and learned writer.—*Kenning's Cyclopaedia of Freemasonry.*

OLD WARRANTS—Nos. XXX & XXXI.

The series of old "Warrants," especially those relating to Ireland will soon be exhausted. I am, however, agreeably surprised to receive from Dr. F. C. Crossle, Prov. G. Sec., Co. Down, some important additions just when it seemed the "end of the tunnel" was reached. The one of A.D. 1737 is valuable, and so also is that of No. 447 of A.D. 1766, the latter because of the name of the Grand Master. To conclude this article I give the roll of Grand Masters, omitting those that are apocryphal 1174 to 1517, from the Calendar of the Grand Lodge of Ireland for 1886, which should be compared with the list printed from the by-laws of North Munster of A.D. 1847, and on the whole matter being threshed out, I hope to furnish a correct list, as far as possible, of Grand Masters for Ireland, based upon actual documents.

W. J. HUGHAN.

COPY (BY DR. CROSSLE) OF No. 77, OF A.D. 1737.

Tyrone By the Right Worshipful, and Right Honourable * Lord Visct. Tyrone Grand Master of all the Lodges of Free-Masons in the Kingdom of IRELAND; the Rt. Worshipful James Brennan, M.D., D.G.M. Deputy Grand Master, the Worshipful Cornelius Callaghan, Junr., Esqr., and John Putland Esq., Grand Wardens.

Cor. Callaghan, Junr. WHEREAS our Trusty and Well-beloved Brothers Wm. Ponder Mastr., James Hollyman & John Ard Wardens have besought Us that We would be pleased to erect a Lodge of Free-Masons, in the Town of Newry in the County of Down, of such Persons, who by their Knowledge and Skill in Masonry, may contribute to the Well-being and Advancement thereof. We therefore duly weighing the Premises, and having nothing more at Heart, than the Prosperity and true Advancement of Masonry, and reposing special Trust and Confidence in our Trusty and Well-beloved Brothers, the said Wm. Ponder Mastr., James Hollyman & John Ard Wardens, of whose Abilities and knowledge in Masonry, we are satisfied; Do, by these PRESENTS, of Our certain Knowledge and meer Motion, Nominate, Create, Authorize, and Constitute the said Wm. Ponder, James Hollyman & John Ard, to be Master and Wardens of a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to be held by them and their Successors lawfully admitted in the said Lodge, for ever. AND we do hereby Give and Grant unto the said Wm. Ponder Mastr., James Hollyman & John Ard Wardens, and their Successors, full Power and lawful Authority, from Time to Time, to proceed to Election of a new Master and Wardens, to make such Laws, Rules and Orders, as they from Time to Time shall think Proper and Convenient for the Well-being and Ordering of the said Lodge; reserving to Our Selves and Our Successors, Grand Masters or Grand Wardens of IRELAND, the sole Right of deciding all Differences which shall be brought by Appeal before Us, and our Successors, Grand Masters or Grand Wardens of IRELAND. In WITNESS whereof, We have hereunto set Our Hands and Seal of Office this 27th Day of December in the Year of our Lord God, 1737, and in the Year of Masonry, 5737.

Seal

No. 77.

JOHN PENNELL, Sec.

COPY OF No. 447, A.D. 1766.

Cavan, G.M. By the Right Worshipful and Right Hon. the Earl of Cavan, Grand Master of all the Lodges of Freemasons in the Kingdom of Ireland, the Worshipful H. W. Waring, Esq., Deputy Grand Master, the Worshipful George Hart and Peter Latouche, Esqs., Grand Wardens.

H. W. Waring, D.G.M.

Whereas our Trusty and Well-beloved Brothers Samuel McMahon, James Wallace, and Samuel Frederick have besought us that we would be pleased to erect a Lodge of Free Masons in the Town of Newtown Clonboys, County Down, of such persons by their knowledge and skill in Masonry may contribute to the Well-being and Advancement thereof, We therefore duly weighing premises and having nothing more at heart than the prosperity and true advancement of Masonry And reposing special trust and confidence in our trusty and Well-beloved Brothers the said Samuel McMahon, James Wallace, and Samuel Frederick, of whose Abilities and Knowledge in Masonry We are satisfied, Do by these Presents of our certain Knowledge in Ma-onry and Meer Motion Nominate, Create, Authorize, and Constitute the said Samuel McMahon, James Wallace, and Samuel Frederick to be Master and Wardens of a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to be held by them, and their successors lawfully admitted, in the said Lodge for ever, And we do hereby give and grant unto the said Samuel McMahon James Wallace and Samuel Frederick and their successors full power and lawful authority from time to time to proceed to Election of a new Master and Wardens, to make such Laws Rules and Orders as they from time to time shall think proper and Convenient, for the well-being and ordering of the Said Lodge reserving to ourselves and our successors Grand Masters and Grand Wardens of Ireland the sole right of deciding all differences which shall be brought by Appeal before us and our successors Grand Masters or Grand Wardens of Ireland. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our Hands and Seal of Office, this Sixth of November in the year of our Lord God 1766, and in the Year of Masonry 5766.

Entered by me,

JNO. CALDER, Secty.

[Transcribed by Bro. Jno. Pook, Sec. 447.]

ROLL OF GRAND MASTERS OF IRELAND, G.L. CALENDAR, 1886.

1726, Colonel the Hon. James O'Brien, M.P.
 1729, James, 4th Baron Kingston, also Grand Master of England.
 1730, Colonel William Maynard.
 1732, Nicholas, 5th Viscount Netterville.
 1733, Henry, 4th Viscount Kingsland.
 1736, Marcus, 1st Viscount Tyrone.
 1738, William, 3rd Viscount Mountjoy, subsequently 1st Earl of Blessington.
 1740, Arthur, 3rd Viscount Doneraile.
 1741, Charles, 2nd Baron Tullamore.
 1743, Thomas, 2nd Baron Southwell.
 1744, John, 3rd Viscount Allen.
 1747, Sir Marmaduke Wyville, 6th Baronet.
 1749, Robert, 1st Baron Kingsborough.
 1753, Hon. Thomas Southwell.
 1757, Brinsley, Lord Newtownbutler, subsequently 2nd Earl of Laneshorough.
 1758, Charles, 6th Earl of Drogheda, K. St. P.
 1761, Sir Edward King, Bart., subsequently 1st Earl of Kingston, and again Grand Master.
 1764, Thomas, 6th Earl of Westmeath, K. St. P.
 1768, Ford, 5th Earl of Cavan.
 1771, William, Marquess of Kildare (first time).
 1773, Randal, Viscount Dunluce, subsequently 6th Earl of Antrim (first time).
 1777, Garrett, 1st Earl of Mornington, father of the Duke of Wellington.
 1778, William, 2nd Duke of Leinster, K. St. P. (second time).
 1779, Randall, 6th Earl and subsequently Marquess of Antrim (second time); also Grand Master of England.
 1782, Richard, 2nd Earl of Mornington, K.G., K. St. P., subsequently, when Marquess of Wellesley, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.
 1783, Robert, 1st Baron Muskerry.
 1785, Arthur, Viscount Kilwarlin, subsequently 2nd Marquess of Downshire.
 1787, Francis, 2nd Viscount Glerawley.
 1789, General Richard, 2nd Baron, and subsequently 1st Earl of Donoughmore.
 1813, Augustus, 3rd Duke of Leinster.
 1874, James, 1st Duke of Abercorn.

* Words in italics denote those that are written, the remainder being printed, as usual.

NOTES ON THE CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION.

BY BRO. H. SADLER.

(Continued from page 642).

The first meeting under this Warrant was on the 21st November, 1809, when it was "Resolved that this Lodge be called 'The Special Lodge of Promulgation.'" Twenty-five new members were elected at this meeting, who appear to have been chosen from the most distinguished brethren of the "Modern" society, including the Duke of Sussex and several Provincial Grand Masters. At the next meeting, on the 1st of December following, the lodge commenced operations in earnest. "Br. C. Bonnor (S.W. and Acting Master elect of the Lodge of Antiquity, No. 1), was appointed Secretary." . . . "Br. Bayford, Grand Treasurer, defined the obvious view in which the duties imposed upon the Lodge by the Warrant was to be considered, and invited a special attention in the first instance to the ascertaining what were the Ancient Landmarks which they were required to restore. At the request of the R.W.M., he stated clearly and explicitly the principal points of variation between the Ancient and the Modern practice in the several Degrees of the Order, and concluded by referring to Br. Bonnor for a more detailed explanation of the precise forms adhered to in the Ancient Practice: whereupon, in obedience to the commands of the R.W.M., Br. Bonnor proceeded to an accurate description and recitation of the Ancient Practice (as adhered to in the lodge of which he is a member) in the several ceremonies of opening and closing the Lodge in the first, second, and third Degrees, and likewise in the mode prescribed and practiced for communicating and receiving the particular secrets in those several Degrees which constitute the Ancient Landmarks in Question. A general anxiety to ascertain by every possible means the most ample and authentic sources of Information on a subject so important, led to a series of animated discussions, which was protracted till half-past twelve o'clock, when the Lodge was closed in due form, and the Meeting adjourned to Friday next, at seven o'clock precisely."

It is not my present purpose to describe in detail the various transactions of this lodge, as they have no reference to the Installation ceremony until the 19th October, 1810. I may, however, remark that the members appear to have had some difficulty in deciding what were to be considered the "Ancient Landmarks of the Order," but after having availed themselves of the assistance of a deserter from the opposite body, they made better progress, and on the date last mentioned it was "Resolved that it appears to this Lodge, that the ceremony of Installation of Masters of Lodges is one of the two Landmarks of the Craft, and ought to be observed."

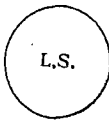
Resolved that it be referred to those members of this Lodge who are Installed Masters, to Install the R.W.M. of this Lodge, and under his direction take such measures as may appear necessary for installing Masters of the Lodges." It is not stated what the other Landmark was considered to be. Sixteen members attended the next meeting, only four of whom appear to have been regularly installed, although they are, with one exception, represented as Masters of lodges; three out of the four were members of the Lodge of Antiquity, and the other was Thomas Carr, Master of No. 30.

As an example of the laxity of the times (Masonically speaking) I may mention that this brother, although appointed by the Grand Master one of the original members of the Lodge of Promulgation, was not registered in the Grand Lodge Book as a member of the lodge of which he is described as Master. At the next meeting a Board of Installed Masters was formed and the R.W.M. and the other members of the lodge were regularly installed, and in order to enable the Masters of the various lodges to attend for the same purpose, the Grand Master, at the request of the members, renewed the powers of the Lodge of Promulgation for two months beyond the period for which the Warrant was originally granted. The Masters of all the lodges in London and its vicinity, under the "Moderns," were summoned to attend, and any Master or other brother presenting himself with a certificate from his lodge of his having served the office of Warden and been duly elected to that of Master, was then and there regularly installed, as also were many Provincial Grand Masters, as well as the Earl of Moira, the Acting Grand Master, himself, who had filled the high office from the year 1790. The Lodge of Promulgation finished its labours, or, to be quite correct, the minutes end, on the 5th of March, 1811, but as the lodge is stated to have been "then closed in due form and adjourned," it is possible that another meeting was held, if so, it was not recorded in the minute book; the Acting Grand Master declined to accede to a numerously-signed petition for a further extension of its powers for twelve months, being probably under the impression that it had already answered the purpose for which the Warrant was issued, as at the time active preparations were going on with a view of uniting the two rival Grand Lodges.

As is generally known to readers of our history, the "glorious union" was celebrated in Freemasons' Hall with much splendour and rejoicing on the 27th December, 1813 (a preliminary meeting to ratify the Convention having taken place on the 1st of that month), and, in conformity with the "Articles of Union," an equal number of brethren were selected from the two Fraternities for the purpose of effecting a uniformity of ritual, and arranging the future ceremonies of the Craft. Accordingly, a Warrant bearing date 7th December, 1813, signed by the Duke of Sussex, Grand Master of the "Moderns," and witnessed by the Duke of Kent, Grand Master of the "Ancients," was issued for a lodge to be called the Lodge of Reconciliation, probably the only Masonic Warrant in existence bearing the sign manual of two Royal Grand Masters.

To the best of my belief, this unique document has not hitherto been open to the inspection of brethren of the present generation. I will, therefore, give a transcript of it, not only for the benefit of such as may be interested in its perusal, but also to preserve from oblivion so important a link in the historical chain of our Order.

"AUGUSTUS FREDERICK G.M. WITNESS, EDWARD G.M.



TO ALL AND EVERY OUR RIGHT WORSHIPFUL, WORSHIPFUL AND LOVING BRETHREN WE AUGUSTUS FREDERICK DUKE OF SUSSEX, EARL OF INVERNESS, BARON OF ARKLOW, PRINCE OF BRUNSWICK LUNENBURG, KNIGHT COMPANION OF THE MOST NOBLE ORDER OF THE GARTER, &c &c &c.
GRAND MASTER

OF THE MOST ANCIENT AND HONORABLE SOCIETY OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF ENGLAND
SEND GREETING

KNOW YE that We in pursuance of a Resolution of our Grand Lodge holden on Wednesday the first day of December instant and of the great confidence reposed in our Trusty and well beloved Brethren, The Reverend Samuel Hemming, D.D., William Meyrick, William Shadbolt, Lawrence Thompson, Joseph Jones, J. H. Sarratt, Thomas Bell, James Joyce, and Stephen Jones respectively Masters or Past Masters of regular Lodges do hereby authorise and empower the said Brethren together with William Henry White also a Past Master, as Secretary, to hold a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in and adjacent to the Cities of London and Westminster to be called the LODGE OF RECONCILIATION, and We appoint the said Samuel Hemming to preside as Master, William Meyrick as his Senior Warden, and William Shadbolt as his Junior Warden, and when so constituted with power to meet unite and incorporate themselves with a Lodge of equal numbers to be constituted and appointed by HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS EDWARD DUKE OF KENT &c. &c. GRAND MASTER OF MASONS according to the Old Institutions contained and set forth in Articles 4 and 15 of a certain Instrument bearing date the 25th of November last entitled "Articles of Union between the two Grand Lodges of England" and which Instrument was solemnly ratified and confirmed by the said two Grand Lodges on Wednesday the 1st of December instant, And it is our pleasure that three of our Grand Officers do attend the meeting of the said Lodge so that one at least shall always be present to countenance and assist in the same. And the Brethren thereof are desired to make a return to us of all their proceedings from time to time in discharge of this important Duty.

GIVEN under our Hand and the Seal of our Grand Lodge in London the seventh day of December in the year of our Lord, 1813, and of Masonry, 5813.

By Command of the M.W. Grand Master,

D.G.M.

William H. White, G.S."

It is not unlikely that a Warrant of a similar character to the foregoing was issued by the Duke of Kent to certain members of the section of the Order of which he was the head; but, up to now, I have not been so fortunate as to get a sight of such a document.* The brethren selected for the important duty of arranging the future ceremonies of the English Craft were evidently not ignorant of the value of time, for they commenced their labours on the very day the Warrant was dated, and afterwards, for several months, only allowed themselves an interval of a few days between their meetings.

I need not here pause to dwell upon the peculiar nature and the difficulties of the task these worthy brethren had undertaken; these will be readily seen after a moment's thought; but I cannot refrain from giving expression to a tribute of gratitude and admiration for the truly Masonic spirit by which they were undoubtedly animated in the performance of their trust, enabling them to transmit to their posterity the beautiful system of Freemasonry which it should be our pride and earnest endeavour to hand down to our successors pure and unsullied as received by us.

When the members of the lodge had agreed amongst themselves with more or less unanimity, as to the ceremonies, numerous meetings were held for the purpose of instructing the Craft generally, and those meetings were attended by brethren from all parts of the kingdom. No pains appear to have been spared in order to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion, and it was not till the 20th May, 1816, that the ceremonies decided upon were rehearsed for the approval of the United Grand Lodge, as the following extracts from the records will show:—

"The M.W. Grand Master stated that he had convened this special Grand Lodge that the Lodge of Reconciliation might exhibit and explain to the brethren the result of their arrangements made pursuant to the directions contained in the 4th and 5th Articles of the Act of Union. That it was not His Royal Highness's intention that any discussion should this day take place as to those arrangements, but that at the Quarterly Communication on the 5th of next month he should submit them for the opinion and sanction of the Grand Lodge, so that the Brethren might in the interim have an opportunity of giving them due consideration.

The Officers and Members of the Lodge of Reconciliation then opened a Lodge in the First, Second, and Third Degrees successively, and exhibited the ceremonies of initiating, passing, and raising a Mason as proposed by them for general adoption and practice in the Craft.

These Ceremonies being ended, the Grand Lodge was closed in ample Form, and with solemn prayer, and adjourned." Grand Lodge Minutes, 5th June, 1816.

"The Minutes of the Grand Lodge, on the 20th May last, when the Ceremonies and Practices recommended by the Lodge of Reconciliation were exhibited and explained, were Read; and, alterations on two points, in the Third Degree, having been resolved upon, the several Ceremonies, &c., recommended were approved and confirmed."

It would appear from these extracts that the Installation of Master was not included in the ceremonies arranged by the Lodge of Reconciliation. It is not unlikely that the brethren found quite enough to do in arranging and settling the other matters; or it is possible that, having been so recently promulgated, it was not deemed advisable to re-open the subject. Before concluding my remarks on this lodge, I will mention one or two circumstances in connection with it not generally known. Besides the original members, whose names are given by Bro. Hughan in his *Memorials of the Union*, nine other brethren were appointed by the Grand Master in December, 1814, to fill up vacancies which, from a variety of causes, had occurred since the formation of the lodge; they were—

R. L. Percy, W.M. Emulation Lodge, No. 22, now No. 21 Philip Broadfoot, P.M. No. 381 (now No. 217), Principal Founder and supporter, for many years, of the Stability Lodge of Instruction.

Thomas Satterley, P.M. of No. 308, now No. 185, in which lodge he was initiated in 1807, was appointed G. Sword Bearer of the United Grand

* *Memorials of the Masonic Union*, by W. J. Hughan, contains the Articles of Union and the names of all the original members of the Lodge of Reconciliation.

Chapter in 1817, being the first to hold that office after the Union; he was also a P.M. of the Gihon Lodge, No. 49; his name is in the Grand Lodge register as a member of that lodge down to 1863. I can find no record of his death, so for aught I know to the contrary, he may still be amongst us. The Gihon Lodge is particularly fortunate in possessing an excellent life-size portrait of this venerable and worthy brother, which can be seen in one of the rooms at Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street.

William Jordan, P.M., No. 383, now the Jordon Lodge, No. 201, from whom the lodge probably took its name, as I find from Lane's *Masonic Records*, it was not named till 1816. Rev. H. I. Knapp, P.M. of the Albion Lodge; No. 9, Grand Chaplain in 1814, 1816, and 1817; Thomas Harland, W.M. of No. 301; James Agar, President of the Board of General Purposes in 1816; William Williams, P.G.M. of Dorsetshire, compiler of the first Constitutions after the Union, whose portrait hangs in the Grand Officers' room at Freemasons' Hall, an engraving from the original in the Masonic Hall, Weymouth; and Thomas Harper, Past Deputy Grand Master of the "Ancients," a distinguished veteran, some particulars of whose Masonic career may be found in *Masonic Facts and Fictions*. In order to avoid the risk of being thought tedious, I refrain from entering into details of the Masonic standing and qualifications of the original members, but I may safely say that those additional brethren are a fair sample of the whole lodge. Another fact new to me, and possibly so to others, I think is worthy of notice.

I gather from the draft of a document in the form of a Warrant, and in the handwriting of W. H. White, one of the Grand Secretaries; that after the Lodge of Reconciliation had decided upon the future ceremonies, and held numerous meetings for the purposes of instruction on the Grand Lodge premises, their powers were extended to the visitation of the lodges in the London district, in parties, in order to see for themselves that the recognised forms and ceremonies were being practised, and to render assistance to those who had not attained proficiency.

(To be continued).

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF CUMBERLAND AND WESTMORLAND.

The annual meeting of the above Provincial Grand Lodge was held at the Green Dragon Hotel, Portland-square, Workington, on Tuesday, the 30th ult., when, in the absence of the P.G.M., Bro. L. F. B. Dykes, P.G.D. of England and D.P.G.M., presided. Taking into consideration the state of the weather, there was a good muster from all parts of the province, and the D.P.G.M. was reported and saluted, when he announced to the brethren that the ceremonies to be performed were considerably more than we had been accustomed to, namely: A new lodge to be named the Eden, No. 2285, to be consecrated, and the chief corner-stone to lay with Masonic ceremonial of the Workington Parish Church (St. Michael's.)

The following brethren were then appointed to fill the various chairs to assist in the ceremony of consecration, viz.: Bros. Col. F. R. Sewell, P.M. 1002, P.P.S.G.W., as S.G.W.; J. Nicholson, P.M. 371, P.P.S.G.W., as J.G.W.; Rev. J. N. Hoare, P.M. 1073, P.G. Chap.; J. G. Gandy, P.M. 129, P.G. Reg.; Geo. J. McKay, P.M. 129, P.G. Sec.; J. Hall, P.M. 1073, P.S.G.D.; G. G. Glen, P.M. 1400, P.J.G.D.; Geo. Dalrymple, P.M. 872, P.P.J.G.W., as P.G.D.C.; J. Huddleston, P.M. 872, P.A.G.D. of C.; Thos. Brakenridge, P.M. 872, P.G. Std. Br.; E. B. Penrice, P.M. 371, P.G. Std. Br.; G. P. Abraham, 1073, P.G. Org.; H. Court, P.M. 310, P.G. Purst.; William Middleton, P.M. 129, P.A.G. Sec.; Thos. Studholme, P.M. 119, P.A.G. Purst.; J. Eden, P.M., 962, P.G. Stwd.; Dr. J. I. Lace, P.M. 1660, P.G. Stwd.; J. Fidler, P.M. 1002, P.G. Stwd.; J. T. Bownas, P.M. 1390, P.G. Stwd.; M. C. Williams, P.G. Stwd.; and Thos. Richardson, Tyler, 119, P.G. Tyler.

The following brethren were also present to witness the ceremony:

Bros. G. W. Kenworthy, P.M. 119, P.P.S.G.W.; J. Barr, P.M. 119, P.P.S.G.W.; Rev. Jas. Anderson, P.P.G. Chap.; Wm. Pagen, P.M., P.J.G.W.; W. C. Johns, P.M.; Thos. Allinson, W.M. 119; W. J. Tyson, Dr. Charles, J. Harris, J. Thompson, J.D.; D. H. Cook, Org.; Robt. Miller, John Atkinson, Spencer Broadbent, Sec. 119; J. Moffatt, J. Musgrave, W. Court, P.M. 310, P.P.G.D.C.; Cook, P.M.; J. T. Graham, Jas. Gardiner, P.M. 371, P.P.G. Reg.; Thos. Mandle, P.M., P.P.G.D. of C.; Jas. Dickinson, P.M., P.P.A.G.D.C.; Robt. Brown, P.M.; J. Abbott, W.M. 371; John Messenger, Tyler; E. G. Mitchell, P.M.; H. Bewes, P.M. 327, P.P.S.G.D.; W. D. P. Field, W.M. 872; Thos. Atkinson, P.M., P.P.G.D.C.; J. Jaques, J. Sewell, Tyler; J. McGill, Wm. Milligan, Jas. Lawson, J. D. Clarke, L. Taylor, J.D.; Jas. Thompson, P.M., 962, P.P.G.D.C., W.M. elect 2285; J. C. Thompson, P.M., P.P.G. Reg.; J. Paterson, P.M., P.P.G.S.B.; Rev. E. M. Rice, P.M., P.P.G. Chap.; Dr. Chas. McKerrrow, W.M. 962; H. Irving, P.M., P.P.G. Std. Br.; J. Jenkinson, J. Dickinson, S.W. 962; G. B. McKay, J.D.; D. Simons, D.C.; Jas. Cooper, Org., P.P.G. Org.; John Johnston, Tyler; Wm. Whitehead, J. Purser, Rev. A. F. Curwen, P.M. 1400, P.P.G. Chap.; J. W. Carmichael, A. W. Turner, G. H. S. Smith, John Smith, 371, P.P.G. Org.; Thos. Mason, P.M. 1002, P.P.G. Purst.; A. Cooper, W.M. 1002; J. Hewison, Tyler; J. Towers, Dr. Chas. Gore Ring, P.M. 1073, P.P.S.G.D.; H. Moser, P.M. 129; J. Nelson, W.M. 1267; E. Clarke, P.M., P.P.J.G.D.; W. L. Towerson, P.M., P.P.G. Purst.; Dr. George Calderwood, I.P.M.; J. J. Robson, P.M.; J. J. Wilson, P.M.; W. Bromyeat, Jas. Lowrey, A. Moordaff, John Kitchin, G. Wilson, John Mills, P.M. 1390, P.P.S. G.D.; J. Dodd, P.M., P.P.G. Std. Br.; W. Carlyle, P.M. 1400, P.P.G.S.B.; H. Wynne, P.M.; J. Ruberry, P.M.; L. Ward, P.M. 1400, P.P.G. Purst.; Rev. J. Tyson, P.M. 1532, P.P.G. Chap.; Ormiston, P.M.; Henry Hartley, S.W. 1660; J. Wilkinson, J.W.; T. Lowrey, A. Cross, J.D.; John Wakefield, S.D.; D. Tolson, D.C.; W. Robinson, I.G.; W. Simon, Geo. Lowden, P.M. 1660; A. Walker, W.M. 1989; Chas. Gowan, P.M., P.P.G.S.B.; H. Ward, P.M.; J. Bewley, P.M.; J. Dickinson, J. McHarry, W. Heathcote, G. W. Roll, 1225; and others.

The D.P.G.M. then addressed the brethren on the nature of the meeting for consecrating and dedicating a new lodge to initiate candidates into the ancient mysteries of Freemasonry, and called upon the petitioners for the new lodge to be arranged in Masonic order, while the P.G. Secretary, Bro. GEO. J. MCKAY, read the petition, and also the warrant which has been granted by the M.W.G.M.; and the petitioners were unanimously approved by the brethren assembled: Bros. James Thompson, P.M. 962, W.M. designate; J. Jenkinson, S.W. designate; J. Fletcher, J.W. designate; J. Eden, P.M. 962, Sec.; and J. C. Thompson, P.M. 962, to act as I.P.M.

The P.G. Chap., REV. J. N. HOARE, then delivered, extempore, an eloquent oration on the nature and religious teachings of Ancient Freemasonry, which was attentively listened to.

Bro. Abrahams, P.G. Organist, with the able assistance of Bros. Thos.

Usher, 1073; H. D. Cook, 119; and L. Taylor, 872, played a beautiful selection of music during the ceremony of uncovering the board, while the D.P.G.M., assisted by Bros. Col. F. R. Sewell, J. Nicholson, G. W. Kenworthy, and the Rev. J. N. Hoare, applied the elements of consecration—the corn, wine and oil.

The PRESIDING GRAND OFFICER then, with all solemnity, declared the Eden Lodge, No. 2285 on the roll of the Grand Lodge, to be duly consecrated and dedicated to Masonry, and he hoped in the future to hear well of the lodge, that no unpleasantness would ever arise to mar their progress, and he wished Bro. Thompson, W.M. designate, and his officers every prosperity.

Bro. Geo. J. McKay, P.G. Sec., was next invited to the chair, and Bro. G. W. Kenworthy presented the W.M. designate to receive the benefit of installation, and he was installed and proclaimed in the presence of seventy Past Masters, and the following invested as officers: Bros. J. Jenkinson, S.W.; J. Fletcher, J.W.; A. W. Turner, Sec.; R. Makemson, S.D.; J. Warwick, J.D.; T. Casson, Treas.; and Wm. Whitehead, Tyler.

The following brethren were proposed and unanimously approved of as honorary members of the new lodge, viz.: Bros. L. F. B. Dykes, Col. F. R. Sewell, G. W. Kenworthy, J. Nicholson, G. J. McKay, and Geo. Dalrymple.

Two candidates were proposed for initiation, and three joining members. Bro. J. C. THOMPSON moved a vote of thanks to Bro. Dykes and the other brethren that assisted at the consecration ceremony.

Bro. EDEN seconded the motion, which was carried.

Bro. THOMPSON, W.M., proposed a vote of thanks to Bros. McKay, Kenworthy, and Dalrymple for their services at the installation ceremony, which was passed unanimously.

"Hearty good wishes" were given to the newly-installed Master, and the lodge was closed.

The D.P.G.M. and the Present and Past Provincial Grand Officers retired for a short time to the Charity Committee, when one girl was adopted as a candidate, and other general business transacted.

During their absence, the Eden Lodge was opened to receive them on their return, when they were reported, and saluted according to rank.

Provincial Grand Lodge was then opened by Bro. L. F. B. Dykes, P.G.D. Eng., D.P.G.M., with Bros. Col. F. R. Sewell, P.M. 1002, P.P. S.G.W., as D.P.G.M.; Kenworthy, as P.S.G.W.; and Wm. Pagen, P.M. 119, P.J.G.W.

The minutes of the last half-yearly meeting, held at Carlisle, were read and confirmed.

The PROV. ASST. GRAND SECRETARY read the report from the Charity Committee, which was adopted.

The Treasurer's statement of accounts was unanimously passed, and showed the province to be perfectly sound, with a good balance to its credit.

A general report of the province was read, and spoken to at length by the P.G. SECRETARY, giving the number of votes held for each Institution, and the membership, which showed a small decrease. An allusion was also briefly made to a few irregularities that had taken place. A few improvements were suggested, which were highly commended by the Grand Officer in the chair.

The Prov. G. Officers for the ensuing year were invested as follows:

Bro. Dr. Chas. Gore Ring, P.M. 1073	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" Wm. Carlyle, P.M. 1400	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" Rev. R. D. Rawnsley, 1073	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" R. J. Nelson, P.M. 129 (elected)	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" H. Moser, P.M. 129	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" Geo. J. McKay, P.M. 129 (re-appointed)	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" Dr. Jas. J. Lace, P.M. 1660	...	...	Prov. S.G.D.
" Dr. Geo. Calderwood, P.M. 1267	...	...	Prov. J.G.D.
" J. Eden, P.M. 962	...	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
" G. Dalrymple, P.M. 872	...	...	Prov. G.D. of C.
" W. D. P. Field, W.M. 872	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" Chas. E. Paget, P.M. 1074	...	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" J. J. Wilson, P.M. 1267	...	...	} Prov. G. Std. Brs.
" J. Jenkinson, S.W. 2285	...	...
" H. D. Cook, Org. 119	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" T. Allinson, W.M. 119	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" H. Ward, P.M. 1989	...	...	Prov. A.G. Purst.
" W. Middleton, 129	...	...	Prov. A.G. Sec.
" Dr. C. McKerrrow, W.M. 962	...	...	} Prov. G. Stewards
" H. Ormiston, 310	...	...
" F. A. Cooper, W.M. 1002	...	...
" R. A. Mitchell	...	...
" J. Fletcher, J.W. 2285	...	...	} Prov. G. Tyler.
" Laurence, 1390	...	...
" W. Whitehead, 2285	...	...

At the hour fixed (quarter-past two) the order was given for the procession to form, headed by the St. John's Church Army Band. The procession was shorn of much of its customary appearance on account of the insignia of the Craft being concealed by overcoats and umbrellas, as the rain was literally falling in torrents. About 200 yards from the stone the procession was joined by a number of clergymen, and some of the members of the Church Restoration Committee were present—Mr. H. F. Curwen, High Sheriff of Cumberland (Chairman); Mr. Thos. Iredale (Vice-Chairman); Mr. J. Fell, Capt. Rice, and many others.

On the arrival at the stone, the acting Prov. Grand Master and his Prov. Grand Officers were received by Mr. Curwen, and a very handsome silver trowel and mallet were presented to Bro. Dykes by the Chairman of the Committee, and he was desired to lay the stone with Masonic ceremony.

The PROV. G. CHAPLAIN then engaged in prayer.

The D.P.G.M. called upon the Prov. G. Secretary to read the inscription on the plate, which was as follows: "This stone was laid with Masonic honours by Lamplugh Freschville Ballantyne Dykes, W.D.P.G.M. of Cumberland and Westmorland, and P.G.D. of England, on the 30th day of October, 1888, A.L. 5888."

The D.P.G.M. then called upon the P.G. Treasurer to deposit in the cavity of the stone the phial containing coins and documents, which was done.

The stone was then lowered at three times, and proved to be plumb, level, and square, and the elements—corn, wine, and oil—were duly applied, and the stone was declared by the D.P.G.M. to be well and truly laid according to the ancient usages and established customs of Freemasons; and may prosperity, happiness, and goodwill ever remain amongst those who shall attend this institute, to the glory of the Most High, until time shall be no more.

The architect was then presented to the D.P.G.M., who addressed him as follows: I now place in your hands the plans of this intended building, together with the necessary tools. I admit your skill and capability as a Craftsman, and I desire that you will forthwith proceed to the completion of the work in conformity of the plans entrusted to you. I have now great pleasure in placing upon the stone a memento of our lodge. You are aware that we consecrated a lodge this morning for the benefit of the Workington Freemasons, and this is the result, which I hope will be acceptable to the funds of the new church. Bro. Dykes then placed the offertory (£12 18s. 3d.) upon the stone.

Mr. CURWEN: I beg to thank you in the name of the Restoration Committee.

This concluded the Masonic ceremony.

The DEPUTY PROV. GRAND MASTER then called upon Mr. Curwen, the High-Sheriff, to lay the foundation-stone, and presented him with a very handsome silver trowel and mallet. The stone was laid according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church, and a tablet was inserted in the stone, with the following inscription: "This stone was laid by Henry Fraser Curwen, J.P., Patron of the living, Lord of the Manor, Deputy-Lieutenant of Cumberland, and Chairman of the Restoration Committee," 30th October, 1888."

The Rev. Canon SHERWEN then engaged in prayer, and Mr. HODGSON moved a vote of thanks to the gentlemen who had laid the stones, which was carried by a show of hands.

Mr. CURWEN and Bro. DYKES each briefly replied.

The ceremony concluded by singing "God save the Queen," and the benediction was pronounced by Canon SHERWEN. The procession was then re-formed, and returned to the Green Dragon Hotel, when Prov. Grand Lodge was closed, and the brethren subsequently sat down to a very excellent banquet prepared by Bro. Howison. The Deputy Prov. G.M. presided, supported on his right by the High Sheriff, Col. F. R. Sewell, and several gentlemen of the town who were invited to take part in the ceremonies at the church.

The usual logical and Masonic toasts followed, and a pleasant evening was spent.

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

The Quarterly Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England was holden at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on Wednesday evening, when the following companions of the Order were present:

Comps. Col. A. W. Adair, G. Supt. Somerset, as G.Z.; Rev. H. Adair Pickard, G. Supt. Oxon, as G.H.; Lieut.-Col. R. Townley Caldwell, G. Supt. Cambridge, as G.J.; Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S.E.; Baron de Ferrieres, as G.S.N.; Lord John Taylour, G.P. Soj.; Rev. R. W. M. Pope, 1st Asst. G. Soj.; John A. Lloyd, 2nd Asst. G. Soj.; John Davis, 2nd G. Std. Br.; Frank Richardson, P.A.G.S., G.D.C.; Herbert J. Adams, D.G.D.C.; W. A. Barrett, G. Org.; Magnus Ohren, P.A.G.D.C.; Jas. Glaisher, P.A.G.S.; James Smith Eastes, P.G.S.B.; Rev. T. Robinson, P.A.G.S.; T. B. Purchas, P.G.S.B.; J. C. Parkinson, P.G.S.B.; George Lambert, P.G.S.B.; J. M. Case, Thomas J. Ralling, P.G.S.B.; W. Bywater, P.G. Std. Br.; Charles H. Driver, P.G.S.B.; C. F. Matier, P.D.G.D.C.; F. West, P.A.G.S.; J. H. Matthews, P.G.D.C.; J. A. Farnfield, P.G.S.B.; Dr. W. R. Woodman, P.G.D.C.; J. Lewis Thomas, P.G.S.B.; Henry J. P. Dumas, P.G.S.B.; Chas. F. Hogard, P.D.G.D.C.; Rudolph G. Glover, P.G. Std. Br.; Col. Charles Harding, P.G. Std. Br.; Thomas Fenn, Past President of the Committee of General Purposes; E. H. Baylis and Peter de Lande Long, P.G. Sojs.; A. A. Pendlebury, Asst. G.S.E.; E. Mallett, Z. 1623; George A. Ames, H. 2; R. W. Forge, P.Z., S.E. 946; H. Massey, P.Z. 619, P.Z. 1928, H. 1928; Charles Kempton, J. 753; George Jones, J. 174; Walter Hopokirk, Z. 179; A. W. Wells, Z. and P.Z. 975, 1556; A. Le Grand, Z. 766; T. C. Edmonds, J. 1507; J. Funston, Z. 1524; J. Brittain, Z. 1385; L. Gordon Robbins, P.Z. 10; Will. Cook, Z. 22; and Henry Sadler, Grand Janitor.

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes of the Quarterly Convocation of 1st August, on the motion of Bro. THOMAS FENN, seconded by Comp. FRANK RICHARDSON, the Report of the Committee of General Purposes, which was as follows, was taken as read:

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.

The various recommendations contained in the above report were then moved by Comp. THOMAS FENN, seconded by Comp. FRANK RICHARDSON, and carried unanimously, and in the case of the motion with respect to the Grand Chapter of South Australia, Comp. Fenn added to his motion that the Grand Chapter of South Australia be recognised and representatives exchanged, "with the most cordial wishes of the Grand Chapter for the future prosperity of the Grand Chapter of South Australia."

At the conclusion of the business the chapter was closed in due form.

GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.

The Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, on Thursday, the 1st inst., the Grand Master, Bro. Col. Sir Archibald Campbell, Bart., of Blythswood, M.P., presiding. Bro. James T. S. Elliott of Wolfelee, was in his place as S.G.W., and Bro. James Dalrymple Duncan, S.G.D., acted as J.G.W. There was a very large attendance of the brethren, upwards of 300 being present.

A vidimus for the past quarter showed that the income had been £742, and the expenditure £506, being an excess of income of £236. There had been 900 entrants to the Order during that period. During the last two months £144 had been voted by the Committee of the fund of Scottish Masonic Benevolence to distressed brethren and the widows and orphans of Masons.

Grand Committee reported that they had adopted the following resolution:—"Grand Committee resolve to record their sense of the great loss which Grand Lodge and the Craft have sustained in the death of their much-respected and much-esteemed brother and Past Grand Master, the Earl of Mar and Kellie—a loss which is all the more keenly felt when we remember the devotion and ability with which his lordship served the Fraternity while holding the high and distinguished office of Grand Master Mason of Scotland. The Committee also desire to offer to the Countess of Mar and Kellie their sincere and heartfelt sympathy in the afflicting bereavement with which she has been visited, and to assure her ladyship that the memory of her husband will long be cherished by the Scottish Craft."

This was at once adopted by Grand Lodge.

The GRAND MASTER made a suitable reference to the death of the Earl of Mar and Kellie, and moved that a resolution of sympathy be forwarded by Grand Lodge to Lady Mar and Kellie.

This was agreed to.

Grand Lodge then took up the report of the Grand Committee in reference to irregularities in Lodge Celtic. The Committee reported that a Past Master had admitted two ladies into the organ gallery of the Freemasons' Hall during a Masonic ceremonial, and recommended that he should be expelled from the Order. This was moved by the GRAND MASTER. Several amendments were proposed, one of them suggesting that this recommendation be not given effect to, as being illegal; another that the matter should be sent back to the Grand Committee; while a third proposed that suspension, and not expulsion, should be resolved upon. Ultimately the Grand Master's motion was carried by 175 votes, the highest for any of the amendments being 124.

Lord Saltoun was, on the motion of the GRAND MASTER, appointed Prov. Grand Master of Aberdeen City.

It was reported by the GRAND MASTER that, in accordance with the laws of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, the Duke of Abercorn could not accept the appointment of representative of Grand Lodge of Scotland in Grand Lodge of Ireland, but that the Depute Grand Master, Bro. Skelton, would accept that office. This was agreed to.

It was resolved to issue charters to the following new lodges—St. John, Biarra, Esk, Queensland; Kojarah, Kojarah, New South Wales; Saltoun, Aberdeen; Thomas Gardner, and Kelerksdorp, South African Republic.

Grand Lodge then proceeded to the nomination of Grand Office-bearers for the ensuing year. The following letter was submitted from the Grand Master, accepting re-nomination:

"My dear Murray Lyon,

"May I, through you, be permitted to thank Grand Committee for their renewed proof of confidence in again nominating me to the high and most honourable post of Grand Master Mason of Scotland. I must say I am more gratified at their kindness, as I feel how much I must depend on the brethren to assist in the great work we have to do, knowing, as they must, how many duties I have to perform. Trusting that strength may be given to me to fulfil the high office to the satisfaction of the brethren and the advancement of Grand Lodge, believe me, &c.,

A. C. CAMPBELL."

The elective Grand Officers were then nominated, so that the list for the year is as follows:

Bro. Sir Archibald C. Campbell, Bart. ...	G.M.
" Sir Michael R. Shaw-Stewart, Bart. ...	P.G.M.
" The Earl of Haddington ...	Depute G.M.
" The Earl of Kintore ...	Substitute G.M.
" James T. S. Elliot of Wolfelee ...	S.G.W.
" Lord Saltoun ...	J.G.W.
" D. Murray Lyon ...	G. Sec.
" David Kinnear ...	G. Cashier.
" Rev. Robert Henderson ...	} G. Chaps.
" Rev. Thomas Somerville ...	
" James Dalrymple Duncan ...	S.G.D.
" Lieut.-Col. John Campbell ...	J.G.D.
" J. M'Intyre Henry ...	G. Architect.
" James Crichton ...	G. Jeweller.
" David Reid ...	G. Bible Bearer.
" John B. M'Naught ...	G.D.C.
" John Wilson ...	G. Bard.
" J. Carmichael, M.D. ...	G. Sword Br.
" Emile Berger ...	G.D. of Music.
" George Christie ...	G. Marshal.
" Colin Galletly ...	G.I.G.
" Andrew Landells ...	G. Tyler.

The following are the Stewards—Bros. A. N. Clarke, Alexander Mitchell, George Dickson, M.D., George Robertson, John Bryce, John Davidson, John Scott, Hall Grigor, Major E. H. Ryan, Collingwood Flower, William Smith, John Kay, Captain Donald M'Donald, James Melville, Robert B. Erskine, M.D., A. W. Rennie, Allan Mackenzie, Louis Court, Alexander White, E. H. Roberts, W. F. Longmuir, Alexander Ralston, J. D. Hedderwick, Jas. Fairlie, Robt. Frame, R. S. Brown, William D. Chambers, James Thomson, James Muir, E. M'Alister, William Black, Robert J. Jamieson, Col. P. Stirling, George Fisher, Robt. Nisbet, William Adamson, Sir James Buchanan, Bart., Chas. Baxter, Jas. Drummond, James Jack, Colin Galletly, George Reid Ure, Chas. Harding, Walter Neil, Col. James Reid, Dr. Thomas Milne, Richard Barnwell, Capt. John Tasker, Robert Brown Smith, and Capt. Robt. S. Hunter.

It was remitted to the Grand Stewards to make arrangements for the St. Andrew's Festival.

The next subject before the Grand Lodge was the adoption of rules for the management of the Annuity Branch of the Fund of Scottish Masonic Benevolence. The scheme proposed by Bro. CALDWELL was unanimously adopted.

The other business was routine.

PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF CHESHIRE.

CONSECRATION OF THE DE TABLEY LODGE.

A new lodge of Mark Master Masons was consecrated at Frodsham on Monday, the 5th inst., by Bro. the Rev. C. W. Spencer Stanhope, P.G. Chaplain of England. Among those present were:—

Bros. the Hon. A. de Tatton Egerton, P.P.G.M.O.; C. S. Dean, P.P.J.G.W.; J. Pemberton, P.P.S.G.W.; C. K. Benson, P.P.J.G.W.; L. Ellis, P.P.S.G.D.; S. W. Ramsden, P.P.G.M.O.; J. K. Stevenson, P.G. Treas.; Rev. J. N. Tanner, P.G. Chap.; R. Newhouse, P.G. Sec.; Cartwright, W.M. 67; J. F. Eddisbury, S.W. 196; G. H. Danby, W.M. elect Tabley Lodge; Gilbody, P.J.G.W.; G. F. Willis, P.G.D.C.; H. Ellis, P.G. Steward of Eng.; the Hon. H. Hulbrook, 327; J. C. Robinson, P.G. Steward Lancashire; Cornell, S.D. 165; Roberts, P.P.J.G.O.; I. M. Jones, P.P.G.R. 196; J. S. Garner, S.O. 143, Lancashire; Wylde, P.P.G.M.O.; and others.

The newly-consecrated lodge is called The De Tabley, in memory of the late Lord De Tabley, Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire. The ceremony took place at the Town Hall, the acting Provincial Grand Master being supported by Bros. Willis, D. of C., and the Rev. J. N. Tanner, Grand Chap. Bro. W. H. Danby, the first Master of the new lodge, was duly installed by Bro. S. W. Ramsden, assisted by Bro. R. C. Edwards, P.M. 196, and appointed his officers.

A Provincial Grand Lodge was then opened, and the business of the province was transacted. The acting P.G.M. proceeded to invest the provincial officers for the current year as under:—

Bro. The Right Hon. Lord Egerton of Tatton	...	Prov. G.M.
" Rev. C. W. Spencer Stanhope	...	D.P.G.M.
" The Hon. Alan de Tatton Egerton	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" J. F. Eddisbury	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" G. Hammond Danby	...	Prov. G.M.O.
" W. Cartwright	...	Prov. S.G.O.
" W. G. Cronan	...	Prov. J.G.O.
" Rev. J. Newall Tanner	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" F. K. Stevenson	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" W. E. Heywood	...	Prov. G.R. of M.
" R. Newhouse	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" A. Peterkin	...	Prov. S.G.D.
" W. Kohu	...	Prov. J.G.D.
" Jas. Holland	...	Prov. G.I. of W.
" Alfred Atkinson	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" John Williamson	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" Enoch Evans	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" Thos. Cowley	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" Herbert Ellis	...	Prov. G. Org.
" W. C. Fleming	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" Jas. Reynolds	...	} Prov. G. Stwds.
" H. Harrison	...	
" John Ashton	...	
" J. K. Digges	...	} Prov. G. Tyler.
" Stephen Smith	...	

The lodge was furnished by Bro. George Kenning, 2, Monument-place, Liverpool.

CONSECRATION OF THE CHORLTON MARK LODGE, No. 394.

The Masonry in the Mark continues to flourish in Lancashire equally as well in proportion as in the Craft. Of this there can be no better proof than the fact that the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom, the Prov. G.M.M., has consecrated two new lodges within a little over a fortnight, the one in Liverpool, and the other at Chorlton-cum-Hardy, a pleasant suburb of Manchester. The ceremony last referred to was performed on the afternoon of the 31st ult. by his lordship, assisted by a number of influential Prov. Grand Officers, Present and Past. The increasing growth of Mark Masonry in the district of Manchester has rendered a new lodge necessary. A movement to this end and purpose was started some time ago, and, after overcoming the usual initial difficulties common to such an enterprise, the founders applied and obtained a charter from the Grand Lodge of England, the Earl of Lathom, as Master of the province, being delegated by the M.W. the G.M. of England, the Prince of Wales, to call the Chorlton Lodge, No. 394, into being.

The brethren assembled in the Masonic Hall, a handsome and commodious stone building, which stands on its own grounds in High-lane, Chorlton. The Prov. Grand Mark Master, Bro. the Earl of Lathom, arrived at the hall, and a procession of Provincial Grand Officers, Past and Present, was formed, and entered the lodge room, being received with the usual honours.

Amongst the assembled brethren were:

Bros. J. H. Barrow, Prov. J.G.W.; John O. Robinson, P.G.S.; P. R. Barrow, P.G.I.G.; Jas. T. Callow, W.M. 593; D. Jones, M.O. 359; Wm. Platt, P.G.O.; John Chadwick, P.S.G.O., Prov. G. Sec.; J. R. Sowter, P.M. 34, P.P.J.G.W.; S. Irwin Thomas, J.W. 2109; E. G. Harrison, P.P.G. Reg.; Geo. H. Parke, P.M. 36, Past Prov. J.G.W.; Richard Newhouse, P.G.S.S., Prov. G. Sec. Cheshire; Frank A. Huet, P.G.D.; Robt. W. Bourne, Asst. D.C.; Thos. Mellor, Prov. S.G.W.; C. F. Woodall, P.P.G. Treas.; Eli Brooks, P.G.S.; Jas. Dearden, Prov. G.S.B.; Joseph Mellor, P.G.D.C.; Rev. F. J. M'Nally, P.M. 325, Prov. Grand Chap.; Edward Pierpoint, P.G. Stwd.; Walter C. Erwin, S.W. 393; Ralph Betrey, J.W. 393; Hy. L. Rocca, P.M. 34, P.P.G.M.O.; Robt. Foote, P.G. Treas.; A. Middleton, P.G. Std. Br.; W. J. Cunliffe, P.S.G.O.; Thos. Robt. Peel, J.W., P.P.G.D.C.; J. W. Hedley, P.G.S.; John E. Lees, P.M. 34, P.P.G.T.; J. J. Hankin, P.G. Tyler; Geo. Hunt, J.W. 34; J. W. Kenyon, P.M. 42, P.P.S.G.O.; R. R. Lissenden, 34; Alfred H. Pownall, Arthur E. Pownall, Thos. Wilson, and E. Nathan, of 34; Wm. Lloyd Starkey, 159; W. Wadeson, J. D. Murray, G. Std. Br.; J. Molloy, 65; Henry Marshall, W.M. designate; Jas. J. Lambert, S.W. designate; and Jas. Garnett Batty, J.W. designate of the new lodge.

The lodge, which received the Prov. G.M. and officers, was constituted as under—Bro. J. H. Barrow, Prov. J.G.W., having previously opened it in due form as acting W.M.—Bro. R. Foote, S.W.; Walter C. Erwin, J.W.; David Jones, M.O.; J. C. Robinson, S.O.; Jas. T. Callow, J.O.; Peter Barrow, S.D.; J. Molloy, J.D.; and J. D. Murray, D. of C.

The consecration ceremony was opened with prayer, offered up by the Prov. Grand Chaplain, and the singing of an anthem.

The founders of the new lodge were next ranged in order, and addressed by the Prov. G.M. on the nature of the gathering.

The Prov. G.S. explained the wishes of the founders, and the proceedings they had taken with respect to the formation of the lodge.

The petition and warrant were read by Bro. CHADWICK, and the P.G.M., having ascertained from the brethren of the new lodge that they approved of the officers mentioned in the warrant, called upon the Prov. Grand Chaplain to deliver the oration.

This was followed by an anthem and the first part of the consecration prayer, and, the brethren turning to the east, the Prov. G.M. delivered the beautiful invocation.

The pedestal was then uncovered, and the cornucopia, corn, and vessels containing wine, oil, and salt were carried four times round the lodge.

Corn was cast in the east as an emblem of plenty, the Consecrating Officer poured out wine as a token of joy and gladness, and oil as a symbol of peace and harmony, and salt was finally strewn as an omen of fidelity.

The censer was borne three times around the lodge by the Prov. Grand Chaplain, who later delivered the second portion of the consecration prayer, and the Prov. G.M. subsequently dedicated the lodge.

Bro. J. D. Murray, G. Std. Br., and acting D.C., installed Bro. Hy. Marshall as the first W.M., and the latter invested his officers as follows: Bros. H. Lambert, S.W.; J. G. Batty, J.W.; C. Heywood, M.O.; W. Webster, S.O.; J. G. Goodacre, J.O.; Dr. A. E. Pownall, Treas.; T. Mottershead, Reg.; Jos. Crompton, Sec.; S. Locke, S.D.; J. H. Wells, J.D.; J. Travers, Org.; A. Shirley, I.G.; W. H. Wakefield, W. Hall, H. Nall, and A. H. Pownall, Stwds.; and W. Chessyre, Tyler.

The ceremony having concluded, votes of thanks were accorded to Bro. the Earl of Lathom, as Consecrating Officer, and Bro. Murray, as Installing Officer.

His lordship and Bros. Murray and Barrow were proposed as hon. members, and later on fifteen candidates were advanced.

This was all the business, and the brethren afterwards dined together under the presidency of the Earl of Lathom.

CONSECRATION OF LODGE ST. JOHN, No. 2280, SAUGOR, BOMBAY.

The consecration of Lodge St. John, No. 2280, took place in the lodge room, at Saugor, C.P., on the 7th Sept. The ceremony was performed by Bro. H. R. King, D.D.G.M., assisted by Bros. Limpus and Radcliffe and several of the founders of the lodge.

The brethren present, after being photographed, assembled in the lodge room. The Consecrating Officer and his assistants having entered, the D.D.G.M. took the Eastern chair and appointed his temporary officers.

The lodge symbol (drawn in Indian ink) was then uncovered, and the consecration proceeded with.

The W.M. elect, Bro. Dr. Langley Mills, was then installed into the chair of K.S. according to ancient custom by the D.D.G.M., and invested his officers as follows: Bros. Col. Saurin Brooke, D.C., S.W.; D. S. Mackay, J.W.; P. Kelly, Sec.; J. Ardaseer, S.D.; E. Dolphin, J.D.; Dr. Syed-Hassan, D.C. The Inner and Outer Guards are to be invested when they have been raised to the Sublime Degree of M.M.

The Installing Officer then delivered in a most eloquent manner the customary address, taking for his subject the three great principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

The W.M. then rose and said the first duty he had to perform was to ask the lodge to pass a most hearty vote of thanks to the Consecrating Officer and his assistants for the most able way they had performed their duties, and the many and great difficulties they had successfully overcome in coming to Saugor, and intimated that he hoped at the first regular meeting to be allowed to propose them as honorary members.

Two candidates for Freemasonry being in attendance, they were duly initiated by the W.M., assisted by Bro. Radcliffe, who gave the charge most effectively. Six other candidates were awaiting initiation, but were unable to be present. The lodge was then closed, and the brethren and their guests adjourned to the banquet room. The table was prettily decorated with flowers of all sorts.

Towards the close of the banquet the usual loyal toasts of "The Queen and the Craft," and "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M.," were given by the W.M., who then called upon Bro. Col. Brooke, S.W., to propose the next toast, which was "The Three Grand Masters and the Three Grand Lodges."

Bro. BROOKE touched briefly upon each of the subjects, and then entered in an eloquent manner upon a personal incident that had happened to him many years before whilst travelling in an out of the way part of Persia, explaining how hard he had found it to get carriage and supplies till he accidentally found a brother Mason, when he found it still harder to get away from an excess of hospitality.

The J.W., Bro. MACKAY, then proposed "H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, District Grand Master, and his Officers."

The D.D.G.M. briefly replied.

The WORSHIPFUL MASTER then proposed "The Consecrating Officer and his Assistants," thanking them most sincerely for coming some 600 miles to consecrate the lodge, with the last 75 along an unbridged road with several streams to cross, and said he hoped they would never have to be ashamed of the last-born offering of the District Grand Lodge of Bombay he had brought into the world of light that evening.

The D.D.G.M., in a humorous reply, stated that one of the unbridged streams referred to was called the Herbuddah, and went on to propose "The Health of the W.M." in felicitous terms.

The W.M. thanked the brethren for the very kind way in which the toast had been received, and in quoting the charge—"May every Mason reach the summit of his ambition"—said that his ambition with regard to Craft Masonry was reached, and promised to do his utmost to promote the prosperity of the lodge.

"The Initiates" was proposed by the W.M., and replied to by Bros. Rushton and Even.

The W.M. then proposed "The Officers," and, taking an illustration from the much admired Tracing Board, said that he hoped that their successors in looking on the pillar of wisdom, would say they were wise in forming the lodge; and on the pillar of strength, that they were strong in unity in doing so; and when looking on the pillar of beauty, he hoped they would be able to boast of as much personal beauty as would be seen in the photograph taken that evening, and would also strive to arrive at that perfection of moral beauty which every Freemason ought to strive after.

The WARDENS replied in appropriate terms.

The W.M. then proposed "The Health of Bro. Blaker," who was to have been Treasurer, but was ordered away on service to the Black Mountain, and wished him a speedy and safe return.

Bro. BLAKER thanked the brethren for their kindness.

The Tyler's toast and "Auld Lang Syne" terminated a very pleasant and harmonious evening.

INAUGURATION OF A DISTRICT GRAND CHAPTER FOR MALTA.

On Tuesday, the 23rd October, a special convocation of the Melita Chapter, No. 349 (E.C.), was held at 27, Strada Stretta, Valetta, for the purpose of installing Comp. Col. Marmaduke Ramsay, Dist. G.M. and P.G. Supt. of the Punjab, as G. Superintendent for Malta. The chapter was opened by its Principals and all companions admitted. Comp. W. Watson, P.Z., then assumed the chair, for the purpose of performing the installation ceremony.

Comp. Col. Ramsay having announced his arrival, the Installing Officer directed two P.Z.'s to retire and receive the patent. This was done, and, after examination, the J.O. instructed a deputation of six P.Z.'s to retire and conduct the Grand Superintendent designate to the body of the chapter.

Comp. WATSON delivered an elaborate address, and with great solemnity invested and inducted Comp. Col. M. Ramsay as the 1st Grand Superintendent for Malta. The newly-installed Grand Superintendent was then saluted.

Comp. RAMSAY next announced that he had selected Comps. Watson, P.Z., and Yeoman, P.Z., to fill the office of 2nd and 3rd District Grand Principals respectively, and immediately proceeded to invest and induct them accordingly, with the usual formalities. They were then saluted.

Comp. G. Segond, P.Z., D.G. Treas., was unanimously elected D.G. Treasurer.

The following first appointments were then announced, and those present duly invested:—

Comp. J. Montgomery, P.Z.	...	...	Dist. G.S.E.
" W. Rariante, P.Z.	...	...	Dist. G.S.N.
" G. Segond, P.Z.	...	...	Dist. G. Treas.
" G. P. Stephens, P.Z.	...	...	Dist. G. Reg.
" D. Cooper, P.Z.	...	...	Dist. G.P.S.
" J. C. Stanley, P.Z.	...	...	Dist. 1st A.G.S.
" J. W. Starkey, P.Z.	...	...	Dist. 2nd A.G.S.
" F. Gardiver, Z. 515	...	...	Dist. G. Swd. Br.
" S. Leonard, H. 515	...	...	Dist. G. Std. Br.
" J. May, S.E. 349	...	...	Dist. G.D. of C.
" W. Hughes, S.E. 407	...	...	Dist. A.G.D. of C.
" F. Seaton, 515	...	...	Dist. G. Org.
" J. Linning, S.E. 515	...	...	Dist. A.G.S.E.
" R. N. Beck, Dist. G. Tyler	...	...	Dist. G. Janitor.

Comp. the GRAND SUPERINTENDENT, in an eloquent and comprehensive address, duly declared the District Grand Chapter of Malta solemnly constituted, formed, and opened.

By-laws for the district were then adopted, the Committee of General Purposes appointed, and District Grand Chapter solemnly closed.

The companions then sat down to an excellently appointed cold collation, at which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and received with great enthusiasm.

HERDER, J. G. VON.—The well-known German Philosophical and religious writer, poet, and essayist, and, at one time, an eloquent preacher. In 1778 and 1779 he issued the "Volkslieder," etc., and in 1780, "Briefe über das Studium der Theologie," "Vom Geist der hebraischen Poesie," 1872. In 1781 he also published "Ideen zur Philosophie der Geschichte der Menschheit," and, ten years later, "Brief zur Förderung der Humanität." His works have been much read, and in Germany are thought very highly of. As a Freemason, he issued a Masonic journal, "Adrastea," 1801, and three pamphlets. In "Adrastea," his "Fama Fraternalitatis," "Freimaurer," "Ueber den Zweck der Freimaurerei," and "Gespräche zwischen Faust, Horst, und Linda," appeared. He seems to have been made a Mason at Riga, in the Lodge "Zum Schwert," in 1766. He was born in 1744, and died in 1803. In 1844, his centennial, addresses and orations were made about him in many German Lodges. "Herder als Freimaurer," by Heinrich Hürtzel, is known to some English brethren.—*Kenning's Cyclopædia of Freemasonry.*

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

INSTALLATION OF LORD CARRINGTON.

The installation of his Excellency Lord Carrington as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales took place on September 18th, in the Exhibition Building, Prince Alfred Park, in the presence of a vast assemblage of Masons, and under circumstances which made the ceremony the most imposing, and the spectacle the most striking, ever witnessed in the history of Masonry in this or any other of the Australian colonies. Great trouble and expense had been incurred in the efforts of the Ceremonial Committee to decorate and furnish the interior of the building in an attractive and fitting manner; and the general effect which the decorations and the furniture presented to the view was very complete and pleasing. Suitable Masonic emblems and devices, worked in flowers, or upon shields, and surrounded or surmounted with palm branches or terns, and artistically grouped flags, ornamented the pillars which support the gallery, and appeared also in pretty relief upon drapery which had been hung underneath the gallery and along the walls on either side, and extended the length of the building in such a manner as to impart an attractive aspect to the spaces on the east and west of the nave, as well as to the nave itself. Over the dais, on which during the ceremony the Grand Master and other high officers of the Craft were seated, had been placed the arms or insignia of the United Grand Lodge, encircled in a setting of flags, and directly facing it from the front of the southern end of the gallery were the arms of Great Britain, also in the midst of a grouping of flags. Festoons of green leaves hung all round the nave from pillar to pillar, and underneath the gallery; and these, with the palm branches, the brightly coloured flags, and the floral emblems and devices, produced throughout a contrast of colour and a gracefulness of arrangement which gave quite a gala appearance to the building, and at the same time did not in any respect transgress the principles of good taste. The nave of the building was furnished for the purposes of the ceremonial as a Grand Lodge room, and upon the dais were the chairs for the Grand Lodge officers, the visiting officers of high position in the Order, and for the choir, composed of members of the Liedertafel Societies. Close to the choir, and on the right side of the dais, was the organ, which had been specially lent for the occasion by the Hon. R. H. D. White, M.L.C., and which, presided over by Bro. A. Ghede, together with the choir, under the conductorship of Bro. Rivers Allpress, did much towards the success of the evening's proceedings. The Articles of Union and the jewels, which during the course of the ceremony were handed to the United Grand Lodge officers, were prominently displayed in front of the dais, and near this point arrangements had been made for the seating of all Masons of high rank, and not officers of the United Grand Lodge. The provision made for seating those who attended to take part in or witness the proceedings was very extensive, and, on the whole, very satisfactory.

Over 4000 chairs were available. W.M.'s, P.M.'s, Wardens, Secretaries, and Treasurers of lodges sat in one division; Grand Lodge officers elect, and Past Grand and District Grand Lodge officers in another; the dais was reserved for members of visiting Grand Lodges, Past Grand Masters, and Past District and Deputy Grand Masters, and the remainder of the space in the building, principally under the gallery, was occupied by junior officers of lodges and the brethren generally. On some reserved seat close to the dais sat his Honour Sir Frederick Darley, C.J., his Honour Mr. Justice Windeyer, his Honour Mr. Justice Foster, the Hon. J. F. Burns, Colonial Treasurer, and the Mayor of Sydney (Alderman John Harris) in his mayoral robes.

The building began to be crowded soon after five o'clock, and at the time the proceedings of the evening commenced—soon after six—there was a great assemblage present, filling the floor of the building and thickly lining the railings of the gallery. Every person was, of course, a Mason, and dressed in Masonic regalia, and the whole scene was very picturesque and striking.

The lodge was opened by Bro. Dr. Tarrant, Pro G.M., Bro. W. H. Simpson, P.D.G.M., acting as S.G.W., and Bro. H. E. Vaughan, P.D. G.M., as J.G.W., and the proceedings having in this manner begun, the choir sung an appropriately worded opening hymn. At the conclusion of this hymn, Grand Lodge officers from other Grand Lodges were announced, and, having entered, were received with Grand Lodge honours. First came the Deputy G.M. of Queensland under the Irish Constitution; then the G.M. of Queensland under the Scotch Constitution; following him the G.M. of Victoria, accompanied by his Grand Lodge officers; and finally the G.M. of South Australia and his Grand Lodge officers. The G.M. of South Australia, his Honour Chief Justice Way, was informed by the Pro G.M. that it was the united desire of the Craft that he should perform the ceremony of installing the G.M., and the G.M. of South Australia having accepted the honour, he directed the reading of the certificate of Lord Carrington's election as M.W.G.M. of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales as the authority for his installation. A few minutes afterwards the G.M. elect, accompanied by his officers, entered and received a Masonic ovation, the choir and the assemblage singing the following anthem:

God, our Grand Master bless,
With health and happiness,
So mote it be.
May He our Craft defend,
Long may His rule extend,
Our Master, Guide, and Friend,
So mote it be.

May wisdom from on high
Bind fast our Mystic Tie,
So mote it be.

May our united band
Greet Him throughout the land,
With Apron, Heart, and Hand,
So mote it be.

Prayer by the CHAPLAIN was succeeded by another anthem from the choir—"Song of the Brotherhood," and then followed in very impressive form the obligation and installation of Lord Carrington to the high office to which he had been elected.

At this time there were on the dais the following officers :

New South Wales—Bros. Dr. Tarrant, Pro G.M.; F. A. Wright, P.D.D.G.M.; E. O. Smith, P.D.D.G.M.; W. W. Manning, P.G.M.; Rolfe, P.D.D.G.M.; Neitenstein, P.D.G.M.; Dr. Sedgwick, D.G.M.; and Marshall, P.D.D.G.M. Victoria—David Munro, M.W.G.M.; Hon. G. S. Coppin, M.W.P.G.M.; Main, D.G.M.; W. Ferguson, S.G.W.; Jenkins, J.G.W.; Rev. D. Meadowcroft, G.S.; Barnon, G.D. of C.; Debney, J.G.D.; P. Evans; and Past Grand Officers—Charles Kitz, F. A. Burton, J. R. Duerdin, H. Kelson, Findlay, and Maddox. South Australia—His Honour Chief Justice Way, M.W.G.M.; Hon. H. E. Downer, R.W.D.G.M.; Hon. A. M. Simpson, Cunningham, and R. L. Meslaver.

Proclamation of the installation and investiture of Lord Carrington as Grand Master having been made, and the choir having sung accompanying hymns of praise,

Grand Master Chief Justice WAY, addressing Lord Carrington, said : Your installation in that chair places the keystone in the principal arch in the living temple of Masonry in the great colony of New South Wales. That temple is now for the first time complete. Whether we look at the principles which have been maintained, the difficulties which have been overcome, or the advantages which have been secured, it must be admitted that the consummation of Masonic union in New South Wales, the gathering together of 175 lodges and 10,000 members of the Craft into one constitution, is the most memorable achievement in Masonry which has happened in Australasia. This union causes rejoicing not only within the boundaries of your own jurisdiction, but also throughout Australia, and to the rulers and members of the Craft all over the world. The mother colony and the parent city of Australia—in which not far from this spot Masonic mysteries were first unfolded on this continent more than 70 years ago—are the appropriate theatre of this magnificent celebration. It is fitting also and auspicious that it should be held in the first year of the second century of Australian settlement, and during your own fortunate Governorship—of which it will always be regarded as one of the happiest incidents. The distinction of this occasion is further increased by the presence in the Grand Master's chair of a brother who is at once a Past Grand Officer of exalted rank in the mother Grand Lodge of the world, and the Governor of this great colony. Our pride at seeing you in that chair is heightened by the courageous, the statesmanlike, the influential part you have taken in bringing about the happy accomplishment of our hopes. Your unique relations with both English and Colonial Masonry, aided by the support you have received in the highest quarter, have harmonised conflicting inclinations, have silenced objectors, have convinced the hesitating, and have accelerated the union which, without your help, would, in all likelihood, have been delayed for many years. I will not detain you by repeating any of the formal charges which are often used at the installation of a Grand Master. It is needless to enumerate the virtues as a man, as a citizen, and as a member of the Craft which should characterise a Grand Master Mason, when we have those virtues displayed in the character and career of the occupant of the Grand Master's chair. I will not presume to explain his duties to so eminent a Mason, or to give lessons in government to one who has already shown how well he knows how to rule. Great are the powers and prerogatives of a Grand Master of Masons, secured by the ancient landmarks, and incapable of being abated or abridged. Heavy are his responsibilities, for on the wise administration of his office the welfare and progress of the Brotherhood under his rule largely depend. No brother, therefore, however gifted, can assume the Grand Master's chair without misgivings as to his own ability to sustain the burthen of his high office. In your case, Most Worshipful Sir, the burthen is increased by your having to preside as its Grand Master over Masonry in New South Wales during a new and critical period of its history. That burthen, however, will be mitigated by the assistance of the distinguished brother whom you have appointed as your Pro Grand Master, by the support of the experienced brethren who have been elected as your Grand Lodge Officers, and by the loyalty, the confidence, and the devotion of the general body of the Craft. I am sure also that you have undertaken your office with humble reliance on the help of the Great Architect of the Universe, and that your ambition is His approval and the good of the Craft. The ceremonial in which we are engaged testifies to four great facts. The obligation which has been taken by you and the common supplications in which we have united are a renewed declaration of our belief as Masons in the Great Architect of the Universe, and of our dependence upon Him in this and every other undertaking. This ceremonial is also proof of our loyalty to the Queen, for it is her representative who has been raised by the acclamations of the Craft to the Grand Mastership. This ceremonial shows also that whilst Freemasonry is in some respects the most conservative of human institutions, for "it is not in the power of any man or body of men to make innovation in the body of Freemasonry," yet its Constitutions furnish to its members in these young commonwealths, as well as in older countries, ample scope for their patriotic aspirations after all the privileges of national life. Lastly, this ceremonial removes from Masonry in New South Wales the reproach of being divided into parties, and exhibits it to the world for the first time as a united Brotherhood. We stand this evening at the confluence into one broad stream of the four tributary affluents of Masonry in New South Wales. Under your wise government,

and the wise government of successive Grand Masters, that stream, flowing on between the ancient landmarks with ever increasing volume, shall carry down the ages to this great colony, and to countries beyond, the blessings of "Brotherly love, relief, and truth." I congratulate you, and I congratulate this United Grand Lodge, and all the brethren under your jurisdiction, on your being completely installed in the Grand Master's chair. Long may you rule over your brethren in New South Wales with honour to yourself, to the great advantage of Masonry, and to the satisfaction of the Great Architect. (Applause.)

The Grand Master of Victoria, Bro. DAVID MUNRO, congratulated Lord Carrington on behalf of the Victorian Grand Lodge and its officers.

Grand Master Lord CARRINGTON said: With great respect, I rise to offer my grateful thanks to my most worshipful brethren for the kind words they have been pleased to say this evening; and with a full heart do I offer my grateful thanks to my brothers of New South Wales, who have accorded me the highest honour which it is in their power to bestow. I trust that with the assistance of the Great Architect of the Universe I may be able to maintain the ancient principles of Masonry, and I rely with confidence on the support of my Grand Officers, as well as on the support of the whole of the Craft in the great colony which it is our pride and high privilege to be connected with. I have now to announce that I have appointed the Most Worshipful Bro. Harman John Tarrant as Pro Grand Master. (Applause.)

Pro. Grand Master Dr. Tarrant was then duly installed into the office to which he had been appointed, and following this was the investiture of other Grand Lodge Officers, and the presentation of representatives of other Grand Lodges.

The Grand Lodge was then closed, the choir singing a closing hymn, and finally the National Anthem.

Immediately following the ceremony of installation a banquet was held in the Elite Skating Rink. Covers were laid for 1170 brethren, every seat being occupied. The M.W. Grand Master, his Excellency Lord Carrington, presided, and directly over the head of his Excellency was a brilliant representation of a Grand Master's jewel, the diamonds being replaced by electric lights. The effect of this feature in the profuse decorations was striking. The decorations of the hall reflected great credit upon Messrs. Sale and Dare, for whom Mr. Herbert S. Thompson supervised. The dinner was served by the Compagnoni Catering Company, under the direction of the new manager to the company, Mr. J. F. Gunsler, to the completeness of whose arrangements and the excellence of the viands the highest praise is due. Sitting on the right of the Governor was Bro. Way, the Installing Master and Chief Justice of South Australia, and on the left of his Excellency sat Bro. Dr. Tarrant, Pro G.M. Supporting the Governor at the principal table were the following brethren: Bros. Sir Fredk. Darley, C.J.; Judge Windeyer, the Right Rev. Bishop of Bathurst, Mr. Justice Foster, the Hon. F. J. Burns, the Hon. Rupert Carrington, Capt. Hammill, R.N.; Capt. Neitenstein, Sheriff Cowper, Dumont, R. H. D. White, T. Spencer, Evans, Butterfield, Purvis, Capt. Quin, his Worship the Mayor of Sydney, Parnell, Lord Huldson, and the Hon. J. Douglas (of Queensland). Those who presided at the other tables were Bros. Col. Stokes, D.G.M.; M'Lachlan, S.G.W.; Dr. Sedgwick, P.D.G.M.; Henry, J.G.W.; and F. A. Wright, P.D.G.M. Bro. N. Hobson officiated as toast-master. The band of the 1st Regiment of Volunteers occupied the orchestra, and by their efforts added much to the enthusiasm which prevailed. The musical arrangements were under the direction of Messrs. Rivers Allpress, J. Ghede, and J. Liggins. The musical portion of the programme was contributed to by the following: Bros. Hallewell, Walshe, M'Mahon, H. Kowalski, and Parkinson. The contributions of each of the gentlemen named were received with rounds of applause, the efforts of Bro. Hallewell being received with the greatest enthusiasm.

Telegrams expressing good wishes and regretting inability to attend the gathering were received from Bros. Sir William Clarke, Bart. (Victoria), Dr. Wilmot (Victoria), J. Unmack (Queensland), and Matthew Burnett (Maitland).

After the meal had been partaken of,

His Excellency the M.W. GRAND MASTER submitted the toast of "The Queen," which was received with the customary manifestations of loyalty, the band playing the National Anthem.

His Excellency the M.W. GRAND MASTER next submitted the toast of "His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England." (Cheers.)

The toast was received with much enthusiasm.

Bro. Parkinson sang as a solo "God bless the Prince of Wales," and this was followed with Royal honours.

The M.W. Pro Grand Master, Bro. TARRANT, next rose to propose the toast of "The Grand Master of New South Wales," and was received with cheers. That he regarded as the toast of the evening. Lord Carrington, on his arrival in the colony, found the Freemasons, instead of being a body banded together according to the rules of their Institution, separated; and although he was most loyal to the Constitution to which he belonged in the old country, he yet gave the brethren to understand that if by any means the union of the whole fraternity could be promoted, it would meet with his approbation. The brethren, knowing that they had the consent of our most popular Governor and present Grand Master, decided that if they possibly could they would bring about a Masonic conference in order that all their differences might be settled. The result of all that had taken place in that respect was the grand spectacle they had witnessed that evening—the installation of their Most Worshipful Bro. Carrington as the ruler of the Craft. They had given to his Excellency the highest rank in Masonry it was possible for them to give him. They had placed their Most Worshipful Grand Master in command of an army of Freemasons in this colony 10,000 strong, the heart's pulse of every one of them throbbing with feelings of loyalty to the Throne and feelings of loyalty to the Empire. He trusted they would follow up the action of that day by the establishment throughout the colony of Masonic orphanages. (Loud cheers.)

The toast was drunk amid much enthusiasm, followed by Bro. Hallewell singing, with much effect, "A fine old English gentleman."

His Excellency the M.W. GRAND MASTER then rose to respond, and was received with immense enthusiasm, the company rising en masse, waving handkerchiefs, and cheering for some time. As the brethren continued standing Lord Carrington desired them to resume their seats. His Excellency then said: Worshipful Brethren and Brethren,—I thank you for your fraternal and for your hearty welcome, and I join it myself, because I know that it is not to me as an individual, but the welcome is given to the union which we have so happily accomplished this evening. Brethren, I am not here this evening to speak of myself. No honour is due to me. I speak of those to whom honour is due. When I first came into this happy colony two of the first addresses which I received were from the brethren of the Craft. I received an address of welcome from the brethren of the English Constitution, and that address was signed by the District Grand Master, Bro. John Williams, a man whose name will always be treated with respect in this great colony. Fidelity is his motto, and I hope and trust that his long service in this colony amongst the Craft will be rewarded by some signal mark of favour from the English Constitution. I was also honoured with an address of welcome from the Grand Lodge of New South Wales, and it was a matter of great grief to me that I could only receive that address as an address of loyalty, and not as an address of brethren who were as much Masons as myself. Thank God, brethren, that time has gone, and gone for ever. Shortly after my arrival in the colony I was invited to a banquet of brethren of the English Constitution, at which 600 sat down. The year after that came the Jubilee year of her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of England, and we had another banquet. At that banquet a hope was thrown out that, in the Jubilee year at any rate, some recognition between those two great bodies might be effected. The enthusiastic way in which that hope was received was a prognostication of the success of it. We were fortunate enough a year afterwards to be visited by a man not less distinguished and respected in politics than he is in Freemasonry—Bro. Lord Carnarvon. It is, perhaps, impossible to say how much the brethren in this colony owe to Lord Carnarvon. He heard of our unhappy differences, and he met Bro. Tarrant, Bro. Sedgwick, and Bro. Stokes—these three names will always remain as long as the name of New South Wales remains as shining lights of the Craft. It was arranged by Masonry, and by Masons alone, that a conference should be come to, in the hope that our unhappy differences might for ever be buried, and I should like to read the names of the 15 brethren who were selected, and to whom the great honour and credit accrues of having brought the conference to a satisfactory conclusion. The conference consisted of Bros. Rofe, Remington, Humphrey, Larsen, Spencer, Slade, Wright, White, Vaughan, Conway, Davidson, MacLachlan, Wynne, and Henry. And as the joint Secretaries were appointed Bros. Bray, Toomey, and Higstrim. Brethren, the result of that conference we have seen to-day. There may be some—I think there are but few—who think that the result of to-day's meeting would be a weakening of the ties which exist, and which, I hope, will always exist, between the mother country and these great colonies. I confess, brethren, that I am not one of those. And I know from looking round at this magnificent banquet that no brother who is seated at a table here is one of those men. Had any such idea been entertained, the great honour which has been conferred upon the Governor of this colony would not have been offered to him; and, if there had been any idea of that sort, I unhesitatingly say that no power on earth would have induced me to accept it. But I know, brethren, the kindly feelings towards the old mother country and towards the mother lodge which prompted you to confer this great compliment upon myself; and with gratitude and thankfulness I accepted this great distinction. And the fact of the brethren who are here present to-night proves there cannot be a word of truth in such an idea—for we have our distinguished Bro. Captain Hammill, the senior naval officer in command of the station; we have Bro. Douglas, of Queensland, the head of the Scottish Constitution; and we have Bro. Lord Haldon, an officer of one of the English District Grand Lodges. Their presence here foreshadows that our union is complete, and foreshadows the recognition which we shall shortly get from the mother country and from the mother lodges. To those outside this building who have any fear of non-recognition, I would say that in command of the United Grand Lodge of England we have the Prince of Wales, the chief of English Masonry; and, on the authority of Bro. Lord Carnarvon, I can say his Royal Highness has been cognisant of, and takes a deep interest in, all Masonic affairs in New South Wales. In Scotland we have a man—one of my oldest and best personal friends—Sir Archibald Campbell, of Blythswood. I do not speak of him as an old friend only; I do not speak of him as the husband of my own sister; but I speak of him as a man upon whom we can confidently rely, and who will do his best to bring about the union we so ardently desire. In the hands of the Duke of Abercorn, in Ireland, we are perfectly safe. And now, brethren, it only remains my pleasing duty once more to thank you from the bottom of my heart, with all kindness, and with all fraternal affection, for the great compliment you have been pleased to pay me this evening. Amongst all the kindnesses and all the compliments—undeserved compliments and unmerited kindnesses—which I have received in the three happy years during which I have been Governor, this is one I shall never forget. And it is my pleasing duty—my pleasing office—to-night to propose to the brethren here assembled "The Health of the distinguished and Most Worshipful Brother who has so signally distinguished himself in our proceedings this evening." In mentioning the name of Chief Justice Way, I am only expressing the good wish and the good feeling of every brother present here to-night. May his life be long and prosperous, every good fortune attend him, and may we soon have the great happiness and felicity of seeing him amongst us here again. With all cordiality, and with all honours, and with all affection, I give you the name of Chief Justice Way, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of South Australia. (Loud cheers.)

The toast was drunk with Masonic honours.

Installing Master WAY, on rising to respond, was received with great cheering. He said he had to thank the Most Worshipful Grand Master for the generous and fraternal terms in which he had proposed his (Bro. Way's) health, and he thanked the Right Worshipful brothers and the brethren for the enthusiastic manner in which they had received the toast. He thanked them also for the honour they had done, not merely to himself, but to the South Australian Constitution, in having invited him to take part in the great and impressive ceremonial which they had attended that evening. When he got back to Adelaide he would have travelled 2000 miles to perform the duties they had placed in his hands, but he felt it would be worth travelling 20,000 miles to witness that demonstration—the finest Masonic demonstration which had ever happened south of the line. He congratulated them on the consummation of Masonic union in New South Wales, and he congratulated them still more on having a Grand Master

whom it was a pleasure, a privilege, and an inspiration to serve under. (Cheers.)

Bro. Col. STOKES said, the toast which had been entrusted to his care was that of "Sister Grand Lodges throughout the World." It was a subject so wide in its scope, so broad in its bearing, that it would be utterly impossible within the limits of a few remarks to render to it that justice which its importance merited. Freemasons throughout the length and breadth of New South Wales would rejoice in the comforting thought that after long years of probationary division almost absolute unanimity had succeeded in constitutionally removing every bar to Masonic union, and in the proud reflection that they at last stood boldly and firmly together under the banner of a United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. They were conscious that every action which had been taken towards the consummation of that union had been in such strict consonance with constitutional law and Masonic usage as must perforce command universal respect and sisterly reciprocation. They should be especially proud of their changed, though still maintained, relations with the noble and loved mother Grand Lodges; for, while still remaining united to them in the bonds of Masonic love and loyalty, they would ever remain grateful to them for the fostering care they had bestowed upon them from their Masonic birth. They now saluted them as loved elder sisters, and with a love intensified by tenderest recollections of past associations. They trusted that the desire for and spirit of Masonic union would before long become so irresistible in its impulse as to constitutionally sweep away all obstacles to that union, wherever they may exist, that each of the great Australian colonies would possess its United Grand Lodge, and that thus a great Masonic federation would be established and built up in these Southern seas, whose mighty influence should be exercised for the universal good. (Cheers.)

The toast was honoured in an enthusiastic manner.

Bro. MUNRO, in responding on behalf of Victoria, thanked the brethren for having invited himself and his officers to witness the celebration that had taken place that day, the like of which had never before been seen south of the Line. He hoped that the day was not far distant when they in Victoria would have such a celebration as had that day taken place, and he thought they could rely upon England for sympathy and support. What had that day taken place would, he thought, cause those in Victoria who were wavering to throw in their lot with them.

Bro. DOWNER also responded, and congratulated the New South Wales brethren upon the achievements of the day, and spoke of the success which had attended the Masonic union in South Australia.

Bro. SOLOMON also responded, as the only member of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Ireland in Victoria. He hoped that before the close of the present year the brethren in Victoria would invite the brethren of New South Wales and the other colonies to assist in forming a Grand Lodge in Victoria.

Bro. J. C. REMINGTON, Grand Registrar, in proposing the last toast of the evening, that of "Our Visiting Brethren," said it was one which never needed a speech to recommend it, for when they ceased to remember the duties of hospitality they would cease to be Freemasons. Never before in Australasia, and only once, so far as he knew, in the British Empire, had such an assemblage of Freemasons gathered to an installation. They greeted first that night their sister Grand Lodge of South Australia. All honour to those worthy and energetic brethren who, by establishing a united governing body there, set so good an example. Their brethren from Victoria had arrived at a stage on the road to union which the Masons of New South Wales had reached some considerable time ago. Let them hope that the efforts of the Masons of the sister colony might be crowned with equal success. This time, they must for once admit, poor old sleepy mother, New South Wales, had shown the way for her energetic and bouncing daughter, Victoria, to follow. From Queensland they hailed worthy representatives of the District Grand Lodges which still held sway there; and if what he heard when in Brisbane not long ago were well founded, it might not be long ere the Masons of New South Wales returned their visit, and on a similar occasion. Australasian Masonry was waking up, and even from the little island of Tasmania there came a whisper of possible amalgamation of the different Constitutions. It might be delayed longer by natural geographical limits in New Zealand, but in the long run it would come there also; and who could doubt that some St. John's Day they would see a Masonic convention representative of all Australasia. Now, what would their visiting brethren report on their return to their homes? They would tell of that vast assemblage which they had just quitted, meeting with all former divisions blotted out and forgotten, working together hand in hand, and parting in peace, love, and harmony. But would they not also carry with them a grander idea of Masonry, of its principles, and of their results?—for he pitied the man, be he Mason or not, who could have listened without feeling his heart beat with loftier aspirations as the choir, to whom they owed so much that evening, poured forth to grand music those beautiful words—

Brothers all, of every nation,
Ye who passed the high probation,
This your task, by Heaven assigned,
Weary hearts by hope to lighten,
Darkened ways by truth to brighten,
God to love, and all mankind!

Let them drink with hearty good wishes to "The Health of our Visiting Brethren." (Loud cheers.)

The toast was drunk with Masonic honours.

Bro. the Hon. J. DOUGLAS, in responding, said that when he arrived at Brisbane and heard of this proposed gathering, he felt that he must not fail to avail himself of the opportunity of attending, and he felt bound to testify to the pleasure and appreciation he experienced at the great work which had been accomplished, and to assure them that the brethren of the Constitution he represented rejoiced with them.

Bro. COPPIN also responded, and said that Victoria had always boasted that New South Wales had set her the example of claiming self-government, and he hoped that Victoria would follow New South Wales in the grand ceremony which had taken place that night. (Cheers.)

The National Anthem was then sung with great spirit.

The brethren marshalled in procession and followed Lord Carrington to the door of the building. Cheers were given for his Excellency, and the gathering closed amid much enthusiasm.

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To Correspondents.

Bro. J. A. BIRCH—We do not see our way clear to publishing the correspondence you send without the consent of the writers of the respective letters.—ED. F.M.]

A PAST MASTER.—We are very grieved to hear of the particulars forwarded, and cannot understand how the Master of a lodge under the English Constitutions (in one of our Colonies) could permit an assault to be committed in the ante-room "under his own eye," and take no part to stay the proceedings, which are of a disgraceful character from beginning to end. The plaintiff was justified in bringing the matter before a court of law, seeing that his fraternal offer to accept an apology was deferred too late to stay proceedings in the initial stage. Should the members be so ill-advised as to vote for the permanent exclusion of the injured brother from the lodge because he thus sought to obtain the only means of redress in his power, all he has to do is to lay the matter before the District Grand Master, and, failing action by the local authorities, he may be sure that the Board of General Purposes would make short work of any such action by the lodge on due report being made.—ED. F.M.]

The following communications among others unavoidably stand over:—

CRAFT LODGES—St. Mark's College, No. 157; St. Helena, No. 488; Prince of Wales, No. 959; Elliot, No. 1567; Royal Kensington, No. 1627; and Hadrian, No. 1970.

INSTRUCTION—Hyde Park Lodge, No. 1425.

Banquet given by Bro. William Kelly, P.P.G.M., at Leicester.

CORRESPONDENCE—Bro. Emra Holmes.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1888.

Original Correspondence.

EXPULSION OF A SCOTTISH BROTHER.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

It fortunately happens that the Masonic press has never before had to chronicle so unjust a decision and so harsh a sentence as that in the case of Bro. William Edwards, who was expelled by a majority of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, headed by the Grand Master, for a mere technical misdemeanour. The facts of the case are as follows: The Celtic Lodge of Edinburgh, desirous of paying respect to the memory of one of their oldest and most revered Past Masters, Bro. Alexander Hay, resolved on holding the American innovation, called "A Lodge of Sorrow," which consists of copious extracts from the Burial Service, responses by a choir, funeral hymns, and orations and eulogia on the departed brother. The ritual was prepared and printed, and, as it all appeared in the Edinburgh papers the next day, there could not have been much "secret" about it. The oration on the life of Bro. Hay was announced to be given by Bro. William Mann, P.S.G.W., one of the oldest friends of the family, and it was for allowing our late Bro. Hay's two daughters to hear this oration from the organ loft that subjected Bro. Edwards to the most extreme penalty of the Craft. There was no secret of Masonry revealed, there was nothing in the whole of the proceedings which could not have been witnessed by the world at large, and the ladies who heard their dead father's memory spoken of in terms of affection and esteem did not learn so much of the so-called secrets of the Order as the ladies at the Centenary Festival of the Girls' School, who saw and heard H.R.H. the Grand Master lead the "fire." I do hope that even yet the Grand Lodge of Scotland may be induced to listen to reason, and reverse a decision and sentence which should never be inflicted save for the gravest possible offence.

Bro. Edwards was undoubtedly guilty of an error of judgment, and might be punished by fine or suspension for a year; but some regard should be shown to his eminent services, especially to the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter, of which he has been the G.S.E. for many years.—Yours fraternally,

A PAST GRAND OFFICER.

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

I am delighted to notice your intention of issuing periodically in the columns of the *Freemason* a series of articles on Masonic Jurisprudence. Valuing, as most of us do, *Oliver's Jurisprudence*, as a synopsis of Masonic law, it has, in many instances, nevertheless, become obsolete and unsuited to the requirements of the present day, and I trust that this latest evidence of your enterprise will meet with the substantial and fraternal encouragement it deserves.

I need scarcely add that you may rely on my hearty co-operation in this distant part of the world, where, by-the-by, a new work on Jurisprudence will be eminently useful.—Very fraternally yours,

W. F. LAMONBY

Masonic Club, Melbourne,
September 21st.

QUALIFICATION OF CANDIDATES TO THE MASONIC SCHOOLS.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

As the proposer of the resolution "That fathers of candidates should have made themselves Life-Governors of the Institutions into which their children are seeking admission," within the seven years limit, and which, at the suggestion of many brethren, I withdrew, not because I thought that I was wrong in my object, but that the brethren did not sufficiently understand my reasons for bringing it forward. However, I hope at some future day to see it carried. Bro. Gladwell opposed it, as being too cheap and easy a method of obtaining the right of qualifying as a candidate. Bro. Binckes, because it would turn our Order into a Benefit Society. How, as to the first objection? I think I shall be able to prove that the qualifying right is far too cheap and easy, as at present in use, even with "the seven years' subscribing membership," which, I trust will not only be carried, but acted upon after the next Quarterly Courts.

For my purpose I will take the fly sheets of the proxy papers issued for the last election, and find that out of 24 boys who were elected, one was L.G. of all three Institutions, one L.G. of the Boys, one L.G. of the Benevolent, one had contributed to the Boys' and Benevolent, two had given something to the Benevolent, and three had occasionally given to the Boys', leaving 15 with no record to their names; of the nine successful girls, one was L.G. of all three, one L.S. to the Benevolent, one gave occasionally to the Benevolent, and to the remaining six there is no record. Nine boys were under the seven years' limit, and four girls, one of the latter only nine months; of course there may be some whose names have been absorbed in the provincial lists, and therefore not recorded individually, yet I am of opinion that when out of a list of thirty-three, only twelve are recorded as doing anything, and out of that twelve only three have made themselves Life-Governors of the Institutions to which their children have been received; some means should be devised of stimulating them in future to further exertions, but, if in the opinion of the brethren, my scheme, which would have added 210 guineas to the Boys', and 60 to the Girls' Institution, is too easy, let the Standard be raised to Vice-Presidentship, within the seven years limit. Seven years subscription to a lodge does not necessarily constitute any benefit to the Institutions as there are several who never give anything.

Now as to objection number two, viz: making a Benefit Society of our Order, I beg to differ from my good friend Bro. Binckes, the members of the Craft are admitted on the solemn assurance that they do not seek to join for any mercenary or other unworthy motive, but that they should have Institutions wherewith to aid and assist those members who have had the misfortune to be reduced more or less severe, is merely the outcome of that grand principle of Freemasonry, "Charity." In those other grand orders, viz.: Odd Fellows, Foresters, &c., &c., which are Benefit Societies, pure and simple, the members join that they shall receive aid and assistance in case of accident, sickness, or death, and that, I trow, is the great and essential difference (in principle if not in practice) between us and them.

—Yours fraternally,
CHARLES J. PERCEVAL.

November 3rd.

AN OLD MASONIC SONG.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

Can any of your numerous readers inform me if they have seen the following Masonic song in print? If so, where? and who was the King alluded to as the Grand Master? Also, who was the fortunate brother who so narrowly escaped being tucked up?—Yours faithfully and fraternally,
PAGS.

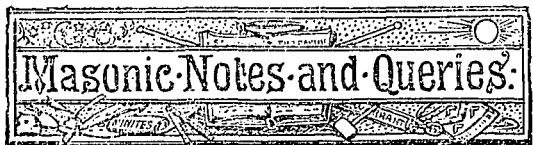
Tune—Entered Apprentice.

"A Mason one time,
Was cast for a crime,
Which malice had put a bad face on,
And then without thought,
To a gibbet was brought,
This Free and an Accepted Mason.

"And when he got there,
He put up a prayer,
For Heaven to pity his case on;
His King he espied,
Who in progress did ride,
Was a Free and an Accepted Mason.

"Then out a sign flew,
Which the Grand Master knew,
And rode up to know the occasion;
Asked who had condemned
So worthy a friend
As a Free and an Accepted Mason?

"He retried the cause,
And found out the flaws,
According to Justice and Reason;
He tucked up the judge,
And all who bore grudge
To this Free and an Accepted Mason."



806] ROYAL YORKSHIRE LODGE, No. 265.

Reverting to my former note—Notes and Queries, 803—I would add that the information I supplied in reference to this lodge in "Masonic Records, 1717—1886," as "The Milnes Lodge, 1788," I obtained from the original warrant book in Grand Lodge, and I now give a copy of the entry—"530. The Milnes's Lodge at the Devonshire Arms at Keighley, Yorkshire, 1st Monday." This lodge, with No. 529, "The Duke of York's Lodge at the Black Boy Inn, Doncaster," is stated to have been "constituted by R. S. Milnes, Esq., Provl. G.M. for Yorkshire, vide Mr. Christ-Wilson's letter of 9th August, 1788." Hence it appears that the lodge at Keighley was constituted without a warrant, inasmuch as the date of the Provisional warrant, or dispensation, issued by the P.G.M. bears date the 23rd of August, 1788. In this Provisional warrant the lodge, on the 23rd August, 1788, is styled "The Royal Yorkshire Lodge," but it is clear, from the above extracts, that some time previous to that date the name "The Milnes's

Lodge" had been transmitted to the Grand Secretary, and under that name alone the lodge was recorded in the Grand Lodge warrant book, remaining there unaltered to this day. From a personal examination, I can affirm that, with the exception of the lodge at Keighley, no other Yorkshire lodge constituted or warranted by the R.W. Bro. Rd. Slater Milnes, P.G.M., was ever registered in Grand Lodge as "The Milnes's Lodge." I will not attempt to explain this, but simply record the facts. There can be no valid reason for ignoring things that actually exist, and if a mistake is made (to which all are liable), the best way surely, when it is ascertained to be an error, is to frankly admit it.

JNO. LANE.

SCOTCH MASONRY.

Venerable "Canongate Kilwinning," No. 2, possesses the oldest Scotch Minute of the "raising" of M.M., dated 31st March, 1735, though Bro. Mackenzie's History of this lodge shows that she had members of the Third Degree on her roll even earlier still, as they are mentioned in the transactions of the previous month, which is as far back as the records carry us. Hitherto, "Mary Chapel," No. 1, has generally been considered second in this item of intelligence, but must now move a step downwards to give place to "Glasgow Kilwinning," No. 4, whose first minute, 1st April, 1735, appears to refer to the institution of the lodge. At this date "John Anderson, Right Worshipful Master of the Lodge of Kilwinning, held at Edingburgh, accompanied by John Crawford, Esq., of Milton, and John Clark, Merchant, in Glasgow, who were Master Masons [the italics are mine] proceeded to pass five Masons, and also raised them to the Sublime Degree. In appreciation of his services, Bro. Anderson was elected "R.W.M." of this lodge, whereupon he nominated Bro. Clark for that office, showing that he took it simply as a formal compliment. I presume Anderson's lodge was the "Canongate Kilwinning," No. 2, but his name does not appear on that list, although, in the foregoing entry, and again, on 24th June and 5th August, when visiting No. 4, he is fully described as R.W.M. of the Edinburgh body. Perhaps Bro. Allan Mackenzie, P.M. of No. 2, will throw some light on this doubtful point. It is almost certain that Anderson was a prominent Mason, as he was here to constitute a lodge, which then, and for long years afterwards, consisted entirely of speculative brethren, who were the leading notabilities of Glasgow—commercial, professional, military, &c., so much so that it has been said of these members, to write their lives is to record the rise and history of what is now the "Second City." The Minute Book is in perfect preservation and has been admirably kept by the various Secretaries—enterings, &c., are clearly recorded, and everything seems to have been done on business principles, as might be expected from the Sugar and Tobacco Lords of that period. In the second minute, 15th April, 1735, we find the phrase "Free and Accepted Masons." On 2nd November, 1736, a letter was read from Henry Price, Prov. G.M., James Gordon, D. Prov. G.M., and other brothers of the Boston (America) Lodge, sending "Hearty good wishes" to No. 4, who replied on the February following. In each case a visiting brother was the medium of communication. The entry of 5th April, 1737, is probably the earliest allusion to the proxy system, that still obtains in Scotland, for on that evening they selected an Edinburgh brother, with power to nominate two proxy Wardens to represent their interests at the ensuing quarterly communication of Grand Lodge. The meetings of this lodge were often held two or three times in a month, and after June, 1737, it is always minuted that the "Regulations" were duly read. At the first visitation, on 6th March, 1739, Alex. Drummond, the Prov. G.M., inter alia, "interrogated the brethren on the proper questions of Masonry." This course was, by no means, unusual in those days, but is no longer considered necessary. I am indebted to a very worthy Scotch brother, J. Gordon, the present respected R.W.M. of No. 4, for the jottings given above.

ED. MACBEAN, 2076.



Craft Masonry.

LODGE OF ASAPH (No. 1319).—The installation meeting of this lodge was held in the Zetland-rooms, Freemasons' Hall, on Monday afternoon. On account of the professional engagements of the members the hour for meeting was as usual fixed for half-past one, and even at that early hour there was a large attendance of brethren. The W.M., Bro. L. B. Wooldridge (W. Lestocq), lost no time in opening the lodge, when the reading and confirming of the minutes of the previous meeting was at once proceeded with, after which the report of the Audit Committee on the lodge accounts and the Fund of Benevolence having been printed and circulated, was taken as read. By the time this formal business was disposed of, and the Secretary had read various communications he had received, the number of brethren present had very much increased, so that when the W.M. began to address the brethren as to the custom of the annual election of a Master he had a very large and attentive audience who, it was evident, were prepared to witness an unusually good specimen of Masonic working. Nor were their expectations disappointed; the high repute which the Asaph Lodge enjoys in this respect was fully maintained. The dignified ease of the W.M. in all his movements, coupled with his excellent elocution, combined to render Bro. Wooldridge's installation of his successor a veritable Masonic treat. From first to last the work was quiet, fluent, and impressive, so that the large and appreciative, though critical audience could not but be highly satisfied with the performance. Bro. George E. Fairchild, the new W.M., was warmly congratulated upon his succession to the chair of K.S. The manner in which he invested his officers and continued the business of the lodge, left no room to doubt that notwithstanding the ability displayed by the outgoing Master, the brother newly-entrusted with the government of the lodge was no less skilful in the work he had undertaken to perform. The officers appointed or elected for the ensuing year were Bro. J. D. Beveridge, S.W.; T. de Brunnow Holmes, J.W.; C. Wellard, Treas.; J. M. Chamberlin, P.M., Sec.; Bro. A. Tinney, P.M., D.C.;

H. M. Medsall, S.D.; Alfred Bishop, J.D.; W. S. Penley, I.G.; Henry Tinney, P.M., Org.; J. E. Hambleton and H. E. Macklin, Stwds; and Gilbert, Tyler.

The lodge was closed, and the brethren of the lodge adjourned to Freemasons' Tavern, where they dined together in the great hall, the bill of fare provided by Messrs. Spiers and Pond being of the choicest description.

When the waiters had retired, Bro. Fairchild, W.M., who, of course, presided, rose and said that from the time of his first entrance into the lodge he had resolved to follow in the footsteps of those who preceded him in the occupation of the chair; he had found that long speeches were almost prohibited, that short speeches were a pleasure and long speeches were a bore. He did not intend to transgress on the present occasion. They had a long, and he hoped a very enjoyable, programme before them, and unless the brethren willed it otherwise he should make the speeches as short as possible.

The W.M. then briefly proposed the first toast, "The Queen and the Craft," which was drunk with enthusiasm, and was followed by the toast to "The Health of the M.W. the G. Master," which was also enthusiastically received.

This was followed by a delightful quartette "The Sailor's Song" (Hatton), which was warmly applauded.

The Worshipful Master then proposed "The Health of the Pro G.M., the Dep. G.M., and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past," in doing which he remarked that it was a matter of regret that the Earl of Carnarvon had been unable latterly, on account of the state of his health, to attend Grand Lodge so regularly as he did formerly, but he reminded the brethren that the Pro G.M. had done a great deal of good when in Australia in regard to the little differences which had occurred between the Grand Lodges here and there. The Deputy G.M. performed the duties of his high office on all occasions with credit to himself and satisfaction to the Craft. As regarded the rest of the Grand Officers, the lodge was honoured by the presence of three on that occasion, one of whom, in particular, was the mainstay of the Order—Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, the Grand Secretary. They had also present Bro. Hogard, who was one of the recipients of Jubilee honours, and there was also their Bro. Jeykel, P.M., who had received Grand honours at the hands of the M.W.G.M. He gave them the toast of the Grand Officers, coupled with those three names.

The toast having been drunk with Masonic honours, there followed a performance of Berghau's "Pezzicato-Serenade," by Bros. E. Frewin, J. Weaver, H. Calcott, F. Hambleton, E. Hambleton, and C. Harper, which won very hearty applause. This was followed by Lovett King's new song, "How dear art thou to me," with which Bro. C. Chilly "brought down the house," and was encored, a call which he answered by singing "The Bay of Biscay."

The Grand Secretary, followed by Bros. Hogard and Jeykel, then returned thanks for the Grand Officers.

Bro. Wooldridge, I.P.M., then rose and said that he had the honour as well as the great pleasure to propose the next toast—"The W.M." To those of them who knew Bro. Fairchild it was almost unnecessary for him to say one word in his praise as a man or as a Mason, but to those who might be visiting them for the first time, who only knew Bro. Fairchild's work as a Mason, and had not the pleasure of knowing him as a man, he would say it was their misfortune; but those who did know him must feel that it was a good thing to have such a Mason at the head of the Asaph Lodge. As Master of the lodge and as Preceptor at the club, he said the ritual was safe in Bro. Fairchild's hands, as was the future of the Lodge of Asaph.

The toast was received with great enthusiasm.

Bro. Courtice Pounds, who was one of the visitors, was then requested to sing, and earned a storm of applause; and then in answer to an encore sang Handel's "Where're you walk," with which he completely charmed his audience. Bro. F. H. Macklin followed with a recitation, "Paddy Dunbar," which was well received, as was also Benedict's duet, "The moon has raised her lamp," beautifully executed by Bros. Holmes and Temple.

The W.M., in reply to the toast, said he need hardly assure the brethren that he thanked them from the bottom of his heart for the very generous—too generous response that had been made to the toast. In what he had done for the lodge he had only done what he thought every Mason should do, namely, act to the utmost of his ability, great or small. He should hesitate to say how long it was since he had had visions of occupying the chair, and he had persevered. He had, as they knew, been promoted step by step through the various offices, until, at length, he found himself in that distinguished and honourable position. The brethren had entrusted him with duties to discharge during his year of office, and he asked them to believe that he should strive, in that honourable position, to carry out the duties attaching to it, and when his term of office had expired, if he had failed in any way in working, or courtesy, or urbanity, he trusted that they would let him know of it as freely as they had praised him on the present occasion. The W.M. then proceeded to say that one of the most pleasant duties which the Master of a lodge could fulfil, was that of following out the unanimous instructions of the brethren, to present the I.P.M. with something in recognition of the ability with which he had performed the duties of the preceding year. The brethren of the Asaph Lodge, had, in open lodge, unanimously resolved that a jewel of the highest value allowed by their By-laws should be presented to Bro. Wooldridge for valuable services he had rendered during his year of office. They had seen his admirable working in a year in which they had been so fortunate as to have a great deal of work, and it had been done in a manner that had not been excelled by any brother who had preceded him in the chair. It gave him great pleasure, on behalf of the brethren, to invest Bro. Wooldridge with that token of their esteem, and he trusted that the G.A.O.T.U. would grant him health and strength, and many years of useful life in which to wear it.

The presentation was followed by the performance of a Divertissement—"Reisbilder" (Johann Resch), the performers being Bros. E. Frewin, E. Hambleton, C. Harper, W. L. Barrett, J. Cooper and Henry Tinney.

Bro. Wooldridge having thanked the brethren for their gift and their good wishes, the W.M. proposed "The Health of the Visitors," which was heartily drunk by the brethren of the lodge, and was replied to by Bros. Lieut.-Gen. Randolph, Chapman, Thomas, and others, and "The Health of the Past Masters," and "The Officers of the Lodge" were also duly proposed and honoured before the Tyler's toast closed the proceedings.

In the intervals Bro. Robert Grice sang the Yeoman's

wedding song, and Bro. Charles Chilly "Love is a dream" with great applause. One of the many treats of the evening, however, was the flute solo by Bro. W. L. Barrett, in which were included a "romance" by Bergson and Durand's "Valse de concert." The musical programme was appropriately brought to a close with Bishop's sweet and thoroughly English glee "Sleep, Gentle Lady." Bro. Henry Tinney had charge of the musical arrangements.

TRINITY COLLEGE LODGE (No. 1763).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Thursday, the 1st inst., at Mandeville-place, Manchester-square, when there were present Bros. Aubrey T. Howard, W.M.; F. W. Plant Martin, S.W.; E. Burritt Lane, J.W.; Rev. H. G. B. Hunt, Chap. and Treas.; J. A. Hammond, Sec.; John Mills, S.D.; T. E. Biddlecombe, J.D.; J. B. Sargeant, D.C.; G. H. W. Tear, I.G.; C. J. Ozanne, Stwd.; G. Harrison, Tyler; John Stedman, P.M.; Bradbury Turner, P.M.; Arthur Carnall, Org.; J. Van der Heyden, E. M. Fischel, W. C. Hutchinson, J. Pettitt, and S. Wilford. Among the visitors were Bros. E. B. Cox, W.M. 1563; J. Brander, S.W. 1563; W. J. Rendell, P.M. and Sec. 1716; and Benjamin Crumplin, 328.

The lodge was opened, and the minutes were read and confirmed. The Auditor's report was received. Bro. Sinclair Dunn, No. 132 (S.C.), was balloted for as a joining member. The installation of Bro. F. W. Plant Martin, W.M. elect, and investiture of officers then took place. Bro. J. A. Hammond, P.M. 1563 and 1765, acted as Installing Officer, performing that difficult task with admirable precision. The W.M. then invested his officers for the ensuing year as follows: Bros. Burritt Lane, S.W.; Mills, J.W.; Biddlecombe, S.D.; Sargeant, J.D.; Ozanne, D.C.; Rev. B. Hunt, Treas.; J. A. Hammond, Sec.; Tear, I.G.; and Wilford, Stwd. Bro. Hammond having given the usual addresses to the W.M., the Wardens, and the general body of the members, the lodge was closed.

After the banquet, the loyal toasts, and those of "The Grand Officers" and "The Installing Officer," were drunk with enthusiasm.

Bro. Aubrey Howard, I.P.M., rose to propose the toast of "The Worshipful Master." In fitting terms he alluded to the past work of the W.M., and augured for that what his present work would be.

The W.M. proposed "The Health of the I.P.M.," and expressed the pleasure he felt in pinning to his breast the handsome jewel the brethren had unanimously voted to him in recognition of the way in which he had upheld the credit of the lodge during his year of office.

Harmony, and not eloquence, being in form at Trinity College Lodge, all the preceding and following toasts were proposed and acknowledged as briefly as possible, in order to give more for the "feast of reason and flow of soul" furnished in the musical selections. Bro. John Stedman sang, in his sympathetic manner, "Mary of Argyle" and "Where'er she walks," from Handel's "Semele." Bro. J. T. Hutchinson sang Sir H. Bishop's fine song, "Oh, firm as oak." Bro. Bradbury Turner and A. Karnall played a pianoforte duet—(a) "Deutschland," (b) "Russland," by Moszkowski—with splendid dash and precision. Mr. Bernard Carrods gave two very fine violin selections, being accompanied on the pianoforte by Bro. A. Carnall. The way in which he rendered the "Ballade et Polonaise de Concert," by Vieuxtemps, proved him a worthy son of the great Yorkshire violinist, and a creditable example of the musical teaching at Trinity College. Bro. T. Pettitt played, in excellent style, an organ solo, a "March," by J. B. Calkin.

The Tyler's toast brought the proceedings to a close, all present having spent a most enjoyable evening.

VICTORIA PARK LODGE (No. 1816).—"Honour to whom honour is due" is an old adage worthy of all acceptance, and we must commend our esteemed Bro. W. Watkins for the excellent and arduous work he has done in and for Freemasonry during the past two years at least. In November last, he installed his successor, the W.M. of the Capper Lodge, No. 1076, having just passed through a most successful year of office as Master of that lodge, and, on Thursday, the 25th ult., he, after serving as Master for the preceding twelve months, installed his successor at the above lodge, thus finishing a service to the glorious old Order worthy of record and of the man.

The lodge was opened at its new habitat, The London Tavern, Fenchurch-street, and, the minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, a brother was raised to the Third Degree. Bro. John Topliff Kinipple, S.W. and W.M. elect, was then presented to Bro. Watkins, to receive at his hands the benefit of installation, and in due course, and with the usual ceremonies, he was placed in the chair of K.S., and saluted. The following officers were then invested by Bro. H. Rogers, P.M. and Sec., viz.: Bros. H. Sinclair, S.W.; E. Clements, J.W.; Morris, Treas.; H. Rogers, P.M., Sec. (invested by Bro. C. Reeve, P.M.); A. Govier, C.C.; S.D.; W. B. Abrahams, J.D.; R. W. Carroll, I.G.; D. Mickleread, D.C.; F. Garrod and W. Price, Stwds.; and M. Sherwin, Organist. Bro. Watkins then delivered the three addresses in a most eloquent manner, and the ceremony was concluded. He was then presented with a valuable P.M.'s jewel (manufactured expressly by Bro. George Kenning, of Little Britain), and it was unanimously resolved "That a vote of thanks be presented to Bro. Watkins, and recorded on the minutes of the lodge, for the perfect manner in which he had installed his successor." Bro. Watkins having returned thanks, some essential lodge business was transacted, and the lodge was closed.

Among the other brethren present were Bros. D. Hodges, P.M.; C. Carroll, P.M.; F. T. Pallivant, J. Rumsey, R. Waddle, F. H. Harris, G. Govier, T. Hallett, E. Haynes, B. Winsler, J. Bradford, G. Heyton, T. Walker, W. Beresford, E. Smith, W. Griers, J. Bishop, W. Tilley, S. H. Corfield, B. Charig, A. Reed, G. Bush, J. Thresher, H. G. Cooper, W. G. Stone, A. Bristow, W. C. Godley, and A. Garrood, all of the lodge; W. H. Stone, W.M. 1623; C. Beaden, P.M. 781; E. H. Williams, 898; E. White, 530; L. B. Lewis, 1076; W. Davidson, 1076; G. Pluckrose, 188; A. Schneider, 151; G. Johnson, 28; W. H. Young, 1210; C. Jolly, M.P. 1472; and others.

The superbly appointed banquet having been discussed,

the W.M. gave "The Queen and the Craft," followed by that of "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Grand Master of England," and in putting the latter, said they all knew H.R.H. was an excellent example to follow in his desire for the success of the Craft, and if they followed him they could not go wrong. He asked them to drink the toast in bumpers.

The toast of "The M.W. Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Carnarvon" was duly honoured, and also that of "The R.W. Dep. G.M., the Earl of Lathom, and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past."

The I.P.M. then proposed the toast of "The W.M.," saying that he had not the least doubt that when they saw him take the gavel in his hands, they knew what he did it for. It was his very pleasant duty to propose the health of Bro. Kinipple, their esteemed W.M., and at the same time wish him a very happy and successful year of office. He felt sure, from the way in which they were going on, that they would never regret removing to within the city, and also that under the rule of their genial hearted W.M. they would go on and prosper, and in time become one of the foremost lodges under the rule of their beloved G.M., and within the London district. He asked them to drink the toast with all the honours it deserved, and right loyally did the brethren respond.

The W.M., in response, said that evening took him back in memory many years, to some thirty-one years ago, when, as a youth, he saw a Masonic emblem in an uncle's room. It was beautifully framed, and as he looked at it he thought it was exceedingly handsome, and not only handsome, but impressive, because above it was an eye, which he was told was emblematical of the all-seeing eye of the Almighty. Well, years rolled on, till he became a man, a man in business, and some one said to him, "Why don't you become a Mason?" He asked, "What is there in it?" The "someone" said "Oh, it will be good for you in business." "If that is the only thing in it, I can do without it," I said, and so it went on until he heard and knew of the noble work it was doing in the cause of Charity, and then he went to a brother and asked him to propose him, and in due course he was initiated. He entered it with the full intention of doing all he could for its advancement, and now that he stood before them as W.M., he felt that it was one of the most eventful, and, indeed, proudest moments of his life. They might believe him when he said that he should do all in his power to make the brethren happy; but from the heavy responsibility the lodge had incurred over its Jubilee contributions to the Charities, they would have to economise at the social board. He concluded an eloquent address by asking them to support him in his endeavours for the prosperity of the lodge, and assured them that nothing should be wanting on his part to maintain and uphold the prestige of the lodge, and the happiness of the brethren.

Bro. Watkins, in responding for "The Installing Officer," thanked them for the toast, but, at the same time, did not see himself that he had done more than was his duty as W.M. in installing his successor, the same as any other ceremony that a W.M. should do if called upon. They, however, knew that it was a difficult ceremony to acquire, while a Master had his lodge duties to carry out. If he had pleased and satisfied them he had his reward, and could only hope that their W.M. would have a good year of office, and install his successor in turn.

Bro. Hodges, in responding for "The Past Masters," regretted that there were only half of their Past Masters present—four present and four away. He would have rather seen them all present. There was every prospect of the lodge going on well. Their W.M. had been initiated by him into Masonry, and he was proud to see him in the chair, in which he would be supported by the Past Masters by every means in their power.

Bro. Reeve said he was rather modest, and quite agreed that Bro. Hodges should have returned thanks for the Past Masters collectively, but he (Bro. Reeve) liked at least once a year to have something to say to the brethren. They all knew he had the prosperity of the lodge at heart, and that it was his ambition to have it one of the foremost in the City of London. They had nobly supported the Charities, and had done something in the Jubilee year that would eventually be worthy of the lodge, and of all who had worked so hard and given so freely for and to the Charities.

Bro. Carroll, responding for "The Masonic Charities," said he did not know why they should have chosen him to respond for so important a toast, except perhaps that they knew that he had the welfare of the Charities very much at heart. The lodge had given generously to the Charities, especially to "The Old People." The "Girls" and the "Boys" were always well looked after, and, moreover, there were plenty of people who were willing, and indeed at times anxious, to adopt a boy or girl; but he never yet heard of any one who was anxious to adopt an old man or aged woman, especially the latter; therefore it was their duty to support that excellent Institution, "The Benevolent Institution" that did look after the old people in their hour of need. It had been his great good fortune to take up such a sum on two occasions for those Charities from the lodge, as placed his list—one year the fifth on the list of the Metropolitan lodges, and in the next year the sixth on the list. Now, that spoke highly for the Victoria Park Lodge, and as they went on and prospered they would be enabled to do even more than they had done in the past. "The Old People" were very heavily in debt, and he intended, as he had done for some few years, to again go up for them next year; because he believed, in the first place, that it was an Institution that deserved every support, and in the next place that it was necessary for the honour and prestige of the lodge that it should keep its name as a staunch supporter of the Charities. Bro. Watkins went up for the "Girls," and had something very substantial placed by the lodge upon his list, and he (Bro. Carroll) trusted that his would be as heartily supported. He hoped every brother of the lodge kept in view the great truth that Charity was the main spring and foundation of Masonry, and above all remembered that it was essentially necessary for their lodge to keep up its name as second to none for its support of the noble Institution of the Order.

Bro. Watkins having supported the Charities; Bros. Jolly, Stone, Beaden, Schneider, and others responded for "The Visitors."

The other toasts were "The Officers" and the Tyler's toast. Bro. Sherwin presided at the piano, and some excellent songs and recitations were rendered by Bros. Sherwin, Tilley, Corfield, Pullen, and others.

MANCHESTER.—Lodge of Affability (No. 317).—A regular meeting of this lodge was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, on Thursday, the 1st inst. Present: Bros. W. B. Akerman, W.M.; J. Robinson, S.W.; E. G. Chesworth, J.W.; S. Staton, Sec.; V. M. Vultchoff, S.D.; John Bladon, P.M., P.P.A. G.D.C.; J. W. Edwards, P.M.; Jas. Wilson, P.M.; Fredk. Spencer, Stwd.; and others.

The lodge was opened, and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed. Bro. John Bladon took the chair, and raised Bro. Phillips to the Sublime Degree of a M.M.

The lodge was soon afterwards closed, and the brethren made their way down stairs to receive the ladies who had arrived to take part in the annual soiree.

Dancing commenced at 8.30, and continued until 11 o'clock, when the company, numbering 34, sat down to supper, after which,

"The Health of the Queen" was proposed by the W.M., and loyally drunk by all present.

The toast of "The Ladies" was proposed by Bro. Charles Daber, J.D., and responded to on their behalf by Bro. John Bladon in humorous terms.

Bro. R. R. Lisenden proposed "The Health of the W.M.," and referred to the exceptional interest Bro. Akerman had taken in his lodge, proved from the fact of his journeying considerable distances in order to be present and perform his duties on the first Thursday in each month, which he had cheerfully done, and, from the commencement of his year of office, had evinced genuine Masonic spirit, and intense interest in his lodge.

The toast was well received, and Bro. Akerman replied in appropriate terms.

The company shortly afterwards renewed their terpsichorean revels, which were kept up until an early hour of the morning.

Amongst those present were Bro. and Mrs. Akerman, Bro. and Mrs. Robinson, Bro. and Mrs. Chesworth, Bro. and Miss Wilson, Bro. and Mrs. Vultchoff, Bro. and Miss Spencer, Bro. and Mrs. McLeod, Bro. and Miss Walmsley, Bro. and Mrs. Lisenden, Mrs. and Miss E. Smith, Bro. and Mrs. W. Garside, Bro. John Bladon, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Whittle, Bro. C. E. Daber, Bro. F. C. Phillips, and others.

Huddersfield.—Truth Lodge (No. 521).

—The regular meeting of the above lodge was held on Friday, the 2nd inst., at Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street. Present: Bros. A. Graham, W.M.; J. Firth, S.W.; G. Jackson, J.W.; G. Marshall, P.M., Treas.; Jno. W. Turner, P.M., Sec.; S. Crossley, S.D.; Wm. Wood, J.D.; J. Davies, I.G.; J. Dawson, P.S.W., D. of C.; George Hardy, Tyler; A. Jackson, P.M.; G. Horsfall, P.M. 1514; W. E. Jowitt, P.M.; R. Williamson, P.M.; A. Armitage, P.M.; H. Shaw, P.M.; W. H. Jessop, P.M.; J. B. Matthewman, P.M.; J. G. Thompson, Sawden, Wood, Nicholson, Mallory, Dyson, Clayton, Sissons, J. Wood, Sheard, Wray, Gledhill, and Godfrey Moxon. Visitors: Bros. A. Walker, P.M.; J. Shoemith, P.M.; G. Marchant, S.W.; and R. Metcalf, S.D. of 1783.

The lodge having been opened, the minutes were read and confirmed, after which Bro. Batley was passed to the Degree of a F.C. by Bro. A. Armitage, I.P.M. The S.W. presented and explained the working tools. The election of W.M. for the ensuing year was next proceeded with, and the unanimous selection of the brethren was for Bro. John Dawson, Past S.W. Bro. J. W. Turner, P.M., Sec., P.J.G.D., was elected Treasurer, and Bro. G. Hardy, Tyler. A proposition for initiation was made, and "Hearty good wishes" having been given, the lodge was closed.

After supper the usual toasts were honoured, and the brethren spent a very convivial evening.

The installation of the W.M. elect takes place on the first Friday in December, when a numerous gathering is expected.

PLUMSTEAD.—Pattison Lodge (No. 913).

—Bro. W. D. Keeble, W.M. of the above powerful and popular lodge, might well feel proud of his position as Master of the third (numerically) strongest lodge in the Province of Kent. It has a magnificent temple for its meetings, an excellent and well-trained choir for the musical portions of the ritual, and for the purposes of its post-prandial harmony, and last, but not least, at every meeting, there is a large, attentive, and interested gathering of the brethren of the lodge and visitors from far and near. Such was the state of affairs on Thursday, the 1st instant, when Bro. Keeble, for the first time since his installation in July last, presided as Master, in the grand hall of the new and handsome Masonic Temple, in Bull Fields. He was supported by the following Past Masters, officers, and brethren: Bros. C. Coupland, P.M., P.P.J.G.W., Treas.; A. Penfold, P.M., P.P.S.G.D.; E. Denton, P.M., P.P.J.G.D., Sec.; H. J. Butter, P.M., P.P.G.R., Stwd.; H. Mason, P.M., C. H. Lawson, P.M.; F. Barry, P.M.; C. Jolly, P.M. (Hon.) P.M. 1472, 2184; B. de B. Lopez, S.W.; E. Morris, acting J.D.; W. Busbridge, S.D.; W. Saunders, J.D.; W. C. Taylor, I.G.; R. F. Tyler, Org.; J. J. Collins, Asst. D.C.; C. Clapham, Steward; W. Larder, Tyler; W. J. Newton, J. Widges, W. Davidson, A. W. Jackson, G. Tucker, W. Delatouche, W. Lock, R. Turrell, H. Stewart, J. Mitchell, J. Frankling, H. Grattan, F. Hayward, W. B. Ledger, D. C. Capon, E. Lewis, W. Lomax, W. Batchelor, R. Pollard, T. Griffiths, J. Stratton, W. H. Pryce, A. Rabson, A. Moore, G. Frost, J. T. Tayler, J. Bull, J. Murphy, A. D. Capon, R. Ginman, C. Swiss, G. Laurance, B. Hammond, W. H. Lewis, L. Mills, H. G. Baker, J. Coombes, W. Harris, F. Hoar, W. Pinkney, C. Hartnup, W. Young, J. Topp, D. K. Somers, G. W. Clifton, J. O. Cook, and R. Saunders, all of the lodge. The visitors included Bro. Capt. G. Spinks, P.M. 1536 and P.P.G. Std. Br.; E. J. Williams, P.M.; W. Doddrell, P.M. 615; E. B. Hobson, P.M. 700; J. Gould, P.M. 1685; L. Chasteaneuf, J.W. 13; T. H. Hicks, S.W. 1597; W. Hewett, S.W. 957; H. King, W.M. 615; F. Korb, 1706; W. J. Harris, 700; G. Chambers, 13; H. Pamment, 700; H. Tufnell, 700; J. W. Loverage, 615; W. Keeble, 13; J. Keavill, 13; and G. Brooks, 1789.

The lodge having been opened, and the minutes confirmed, the ballot was taken for Mr. W. Wren, and proving unanimous, that gentleman was duly initiated. Bro. Messent was then passed. The ceremony was fully

choral, and splendidly rendered. The report of a Committee on the catering of, and for the lodge was presented, and adopted, and the lodge was closed.

An excellent and well served dinner having been discussed, the usual loyal and Grand Lodge toasts were honoured.

That of "Earl Amherst, P.G.M. of the Province of Kent," was followed by "The D.P.G.M., Bro. Eastes, and the rest of the P.G. Officers, Present and Past," and was coupled with the names of Bros. Butter and Penfold, who, with Bro. Spinks, severally returned thanks.

Bro. Lawson, I.P.M., in proposing the toast of "The W.M.," said he had much pride and pleasure in standing up that evening as I.P.M. of that lodge to propose that which was certainly a most important toast, the toast of the evening in fact; that of their esteemed W.M. The faultless manner in which he had worked the First and Second Degrees that evening when, for the first time, he occupied the chair was simply marvelous, and augured well for the perfect working of the ritual during the ensuing 12 months under his rule and guidance. There could be no doubt that it was the result of much thought and study, and was a credit to him and an honour to the lodge. He felt sure that they would strenuously support Bro. Keeble, because of his marked ability and unvaried courtesy, and asked them to drink the toast with a right good fire.

The W.M., in response, said his health had been proposed in a most eloquent manner, and most heartily responded to. The I.P.M. had told them that he (the W.M.) had, by his work that evening, given them a great amount of satisfaction. Well, he was not ashamed to say that he fully appreciated the responsibilities entailed with the position of Master of such a lodge as the Pattison; responsibilities that made him feel rather nervous of the idea of working the ritual after the excellent Masons who had preceded him, and before such keen critics as were present that evening. He could only say that if he had given them satisfaction, that was his reward. He had a great deal to do and the means to do it. He trusted there would not be a single hitch, but that they would work together with that love and harmony which should at all times and did commend itself to Freemasonry.

Bro. Hobson, in responding for "The Visitors," said that he attended the Pattison Lodge so often, that he felt more like a member of it than a visitor. The reason was there were so many excellent Masons and gentlemen in it and attending it, that if he wished to fraternise with them he must attend the Pattison Lodge. Of course, one had to limit his desires by their opportunities, but he felt it hard to limit his desire to attend that lodge, and so when the opportunity presented itself he took it, and hoped to do so for many years to come. He always enjoyed himself when he attended the lodge, and it was exceedingly pleasant and gratifying to see how every brother of it tried to ensure the comfort of the visitors. Some of the oldest and most distinguished Past Masters put on aprons and waited upon them at supper, if not quite so dexterously, certainly more anxiously and courteously than any amount of ordinary waiters could do, showing that nothing gave them so much pleasure as to see that the visitors were cared for and made at home at once. He paid a high compliment to the W.M. for his admirable working, and concluded by warmly thanking the lodge for its hospitality.

Bros. King and Chasteaneuf also responded; and after "The Past Masters," "The Initiate," and "The Officers" had been toasted, the Tyler's toast concluded the business and pleasures of the evening.

Some splendid singing by Bro. Batchelor, Clifton, Hammond, and Hobson, and a grandly rendered violin solo by Bro. Horton added materially to the enjoyment.

EASTBOURNE.—Tyrian Lodge (No. 1110).

The annual meeting of this lodge was held at the Gildredge Hotel, on Monday, the 29th ult., when Bro. J. H. Wright was duly installed as W.M. for the ensuing year by the I.P.M., Bro. Caffyn, W.M. The following officers were invested by the W.M.: Bros. A. J. Howard, S.W.; W. E. Morrison, J.W.; C. L. Norris, Chap.; C. Tomes, P.M., Treas.; C. W. Tomes, P.M., Sec.; J. Creighton, S.D.; G. Fowler, J.D.; C. H. Haine, P.M., D.C.; T. Vine, I.G.; John Easter, P.M., Org.; J. A. Skinner and O. F. Jones, Stwds.; E. Goldring, Tyler; and W. Pennington, Asst. Tyler. Bro. C. H. Haine, P.M., was unanimously elected Charity Steward.

The brethren afterwards dined together, under the presidency of the newly-installed W.M., who was supported by Bros. V. P. Freeman, P.G.D., Prov. G. Sec.; J. Farncombe, P.M., P.G.W. (Mayor of Lewes); R. Pidcock, P.M., P.G. Reg.; W. L. Wallis, P.M., P.G. Stwd.; G. A. Wallis, P.M., P.P.G.S. of W.; several W.M.'s of lodges in the province and other visiting and resident brethren.

The usual Masonic toasts were duly honoured, and a capital programme of music was carried out under the direction of Bro. John Easter, P.M., Org., assisted by Bro. W. Leach.

HALSTEAD.—Joshua Nunn Lodge (No. 2154).—Visit of Lord Brooke, P.G.M.—On Tuesday, the 30th ult., there was a very large gathering of Freemasons to witness the installation of Bro. Mark Gentry, S.D. 1672, as W.M. of the above lodge, and the interest in the proceedings was much enhanced by the fact that Lord Brooke, Prov. Grand Master of Essex, had promise to be present. His lordship reached Halstead, from Easton Lodge, Dunmow, between 2 and 3 o'clock, and, having been escorted to the lodge room with the customary honours, witnessed the initiation of two new members, the ceremony being faultlessly performed by the W.M., Bro. Vero W. Taylor, P.M. 1312, P.P.S.G.W. At its conclusion, Bro. Taylor proceeded to instal his successor (Bro. Mark Gentry) in a manner that called forth the commendations of all present. The officers for the year were appointed and invested as follows: Bros. J. J. Cavill, P.M. 1312, P.P.G.D., S.W.; R. G. Kellett, P.M. 1312, P.P.G. Std. Br., J.W.; Vero W. Taylor, P.M. 1312, P.P.S.G.W., I.P.M. and Treas.; E. H. Inman, P.M. 1312, P.G.R., Sec.; George Copus, W.M. 1312, P.G. Stwd., S.D.; Harris Hills, J.D.; Z. Hunt, I.G.; and Pendle, Tyler.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Lord Brooke, who was loudly applauded, said it gave him very great pleasure to be present at the installation meeting of this very young lodge, though those feelings were somewhat mingled with sadness when he recollected

that at the formation of the lodge he was asked by the very worthy brother after whom it was named to come and perform the consecration ceremony, and it had ever been a matter of regret that at the last moment he was prevented from coming. The lodge had suffered considerable drawback by the death of Bro. Joshua Nunn, so soon after the launching of the lodge; but in the hands of those who had been carrying on the work of the lodge, and those who were following on, he (Lord Brooke) had no doubt but that it would prosper and become a most useful one in the province. In conclusion, Lord Brooke congratulated Bro. Vero Taylor upon the excellent way in which he had conducted the ceremonies of the day, and wished Bro. Mark Gentry a happy and successful year of office.

The Worshipful Master, on behalf of the lodge, thanked Lord Brooke for his kind words, and also for his courtesy in visiting their little lodge. They had, as his lordship had remarked, felt very much the loss of Bro. Joshua Nunn, and out of respect for his memory did not admit any new members for 12 months. But brethren were now joining them, and new candidates coming forward, so that he had no doubt in time their would be one of not the least successful lodges in his lordship's province.

The Worshipful Master, in the name of the lodge, presented a valuable P.M.'s jewel to the retiring W.M., Bro. Vero Taylor, who, in acknowledging it, said it would be valued by him more highly than any other Masonic jewel he possessed.

The Worshipful Master then asked the members of the lodge to accept a lodge banner as a memento of his taking the chair.

The gift was acknowledged by the I.P.M., who said if it had not been for the liberality of Bro. Gentry in giving them that handsome banner, they would not have had one for some time to come. The P.M.'s jewel and banner were manufactured by Bro. George Kenning.

The W.M. was then re-elected to represent the lodge on the Essex Provincial Charity Committee; and the lodge having been closed, between 50 and 60 brethren sat down to dinner in the Town Hall, a splendid repast being well served by the host of the George Hotel.

In the course of the after dinner speeches, Lord Brooke again expressed his pleasure at being present on so auspicious occasion, and hoped the lodge would prosper.

The visitors present included the Right Hon. the Lord Brooke, P.G.M.; Bros. the Rev. Dr. Sedgwick, P.G. Chap. England; C. H. Driver, P.G.S. of Works England; Thos. J. Kalling, P.M. and Sec. 51, P.A.G.D.C. England, P.G. Sec. Essex; Frank Whitmore, P.M. 276, P.P.J. G.D.; E. Hennemeyer, P.M. 51, P.P.S.G.W.; Geo. Harrison, I.P.M. 51, Prov. S.G.W.; Rev. E. H. Crate, P.M. 697, P.P.G.C.; J. F. Hills, P.M. 1224, P.P.J.G.W. Suffolk; J. C. Pratt, P.M. 1224, Prov. S.G.W. Suffolk; G. H. Grimwood, P.M. 1224, P.P.G.S. of W. Suffolk; Chas. Hy. Vincent, P.M. 1823, P.P.G.R. Suffolk; Miller Jutsum, P.M. 95; John Whally, P.M. 172; C. S. Goodchild, W.M. 1823; Barré L. Tandy, P.M. 1280, P.P.S.G.W.; Thomas Malyn, P.M. 1312, P.P.G. Std. Br.; Fred. C. Lake, P.M. 1312; John J. C. Turner, P.M. 51, P.P.G.O.; C. W. Grimwood, P.M. 1224; J. M. Knight, P.M. 95; C. T. Bromwich, I.P.M. 253; D. Alston, P.M. 1224; W. Inglis Mason, W.M. 1224, Prov. G. Stwd. Suffolk; H. F. Hills, 1224; John Sidney Smith, 1224; C. Joslin, S.W. 1224; T. Bevington; Jos. George, 1224; W. J. Ward, J.W. 1823; Andrew Boa, J.D. 1823; R. Wayman, S.D. 1823; H. L. Pridmore, 2148; S. D. C. Ablitt, J.W. 51; H. E. Williams, J.D. 51; Stephen Cartor, 1224; F. H. Cozens, Org. 907; F. Horsman, S.W. 51, Prov. G. Stwd.; W. L. Barratt, 1319; W. A. Perryman, 903; W. G. Walford, P.M. 1224; H. J. Skingley, W.M. 697, P.G. Stwd.; S. G. Redfern, P.M. 1672; J. W. Cook, P.M. 1672; and Jas. Perkins, P.M. 1672.

INSTRUCTION.

JUSTICE LODGE (No. 147).—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 1st inst., at the Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford, when there were present Bros. Prior, W.M.; Leng, S.W.; Morgan, J.W.; Hutchings, P.M., Preceptor; Speight, P.M., Sec.; Dandridge, S.D.; Penrose, J.D.; H. G. Pitt, I.G.; Deater, Amos, Milmington, Entecott, and Waghorn.

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, Bro. Dealer personating the candidate. The lodge was called off, and, on resuming, the usual questions leading to the Second Degree were well answered by Bro. Milmington. The lodge was advanced to the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, the W.M. giving the explanation of the working tools at length. The lodge was resumed in the First Degree, and Bro. Leng was elected W.M. for the third Thursday in this month. The annual banquet was fixed to take place at the above address on Thursday, the 29th inst. All business being ended, the lodge was closed.

PRINCE FREDERICK WILLIAM LODGE (No. 753).—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 6th inst., at the Eagle Tavern, Clifton-road, Maida Vale, W. Present: Bros. C. Coleman, W.M.; W. T. Dillon, S.W.; Stevens, J.W.; F. G. Baker, P.M., Treas. and Preceptor; W. J. Stratton, Sec. pro tem.; J. R. Hill, S.D.; J. W. Manktelow, J.D.; L. N. Nerwich, I.G.; K. Dillon, P.M., 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. Nightingale candidate. Bro. Nightingale having answered the questions leading to the Second Degree, was duly intrusted. The lodge was then opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, Bro. Nightingale candidate. The lodge was then opened in the Third Degree, and the third section of this lecture was worked by the Preceptor. The lodge was then closed. Bro. W. T. Dillon was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. All Masonic business being ended, the lodge was closed in due form.

RANELAGH LODGE (No. 834).—A meeting was held on the 2nd inst., at the Six Bells Hotel, Queen-street, Hammersmith. Present: Bros. A. Williams, W.M.; E. F. Nash, S.W.; J. Pattison, J.W.; J. Sims, P.M., Preceptor; D. S. Loog, sec.; A. Cavers, S.D.; F. Craggs, J.D.; C. Hopkins, I.G.; and G. E. Higginson.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The 1st Section of the Lecture was worked by the brethren, under the direction of the Preceptor. The ceremony was rehearsed, Bro. Higginson being the candidate. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the 1st Section of the Lecture was worked by Bro. Nash, under the direction of the Preceptor. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. The W.M. having risen, Bro. Nash, S.W., was elected W.M. for the 10th inst., the 9th inst. being set apart for the working of the Fifteen Sections. The annual supper takes place on the 23rd inst.

ISLINGTON LODGE (No. 1471).—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 30th ult., at the Cock Tavern, Highbury. Present: Bros. C. M. Coxon, W.M.; J. C. Yates, S.W.; J. Petch, J.W.;

W. Hancock, Preceptor; A. Wolter, S.D.; J. G. Cobb, J.D.; C. Hiller, I.G.; D. C. Ritchie, J. M. Scarlett, and R. Loomes.

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. Ritchie candidate. Bro. Hiller 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. Hiller candidate. The lodge was closed in the Second Degree, and the W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Scarlett. The balance-sheet of the lodge—audited by Bros. Cobb and Yates—was read, approved, and adopted. The brethren then proceeded to the election of officers, when the following were unanimously re-elected: Bros. Walter Hancock, Preceptor; John Petch, W.M. 1471, Treasurer; and C. M. Coxon, Secretary. Bros. Hancock, Petch, and Coxon thanked the brethren for their re-election. Bro. Yates was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and appointed the officers in rotation. The lodge was then closed.

CHAUCER LODGE (No. 1540).—The usual weekly meeting was held on Tuesday, the 6th inst., at the Old White Hart Hotel, Borough, when there were present Bros. W. Roots, W.M.; W. Holliday, S.W.; W. Steele, J.W.; W. Wingham, Preceptor; Fred. Williams, Hon. Sec.; J. Hattersley, S.D.; J. Halsey, J.D.; C. Hurl, I.G.; and others.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, with Bro. Wingham as candidate. Bro. Hattersley having answered the usual questions, was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, Bro. Hattersley candidate. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. The W.M. rose for the first time, and the dues were collected. The W.M. rose for the second time, and Bro. Holliday, S.W., was unanimously elected W.M. for the next meeting, and appointed the officers in rotation. The W.M. rose for the third time, 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 1st inst. Present: Bros. F. Kedge, W.M.; W. Hancock, S.W.; C. Lambert, J.W.; W. Brindley, Preceptor; G. Reynolds, Treas. and Sec.; G. Stafford, S.D.; E. Buxton, J.D.; F. M. Noakes, I.G.; T. E. Weeks, Tyler; H. G. Marsden, W. Proudfoot, F. Jackson, W. Wingham, E. J. D. Bromley, L. Lichtenfeld, H. Luding, T. C. Seary, J. D. Graham, G. Smith, John L. Meyrick, E. Chamberlain, and C. Lambert.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. W. Brindley, Preceptor, worked the 2nd Section of the First Lecture. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bro. W. Hancock, S.W., worked 1st Section of the Second Lecture. Bro. E. J. D. Bromley having offered himself as a candidate to be raised to the Third Degree, was duly examined, entrusted, and retired. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. The lodge was called off and on. The lodge was resumed to the Third Degree. The W.M. rehearsed the Degree of M.M. The lodge was closed in the Third and the Second Degree. On rising for the second time, Bro. W. Brindley proposed that Bro. W. Hancock, S.W., be elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Seconded by the J.W. and carried unanimously. The W.M. elect appointed his officers in rotation. The lodge was then closed.

CREATON LODGE (No. 1791).—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 1st inst., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's Bush, W. Present: Bros. C. R. Cross, W.M.; H. Gilbert, S.W.; R. Josey, P.M., J.W.; James Sims, Deputy Preceptor; Austin, P.M., Treas.; F. Craggs, Sec. (pro tem.); W. G. Jennings, S.D.; F. Woodard, J.D.; J. Arnott, I.G.; A. Cavers, Stwd.; W. A. Cubitt, P.M.; W. Williams, P.M.; J. H. Wood, P.M.; M. R. Rice, T. J. Head, L. Cox, and G. E. Higginson.

The lodge was opened, and the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Cubitt being candidate. Bro. Head having offered himself as a candidate for passing, was examined and entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony completed. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree, and Bro. H. D. Gilbert 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 5th inst. Present: Bros. J. Blake, W.M.; C. Woods, S.W.; J. Worth, J.W.; J. Collings, P.M., Preceptor; W. H. Bolt, acting Sec.; P. Skar, S.D.; C. E. Betts, J.D.; J. B. Cory, I.G.; James Sims, P.M.; S. Sidders, and M. R. Rice.

The lodge being duly opened, the ceremony of raising was rehearsed in an able manner by the W.M., Bro. Sidders being the candidate. The 4th Section of the First Degree was afterwards worked by the Preceptor, and the lodge was closed.

CHISWICK LODGE (No. 2012).—A meeting was held at the Windsor Castle Hotel, King-street, Hammersmith, on Saturday, the 3rd inst. Present: Bros. C. Hopkins, W.M.; T. W. Biggs, S.W.; D. Long, J.W.; E. Ayling, P.M., Preceptor; J. Brown, Sec.; H. D. Aslett, S.D.; D. Cartnoll, P.M., J.D.; F. Osborne, I.G.; J. Wood, P.M.; J. Sims, P.M.; S. Cochrane, P.M.; D. Stroud, P.M.; F. Craggs, R. H. Wimpey, and H. Clark.

The lodge was opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Craggs answered the questions leading to the Second Degree. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of passing, Bro. Wimpey being the candidate. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of raising, Bro. S. Cochrane candidate. The lodge was resumed, and, on the second rising, Bro. Biggs was unanimously elected to occupy the chair on the 17th inst., the next meeting being officers' night. After "Hearty good wishes," the lodge was closed.

THE ABBEY (WESTMINSTER) LODGE (No. 2030).—A meeting was held on Friday, the 2nd inst., at the King's Arms, Buckingham Palace-road, S.W. Present: Bros. Molony, W.M.; Evans, S.W.; Stutfield, J.W.; Boulton, P.M., Preceptor; Coughlan, P.M., Sec.; Piper, S.D.; Rymer, J.D.; Brindley, P.M., I.G.; Roberts, Shaw, Greene, and F. Furnell.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bro. Shaw, 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. Shaw being the candidate. The lodge was resumed to the first Degree, when the W.M. vacated the chair, which was taken by Bro. Shaw, who worked the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Greene being the candidate. Bro. Evans was unanimously elected W.M. for the next meeting. Nothing further offering, the lodge was closed.

LOUGHBOROUGH LODGE.—The usual weekly meeting was held on Monday, the 5th inst., at the Gauden Hotel, Clapham-road Station (L.C. & D.K.), when there were present Bros. F. Hill, W.M.; Seale, S.W.; Poole, J.W.; Westley, Preceptor; J. Andrews, Sec.; Folkard, S.D.; Hudson, J.D.; Evans, I.G.; H. Stokes, Bye, King, Chambers, Smith, Chapman, Jones, Alexander, Coe, and Reed.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The 2nd and 3rd Sections of the Lecture were worked by Bro. Andrews, assisted by the brethren. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed by the W.M., with Bro. Jones as candidate. The W.M. rose for the first time, and Bro. E. Bye, 141 and 1986, was elected a joining member. Bro. Bye returned thanks, and promised a frequent attendance. The dues were collected. The W.M. rose for the second time, and Bro. Steele was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Bro. Steele returned thanks, and appointed the officers in rotation. Bro. Westley expressed the pleasure he felt in the progress made by the W.M., Bro. Hill, since he last occupied the position. The W.M. rose for the third time, and the Secretary called attention to the by-laws, which arranged for the working of the Fifteen Sections, and was instructed to invite workers from the lodge, and arrange for an early date. The lodge was then closed.

Royal Arch.

METROPOLITAN CHAPTER (No. 1507).—The installation meeting of this chapter was held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on Thursday, the 1st inst., when there were present Comps. J. E. Smith, M.E.Z.; G. W. Knight, H., M.E.Z. elect; H. Dickey, J., H. elect; T. C. Edmonds, S.N., J. elect; J. Willing, P.Z., Treas.; W. M. Stiles, P.Z., S.E.; R. W. Fraser, P.S.; F. W. Dimsdale, 1st Asst. Soj.; G. Mordey, D.C.; M. Little, Stwd.; J. Terry, P.Z., P.P. Soj.; F. Furguson, P.Z.; and H. Stiles, P.Z. Visitors: Comps. H. Slyman, P.Z.; Briggs, P.Z.; W. A. Scurrah, P.Z., M.E.Z. Belgrave Chapter; A. Scurrah, C. Day, P. P. Stevens, Col. Hastey, and others.

Chapter having been opened, the minutes were read and confirmed. Comp. Terry then opened a Board of Installed Principals and impressively installed Comps. G. W. Knight into the Z. chair, H. Dickey, H., and T. C. Edmonds, J. The companions being admitted, the M.E.Z. invested his officers as follows: Comps. J. Willing, P.Z., Treas.; W. M. Stiles, P.Z., S.E.; R. W. Fraser, S.N.; F. W. Dimsdale, P.S.; Sylvester, 1st Asst. Soj.; G. Mordey, 2nd Asst. Soj.; M. Little, D.C.; and B. Kaufman, Stwd. A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to Comp. Terry for the admirable manner he had conducted the ceremony of installation, and was entered upon the minutes.

Chapter was then closed, and the companions adjourned to the Pillar Room to an excellent banquet.

The M.E.Z. gave out the toasts of "The Queen and Royal Arch 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."

Comp. Terry answered for the Grand Officers. Comp. J. C. Smith, I.P.Z., proposed the toast of "The M.E.Z.," which was well received by the companions. The M.E.Z., in reply, said he had worked some years in the chapter, and had striven to do his duty in every office he had undertaken, and he should do his best during his year of office to keep up the prestige of such an important chapter as the Metropolitan. He also thanked Comp. J. Willing, P.Z. and Treasurer, for having introduced him to Freemasonry, and to the Metropolitan Lodge, of which he is now a P.M.

The M.E.Z. proposed "Comps. Dickey, H., and Edmonds, J."

They having replied, "The Installing Principal" was then given by the M.E.Z.

Comp. J. Terry gave an account of the consecration of the chapter and how he had installed all the Principals since, and hoped he should live many years to act in the same capacity.

The "Past Principals" came in for a hearty reception.

Comp. Willing, P.Z., in reply, said he had not been able to attend as he could have wished on account of his illness, but was pleased to see the chapter in such a healthy state.

Comps. Furguson and Stiles also replied.

"The Visitors" came in for a very hearty reception, and all replied.

"The Treasurer and Scribe E.," "The Officers," and the Janitor's toast brought a successful installation meeting to a close.

Comps. Dimsdale, R. W. Fraser, Mordey, and others, contributed to the harmony. Comp. Day presided at the piano.

WOOLWICH.—Union Waterloo Chapter (No. 14).—The election meeting of the above flourishing chapter took place on Wednesday, the 31st ult., at the Masonic Hall, William-street, Comps. Capt. G. Spinks, Z.; Capt. D. Deeves, H.; and J. Scott-Much, acting as J.

The minutes of the previous convocation having been confirmed, the ballot was taken for Bros. J. Hancock, 13, and F. H. Widgery, 1449, and, proving unanimous, those brethren were duly exalted to the Supreme Degree. The ceremony of exaltation was splendidly worked, the M.E.Z. being especially eloquent and impressive. The H. was word perfect, and Comp. Kenneday did the work of J. at a moment's notice. The election of officers was then proceeded with. Comp. Deeves was elected Z.; Comp. Capt. Woodley, H.; and Comp. R. Warren, P.Z. 1472, J. The other officers elected were Comps. G. Kenneday, P.Z., S.E.; E. West, P.Z., Treas.; G. King, S.N.; C. H. Canning, P.S.; Lieut. W. Tailby, 1st A.S.; H. De Gray, D.C.; and W. G. Lock, Stwd. A P.Z.'s jewel was voted to Comp. Spinks for his services during the year, and the chapter was then closed.

Among the other companions present were Comps. T. Ovenden, P.Z.; W. Shackleton, W. Keeble, H. Syer, W. J. Crowdy, and C. Jolly, H. 1472.

A prettily served dinner having been discussed at Comp. De Gray's comfortable hostelry, opposite the Dockyard railway station,

The usual loyal and Grand Chapter toasts were honoured.

Comp. Ovenden then proposed the toast of "The M.E.Z.," saying that their excellent Comp. Spinks had that night put a finish to a most prosperous year of office; that was to say so far as the actual work of the lodge was concerned, by exalting two good Masons in splendid style. The high reputation of Comp. Spinks as a Master in the Craft and in the Mark, would now be supplemented by that of Z. of a chapter, and he felt sure they were all proud of him and his work. He asked them to show their appreciation by drinking his health with all their hearts.

Comp. Spinks, in response, said that when nine months ago he was installed in the chair of Z. of the chapter, he promised the companions that he would do all in his power to promote efficiency, and to practice economy. If he had not succeeded in promoting efficiency it was not his fault, because before every regular meeting of the chapter he had called the officers together for a rehearsal of the ceremony of exaltation, and they answered that call with the result that, so far as in them lay the working in the chapter was all that could be desired. He would not say more than that of himself, but the chapter might well be proud of their Second and Third Principals, and indeed, of all the officers for the perfect manner in which they performed their duties. With regard to the economy, well, that perhaps had not made him any too popular, but his was a position of trust and responsibility, and he took it as such, and did that which he considered best for the interests of the chapter, not for himself, but for those who would have to follow him. If he had done wrong, or if anyone had fault to find with him, he was prepared to take

the responsibility on his own shoulders. He had, he trusted, fulfilled the promises made at his installation, and felt sure that he would leave the chair with the good wishes and good feeling of every member of the chapter.

Comp. Deeves, in responding for the toast of "The M.E.Z. Elect," said he felt it a high honour to be elected to the chair of such a grand old chapter, which, after an existence of over 60 years, still held its lustre undiminished, and he trusted that it would lose none of its lustre under his direction.

Several other toasts followed, and the intervals were filled up by some excellent singing and reciting.

INSTRUCTION.

STAR CHAPTER (No. 1275).—The usual weekly meeting of this chapter was held on Friday, the 2nd inst., at the Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell. There were present Comps. G. L. Moore, H. 169, M.E.Z.; T. Grummant, H.; J. Addington, M.E.Z. elect 1275, J.; F. Hilton, P.Z. 1275, Preceptor; C. Woods, acting S.E.; Woods, S.N.; Briant, P.S.; and Eckersall, S.N. 89.

The chapter was regularly opened by the Principals. After the companions were admitted, the minutes of the last convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Eckersall 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. Grummant was elected M.E.Z. for the next meeting. The M.E.Z. rose for the third time, and the S.E. apologised for the absence of Comp. Stone, after which the chapter was closed.

Mark Masonry.

CHELTENHAM.—Cheltenham and Keystone Lodge (No. 10).—The installation festival of this lodge was held on Thursday, the 1st inst., when the Rev. Dr. Knyaston (Principal of Cheltenham College), was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year. The installation ceremony was performed by Bro. R. V. Vassar-Smith, P.P.S.G.W., assisted by Past Masters of the lodge.

Among those present were: Bro. the Baron de Ferrieres, Prov. G.M. of Gloucestershire and Herefordshire; and his acting Deputy, Bro. W. Forth, Bros. J. Walker, M.A., P.P.G.M.; G. Norman, G.D., Prov. G. Sec.; W. L. Bain, Prov. G.T.; and W. C. Heane, P.P.G.W. The officers appointed were: Bros. J. S. Carleton, I.P.M.; W. R. Porcher, S.W.; Rev. Hattersley Smith, J.W.; W. C. Ferris, Chap.; Dr. E. Gregory, Treas.; S. Moss, M.O.; W. Heath, S.O.; T. A. Huband, J.O.; J. Balcomb, Sec.; J. P. Bevan, S.D.; Major Rogers, J.D.; W. R. Felton, Stwd. and D.C.; T. E. Gandy, Org.; J. L. Butler, I.G.; and H. Phillips, Tyler.

This being the first meeting of the lodge since the death of Bro. H. Jeffs, the D. Prov. G.M., and a Past Master of the lodge, a vote of condolence with his widow was passed, and a donation was likewise made to the fund being raised for the erection of a memorial of the late Bro. Brook Smith, who was the oldest Past Master of the lodge.

Ancient and Accepted Rite.

YORK.—Hilda Chapter (No. 23).—On Thursday, the 1st inst., this chapter held a meeting at Freemasons' Hall, St. Saviourgate, there being present Bros. W. Brown, M.W.S.; A. H. H. McGachen, H.P.; H. C. Pickersgill, 1st Gen.; Donald Grant, 2nd Gen.; T. B. Whytehead, P.S., Recorder; and other brethren.

Bro. W. H. Attlay, S.W. 312, having been accepted in the ballot, was duly perfected, Bro. T. B. Whytehead acting as M.P.S. Two auditors were appointed. Bro. McGachen was elected to the chair, and Bro. T. B. Whytehead was elected Treasurer for the eighth time. A candidate was proposed, and apologies for absence were read from Bro. C. J. Banister, 33°, S.G.I.G.; Bro. J. W. Woodall, 33°, and others.

After the close of the chapter the members dined together.

HUDDERSFIELD.—Prince of Wales Chapter (No. 69).—A meeting of this chapter was held on the 27th ult. at the Masonic Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, when Ill. Bro. Charles Crabtree, 30°, M.W.S., presided, assisted by his officers. Ill. Bro. Charles James Banister, S.G.I.G., 33°, Inspector-General of the North-Eastern District, was received under an arch of steel and saluted. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Letters of apology were read from several brethren who were unavoidably prevented attending the chapter. Bro. Charles Jacob Schott, who had been previously elected, was in attendance, and perfected to this beautiful Christian Degree by the M.W.S., assisted by Ill. Bros. J. L. Atherton, 30°, P.M.W.S., and C. J. Banister, 33°. This being the meeting to elect the M.W.S. and Treasurer, the ballot was taken for the M.W.S., and declared unanimous in favour of E. and P. Bro. Frank William Banister, Prelate, which was received by the brethren with great applause, and Bro. F. W. Banister returned thanks for the great honour conferred upon him, promising to do his best for the prosperity of the chapter. E. and P. Bro. Henry Shaw was unanimously re-elected Treasurer, and returned thanks for the continued confidence of the members. Several important propositions were proposed and seconded.

The business of the chapter being finished, the alms were collected, and the chapter closed.

Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister and the M.W.S. retired under an arch of steel.

The banquet was held in the dining hall, under the presidency of the M.W.S., Ill. Bro. Chas. Crabtree, 30°, having on his right Ill. Bro. Banister, 33°, P.M.W.S.; E. and P. Bros. J. W. Monckman, J. D. Priestly, Thos. Norfolk, P. O'Conner, A. FitzPatric, Brennan, Richard Hodgson, and others; and on his left Bro. F. W. Banister, Prelate; Ill. Bros. J. L. Atherton, 30°, P.M.W.S. and Recorder; and A. Gill, 30°, 2nd General; E. and P. Bros. Henry Shaw, P.M.W.S., Treas.; H. S. Holdsworth, Raphael; H. S. Welsman, G.M.; A. W. Fletcher, Thomas Pickles, Org.; and others. The vice-chair was occupied by E. and P. Bro. E. Beaumont, acting 1st General.

After grace the M.W.S. in suitable terms proposed the usual loyal toasts, which were duly honoured.

The M.W.S., Ill. Bro. C. Crabtree, 30°, proposed "The Health of the Supreme Council of the 33° and the Members of the 33°," calling upon their old and valued friend,

their Inspector General, to respond, which was received with great enthusiasm, the honours being conducted by P.M.W.S., E. and P. Bro. J. W. Monckman.

Ill. Bro. Banister, on rising to respond, was received in true Yorkshire fashion, and thanked the M.W.S. for the very kind way he had proposed the Health of the Supreme Council 33°, and the handsome manner in which the brethren had received the same. He did hope that some of the members of the Supreme Council would before very long again visit the northern part of his district; he thanked them for the very great kindness and cordiality with which they always received him, and in return he wished each and all every blessing and happiness, both to themselves and those near and dear to them. Ill. Bro. Banister concluded by giving some excellent advice, also thanking the brethren for unanimously electing his son to the honour of M.W.S. Before sitting down he would ask the brethren to do honour to the toast that he had the privilege to propose, which was "The Health of the M.W.S., Ill. Bro. Charles Crabtree, 30°," who had so ably filled the chair, and indeed all the offices in the various Degrees that he had been elected to. He had the greatest satisfaction in proposing this toast with all the honours. This was right royally done.

The M.W.S., Ill. Bro. Crabtree, 30°, in a truly Masonic speech, returned thanks for the too flattering terms in which Ill. Bro. Banister had proposed his health, and the enthusiastic way it was received, and before resuming his seat proposed "The Health of the M.W.S. elect, E. and P. Bro. Frank Banister," who was a deserving brother, and would, he was sure, prove himself to be a chip of the old block, which was received with great applause.

Bro. Frank Banister, in a neat speech, returned thanks, hoping that when he was installed M.W.S. he would be able to follow in the excellent footsteps of the P.M.W.S.

"The Health of the P.M.W.S.'s of the Chapter" was proposed by Bro. Beaumont, and duly honoured.

Ill. Bro. J. L. Atherton, 30°, P.M.W.S., in a most excellent speech, returned thanks for himself, which was highly appreciated, and listened to by the assembled brethren with great attention.

Bros. J. W. Monckman, P.M.W.S., and Hy. Shaw, P.M.W.S., also responded to the toast.

Ill. Bro. J. L. Atherton, 30°, P.M.W.S., proposed "The Health of the Candidate, E. and P. Bro. C. J. Schott," which was received heartily.

Bro. Schott, in responding, said he would do all he could to be worthy of being received into that beautiful Degree, which he considered was the finest he had had the privilege of being admitted to.

E. and P. Bro. A. W. Fletcher very ably proposed "The Officers of the Chapter," which was responded to by Bro. A. Gill, and also in happy terms and a most humorous and telling speech by E. and P. Bro. E. Beaumont, D.C., acting as 1st Gen.

E. and P. Bro. Thos. Pickles, Organist, rendered most admirably some very beautiful music on the piano, and also sang some excellent songs. Ill. Bro. J. L. Atherton also added much to the harmony of the evening by singing several patriotic and national songs, accompanied by Bro. Pickles on the piano.

One of the most enjoyable evenings was spent by the brethren; indeed, these meetings are looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation by all.

KESWICK.—Border Chapter (No. 102).—The members of this chapter held their quarterly meeting at the Keswick Hotel, on Wednesday, the 31st ult., for the purpose of perfecting approved candidates and installing the M.W.S. for the year. E. and P. Bro. Dr. Chas. Gore Ring, 18°, M.W.S., presided, supported by his officers, P. de E. Collin, 18°, H.P.; G. Dalrymple, 18°, 2nd Gen.; J. Paterson, 18°, G.M.; Rev. R. H. Rawnsley, 18°, Raphael; Col. F. R. Sewell, 30°, Treas.; J. Hall, 18°, Recorder; J. Eden, 18°, C. of G.; J. C. Thompson, 18°, Herald; G. J. McKay, 32, P.M.W.S.; H. Moser, and T. Usher.

Bro. L. F. B. Dykes, D.P.G.M. Craft, and Thomas A. Argles, were balloted for, accepted, and perfected, Ill. Bro. Col. F. R. Sewell, 30°, was then invited to the chair, when E. and P. Bro. Collin, was presented and installed M.W.S., and invested the following as his officers: Bros. Geo. Dalrymple, H.P.; R. J. Nelson, 1st Gen.; J. Hall, 2nd Gen.; Col. F. R. Sewell, Treas.; E. Tyson, Recorder; J. Paterson, G.M.; Rev. R. H. Rawnsley, Raphael; J. C. Thompson, C. of G.; G. Rylie, Herald; and Thos. Usher, O.G.

With the usual formalities the chapter was duly closed, and the brethren dined at the Keswick Hotel.

The loyal and Masonic toasts followed.

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KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

MELBOURNE.—Melbourne Conclave (No. 143).—The annual assembly of this conclave was held in the Freemasons' Hall, on Friday evening, September 7th. Em. Sir Knight T. H. Henderson, M.P.S., P.M. 641, P.D.J.G.W. Victoria, occupied the throne, with Em. Sir Knight J. T. Brett, M.D., W.M. 752, V.E., and M.P.S. elect, in the second chair. There was a good attendance.

The roll having been called, and the minutes read and confirmed, Sir Knight H. R. Hogg, P.M. 729, V.E. elect, was presented to Em. Sir Knight W. F. Lamony, P.S. and Recorder, and a college of Viceroy's being opened, he was regularly consecrated. The M.P.S. elect was then presented, and a senate of Princes having been opened, he was duly enthroned in the chair of C. Subsequently the following officers were appointed and invested: Sir Knights J. W. Wright, P.M. 2044, D.G.D.C., S.G.; C. S. Ryan, M.D., P.M. 729, J.G.; Em. Sir Knights J. J. E. Willmott, P.S., P.A.D. Eng., High Prelate (re-appointed); W. F. Lamony, P.S., D.S.G.W., Recorder (re-appointed); Sir Knight W. F. Dixon, P.M. 747, P.D.J.G.D., Treas. (re-elected); R. B. A. Virgal, Pref.; F. Paget, Std Br.; D. M. Boyd, Herald; and J. J. Paul, Sentinel (re-elected). In accordance with notice of motion by the Recorder, it was resolved to change the night of assembly from the first Friday to the first Tuesday in the months of March, June, September, and December. The conclave was then closed.

Subsequently the sir knights adjourned to the Masonic Club, where they were entertained to an elegant refection by the newly-enthroned M.P.S., Em. Sir Knight J. T. Brett, M.D.

CONSECRATION OF THE TRENTHAM LODGE AT MELBOURNE.

On Wednesday, the 12th of September, a new lodge, under the title of the Trentham, was opened at the Victorian township of that name, about 70 miles from Melbourne, under the English Constitution. There was a numerous attendance of brethren from the Mount Franklin Lodge of Hiram, No. 716; Zetland Lodge, No. 798; and the St. George's Lodge, No. 2213. The Consecrating Officer and Installing Master was Bro. W. F. Lamony, P.M. 752, 1002, 2112, D.S.G.W., acting as the Deputy of the District Grand Master of Victoria, Bro. Sir W. J. Clarke, Bart.

A lodge of emergency was opened at the Commercial Hotel, with the following acting officers: Bros. A. Craig, P.M. 716, as I.P.M.; B. Hands, P.M. 716, as S.W.; J. Reid, W.M. 716, as J.W.; Rev. J. A. White, 2125, as Chap.; T. H. Lempriere, P.M. 720, D.G. Secretary, P.G.S.B. of England, as Secretary; T. J. Deakin, P.M. 716, as D.C.; D. McLeod, W.M. 2213, as I.G.; H. Lees, 2213, as Org.; and G. Bushby, 716, as Tyler.

The customary dispensations and provisional warrant having been read, the Consecrating Officer, in addressing the founders, warned them not to be hasty in bringing forward candidates; but to make every enquiry as to their fitness and antecedents. The new lodge was then consecrated and dedicated according to ancient custom. An eloquent oration was delivered by the acting Chaplain, Bro. Nash D. King, the W.M. designate, was then presented and duly installed into the chair; after which Bros. Rev. J. A. White and B. Quarti were respectively invested as S.W. and J.W.

The appointment and investiture of the remaining officers were postponed till the first regular meeting of the new lodge. Bros. Lamony and Lempriere were unanimously elected honorary members of the new lodge. The names of 15 candidates having been handed in as an emergency proposition, the proceedings came to a close.

Subsequently over 40 brethren sat down to dinner, in the Mechanics' Hall. Bro. King, the W.M. of the Trentham Lodge, presided, faced by his Wardens.

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, and some capital music was contributed by several of the visitors, a very enjoyable evening being brought to a close with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

Applications have been made to the District Grand Master to open lodges at Nathalia and Moorospua, in Victoria.

CENTENARY FESTIVAL OF THE CHAPTER OF FRIENDSHIP, AT PORTSMOUTH.

A special meeting of this ancient chapter (original No. 3), which is attached to the Phoenix Lodge, No. 257, was held at the Phoenix Lodge Rooms, High-street, Portsmouth, on Friday, the 2nd inst., to celebrate the reception of the centenary warrant recently granted by the Supreme Grand Chapter.

There were present Comps. Col. J. F. Crease, C.B. (Commandant of the R.M. Artillery), Z.; W. G. P. Gilbert, H.; Major W. Campbell, J.; Sir John Alleyne, Bart., P.Z.; M. E. Frost, P.Z., P.P.G. Treas.; T. R. Williams, P.Z.; Ernest Hall, P.Z.; J. Brickwood, P.Z.; G. F. Lancaster, P.Z., P.P.G.J.; G. D. Lovegrove, P.P.G. Org., S.E.; S. B. Darwin, Prin. Soj.; Rev. T. F. Morton, 1st Asst. Soj.; Col. L. M. H. Kennedy, 2nd Asst. Soj.; J. Winterbottom, Commodore A. H. Markham, R.N., General Sir George Willis, K.C.B., Commander C. G. Robinson, R.N.; Dr. J. O'Connor, Dr. W. C. Bland, James Griffin, J.P., G. H. Stainer, and J. B. Mackay. Visitors: Comps. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., G. Supt.; J. E. Le Feuvre, P.G. Swd. Br. Eng., Prov. G.H.; J. W. Gieve, Prov. G.S.N.; J. Westaway, Z. 342; J. Jackson, Z. 1428; W. A. Hill, S.E. 309; and others.

The chapter was opened by the Principals, and the companions entered. After ordinary business, and the election of three companions as joining members, the arrival of the G. Supt. of the Province was announced. A procession was formed by the D. of C. (Comp. G. F. Lancaster, P.Z.), and the G. Supt. and his officers entered the chapter, and were received by the companions with due form and ceremony, the Organist playing a grand march. The D.C. called on the companions to salute the G. Supt., which was accordingly done.

The companions then joined with grand effect in singing the "Old Hundredth" Psalm as an opening ode, Comp. G. D. Lovegrove, P.P.G. Org., presiding at the organ.

Col. CREASE, Z., briefly addressed the chapter, saying he felt himself greatly privileged in having the honour of holding the office of Z. of the chapter on such a highly important and memorable occasion, and that feeling was shared to the fullest extent by the other Principals. On behalf of the chapter, he offered a most hearty welcome to the Grand Superintendent and other distinguished visitors present that evening.

The SCRIBE E. then read the charter of confirmation issued to the chapter by the Supreme Grand Chapter in 1824, and the following letter, which was sent with it:—

London, Sept. 18, 1824.

"E. Companion,
"Inclosed herewith We beg to hand you Charter of Confirmation for the Chapter attached to the Lodge Phoenix, a Copy of the Laws of the Order, as also a ruled form, agreeably to which Returns are to be made to the Grand Chapter.

"The Old Charter, We beg to say, is returned with a view to its being cancelled, it being an Order of the Grand Chapter that no Chapter can at one time hold two documents to the same effect.—We beg to remain, with due regard, E. Companion, Your faithful Servts. and Bros.,

WILLIAM WHITE } G.S.
EDWARD HARPER }

"The Principal of
Chapter of Friendship,
Portsmouth."

The SCRIBE E. also read the Centenary Warrant, which was signed by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, as Grand Z., Lord Lathom, as H., and Col. Shadwell H. Clerke and Sir George Elliot, as Grand Scribes.

Comp. G. F. LANCASTER, P.Z., read a brief sketch

which he had compiled of the history of the chapter from its foundation. The paper is too long for quotation in an ordinary report, but it may be stated that Comp. Lancaster pointed out that "The Grand and Royal Chapter of the Royal Arch of Jerusalem was formally constituted on the 22nd day of July, 1767, by the authority of Lord Blayney, then the Immediate Past Grand Master of the regular Grand Lodge. The formal document prepared for the purpose is entitled a 'Charter of Compact,' and it includes the regulations which were to govern the Grand Chapter." On the 13th January, 1769, Grand Chapter agreed "That a Constitution be granted to the Royal Arch Masons residing at Portsmouth, which they had requested by letter to Bro. Dunckerly." It was also "ordered that a seal be immediately made for the public use of the Society according to the plan specified in the Charter." The Charter for the companions at Portsmouth "passed the seal," and was issued on the 11th August, 1769, the Principals named therein being William Cook, Z.; Samuel Palmer, H.; and Thomas Scanville, J.; who were authorised to hold a Chapter of the Royal Order at Portsmouth Common, Hants, under the title of the Chapter of Friendship, being No. 3 on the Register of Grand Chapter. The Charters of Constitution for Nos. 1 to 9 were issued in the same year, but Chapters 1 and 2 being extinct, the Chapter of Friendship (the original No. 3), is now the senior chapter on the roll. Nos. 4, 5, 7, and 9, have also proved their continuous working for over a century. The Chapter of Friendship has figured on all the printed official lists, and also in the report of Grand Chapter dated November 7th, 1821, as one of the chapters which had conformed to the regulations of the Grand Chapter. The Union of the two Grand Lodges in 1813 was followed by that of the Grand Chapters on the 18th March, 1817, under the title of the "United Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England." It was presently enacted that "every chapter shall be attached to some warranted lodge, and the rank or precedence of the several chapters shall be determined according to the priority of the lodge to which they may be attached." Under this rule old No. 3 was attached to the Phoenix Lodge, which was constituted in 1786, and is now No. 257. Many excellent Freemasons have been exalted in the old chapter, among them being many officers of the Naval and Military services who attained great distinction in their profession, while other companions were known as members of the municipality of the old town of Portsmouth and leading men in civil professions. The chapter possesses a complete register of its members from the foundation, and the minutes are almost complete, a few years between 1846 and 1860 only being mislaid. It is worthy of note that Colonel Crease, the present Z., was Worshipful Master of the Phoenix Lodge when the Centenary was celebrated two years ago.

The reading of the historical sketch being finished, the M.E.Z., in very eulogistic terms, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Comp. Lancaster for the very great trouble he had taken in compiling it, and for the valuable aid he had given to the chapter in getting out the particulars and drawing up the memorial to Grand Chapter for the centenary warrant, observing that had it not been for Comp. Lancaster's persevering researches it was very doubtful if the application for the warrant would have been made.

The motion was seconded by Comp. JOHN BRENT MACKAY, who, having been exalted in the chapter on the 17th of August, 1840, was very pleased to have had old memories revived and former companions recalled to recollection by Comp. Lancaster's most interesting paper.

The proposition was carried with acclamation. The M.E.Z. also moved, and Comp. Sir JOHN ALLEYNE, P.Z., seconded—"That the historical memorandum be copied into, or attached to, the minutes of the meeting."—Carried.

Comp. LANCASTER thanked the M.E.Z. and companions for their kind appreciation of his labours, and promised a fair copy of the paper for record. He had to acknowledge most gracefully the kind assistance he had received from the world-known Masonic historian, Bro. W. J. Hughan. He was requested by Bro. Hughan to express his regret at being unable to attend that meeting, and to offer his hearty congratulations to the chapter. He was also under considerable obligation to another Masonic student, Bro. Henry Sadler, the Librarian of Grand Lodge.

Col. CREASE then requested Comp. Lancaster to accept from the chapter, at the unanimous wish of its members, the regulation centenary jewel, issued by the Grand Chapter, at the same time pinning it on to his breast, amidst the cheers of the companions.

Comp. LANCASTER said this most kind favour was so entirely unexpected that it was quite impossible for him adequately to express his feeling; therefore, knowing that the members of the chapter would be fully assured of his deep gratitude for, and high appreciation of their kind favours, he would simply say—"thank you."

Comp. the Rev. T. F. MORTON, acting as Chaplain, conducted a solemn Thanksgiving Service, consisting of appropriate psalms, repeated in alternate verses by the Chaplain and companions, the ancient response—"So mote it be"—being sung between each division. Next came some short prayers with the same response after each, and the service concluded with the singing of the grand old hymn—"O God, our help in ages past," to the tune "St. Anne's," which Bach has immortalised as an organ fugue. The whole service was joined in most heartily by the assembled companions, and was deeply devotional and impressive.

The M.E.Z. moved a vote of thanks to the Grand Superintendent of the Province for his kindness in honouring the chapter with his presence, and said the readiness of Comp. Beach to give his support and countenance to any effort which tended to the credit and advancement of Freemasonry was proverbial, and it would only be "gilding refined gold" to enlarge upon his good qualities as a gentleman and a Mason. Of course, he would not enter upon that in his presence, but would simply observe that their Grand Superintendent's excellences of character, and his great ability as an exponent of Freemasonry, were well-known, not only in his own province, but throughout England, and the chapter was delighted to have the pleasure of his company on that eventful occasion.

Comp. General Sir GEORGE WILLIS seconded, and observed that the frequent attendance of the Grand Superintendent at meetings in every part of the province was a great encouragement and incentive to the brethren and companions to maintain the fame and credit of their lodges and chapters.—Carried with acclamation.

Comp. BEACH said he need hardly assure them that he was greatly pleased to be with them, and was obliged by

the compliment they had paid him. He had been much interested by the historical sketch which had been read. The celebration of a centenary of a lodge or chapter was, of course, a rare event in that or any other province, and he congratulated the chapter most sincerely upon the distinction it had achieved during the 119 years since it was constituted. He had always felt a great interest in the old Phoenix Lodge, to which the chapter was attached, knowing as he did that the lodge, and in like manner the chapter, was upheld and sustained by worthy and energetic Freemasons. He thanked them very much for the vote they had passed, and wished the chapter long-continued prosperity.

A vote of thanks was also given to the other distinguished visitors who were present on the occasion, and was acknowledged by Comp. J. E. LE FEUVRE, P.G. Swd. Br. Eng., and Prov. G.H., who returned thanks for himself and others, and expressed a hope that the chapter would not be content with simply entering Comp. Lancaster's sketch in the minutes of that meeting, but that the paper would be published for the information of the Craft.

The visitors tendered "Hearty good wishes" on behalf of their respective chapters, and regret was expressed on behalf of Lord Lathom, Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, and other distinguished companions who were unable to be present.

The chapter was then closed, and the companions joined in singing a closing ode.

The banquet arrangements were under the superintendence of Comps. Col. Kennedy and Gordon Miller, P.Z., and gave the highest satisfaction, the dishes being very tasty and the wines of rare vintages. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and received with much enthusiasm.

The celebrated band of the Royal Marine Artillery was in attendance, and played a choice selection of music.

THE ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 55.

The annual banquet of the above lodge of instruction was held at the Bedford Hotel, Southampton-buildings, Holborn, on Tuesday evening, the 30th ult., when a large party assembled. Bro. J. Bruton, 157, occupied the chair, and Bro. W. Vogt, I.G. 55, the vice-chair. There were present Bros. Fox, P.M. 201, Preceptor; Baker, 869, Sec.; E. Bond, W.M. 860; J. J. Shedlock, 534; A. Fry, 609 (I.C.); W. A. Richardson, 1507; E. G. Coleman, W.M. 11; A. Piper, Stwd. 177; Frank Unite, W.M. 55; W. C. Brasher, W.M. 1623; T. Glass, Stwd. 860; A. E. Gladwell, P.M. 172; R. Perry, J.W. 1382; A. C. La Fuel, 1382; J. C. Maim, Treas. 1531, S.D. 157; W. Hollis, S.W. 1531; Nevill, P.M. 1531; W. Lincoln, S.D. 534; H. W. Alford, P.M. 228; W. Brown Kedder, P.M. 12; W. A. Harvey, 1348; C. Parson, I.P.M. 1637; Aldridge, 1475; C. S. Jenkins, 860; R. Robinson, 55; Ben Holeyman, 73; H. G. Marsden, S.D. 73; S. R. Walker, P.M. 733; T. J. Dibley, S.W. 180; S. Roebuck, 733; J. Kay, P.M. 742; F. Jackson, J.D. 2191; J. A. Collings, Org. 1950; F. H. Dipstale, 858; Dr. Kirby, W.M. elect 2006; G. R. N. Wheeler, S.D. 2030; A. Clemow, 1987; and others.

A most excellent and liberal bill of fare was provided by the host, Bro. Bond, and the usual toasts were given.

The CHAIRMAN (Bro. Bruton), in proposing the toasts, made two or three neat speeches, and some very apt and happy allusions, especially when proposing what he thought might be termed the toast of the evening—"The Health of Bro. Fox, Preceptor," who had proved himself not only a most capable, but most ardent instructor, for, on several occasions, he had visited the lodge when in ill-health, and contrary to the strict orders of his medical adviser.

Several songs and recitations were admirably rendered by Bros. Robinson, Dipstale, Main, Parsons, Wheeler, Aldridge, Jenkins, Dibley, and Fry. Bro. Collings, Organist, accompanied the songs in a masterly manner.

A most enjoyable evening was passed, and the proceedings brought to a termination at 11.30 p.m.

THE OLD MASONIANS.

This Association held their first social evening of the season at Anderton's Hotel on Friday, the 2nd inst. Mr. C. Heward Uwins, who was responsible for the programme, was in the chair, and there was about 150 present. Bro. A. F. Godson, M.P., who is the President of the Association, arrived very opportunely just as the programme was commencing, and was prevailed upon to preside for the first part of the evening, Mr. Uwins taking the chair after the interval.

Of the talent, favourable mention must be made of Mr. Adye, who sang "The Star of Bethlehem;" Mr. W. Collins, who sang "The Last Watch;" Mr. F. Isaacs, whose rendering of "My Sweetheart when a Boy," and "Mary of Argyle" was first class; Mr. M. H. Sullivan, whose songs "The Valley of the Shadows," and "Out on the Deep" were highly appreciated; and Mr. Arthur Withers, whose fine voice was heard to great advantage in "Big Ben," and "The old German Drinking Song." Mr. Eberlein played a solo on the zither, and Mr. Hopkins gave a very good exhibition of hand-bell ringing. Mr. Frank Hughes recited "The Stroller's Story" with great taste, and an encore was vociferously demanded. The comic element was well represented by Mr. Sidney Reuter, Mr. R. Pargeter, and Mr. Langford Palmer, the latter, who is well known at these concerts, singing three songs in his usual clever and inimitable style. Mr. E. A. Morris presided at the piano, and the singing of the National Anthem brought to a close a very pleasant evening. We heartily congratulate Mr. Uwins, the chairman, and M. A. Watkins, the indefatigable secretary, on the successful start they have made this season. We notice the next concert is fixed for the 16th inst., and we feel sure that Mr. J. Francis, who is the chairman, will gladly welcome any brethren who may care to attend.

Bro. J. H. Mapleson, Colonel Commandant of the Tower Hamlets Rifle Brigade, has resigned his commission after 29 years' service, and has received permission to retain his rank and wear the uniform of the Brigade.



Bro. F. Sutherland, M.P., will preside at the next house dinner of the City Liberal Club, which will take place on Tuesday, the 27th inst.

At a recent meeting of the Atholl Lodge, No. 74, at Birmingham, a very gratifying presentation was made to Bro. Moffatt, in recognition of his valuable services to the Masonic Charities, in the form of a breast and a collar jewel of Past Grand Registrar. Bro. Moffatt has done excellent service in connection with recent Festivals, and it will be remembered that much of the success of the Province of Warwickshire at the Centenary of the Girls' School was due to arrangements made by Bro. Moffatt.

To-morrow (Saturday) the Royal Yacht Victoria and Albert will leave Portsmouth for Flushing, at which port she will on Monday next embark the Empress Frederick of Germany, who will land at Port Victoria.

Bro. Lord Randolph Churchill, M.P., will address his constituents of the Southern Division of Paddington, at the Metropolitan Music Hall, Edgware-road, on Saturday next, the 17th inst.

We are glad to hear that Bro. the Earl of Rosslyn, Past G. Master of Scotland, who was slowly getting the better of his serious illness, has rallied from the relapse which occurred on the 2nd instant, and that his medical advisers are not without hopes of his ultimate recovery.

Bro. Alderman Sir J. Whittaker Ellis, Bart., M.P., who is staying at Byfleet, will preside at the annual dinner, on Friday next, the 16th inst., of the Richmond Philanthropic Society.

A deputation from the Ward of Farringdon Without, with which Bro. Alderman Sir P. De Keyser, the retiring Lord Mayor, has been so long connected, attended at the Mansion House, on Monday, and presented Lady De Keyser with a full length portrait in oils of her husband painted by the Hon. John Collier.

The first monthly meeting of the Farmers' Club, after the usual recess, was held at the Salisbury Hotel, Fleet-street, on Monday evening, Bro. Albert Pell being in the chair.

Bro. James Lewis Thomas, F.S.A., F.R.G.S., Chief Surveyor of the War Department, who was appointed Deputy Surveyor in 1877, and has been connected with the War Office for more than 40 years, completed his 62nd year on the 6th inst., having been born on November 6th, 1826. He is a fellow of several learned societies, also a distinguished Freemason, being Past G.D. of C. of the Grand Lodge of England.

The memorial to the late Bro. Brook Smith, of Cheltenham College, as Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Gloucestershire, will take the form of a stained glass window in the parish church of St. Mary's, Cheltenham. The large south transept window is selected, and the order has been given to Messrs. Lavers, Westlake, and Co., of London, to execute the work. The window selected requiring a larger outlay than at first contemplated, Bros. Agg-Gardiner, M.P., and the Baron de Ferrieres have each contributed £25 towards the additional sum required.

The Victory, Nelson's flagship at the battle of Trafalgar, left the ship basin in Portsmouth Dockyard on Monday, and took up her moorings in the harbour between the flagship Duke of Wellington and the St. Vincent training ship. The old war craft has been thoroughly repaired at a cost of over £10,000, and there is every probability of her lasting another century. In future, salutes will be fired from her, and courts-martial will sit in the cabin adjoining the one formerly occupied by Lord Nelson.

Among those present at the wedding festivities at the Mansion of Lord and Lady Aveland, in Belgrave-square, on the occasion of the marriage of their eldest daughter with Major-General Sir H. Ewart, K.C.B., Equerry to the Queen, were the Princess Mary, Duchess of Teck, the Duke of Teck, and the Princess Victoria of Teck. Bro. Lord Alcester, Julia, Countess of Jersey, and others. The wedding presents included a marble bust of her Majesty, presented by the Queen, and a silver-gilt mounted cut glass claret jug, presented by the Prince of Wales.

PRESENTATION OF AN ORGAN TO THE LIVERPOOL MASONIC HALL.—At the quarterly meeting of the Liverpool Masonic Hall Committee, held on Friday, 26th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Bro. Robert Foote in the chair, the principal item of interest was an announcement of a most pleasing character, namely, the offer by Major J. B. Morgan, C.C., to present a very valuable chamber organ, to be fixed in the old lodge room, for the use of the brethren. The fact that the Major is not a Mason gives to the present a peculiarly pleasing character, and in the letter he sent offering it to the Committee through his musical friends, Messrs. Kirkham and Edwards, he said that a circumstance some time ago had made such an impression upon him that he felt that he would like in some way to acknowledge his appreciation of the charitable and noble way in which the members of the Craft had provided for the wants of the widow and children of a deceased brother Mason with whom the Major, in his capacity as a musical enthusiast, had been for a long time associated. Bro. H. H. Smith, the Chairman of the House Committee, promised that he would undertake, on behalf of Bro. Lloyd and himself, that it should be fixed in position and left in order free of expense. The offers were accepted with sincere thanks.

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.

The annual banquet of the Faith Lodge of Instruction, No. 141, will take place at the Restaurant, 1, Victoria Mansions, Victoria-street, S.W., on Wednesday, the 28th instant; Bro. C. A. Cottebrune, P.M., P.G.P., in the chair.

Bro. Sir E. B. Malet returned to town from Woburn Abbey with the Lady Ermytrude Malet, on Saturday last, and left England the following day for Berlin, in order to resume his duties as H.M.'s Ambassador to Germany.

At the weekly meeting of the Council of the Balloon Society at St. James's Hall on Saturday last, it was stated by the Chairman that the subscriptions to the aeronautical fund amounted to upwards of £3000.

The Mansion House Committee, which has been formed in connection with the Metropolitan Exhibition of the Royal Agricultural Society, in Windsor Great Park, in 1889, held a meeting in the saloon of the Mansion House on Monday, Bro. Alderman Whitehead, Lord Mayor elect, being in the chair, and a number of influential personages present to support him. It was announced that £5200, out of the £20,000 required, had already been raised, in addition to £2000 collected at Windsor, and the hope was expressed that the appeal which had been made to the great City Companies to support the Exhibition would bear good fruit.

To-day (Friday) the usual procession through the City in connection with the inauguration of the new Lord Mayor, Bro. Alderman Whitehead, will take place, and in the evening his lordship will preside at the customary banquet in the Guildhall, when several of her Majesty's Ministers will be present.

MASONIC BALL AT LIVERPOOL.—An influential and numerous attended meeting of Freemasons was held recently in the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, in accordance with the following resolution, passed at the last Court of Governors of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution: "That the annual festival and ball, in aid of the funds of the Institution, be held in Liverpool in January, 1889, and that the W.M.'s of lodges, First Principals of chapters, E.C.'s of K.T. encampments, the W.M.'s of lodges of Mark Masons, Sovereigns of the Red Cross of Constantine, and Rose Croix meeting in the Province of West Lancashire, with the members of the General Committee, constitute the Ball Committee, with power to add to their number." Bro. Edward Segar, P.M. 32, P.J.G.W., presided. It was decided to hold the annual festival and ball on the third Tuesday in January, and the following brethren were appointed to act as officers: Bros. T. M. Shuttleworth, P.M. 314, P.S.G.W., Chairman; J. H. Tyson, P.M. 1182, Vice-Chairman; R. H. Leake, J.D. 1547, Treasurer; H. M. Molyneux, P.M. 155, P.P.G.D.C., Director of Ceremonies; T. A. Withey, P.M. 1299, Secretary. Bro. Robt. Martin, P.P.G. Treasurer, stated that Bro. Wm. Matthews had generously offered to provide the printing required gratuitously. The offer was thankfully accepted.

On Saturday last, Bro. Lord Arthur Hill, M.P., was presented at Olympia with an address and service of plate by the exhibitors at the Irish Exhibition, in recognition of his services, which has so largely contributed to the success of the Exhibition.

To-day (Friday) is the 47th anniversary of the birth of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and the auspicious event will be celebrated in the usual manner, in London, and Windsor, and at Sandringham, where the Prince and his family are residing. There will also be the usual illuminations by the Royal tradesmen at the West-end of London.

Owing to the unusually heavy scenic arrangements incidental to the production of Bro. Henry Pettitt's new drama, entitled "Hands Across the Sea," it has been found necessary to postpone the first performance of the play until to-morrow evening (Saturday).

The death, at the advanced age of 92, is announced of Mr. John Griffith, of 6, Hanover-terrace, Regent's Park. The deceased gentleman, who had practised in the City as an architect for upwards of half a century, was, the *City Press* says, very active in philanthropic work, the Charities he assisted during his lifetime being left in his will legacies to the amount of £20,100. The greater proportion of this amount is bequeathed to various metropolitan hospitals. Probate has been obtained for the will, the personal estate being of the value of £170,000.

The Prince of Wales has graciously consented, on the occasion of his visit to Derby, to open on the afternoon of Wednesday next the 14th instant, the buildings at Derby School, which have been erected to commemorate the distribution of prizes by his Royal Highness and the Princess of Wales on a former annual speech-day.

At the meeting of the Royal Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 1555, at Penang, Straits Settlements, on the 1st of September, the eldest son of Bro. Eckersall, S.W. 217, was initiated.

The *Keystone*, received this week, contains the announcement of the death of Bro. John W. Simons, Past Grand Master of New York. The loss will be very keenly felt throughout the State and the country generally, as he wielded an immense influence as the Editor of the Masonic department of the *New York Despatch*. The American edition of Bro. Hughan's "Masonic Sketches and Reprints," 1871, was dedicated to this distinguished Craftsman, and many have been the deserved compliments he has received at the hands of the Craft he loved so long and so well.

TO THE DEAF.—A Person cured of Deafness and noises in the head of 23 years' standing by a simple remedy, will send a description of it FREE to any Person who applies to NICHOLSON, 21, Bedford Square, London, W.C.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Autumnal Remedies.—Towards the fall of the year countless causes are at work to lower the tone of the nervous system, which will be followed by ill-health, unless proper means be employed to avert that evil. Holloway's far-famed preparations supply a faultless remedy for both internal and external complaints connected with changes of season. All affections of the skin, roughness, blotches, pimples, superficial and deeper-seated inflammation, erysipelas, rheumatic pains, and gouty pangs alike succumb to the exalted virtues of Holloway's Ointment and Pills, which will effect a happy revolution in the patient's condition, though the symptoms of his disorder are legion, and have obstinately withstood the best efforts of science to subdue them.

Our readers will deeply regret to hear that Bro. J. L. Toole's daughter, and only surviving child, died of typhoid fever in Edinburgh on Monday.

Prince Arthur and Princess Margaret of Connaught left Buckingham Palace for India in order to join their parents, after a prolonged visit to the Queen.

Bro. Farncombe, Provincial Grand Warden of Sussex, has been presented with an illuminated address of thanks by the Town Council of Lewes on his retirement from the office of Mayor, a post which he has held three years in succession.

We are informed that an original operetta, the libretto written by Messrs. E. Humphrey and J. Addison, the music by Bro. James Weaver, will be produced at the Garrison Theatre, Woolwich, on Saturday, November 17th, for copyright purposes.

Bro. Robert Gresley Hall is a candidate for the County Council of the St. George's and Wapping division of London. Bro. Hall has served in many public offices in the City, and is at present a member of the Common Council.

We understand that Mr. Mark H. Judge is likely to be associated with Dr. Parker-Young of 30, Westbourne-square, as candidate for the London County Council for North Paddington.

Bro. Earl Granville was the principal guest at a political dinner given by Bro. Sir U. K. Shuttleworth, Bart., at the Reform Club, Manchester, on Friday, the 2nd inst.

Bro. Lord Magheramorne presided at the usual weekly meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, at their offices, Spring Gardens, on Friday, the 2nd inst.

On Saturday last the Lady Mayoress (Lady De Keyser) was presented with a handsome diamond bracelet and earrings by the members of the Court of Common Council, in grateful recognition of her kindness and courtesy at the Mansion House during her husband's Mayoralty.

Bro. Lord Halsbury (Lord Chancellor of England), Bro. Lord Ashbourne (Lord Chancellor of Ireland), and Bros. Lord George Hamilton and Sir M. E. Hicks-Beach, were among the Ministers who attended the Cabinet Council held at the Foreign Office on Monday.

On Monday Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, who was accompanied by the Marquis of Lorne, Bro. the Earl and Countess Perry, Bro. the Earl and Countess of Ravensworth, and others, opened a wing of the new College of Science which has been erected at Newcastle-on-Tyne at a cost of £23,000.

The second exhibition of poultry, pigeons, cats, rabbits, and guinea pigs at the People's Palace, Mile End-road, was opened on Friday, the 2nd inst., the entries, which were nearly a thousand, included some of the finest specimens ever exhibited.

It is with deep regret we hear of the death of Bro. Philip D. Rees, of the William Preston and Anglo-American Lodges, and also a founder of the Anglo-American Conclave (Order of the Secret Monitor), No. 6. He died on the 31st ult., after a very short illness. The brethren of the Anglo-American Lodge will miss his pleasant face and cheerful company very much. He had been a great traveller, and was a most amusing and interesting companion.

The *World* says "Bro. V. P. Freeman has for many years been a leading spirit amongst the Freemasons of Sussex. His admirable arrangements for the installation of the Duke of Connaught led to his promotion to Grand Office, and his friends will be glad to hear that his daughter is likely to win fame as a singer. Her performance at the Mayor's banquet, and as the "Carmen" of the Brighton and Hove Operatic Society, have been attended with considerable success."

The remains of Bro. W. R. Hardcastle, post-master of the Skipton district, were interred in Walton-wray's Cemetery on Sunday, 28th ult. As the deceased brother was a member of the Craven Lodge, No. 810, a late churchwarden of Skipton Christ Church, and a member of other societies in the town, there was a very large public funeral. A large number of tradesmen headed the procession to the cemetery, these being followed by the brethren, among whom were Bros. Major Robinson, George Kendall, and Bro. J. R. Wilkinson, the three oldest members.

Bro. G. S. Graham announces his 24th annual concert for Monday next, at the Parochial Hall, Oldridge-road, Balham. The programme shows no falling off from the previous standard of merit, and that is saying a good deal. We notice amongst the artistes some familiar names and some that are new, but we know enough of Bro. Graham's ability and experience to be sure that an evening's entertainment will be provided that will repay a visit to Balham on Monday.

NORTH-WEST LONDON DENTAL INSTITUTE.—Extract from *Kentish Town Magazine*, for April, 1886.—"The above-named Institute, under the special patronage of the Clergy, Medical Men, Gentlemen and Ladies of the N. and N.W. districts, affords in its daily and extensive practice, wondrous exemplification of the great progress that has been made in the science of dentistry during quite modern days, and also proves indisputably the great boon which the above-named Institute confers daily upon numerous sufferers. Defective teeth and gums are well known to be the foundation of the most painful complaints that afflict mankind, and that the several ailments of the mouth need the skilled attention of eminent scientists, if they are to be cured, or even alleviated, and in order that such skilled attention might be within the reach of all grades, the NORTH-WEST LONDON DENTAL INSTITUTE was established. Situated at 80, Fortess-road, Junction-road, Kentish Town, under the superintendence of Mr. A. W. FURBER, L.D.S., Royal College of Surgeons of England, assisted by a staff of skilled and qualified gentlemen, this Institute supplied artificial teeth; latest scientific improvements; extracts teeth, and performs all other necessary operations painlessly, and bestows benefits that cannot be over-estimated upon this portion of our largely-populated suburbs that would not seek the aid of Hospitals and Charities in the Metropolis. We may add that Mr. A. W. FURBER, L.D.S., R.C.S.E., has had 20 years' experience in hospitals and private practice, is of a very kindly disposition, and eminently fitted for the position that he holds, where he has earned the golden opinions of all who have consulted him. Mr. FURBER is also a well-known benefactor, having devoted ten years of his early practice to serve the poor, during which period his well-tutored and able hand relieved [free of cost] no less a number than 20,000 suffering patients."—Fees at this Institute are moderate, and Free to "the Unemployed."

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS

For the week ending Saturday, November 17th, 1888.

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

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, Acree-lane, S.W.
1964, Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel.
2029, King Solomon, 8A, Red Lion-square.

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.

MARK LODGE.

234, Brixton, Anderton's Hotel.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12.

CRAFT LODGES.

5, St. George and Corner Stone, Freemasons' Hall.
58, Felicity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.
59, Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall.
90, St. John's, Albion Tavern.
193, Confidence, Anderton's Hotel.
1366, Highgate, Gatehouse Hotel, Highgate.
1571, Leopold, Bridge House Hotel.
1670, Adelphi, Freemasons' Hall.
1789, Ubique, Café Royal, Regent-street.
1805, Bromley St. Leonard, Vestry Hall, Bow-road.
2012, Chiswick, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Beaconsfield, Chequers Hotel, High-street, Walthamstow, at 8.
Coborn, Eagle Hotel, Snaresbrook, at 8.
Eleanor, 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.
Marquess 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 Hot., 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 CHAPTERS.

720, Panmure, Horns Tavern, Kennington.
862, Whittington, Anderton's Hotel.

MARK LODGES.

104, Macdonald, 8A, Red Lion-square, W.C.
224, Menatschim, Criterion, Piccadilly.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13.

46, Old Union, Holborn Viaduct Hotel.
96, Burlington, Albion Tavern.
180, St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall.
198, Percy, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.
228, United Strength, Guildhall Tavern.
235, Nine Muses, Willis's Rooms, St. James's.
548, Wellington, White Swan Tavern, Deptford.
917, Cosmopolitan, Cannon-street Hotel.
933, Doric, Anderton's Hotel.
1196, Urban, Freemasons' Hall.
1593, Royal Naval College, Ship Hotel, Greenwich.
1604, Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall.
1614, Covent Garden, Criterion, Piccadilly.
1635, Canterbury, 33, Golden-square, W.
1668, Samson, Café Royal, Regent-street.
1769, Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern.
1837, Lullingstone, Masonic Hall, Wilmington, Dartford.
1969, Waldeck, Freemasons' Hall.
2127, Drury Lane, Theatre Royal, Drury Lane.

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.

22, Southwark, Bridge House Hotel.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

149, Studholme, 33, Golden-square.

SECRET MONITOR.

1, Alfred Meadows.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14.

General Committee Benevolent Institution, at 4.

CRAFT LODGES.

3, Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall.
11, Enoch, Freemasons' Hall.
13, Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, William-street, Woolwich.
15, Kent, Freemasons' Hall.
87, Vitruvian, Bridge House Hotel.
147, Justice, White Swan, Deptford.
749, Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel.
781, Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E.
1306, St. John's, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate.
1349, Friars, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.
1513, Sir Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham.
1694, Imperial, Pier Hotel, Oakley-street, Chelsea.
1718, Centurion, Inns of Court Hotel.
1986, Honor Oak, White Swan Hot., Upper Norwood.
2183, Royal Hampton Court, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court.

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.
Panmure, 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, Cafford, at 8.
Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery-lane, at 8.
Royal Oak, Lord Clyde, Wotton-road, Deptford, 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.

1260, John Hervey, Holborn Restaurant.
1305, St. Marylebone, Regent Masonic Hall, Portland-place.
1901, Montague Guest, Inns of Court Hotel.

MARK LODGE.

Old Kent, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.

ROSE CROIX CHAPTER.

67, Studholme, 33, Golden-square, W.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

CRAFT LODGES.

23, Globe, Freemasons' Hall.
49, Gihon, Guildhall Tavern.
55, Constitutional, Cannon-street Hotel.
63, St. Mary's, Freemasons' Hall.
169, Temperance, White Swan, Deptford.
179, Manchester, Anderton's Hotel.
181, Universal, Freemasons' Hall.
733, Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood.
813, New Concord, Guildhall Tavern.
1139, South Norwood, Public Hall, South Norwood.
1287, Great Northern, Freemasons' Hall.
1321, Emblematic, Bridge House Hotel.
1365, Clapton, 191, Bishopsgate-street.
1475, Peckham, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.
1512, Hemming, Greyhound Hotel, Hampton Wick.
1613, Cripplegate, Albion Tavern.
1623, West Smithfield, Freemasons' Hall.
1901, Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich.
1963, Duke of Albany, Albert Palace, Battersea Park.

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.
Creaton, Wheatheat 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.

507, United Pilgrims, Freemasons' Hall.
742, Crystal Palace, Thicket Hotel, Anerley.
834, Andrew, Windsor Castle Hotel, Hammersmith.
1216, Macdonald, Headquarters 1st Surrey Rifles, Camberwell.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

House Committee Boys' School, at 4.

CRAFT LODGES.

143, Middlesex, Albion Hotel.
975, Rose of Denmark, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond.
1118, University, Freemasons' Hall.
1704, Anchor, Cannon-street Hotel.
1962, London Rifle Brigade, Anderton's Hotel.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Albion, The Mitre, 125, Chancery-lane, at 7.30.
All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.
Beaconree, 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.M.s.), 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.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

10, Westminster and Keystone, Freemasons' Hall.
92, Moira, Albion Tavern.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

48, Kemeys Tynte, 33, Golden-square, W.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

CRAFT LODGES.

715, Panmure, Cannon-street Hotel.
1329, Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.
1364, Earl of Zetland, Guildhall Tavern.
1732, King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel.
1767, Kensington, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill.
2147, Crays Valley, St. Mary's Cray, Kent.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

1572, Carnarvon, Albion Tavern.
1706, Orpheus, Holborn Restaurant.

MARK LODGES.

205, Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow.

PROVINCIAL MASONIC MEETINGS

For the week ending Saturday, November 17, 1888.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12.

CRAFT LODGES.

37, Anchor and Hope, New Masonic H., Silverwell-st., Bolton.
40, Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings.
68, Royal Clarence, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.
75, Love and Honour, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Falmouth.
88, Scientific, Lion Hotel, Petty Cury, Cambridge.
104, St. John, White Lion Hotel, Great Underbank, Stockport.
105, Fortitude, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth.
106, Sun, Royal Beacon Hotel, Exmouth.
133, Harmony, Old Grammar School, Faversham.
151, Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, Isle of Wight.
189, Sincerity, St. George's Hall, East Stonehouse, Devon.
237, Indefatigable, Masonic Hall, Swansea.
240, St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields.
262, Salopian, Music Hall, Shrewsbury.
264, Nelson of the Nile, Masonic Hall, Park-road, Batley.
292, Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
296, Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.
297, Witham, Masonic Hall, Lincoln.
303, Benevolent, Masonic Hall, Teignmouth.
313, United Friends, Victoria Hotel, Great Yarmouth.
314, Peace and Unity, Militia Mess Rooms, Starkie-st., Preston.
339, Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Cumberland.
379, Honour, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath.
408, The Three Graces, Masonic Hall, Haworth, Yorkshire.
411, Commercial, Masonic Hall, Nottingham.
433, Hope, Swan Inn, Brightlingsea, Essex.
467, Tudor, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham.
481, St. Peter's, Masonic Hall, Maple-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne.
502, Rectitude, Town Hall, Rugby.
557, Loyal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Callington, Cornwall.
587, Howe, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
589, Druids' Lodge of Love and Liberty, M.H., Redruth.
643, Royal, Crescent Hotel, Fife, Yorkshire.
661, Fawcett, Masonic Hall, Seaham Harbour.
665, Montagu, Royal Lion Hotel, Lyme Regis, Dorset.
671, Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Llanelli.
721, Independence, 27, Eastgate-row, near Chester.
797, Hanley, Hanley Hotel, Dartmouth.
884, Derwent, George Hotel, Wirksworth.
893, Meridian, Masonic Hall, Millbrook, Cornwall.
941, De Tabley, Royal George, Knutsford.
949, Williamson, St. Stephen's Sch'1, Monkwearmouth, Durham.
1021, Hartington, Masonic Hall, Abbey-rd., Barrow-in-Furness.
1069, United Brothers, Masonic Hall, Highbury-st., Portsmouth.
1112, Shirley, Masonic Hall, Shirley, Hants.
1113, Anglesea, Bull Hotel, Llangefni.
1174, Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham.
1221, Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds.
1237, Enfield, George Hotel, Enfield.
1253, Travellers, Queen's Hotel, Manchester.
1302, De Warren, White Swan Hotel, Halifax, Yorkshire.
1350, Fernor Hesketh, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
1373, St. Hubert, Freemasons' Hall, Andover.
1408, Stamford and Warrington, M.C., Market-st., Stalybridge.
1436, Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate.
1449, Royal Military, Masonic Temple, St. Peter-st., Canterbury.
1474, Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham.
1477, Sir Watkin, Masonic Hall, Mold, Flintshire.
1496, Trafalgar, Western Hotel, Moss Side, Lancashire.
1542, Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Castleford, Yorkshire.
1575, Clive, Corbet Arms Hotel, Market Drayton, Salop.
1592, Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds.
1600, Hamilton, Masonic Hall, Alford, Lincolnshire.
1611, Eboracum, Masonic Hall, St. Saviourgate, York.
1618, Handyside, Queen's Hotel, Saltburn-by-sea.
1656, Wolsey, Rose and Crown Hotel, Hampton Wick.
1702, Tudor, Masonic Hall, Harborne, Staffordshire.
1802, Vernon, Exchange Buildings, East Retford, Notts.
1822, Forest, Town Hall, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire.
1885, Torridge, Market Ball, Great Torrington, Devonshire.
1948, Hardman, Queen's Arms Hotel, Rawtenstall, Lancashire.
1952, High Peak, Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire.
1966, Fidelity and Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Mantle-street, Wellington, Somersetshire.
2012, Chiswick, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge.
2034, Masfield, Institute, Balsall Heath, Worcester.
2197, Spencer Walpole, Temperance M.H., Douglas, Isle of Man.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

74, Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham, at 7.
130, Royal Gloucester, F.M.H., Bugle-street, Southampton.
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.
369, Pomfret Emulation, Masonic Hall, Northampton.
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.
521, Truth, F.M.H., Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield, at 8.
721, Independence, Bar's Hotel, Chester.
724, Derby, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool, at 8.
962, Sun and Sector, Ass. Ro., Portland-square, Worthing, at 8.
1071, Zetland, M.H., Alexandra-square, Saltash, Cornwall, at 8.
1218, Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossley, at 7.

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.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

89, Royal Cheshire, Astley Arms, Dukinfield.
107, Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Lynn.
148, Elias Ashmole, Masonic Rooms, Sankey-st., Warrington.

CHAPTER OF INSTRUCTION.

206, Hope, Globe Tavern, Royal Hill, Greenwich, at 8.

MARK LODGES.

73, Meridian, Masonic Hall, Redruth, Cornwall.
281, Beverlac, Masonic Rooms, Register-square, Beverley.
302, Derby, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

7, Loyal Volunteers, Queen's Arms, Ashton-under-Lyne.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13.

CRAFT LODGES.

80, St. John's, Masonic Hall, Park-terrace, Sunderland.
93, Social, 47, St. Giles-street, Norwich.
111, Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Old Bridge-street, Truro.

272, Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Ridge, Boston.
284, Shakespeare, Masonic Rooms, High-street, Warwick.
319, New Forest, Bugle Hotel, Lymington.

494, Virtue and Honour, Masonic Hall, Axminster.
495, Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield.
496, Peace and Harmony, Masonic Rooms, St. Austell.

624, Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Burton-upon-Trent.
625, Star-in-the-East, Great Eastern Hotel, Harwich.
686, Jerusalem, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.

696, St. Bartholomew, Anchor Hotel, Wednesbury, Staffs.
723, Panmure, Masonic Hall, Barrack-road, Aldershot.
764, Harbour of Refuge, Masonic Hall, West Hartlepool.

1073, St. Maughold, Masonic Hall, Ramsey, Isle of Man.
1120, St. Milburga, Tontine Hotel, Ironbridge.
1138, Devon, Masonic Hall, Newton Abbott.

1214, Scarborough, Station Hotel, Batley, Yorks.
1250, Gilbert Greenall, Masonic Rooms, Warrington.
1267, Kenlis, Oddfellows' Hall, Egremont, Cumberland.

1312, St. Mary, White Hart Hotel, Bocking, Essex.
1314, Acacia, Bell Hotel, Bromley, Kent.
1347, Lorne, Greyhound Hotel, Sutton, Surrey.

1414, Knole, St. Nicholas Parish Room, London-rd., Sevenoaks.
1465, Ockenden, Talbot Hotel, Cuckfield, Sussex.
1476, Blackpool, Clifton Arms Hotel, Blackpool.

1515, Bertie, Masonic Hall, Alfred-street, Oxford.
1545, Baildon, Masonic Rooms, Northgate, Baildon, Yorks.
1560, Albert Edward, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester.

1782, Machen, Swan Hotel, Colshill, Warwickshire.
1837, Lullington, Masonic Hall, Wilmington, Kent.
1847, Ebrington, Masonic Temple, Stonehouse, Devon.

1902, St. Cuthbert, King's Arms Inn, Bedlington, Northumberland.
1914, St. Thomas's, Harecastle Hotel, Kidsgrove, Staffordshire.
2099, Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Herne Bay.

2104, Whitwell, F.M.H., Wellington-st., Stockton-on-Tees.
2136, St. Michael's, Chequers Hotel, Bishops Cleeve.
2164, St. Germans, Peel Castle Hotel, Peel, Isle of Man.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

36, Glamorgan, Masonic Hall, Working-street, Cardiff, at 7.30.
119, Sun, Square, and Compasses, F.M.H., Whitehaven, at 7.30.
299, Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford.

371, Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall, Englefield-st., Maryport, 8.
406, Northern Counties, Masonic Hall, Maple-st., Newcastle, 7.45.
463, East Surrey Lodge of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, at 7.45.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

20, Royal Kent Chapter of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham.
111, Vigilance, Masonic Hall, Archer-street, Darlington.
253, Justice, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby.

MARK LODGES.
6, Adams, Britannia Hotel, Sheerness.
23, Russell, Bedford Lodge Room, Tavistock.
99, St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, Corn Exchange, Wimborne.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

139, St. Cuthbert's, Freemasons' Hall, Darlington.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14.

CRAFT LODGES.

54, Hope, Spread Eagle, Rochdale.
84, Doyle's Lodge of Fellowship, M.H., Court-pl., Guernsey.
116, Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne.

125, Prince Edwin's, Bank Buildings, Hythe, Kent.
152, Antiquity, New Masonic Hall, Silverwell-street, Bolton.
187, Royal Sussex Lodge of Hospitality, F.M.H., Bristol.

204, Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-st., Manchester.
225, St. Luke's, Masonic Hall, Soane-street, Ipswich.
244, Yarborough, Masonic Temple, Stopford-road, Jersey.

250, Minerva, Masonic Hall, Dagger-lane, Hull.
258, Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike.
277, Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham, Lancashire.

281, Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Lancaster.
288, Harmony, Masonic Hall, Market-pl., Todmorden, Lancs.
320, Loyalty, Masonic Rooms, Mottram, Cheshire.
323, Concord, Florist Hotel, Stockport.

329, Brotherly Love, Chough's Hotel, Yeovil.
368, Samaritan, Old Hall, Sandbach, Cheshire.
380, Integrity, Masonic Temple, Commercial-st., Morley, Yorks.
464, Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Haverfordwest.

483, Sympathy, New Falcon Hotel, Gravesend.
498, Royal Standard, Dudley Arms, Dudley.
507, Unity, Woolpack Hotel, Warwick.
580, Harmony, Wheatheaf Inn, Ormskirk.

615, St. John and St. Paul's, Prince of Wales Hotel, Erith.
626, Landdowne Lodge of Unity, High-st., New Chippenham.
654, Peveril of the Peak, Crown Inn, New Mills, near Stockport.
666, Benevolence, Wesleyan School-rm., Princes-town, Dartmoor.

679, St. David's, Masonic Hall, Aberdare, Glamorganshire.
697, United, George Hotel, Colchester.
731, Arboretum, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby.
755, St. Tudno, Freemason's Hall, Llandudno.

812, Eden Valley, Private Rooms, Market-place, Appleby.
851, Worthing Lodge of Friendship, Steyne Assembly Rooms, Worthing.
852, Zetland, Masonic Hall, Crescent, Salford, Lancashire.

854, Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, Lancashire.
906, Royal Albert Edward, Crown and Anchor, Weston, nr. Bath.
910, St. Oswald, Masonic Hall, Pontefract.
1004, Athole, Masonic Hall, Douglas, Isle of Man.

1005, Zetland, Bell Hotel, Gloucester.
1018, Shakespeare, Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford.
1031, Fletcher, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
1060, Marmion, 14, Church-street, Tamworth.

1064, Borough, Bull Hotel, Burnley, Lancashire.
1088, Royal Edward, Masonic Club, Market-street, Stalybridge.
1091, Erme, Masonic Hall, Chapple Place, Ivybridge, Devon.
1094, Temple, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.

1101, Grey Friars, Masonic Hall, Reading.
1135, Concord, Masonic Hall, 127, High-street, Ilfracombe.
1140, Ashton, Midland Hotel, Withington, Lancashire.
1179, Rutland, Rutland Hotel, Ilkeston, Derbyshire.

1181, De la Pole, Masonic Hall, Station-road, Scaton, Devon.
1193, Doric, White Hart Hotel, Wymondham, Norfolk.
1209, Lewises, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate.
1248, Denison, Masonic Hall, Scarborough.

1265, Vale of Catmos, George Hotel, Oakham, Rutland.
1342, Walker, F.M.H., Grainger-st. West, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
1356, Toxteth, 80, North Hill-street, Liverpool.
1400, Curwen, School Rooms, Harrington, Cumberland.

1493, Robin Hood, Mechanics' Institute, Eastwood, Notts.
1497, Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
1582, Llanidloes, Trewynen Arms Hotel, Llanidloes, N. Wales.
1588, Prince Leopold, Masonic Hall, Stretford, Lancashire.

1643, Perseverance, M.H., Carr-st., Hebburn-on-Tyne, Durham.
1663, Hartismere, Masonic Hall, Carr-street, Eye, Suffolk.
1715, Arthur John Brogden, M.H., Grange-over-Sands, Lancashire.
1783, Albert Edward, F.M.H., Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

CRAFT LODGES.

15, St. George's, Masonic Hall, Gandy-street, Exeter.
187, St. Peter's, Masonic Hall, Tiverton, Devon.
229, Faithful, Masonic Hall, Chalfont-street, Cockerham.
313, Lawrence, Chorley, Lancashire.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

69, Cabbell, Masonic Rooms, 47, St. Giles-street, Norwich.
125, Sussex Preceptory and Southdown Priory, Southdown Hotel, Eastbourne.

RED CROSS.

44, Byzantine, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester.

100, Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Great Yarmouth.
111, Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Darlington.
169, Temperance, White Swan, High-street, Deptford.
203, Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.

230, Fidelity, Ebrington Masonic Hall, Granby-st., Devonport.
245, Mechanics, Masonic Temple, Stopford-road, Jersey.
267, Unity, Macclesfield Arms Hotel, Macclesfield.
268, Union, Queen's Arms, Ashton-under-Lyne.

275, Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield.
276, Good Fellowship, White Hart, Chelmsford.
280, Worcester, 95, High-street, Worcester.
283, Amity, Swan Inn, Haslingden, Lancashire.

332, Virtue and Silence, White Lion, Hadleigh, Suffolk.
337, Candour, Masonic Hall, Upper Mill, Yorkshire.
341, Wellington, Cinque Ports Arms, Rye, Sussex.
343, Concord, Bull Hotel, Preston.

344, Faith, Bull's Head, Radcliffe, Lancashire.
345, Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn.
346, United Brethren, Grosvenor Hotel, Blackburn.
350, Charity, Grapes Inn, Stoneclogh, near Manchester.

361, Industry, Norfolk Arms Hotel, Hyde, Cheshire.
363, Keystone, Red Lion, Whitworth, Lancashire.
367, Probity and Freedom, Wellington Hotel, Rochdale.
369, Limestone Rock, Swan and Royal Hotel, Clitheroe.

394, Southampton, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton.
425, Cestrian, Masonic Hall, Queen-street, Chester.
426, Shakespeare, Masonic Hall, Spilsby, Lincolnshire.
456, Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter.
462, Bank-Terrace, Hargreaves Arms, Accrington.

472, Friendship and Sincerity, Town Hall, Shaftesbury.
476, St. Peter's, Ivy Bush Royal Hotel, Carmarthen.
489, Benevolence, Masonic Hall, Bideford, Devon.
523, John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Leicestershire.

560, Vernon, Swan Hotel, Stourport.
600, Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
605, Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead.
630, St. Cuthbert's, Parson-lane, Howden, Yorkshire.

659, Blagdon, Mechanics' Institute, Blyth, Northumberland.
710, Pleiades, Masonic Hall, Tonnes.
761, St. John's, Old Bell Hotel, Dursley.
777, Royal Alfred, Angel Hotel, Guildford.
787, Beaureper, Lion Hotel, Belper, Derbyshire.

802, Repose, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby.
939, Pelham, Ashley Hotel, Worksop, Nottinghamshire.
940, Philanthropy, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham.
1000, Priory, Middleton Hotel, Southend.
1011, Richmond, Old Boar's Head, Corporation-st., Manchester.

1032, Townley Parker, Whittle Springs Hotel, Whittle Springs, Lancashire.
1037, Portland, Masonic Hall, Portland.
1042, Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.
1130, Rutland, George Hotel, Melton Mowbray.

1143, Royal Denbigh, Town Hall, Denbigh.
1164, Eliot, Masonic Hall, St. German's, Cornwall.
1184, Abbey, Masonic Hall, Battle, Sussex.
1235, Phoenix Lodge of St. Ann, Court House, Buxton.
1282, Anicholme, Masonic Rooms, Cary-lane, Brigg, Lincolnshire.

1286, Bayons, Corn Exchange, Market Rasen, Lincoln.
1332, Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon.
1337, Anchor, Masonic Hall, North Allerton.
1345, Victoria, Cross Keys Hotel, Eccles, Lancashire.

1369, Bala, Plas Coch Hotel, Bala, North Wales.
1393, Hamer, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool.
1432, Fitzalan, Wynnstay Arms Hotel, Oswestry.
1459, Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, West Gorton, nr. Manchester.
1492, Alma Mater, Red Lion Hotel, Cambridge.

1512, Hemming, Red Lion, Hampton.
1662, Homfray, Masonic Hall, Risca, Monmouthshire.
1594, Cedevain, Public Rooms, Newtown, Montgomery.
1776, Landport, Freemasons' Hall, Commercial-road, Landport.
1821, Atlingworth, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.

1869, Sandown, Masonic Hall, Sandown, Isle of Wight.
1872, St. Margaret's, Maple-street, Surbiton.
1887, St. Hilda, George Hotel, Wallingford, Berkshire.
1892, Wallington, Public Hall, Carshalton.
2001, Narberth, Rutzen Hotel, Narberth, Pembrokeshire.

2028, Granite, Narborough Hotel, Narborough, Leicestershire.
2091, Castleberg, Ashfield Hotel, Settle, West Yorkshire.
2107, Etheldreda, White Hart Hotel, Newmarket.
2189, Ashburton, Commercial Hotel, Ashburton, Devon.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

47, Newstead, Bromley House, Angel-row, Nottingham, at 7.30.
51, Angel, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester.
70, St. John, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Princes-pl., Plymouth.
77, Freedom, New Falcon Hotel, West-street, Gravesend, at 8.30.

139, Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.
158, Adam's, Britannia Hotel, Sheerness, at 7.30.
216, Harmonic, Adelphi Hotel, Lime-street, Liverpool.
289, Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds.
531, St. Helen's, Masonic Hall, Hartlepool, at 7.30.

673, St. John's, Masonic Hall, 22, Hope-street, Liverpool, at 8.
731, Arboretum, Masonic Hall, Derby, at 7.30.
788, Crescent, King's Head Hotel, Twickenham, at 8.
1050, Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester, Kent.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

31, Bertha, Masonic Temple, Canterbury.
97, Strict Benevolence, Masonic Hall, Park Terrace, Sunderland.

MARK LODGES.

21, Howe, George Hotel, Melton Mowbray.
54, Aldershot Military, Masonic Hall, Barrack-road, Aldershot.
92, Walpole, 47, St. Giles-street, Norwich.

KNIGHT TEMPLAR PRECEPTORIES.

31, All Souls, Masonic Hall, Weymouth.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

CRAFT LODGES.

127, Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate.
152, Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
271, Royal Clarence, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.

318, True and Faithful, Freemasons' Hall, Helston, Cornwall.
347, Noah's Ark, Star Hotel, Bloomfield-road, Tipton.
355, Royal Sussex Lodge of Emulation, Masonic Hall, Swindon.

401, Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn, Yorkshire.
404, Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford.
460, Sutherland Lodge of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme.

475, Bedfordshire Lodge of St. John the Baptist, T.H., Luton.
516, Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket.
541, De Loraine, Freemasons' Hall, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
560, St. Germain, The Crescent, Selby.

652, Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth, Yorks.

663, Wiltshire Lodge of Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Devizes.
 712, Lindsey, Masonic Hall, Louth.
 818, Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Abergavenny.
 951, Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Stow-on-the-Wold.
 975, Rose of Denmark, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond.
 1034, Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill, near Bradford.
 1074, Underley, Masonic Rooms, Kirkby Lonsdale.
 1090, Lord Warden, St. George's Hall, Deal.
 1108, Royal Wharfedale, M.R., Borough Gate, Otley, Yorks.
 1224, Stour Valley, M.H., Market Hill, Sudbury, Suffolk.
 1232, Hereward, Angel Hotel, Bourne, Lincolnshire.
 1311, Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.
 1330, St. Peter's, Three Swans Hotel, Market, Harborough.
 1357, Cape, Brooklands Hotel, Sale, Cheshire.
 1389, Fenwick, Masonic Hall, Park-terrace, Sunderland.
 1725, Douglas Gateway, Ancient College, Maidstone.
 1739, Carnarvon, Masonic Rooms, Church Gresley, Derbyshire.
 1773, Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton, Lancashire.
 1794, De Vere, Masonic Hall, Nottingham.
 2063, St. Osyth's Priory, Royal Hotel, Clacton-on-Sea.
 2078, St. Lawrence, Masonic H., Manley-st., Scunthorpe, Lincoln.
 2101, Bramston Beach, Masonic Hall, Godalming, Surrey.
 2231, Talbot, Talbot House School, Old Trafford, Stretford.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

123, Lennox, Masonic Hall, Newbiggin, Richmond, Yorks, at 8.
 137, Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol, at 7.
 225, St. Luke's, Hive Assembly Rooms, Ipswich, at 8.
 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.
 1071, Zetland, Masonic Hall, Alexandra-sq., Saltash, Cornwall, 8.
 1462, Wharnclyffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone.
 1802, Vernon, Exchange Buildings, East Retford, Notts.
 1993, Wolsley, Town Hall Buildings, 74, King-st., Manchester.
 Bristol (Province), Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol, at 7.

CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

79, Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-st., Greenwich, at 8.
 897, Loyalty, Masonic Rooms, Hall-street, St. Helens.
 946, Strawberry Hill, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, S.W.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

521, Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.
 586, Elias De Derham, Masonic Hall, Salisbury.
 622, St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne.
 839, Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester.
 1146, De Moulham, Town Hall, Swanage.
 1428, United Service, Freemasons' H., Commercial-rd., Landport.

MARK LODGES.

165, Egerton, Masonic Chambers, 9, Hamilton-st., Birkenhead.
 186, Wulfruna, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.
 329, De La Pole, 59, Charlotte-street, Hull.
 367, Gladsmuir, Red Lion Hotel, Barnet.

ROSE CROIX CHAPTER.

16, Talbot, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

30, Holy Cross, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth.
 36, Jacques de Molay, Masonic Temple, 22, Hope-st., Liverpool.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

CRAFT LODGES.

308, Prince George, Pri. Ro., Bottoms, Eastwood, Todmorden.
 370, St. George's, Masonic Hall, Chertsey.
 410, Grove, Sun Hotel, Kingston, Surrey.
 416, Surrey, Public Hall, Reigate.
 811, Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.
 1146, De Moulham, Mowlem Institute, Swanage, Dorset.
 2035, Beaumont, George Hotel, Kirkburton, Yorkshire.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

478, Mersey, Hamilton-square, Birkenhead.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

68, Royal Clarence, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.

MARK LODGE.

205, Beaconsfield, Chequers Hotel, High-street, Walthamstow.

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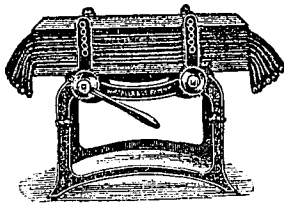
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