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Masons of the Year.

MR. STANLEY ATTENBOROUGH.

MR. STANLEY ATTENBOROUGH is more than a representative member of the younger branch of the Masonic world. Born thirty-two years ago, his advancement in the Craft since his initiation in the Mount Moriah Lodge (34) on January 24th, 1884, has been one of the most rapid on record; and we find him, after but seven years, with a long list of attainments in the Craft of Freemasonry. At present he is Senior Deacon of his mother Lodge. In 1885 he joined the Dorking Lodge (1149), and is now its Senior Warden. He is a member of the Stuart Lodge (540), which he joined also in 1885. He was a founder of the London Scottish Rifles Lodge, and a founder and the first W.M. of the Lombardian Lodge (2348), which was consecrated March 28th of the present year. Stanley Attenborough was exalted to the United Pilgrims' Chapter of the Royal Arch (507) on May 21st, 1885, but resigned two years later. He was founder and J. of the St. Ambrose Chapter (1891), founder and Hon. Scribe E. of the Moriah Chapter (34), consecrated last year. He was advanced in the Mark on April 18th, 1885, and is now Junior Warden of the Tenterden Lodge (251). Two months since he joined the SS. Peter and Paul's Mark Lodge (163), and was a Grand Steward at the last grand festival. Mr. Attenborough was a founder of the Brownrigg Lodge (163) of Ark Mariners, and a member of Constantine Council No. 2 of Royal and Select Masons. He is an enthusiastic worker in three Lodges and Chapters of Instruction—the Ambrose (Craft), the Domestic (Royal Arch), and the Grand Masters (Mark). During the past five years this enterprising Mason has served no less than nine stewardships to the three Craft charities, and has qualified as a Life Governor on each occasion. He became a life subscriber to the Mark Benevolent Fund in 1887, a Life Governor in 1888, and a Vice-President in 1889. Early in the present year Stanley Attenborough was elected by Grand Lodge a member of the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and in May a member of the now famous Provisional Management Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys; whilst in June he was offered and accepted the honorary secretaryship of that committee, and of the Binckes Pension Indemnity Fund. Thus so far closes the Masonic career of a man whose ambition seems unlimited. Since he was admitted

a solicitor, eight years ago, Stanley Attenborough has found time to attend to the duties of honorary solicitor to the Pawnbrokers' Charitable Institution, of which he is a Life Governor, and also to the Benevolent Society of Assistant Pawnbrokers, of which he is a life subscriber. Mr. Attenborough has also served many offices in the Vestry of Fulham, in which Parish—at West Kensington—he resides.

MR. J. E. LE FEUVRE.

MR. J. E. LE FEUVRE, a leading light in the Masonic world of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, was initiated in the Royal Lodge (130) twenty-six years ago, and passed the chair seven years later; he is also a P.M. of the Shirley Lodge (1112). At the installation, in 1869, of Mr. W. W. Beach, M.P., as Provincial Grand Master of Hants and Isle of Wight, Mr. J. E. Le Feuvre was appointed Provincial Grand Secretary, which post he continued to occupy until 1885, excepting as to an interval of three years, during which he was Provincial Senior Grand Warden of the province. In January, 1885, he was invested Deputy Provincial Grand Master and Provincial Second Grand Principal the following month. J. E. Le Feuvre was exalted in the Royal Gloucester Chapter, and is P.Z. of the Chapter of Concord. He is a P.M. of Nos. (37), (52), and (63) Mark Lodges, P.E. Preceptor of Royal Gloucester and Egbert Preceptories, and P.M.W.S. Canute Rose Croix Chapter. He was appointed Grand Deacon of England, and Grand Sword Bearer in Royal Arch in 1886. He is also a Past Grand Master Overseer in the Mark Grand, Past Great Herald in the National Great Priory, Past Grand Banner Bearer in the Royal Order of Scotland, Past Supreme Ruler of the Secret Monitor, a Royal and Select Master, and a Past Prior of the Knights of Malta; he is also a member of the thirty-second degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite, has served eight Stewardships, is a Vice-President of the Girls' School, and a member of the Provisional Committee of the Boys' Institution. Mr. J. E. Le Feuvre is an ardent collector of Masonic literature, and proudly boasts the possession of the only complete set of the *Book of Constitutions*, dating from 1723, in the hands of an individual. The Province of Worcester possesses another set.

MR. THOMAS W. TEW, J.P.

MR. THOMAS WILLIAM TEW, the Provincial Grand Master of West Yorkshire, was initiated thirty-four years ago in the Scarsdale Lodge (681) of Chesterfield, and in 1862 was a founder and first W.M. of St. Oswald's Lodge at Pontefract, the chair of which he again filled the following year. Two years later he obtained his first provincial honours by being made by the Marquis of Ripon a Past Senior Grand Warden of West Yorkshire. In 1869, for the third time, he became W.M. of St. Oswald's, and six years later was Deputy P.G.M. of his province, whilst in 1885 he succeeded Sir Henry Edwards, Bart., in the Provincial Grand Mastership; and never has any provincial appointment been received with greater favour by the Brethren of any Province. He is a P.Z. of the Wakefield Chapter, Grand Superintendent of West Yorkshire, and Past Grand Principal Sojourner (Eng.); he is the very eminent Prior of the Knights Templars of West Yorks, a member of the Red Cross Knights of Babylon, and of the Order of St. Laurence, meeting at Rochdale; of the thirtieth degree holding their assemblies at 33, Golden Square, London, and of the Talbot Rose Croix, whose home is at Sheffield. He is a J.P. for the West Riding of Yorks, and Chairman of the Petty Sessions of Osgoldcross; a Founder of the United Northern Counties' Lodge (2126), meeting at the Inns of Court Hotel in the Old Lincoln's Inn, Holborn, and a member of the illustrious Quatuor Coronati; has founded a Masonic Library for West Yorks at Wakefield, and has contributed very largely in books and MSS. (one of which bears his name) to its now valuable collection. A chairman and president of numberless local institutions for the welfare of the young, he reserves his club life for the solemn attractions of the Junior Carlton and the St. George's whenever his Masonic or social duties bring him down South, away from the delights of the Wakefield Masonic Literary Society, of which he is the earnest working President. Mr. Tew is the sole survivor of the firm of Messrs. Leatham and Tew, Bankers and Government Treasurers of the West Riding. The head office of the bank is at Pontefract, two miles from which is the Grange, at Carleton, built by Thomas William Tew himself, and now his favourite seat. The zeal with which the Yorkshire banker enters into the minutest Masonic details of his Province is little short of remarkable; he has personally consecrated almost every Lodge and Chapter in West Yorkshire during his Mastership, and never, but once—on the death of his father—has he been absent from Provincial Grand Lodge, a record which no other Provincial Grand Master can show. Mr. Tew is, of course, a Patron and Vice-President of the three Masonic institutions, and to him alone perhaps is due the inception of that unfortunate problem of the Boys' Institution, which created so much stir in the Masonic world last year. The Provincial Grand Master of West Yorkshire is frequently to be seen occupying one of the Grand Wardens' chairs at the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge. A steadfast disciple of the tenets of pure Freemasonry, William Thomas Tew is perhaps the most popular Mason in the provinces

MR. JAMES FERNANDEZ.

MR. JAMES FERNANDEZ, who perhaps is the finest elocutionist living, was born at St. Petersburg, on the 28th May, 1835, and entered the dramatic profession when eighteen years of age, making his first appearance at the Queen's Theatre, Hull, in 1853. He was initiated in the Royal Alfred Lodge (780), fifteen years ago, and became a Royal Arch Mason in 1880. An original member and officer of the Drury Lane Lodge, Mr. James Fernandez should have been, in the ordinary course of events, W.M. last year, but relinquished the honour, to which the Lodge had invited him, by giving place to Sir Henry Isaacs, who could thus hold the position during his reign at the Mansion House. On the 10th November last Sir Henry installed Mr. James Fernandez into the chair, and again took the opportunity of mentioning his gratitude to Mr. Fernandez for so generously standing aside in his favour. The veteran actor has performed in every one of the principal theatres of London, and has acted in all manner of dramatic pieces, from *Les Cloches de Corneville*

to *Hamlet*, and *Louis XI.* He is now engaged at the Haymarket, under the management of Mr. Beerbohm Tree, and the success of the recent Haymarket productions and revivals is due in no small measure to the fine dramatic powers of James Fernandez. His Jean Torquenie in *The Village Priest* was only second in intensity and force to his splendid portrayal of his character in *A Man's Shadow*, where his speech in the trial scene of the second act will perhaps remain one of the finest specimens of pure dramatic elocution stagegoers have ever heard.

DR. HARRY HEBB.

DR. HARRY HEBB, who was chosen this present year to succeed Dr. Richard Morris in the headmastership of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, was educated under Dr. Abbott, at the City of London School, where he was a prizeman, a medallist, and captain of the games. In the Sixth Form with him were those distinguished scholars H. P. Gurney (of Wren & Gurney), H. S. Asquith, Q.C., M.P., Professor Garnet, and John Cox, Master of Cavendish, Cambridge. From the City of London School Dr. Hebb passed to Queen's College, Oxford, where he graduated with honours, captained his college boating club, and stroked the eight. He gained his first experience of teaching at the Whitgift School, Croydon, under Robert Brodie, the Senior Student of Christ Church, where he raised the cadet corps and became its captain. From thence he migrated to Exeter, where for thirteen years he was the senior assistant master and chaplain of the Grammar School. He resided for some time in Touraine, for the express purpose of making himself proficient in the French language.

MR. HENRY LOVEGROVE.

MR. HENRY LOVEGROVE was initiated in the Metropolitan Lodge and eventually passed the Chair. He was founder of the Royal Hanover (1777), and second W.M.; founder of the Brixton Lodge (1949) and the Henry Levander Lodge (2048), and served as first W.M. of both; and is now Secretary of the former. He was one of the founders of the Cordwainers' Ward Lodge, and has since filled the office of Secretary. In 1880 he was appointed Prov. Grand Superintendent of Works for Middlesex. Mr. Lovegrove was exalted in the Jubilee Chapter (72), served the various offices, and is now P.Z. and S.E.; a founder of the Stanmore Chapter (1549) and third M.E.Z.; has been Prov. Grand Standard Bearer, Prov. Grand Treasurer of Middlesex; and has assisted in the consecration of three Craft Lodges and two Chapters. In Mark Masonry Henry Lovegrove is a Past Grand Inspector of Works of the Grand Lodge of Mark Masters, Past Prov. Grand Inspector of Works and Past Senior Grand Warden of Middlesex and Surrey; and P.M. of the Prince of Wales Lodge (4) and the Brixton Lodge (234). In the Ancient and Accepted Rite he is an officer of the Invicta Chapter (10), and P.M.W.S. and Treasurer of the Shadwell Clerke Chapter (107), and has been admitted to the 30°. In the Order of the Temple Mr. Lovegrove is a Past Preceptor and Past Grand Captain of the Guards in Great Priory, also a Past Prior of the Order of Malta; a P.C.N. of the Order of Ark Mariners; a member of the Order of Rosicrucians and the Cryptic Degrees and the Order of Secret Monitor; a member and the present Grand Standard Bearer of the Royal Order of Scotland for the Province of London. He is also a Life Governor, and has served as a Festival Steward of all the Charities, twice Steward of the Mark Benevolent Fund, and is also a Life Subscriber. In the architectural world Henry Lovegrove is well known, having for many years taken an active interest in the Architectural Association, filling the office of Vice-President and Lecturer on Construction, besides serving for several years on the Committees. He is an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects and a Past Auditor; a Fellow of the Surveyors' Institution; a qualified Surveyor

under 18 and 19 Victoria, cap. 122; District Surveyor of South Islington; one of the Committee of the District Surveyors Association; an original member of the Rochester Diocesan Conference; and holds the Bishop's License as a Lector. Mr. Lovegrove is a Livery man of the Worshipful Company of Pattenmakers, is an authority on the beautiful fancy poultry of America and Italy, and possesses many fine specimens. He was at one time a most energetic member of the "Artists" Rifle Corp, is author of "Practical Architecture," and has written and lectured on various subjects. His country house is "Eboracum," at Herne Hill, which he erected.

MR. EDWARD HOBBS.

MR. EDWARD HOBBS, born in September thirty-six years ago, was educated by the late Thomas Darnell, of Harrow; and on leaving school, at the age of sixteen, entered the eminent firm of Delatte, Dever, Griffiths & Co., where he remained for upwards of thirteen years. He then commenced practice on his own account, and is now the senior partner of the firm of Hobbs, Ravenscroft & Co., Chartered Accountants, 110, Cheapside. Edward Hobbs is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, has had a sound professional experience extending over a period of twenty years, and holds many important professional and public appointments. He is one of the auditors of the Chartered Accountants' Benevolent Association; rendered signal professional service to the Provisional Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys in the recent investigations; and is now the auditor of that Institution. He was initiated into Freemasonry in the Chigwell Lodge (453). Mr. Hobbs is a Life Governor of the Boys' School, and seems to reserve most of his Masonic energies for the advance and welfare of the Institution.

MR. JAMES MORRISON McLEOD.

MR. JAMES MORRISON McLEOD'S earliest associations with the Craft appear to have been in connection with the important Province of West Lancashire, his initiation, exaltation, advancement, and installation (K.T.) having all taken place in Preston. Subsequently, however, he appears to have become a member of several Masonic bodies in the Provinces of Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire, and Kent, while for the purpose of enrolling himself a member of the Order of Rome and Red Cross of Constantine, he went as far north as Falkirk, N.B., where he was installed a sir knight in the Zetland Conclave (11), while for the Royal and Select Masters' Degrees he travelled southwards to London and took them in the Grand Masters' Council (1). It is probably due to the fact of his membership of the various branches of Freemasonry being so widely distributed about the country that Bro. McLeod obtained so large a measure of support for the secretaryship of the R.M.I.B. But to describe his career in its principal details, we find he was initiated in the Lodge of Unanimity (113), Preston, in March, 1877, subsequently joining the Derwent Lodge (884), Wirksworth, Derbyshire, of which he is at the present time a Past Master and Senior Warden, and the Newton Lodge (661), Newark-on-Trent, of which he is also a Past Master. For his services in the Derwent Lodge he was appointed P.G. Standard Bearer. He was exalted to the Royal Arch Degree in the Chapter of Unanimity (113), Preston, and, later on, became a founder of the Alexander Chapter (1661), Newark, of which he is a P.Z. and the present Scribe E., and for his services in connection with which he was appointed Prov. G.S.B. of the Provincial Grand Chapter of Nottinghamshire. In Mark Masonry he was advanced in 1878 in the Preston Lodge (143), Preston; joined the same year, Resteigius Lodge (117), Lincoln; and having later on been elected a member of the Fleming Lodge (265), Newark, was in due course elected to the chair of A. He is a P.P.J.G. Warden, Notts, and P.P.J.G.

Overseer, Lincolnshire, in this branch of Masonry; while at the same time he is a Royal Ark Mariner, having been elected in the Dewar Lodge (237), Rochester, besides being a founder and Past C.N. of the Byron Lodge, Newstead, and founder and Past C.N. of the Trent Lodge (265), Newark. In addition, Mr. McLeod is a Past E.P. of the Prince of Peace Preceptory, (97) Preston; a Knight of Malta in the Priory attached thereto; Past M.W.S. of the Philips Chapter of Rose Croix (52), Lancaster, in the system of the Ancient and Accepted Rite; a sir knight of the Order of Rome and the Red Cross of Constantine in the Zetland Conclave (11), Falkirk, in the jurisdiction of the Grand Imperial Council of Scotland; and a member of Grand Master's Council (1), London, in the Order of Royal and Select Masters. As regards the Institutions, Mr. McLeod is a Life Governor of both Masonic Schools, and has served as Steward twice for the Boys' School—in 1885 and for the present year, his list on the latter occasion having amounted to £141 15s.—and once for the Girls' School (in 1884). He is also a Life Governor of the Mark Benevolent Fund, and served as Steward at its festival in 1887. Mr. John Morrison McLeod was elected, on July 12th of the present year, by a majority of no fewer than 1,326 votes over his nearest opponent, the Secretary of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, in place of Mr. Frederick Binckes, who resigned after a service which dated back to the foundation of the Schools at Muswell Hill. Mr. McLeod was born in Edinburgh, but has been a resident in England for many years. He seems to possess the support of the whole Craft in his present position, which is likely to lose none of its importance in his hands.

MR. JOHN POTTS.

MR. JOHN POTTS, who succeeded his father as the editor and proprietor of the *Banbury Guardian* more than five-and-twenty years ago, was initiated into the Craft of Freemasonry in the Chirwell Lodge (559), Banbury, in April, 1869. The following year he was raised to provincial rank by being appointed Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works by the late Colonel Bowyer. He became Worshipful Master of his mother Lodge seven years after his initiation, and was made Provincial Grand Senior Warden by His Royal Highness the late Duke of Albany in 1881. From 1871 to 1884 he served no less than fifteen stewardships to the Charities, thus becoming qualified as Vice-President of the three institutions, and being presented by his Provincial Grand Lodge of Oxfordshire with a Charity jewel with thirteen clasps. In 1885, on resigning the office of Treasurer—which he had then held for some years—of the Chirwell Lodge, the Brethren presented him with a jewel in recognition of his services to Freemasonry. One year after his initiation into the Craft, he was exalted in the Alfred Chapter of Royal Arch Masons (340) in Oxfordshire; later, in 1885, the Rev. Henry Adair Pickard, Grand Superintendent, appointed him Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies in Provincial Grand Chapter. Two years later he became Provincial Grand Scribe N., and was a founder of the Chirwell Chapter (599), and sat as first H., holding the office of Z. the following year. Mr. Potts was incepted in the Cœur de Leon Preceptory of Knight Templars, at Oxford, in 1875, took the Malta degree the year following, and passed the Preceptor's Chair in 1884. As the editor of the leading weekly journal of the district, Mr. John Potts, and his father before him, has influenced to an appreciable extent the political and social opinions of the locality.

MR. W. F. SMITHSON.

MR. W. F. SMITHSON, who was initiated in the Harrogate and Clare Lodge in 1867, is one of the most prominent Masons of West Yorkshire, and a faithful lieutenant of the distinguished Grand Master of that Province. Besides being a Past Master of his mother Lodge, he assisted, one year after initiation, in the formation of the Goderich Lodge, of

Leeds, serving the Chair in 1888. Previously to that he was the Worshipful Master of the United Northern Counties' Lodge, which in 1885 he likewise helped to establish. Twenty-one years ago Mr. Smithson was exalted in the Royal Arch Chapter of Fidelity, of which he is now P.Z. He is a Past Provincial Grand Deacon of West Yorkshire, and a P.A.G.D. of C. in the Royal Arch of the same Province. He takes very great interest in the West Yorkshire Charity Organisation, of which he is the secretary; he has a record of fourteen stewardships of the different Charities; is a Life Governor of the Boys' Institution, and a Vice-President of the Girls' and the Benevolent; and was created in March last a Junior Grand Deacon of Grand Lodge. Perhaps to Mr. W. F. Smithson, more than to anyone else, we are indebted for the solution of the Binckes' Pension Indemnity problem, which was first conceived in the mind of his Provincial Grand Master.

DR. C. D. HILL DRURY.

MR. C. D. HILL DRURY, M.D., of Darlington, in the county of Durham, is the eldest surviving son of the late J. C. Drury, and was born at Newcastle-on-Tyne. After pursuing his studies at the University of Durham, and Guy's Hospital, London, and being admitted shortly after a member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, he was appointed senior resident surgeon to the Sunderland Hospital. In 1870 he married the second daughter of the late (Bro.) R. Ferry, P.G.O. Durham, and migrated to Norfolk, where he soon acquired an extensive practice, and was initiated into Masonry in the Faithful Lodge (85), Harleston. In 1881, whilst occupying the S.W.'s chair of his mother Lodge, he removed to Darlington, and was elected to the Chair the following year, and although each attendance necessitated long journeys of over 200 miles, he managed to fulfil the duties of his position, and an eloquent tribute to the high esteem in which he was held among his fellows in the Craft was paid him by his Lodge when it unanimously insisted in re-electing him W.M. the following year, and appointed the immediate P.M. as his deputy. On settling in Darlington, Dr. Hill Drury joined the Marquis of Ripon Lodge (1379), of which he is the present W.M., and his installation was witnessed by the P.G.M., the D.P.G.M., and the officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Durham. Dr. Hill Drury is a passionate lover of music, and has introduced a most elaborate musical service in connection with all the Masonic ceremonies he presides over. He has secured the able services of the Masonic Brethren of the Durham Cathedral choir, and every meeting of his Lodge is remarkable for the large number of distinguished Masons he welcomes as his visitors. In R.A. Masonry he is a P.Z. of Royal George Chapter, No. 52, Norwich, and H.-elect of the Vigilance Chapter, Darlington. In connection with this latter Chapter he was instrumental in procuring its centenary warrant, and on the occasion of celebrating the 100th year of its existence, at which the Grand Superintendent and officers of the Provincial Grand Chapter were present, he read a paper on "Early Royal Arch Masonry in Darlington" (which has since been printed), and was the recipient of the first centenary jewel at the hands of his companions. In the early part of the present year, entirely at the initiative of Dr. Hill Drury, and in a great measure owing to his activity, the Universities' Lodge was founded with the Rev. Canon Tristram, P.G. Chaplain, and D.P. Grand Master of Durham, as its first Master. The Doctor was invited to become one of its first Wardens, but feeling the importance of the position of Secretary during the earlier years of a Lodge's existence, he declined the higher honour and took the voluntarily onerous duties of Secretary, which he now holds. Dr. Hill Drury is a P.P. Grand Registrar (Craft) and Provincial Grand Registrar (Arch) of Norfolk, and was the compiler of the first of the present series of the Durham Masonic Calendars. In other degrees of Freemasonry Dr. Hill Drury holds a conspicuous position. He is S.W. of the Darlington Mark Lodge, P.E. Preceptor of St. Cuthbert's Preceptory, and a member of all the other preceptories in the Province, in which he holds the office of *Aide-de-Camp*, P.E. Prior of the St. Cuthbert's Priory of Knights of Malta

M.W.S.-elect of the Royal Kent Rose Croix Chapter, Deputy in the Yorkshire College of Rosicrucians, Royal Ark Mariner, member of the allied degrees, member of the Grand Masters' Council of Royal and Select Masters, and a Knight of the American Oriental Order of the Palm and Shell. He has served four Stewardships for the Boys' School, two for the Girls', one for the Masonic Benevolent Institution, and two for the Mark Benevolent Fund. He is the Provincial representative at the the next Benevolent Mark festivals. Besides all this, Dr. Hill Drury takes an active interest in the affairs of Darlington, being a member of the Town Council and a Guardian of the Poor.

MR. SHERIFF AUGUSTUS H. G. HARRIS, C.C.

MR. AUGUSTUS HENRY GLOSSOP HARRIS was initiated into Freemasonry fourteen years ago, in the St. Clair Lodge at Edinburgh. His first connection with the English Craft was in London, where he formed the Maybury Lodge (969). In 1885 he was the principal founder of the Drury Lane Lodge (2127), a Lodge which is destined to become one of the first on the roll of the English Grand Lodges; and was its first Senior Warden. In the following year he occupied the position of Worshipful Master, and has studiously supported the chair ever since. He is M.E.Z. of the Royal Naval Chapter (59); E.P. of the Bard of Avon and Drury Lane Preceptory, and Grand Sword Bearer in the Great Priory of Knights Templar; member of the Royal Order of Scotland; of the Old Kent Lodge of Mark Masters, and of the Order of Royal and select Masters; P.M. of the Stewart Chapter of the Allied Masonic Degrees, and P.J.G.W. of the Grand Lodge of that Order. He is also a Life Governor of the three charities, and a generous benefactor to the pupils of the Masonic Schools. Augustus Harris was proposed by (Bro.) Ex-Sheriff Harris, P.M., for the position of Grand Treasurer for the year 1890-91, and his nomination was accepted by Grand Lodge without opposition, so that in March last he was installed into that office on St. George's Day. Mr. Harris is best known, perhaps in his connections with Drury Lane Theatre, which he has "run" successfully for many years. He is also lessee of Covent Garden Theatre, the Tyne Theatre, of Newcastle, and is a member of four City companies; he was selected as one of the two representatives of the Strand division in the London County Council inaugurated two years ago, and is now the junior Sheriff of London. As a stage-manager of spectacular productions, Mr. Harris is undoubtedly unrivalled.

REV. J. H. ADAIR-PICKARD.

THE REV. J. H. ADAIR-PICKARD first saw the light of Masonry in 1851, as soon as possible after his entrance into the University of Oxford, when the Rev. R. St. John Tyrwhitt was W.M. of the Apollo University Lodge. He was initiated on the same night with Mr. Powys, now Lord Lilford, and his name comes next on the roll of members to that of the late Henry Kingsley, the novelist. Among his contemporaries were W. F. Short, Grand Chaplain in 1870; L. W. (now Mr. Justice) Cave, Grand Warden in 1880; the late Brigadier-General A. W. Adair, Prov. G.M. of Somerset in 1863, and G. Superintendent of Somerset in 1880; John Robbins, Grand Chaplain in 1884; Reginald Bird, D.P.G.M. of Oxon, and Grand Deacon in 1879; Lord Fordwich, now Earl Cowper, Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland in 1880; Mr. F. E. C. Byng, Grand Chaplain in 1889; Henry Earl of Lincoln, afterward Sixth Duke of Newcastle, Prov. G.M. of Notts in 1865; Mr. W. J. W. V. Vernon, G. Warden in 1876; Mr. W. E. Sackville West (now Colonel), W.M. in 1877, G. Warden in 1885, G. Superintendent of North Wales in 1889; Sir James Fergusson, Bart., K.C.M.G., G.C.S.I., Prov. G.M. of Ayrshire, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, 1886; W. K. Macrorie, Lord Bishop of Maritzburg, 1878; Lord Garlies, now Earl of Galloway, K.T., 1888; Lord North, W.M. of the Cherwell Lodge in 1865; W. A. Tyssen Amhurst, Grand Warden in 1887, M.P. for West Norfolk in 1880; Mr. A. F. G. W.

Bampfylde, now Baron Poltimore; Mr. T. Brassey, K.C.B. 1881, now Baron Brassey; Viscount Vaughan, afterwards Earl of Lisburne; the Rev. C. J. Martyn, among whose many honours may be mentioned Grand Chaplaincy in 1869, D.P.G.M. of Suffolk 1878, G. Superintendent of Suffolk 1877, &c., &c.; and Sir M. Hicks-Beach, Bart., G. Warden in 1865, Prov. G.M. of Gloucestershire in 1880, and G. Superintendent of Gloucestershire in 1884. Mr. Pickard was soon remarkable for his zeal in the ceremonies of the Masonic Order, and in 1853 was appointed S.D. of his Lodge, succeeding in 1854 to the chair of J.W. In 1855 he did a good deal of work for the S.W., so that in 1856 he was elected W.M., and re-elected in 1857. The number of members initiated or joining in 1856 was 44, and in 1857, 51, among them being Lord Skelmersdale (now Earl of Lathom and D.G.M.), who was J.G. in 1857; Mr. A. B. Mitford (now Mr. Freeman Mitford); the late Earl of Carnarvon, who joined from the Westminster and Keystone Lodge, and whose honours, like those of the Earl of Lathom, there is no need to record; Mr. T. M. Talbot, Prov. G.M. of the Eastern Division of South Wales in 1865; Sir J. Heron Maxwell, Bart.; the Marquis of Hamilton (now Duke of Abercorn), G.M. of Ireland in 1886; Mr. Victor A. Williamson, C.M.G., J.G.W. in 1865; Mr. (now Sir J. D.) Llewellyn; Mr. (now Sir Baldwin) Leighton, M.P. for Shropshire, 1874 and 1880; Mr. T. Cochrane, Grand Chaplain in 1882; and many other gentlemen since distinguished in various ranks of life. It is worthy of notice that J. H. Adair-Pickard's progress in Freemasonry was so rapid that before he had been a member of the Lodge for two years the Provincial Grand Master conferred upon him the office of Provincial Grand Steward, and after passing through another minor office he was appointed Provincial Grand Senior Warden in 1857, during which year the Earl of Zetland, Grand Master of England, honoured the Province of Oxford with a visit. In 1859, Comp. Pickard having passed through the subordinate offices, was installed M.E.Z. of the Alfred Chapter (425), served as Steward for all the Masonic Charities, and in 1864 accepted an appointment as H.M. Inspector of Schools. We hear no more of his services to Freemasonry until his return to Oxford in 1872. In 1873 he was requested to take the office of Chaplain in the Apollo University Lodge, when H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was W.M., and shortly afterwards he was elected First Principal of the Apollo University Chapter. The great popularity which he enjoyed among the members of the Lodge was shown by the fact that in 1875 he received the extraordinary honour of being elected, for the third time, Worshipful Master, and among his first duties was the raising of H.R.H. Prince Leopold to the second and third degrees of a Master Mason, after which His Royal Highness undertook the duties of S.W., and in due time was installed by Mr. Pickard as his successor in the chair of K.S. In 1875 was held the memorable installation of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, in the Albert Hall, and Mr. Pickard, as Master of the Lodge, was appointed to represent the Province of Oxford as one of the Stewards of the occasion. On the 8th of June, also, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught honoured the Apollo Lodge with his presence, and witnessed the ceremony of the initiation of Mr. Little, afterwards Junior Proctor in the University. During his third Mastership, Mr. Pickard had the high honour of initiating, or receiving as joining members, 52 gentlemen—a number never yet equalled in the history of the Lodge. In 1877, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales honoured Mr. Pickard by making him Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of England, and in 1885 conferred upon him the still higher distinction of Grand Superintendent of Royal Arch Masonry in the Province of Oxford, in succession to H.R.H. the late lamented Duke of Albany.

H.R.H. THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

H. R. H. PRINCE ARTHUR WILLIAM PATRICK ALBERT, DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, was initiated by his brother, H.R.H. the Grand Master, in the Prince of Wales' Lodge sixteen years ago, and in April, 1875, was passed and raised by Mr. Robert Grey in the same Lodge. He was appointed Senior Grand Warden in 1877, and was

installed Provincial Grand Master of the Province of Sussex in 1884. H.R.H.—born at Buckingham Palace on May 1st, 1850—possesses a brilliantly successful military record, and now occupies one of the most important positions in the British Army, being generally understood to be the presumptive successor of the Commandership-in-Chief. Prince Arthur was created Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, and Earl of Sussex on May 26th, 1874, and took his seat in the House of Lords on the 8th of the following month. In 1879 H.R.H. was married to Princess Marguerite Louise, of Prussia, third daughter of Prince Frederick Charles. In 1886 the Duke and Duchess of Connaught left England for Bombay, where H.R.H. assumed the command of the military forces in India, was installed Grand Master of the Province of Bombay, and on his return to England received his highest honour in the English Craft, by being appointed to the honourable rank of a Past Grand Master of England.

MR. WILLIAM JAMES HUGHAN.

THERE is a friendship of thirty years' between the editor of our contemporary, the *Freemason*, and the distinguished Torquay Mason who for many years has devoted his time to the study of Masonry; and it is but a compliment to our contemporary, and this distinguished man, to use William Lake's remarks as they were published some time back:—"Bro. Hughan's first connection with Masonry dates from 1863, when he was initiated in St. Aubyn Lodge, No. 954, Devonport, and on his removal to Truro he became Secretary of No. 331, subsequently joining the Fortitude Lodge, No. 131, of which he quickly became S.W. and W.M. in 1868, filling the chair again after an interval of ten years in 1878. As early as 1864 he joined the Emulation Lodge of Improvement, and later on also identified himself with the sister Lodges, Stability and Confidence. But we must perforce bridge over a wide gap in this connection by simply saying that not even Bro. Hughan's tenacious memory and grip of facts and figures could present a fairly accurate and complete list of the many lodges, chapters, and organisations with which he has been from time to time associated. Room, however, must be found to record the fact that in conjunction with Bro. Gould, the late Rev. Bro. A. F. A. Woodford, Bro. Sir Charles Warren, Bro. Walter Besant, and others, he became the founder of the now famous Quatuor Coronati Lodge, which, with its vigorous offspring, the Correspondence Circle, is now exercising such an influence in all parts of the world. As might be expected, the compliment of honorary membership has fallen on his shoulders thick and fast, and, as these spontaneous tokens of esteem and appreciation are perhaps the best indication of the value of Bro. Hughan's services, we may mention that his name is on the roll of scores of lodges, chapters, and conclaves, &c., throughout the world, while special honorary membership has been conferred for aid rendered to the Charities and other reasons by the following Lodges: St. John's, No. 279, and John of Gaunt, No. 523, Leicester; Nos. 245 and 590, Jersey; Mother Kilwinning, No. 0, and St. Mary's, No. 1, Scotland; 39, Exeter; 41, Bath; 70, Plymouth; 250, Hull; 47, Dundalk, and 350, Omagh, Ireland; Kilwinning, Cincinnati, Ohio; Franklin, Philadelphia, Pa; Fortitude, No. 47, La Grange, Kentucky; and 417, 432, and 477, New Zealand. Chapters—Lafayette, No. 5, Washington, D.C.; Jerusalem, No. 3, Philadelphia, Pa; and 41, Bath (the first centenary celebrated in England, at which W. J. Hughan gave the address on R.A. Masonry). The 30°, 31°, and 32° were also conferred, *Honoris Causa*, by Supreme Council 33°, "because of his literary services to the Craft." Nor must we omit to mention the very special distinction implied in his appointment, by the Prince of Wales, M.W. Grand Master, to the past rank of Senior Grand Deacon of England—an honour rarely conferred; as also that of Past Assistant Grand Sojourner in Grand Chapter. Very few of the many Lodge histories have been published during the last twenty years without his assistance and an introduction from his pen, while the great number of works that have been dedicated to

him preclude our mentioning more than a few of the more important, viz., "Kenning's Archæological Library," Vol. I.; Bro. Geo. F. Fort's "Critical Inquiry into the Condition of the Conventual Buildings and their Relation to Secular Guilds in the Middle Ages," and Bro. John Lane's "Handy Book to the Study of Lists of Lodges," which, as an evidence of the regard entertained for him by one of his closest friends, we cannot refrain from quoting in full:—"To my dear and highly-esteemed friend, the Right Worshipful Brother William James Hughan, P.M., 131, &c., P. Prov. S.G.W. of Cornwall, Past Senior Grand Deacon of England, Past Senior Grand Warden of Iowa, in recognition of his indefatigable zeal, persistent research, and invaluable services in relation to the literature and antiquity of Freemasonry throughout the world, and as a personal tribute of thanks for his constant assistance and encouragement during many years of Masonic study and investigation, I gratefully and fraternally dedicate this work.—JNO. LANE, Bannercross, Torquay, July 20th, 1889." Bro. Hughan's labours in behalf of the Charities of the Order are by no means the least important of his services, although the bulk of his work in that direction is little known beyond the locality for the time being. As a Steward, he achieved the distinction of taking up the largest single list of anyone in England for one of the Institutions, and as the Charity Representative of the Province of Cornwall for twelve years, he was invariably successful in securing the election of those candidates he supported. All this was done during his business engagements and at his own cost, and on leaving the county for his present residence at Torquay, he generously presented all his votes, to the number of ninety-five, to the Grand Lodge of that province; his membership of Lodge No. 131 being continued. Although Bro. Hughan's Masonic reputation is mainly built, and will be perpetuated, in connection with literary research, he is emphatically one of the "doers," and not merely a theorist; and his record in the cause of Charity and as a practical exponent of Masonic ritual will bear comparison with that of the most ardent and enthusiastic worker, while, as the friend, philosopher, and guide of all and every seeker after light—be he novice or veteran—his ready pen and sage advice are instantly forthcoming. Few men have a wider circle of friends the world over, and those who have the privilege of a closer intimacy have a feeling of love and veneration for the man who is ever ready to aid by pen and tongue the cause of universal Brotherhood and Charity. There can be little doubt that it was the humanising tendency of the teachings of Freemasonry which first attracted the sympathetic attention of Bro. Hughan towards the Order; and in the rapid progress of the Craft towards the ideal of universal brotherhood his name will ever be associated.

THE RIGHT HON. THE LORD MAYOR.

MR. JOSEPH SAVORY was born at Clapham forty-seven years ago, and received his education at Harrow, under Dr. Vaughan, Dr. Butler, and Archdeacon Farrar as his tutors. On leaving Harrow he joined the firm of A. B. Savory & Son, which was founded about half a century after the Edict of Nantes; and has raised the business to the position it now occupies as the "Goldsmiths' Alliance." It is eight years since Mr. Savory first became a Sheriff of London and Middlesex; in the year following he was elected Alderman of the Ward of Langbourn, and on November 9th last he became Lord Mayor of London. Mr. Savory is a splendid business man, and a perfect glutton for hard work; he is a director of the New River Company, and of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company. Mr. Savory takes a very practical interest in numerous big educational institutions, notably that of Christ's Hospital, now passing from the watchful care of the Governors to begin its work under the new system; is a churchwarden, and holds numerous other offices that help to fill the part of a good and worthy citizen. He is noted for his hospitality, which he dispenses at his place, Buckhurst Park, Ascot, and, in addition to these estimable qualities, being "an honest Tory and a modest Gentile," is a credit to the City of London. The Lord Mayor has been a Mason for many years

RT. HON. LORD GEORGE HAMILTON, M.P.

LORD GEORGE HAMILTON, M.P., the First Lord of the Admiralty, was initiated into Freemasonry in Lodge 68, in Dublin, afterwards joining the Abercorn Lodge, and finally the Chiswick Lodge, the chair of which he filled last year. Lord George is a Past Senior Grand Warden of England, is a Life Governor of the Boys' Institution, and a Life Subscriber of the Girls' and Old People's. Born forty-two years ago at Brighton, he first went to Mr. Renault's school at Bayford, where he had as contemporaries Lord Rosebery, Mr. Jem Lowther, Lord Waterford, and Lord Charles Beresford. Thence he went to Harrow, where he fagged Ernest Chaplin and Lord Coke, captained the football team, and fielded during a portion of the memorable cricket match of '62, at Lord's. At the age of seventeen he became a subaltern in the Rifle Brigade, eventually exchanging into the Coldstream Guards, and when as yet a boy beat Mr. Labouchere in his first contest for a seat in the Lower House by 1,400 votes. In 1874 Lord Beaconsfield made him Under Secretary of State for India; four years later he was promoted to the Vice-Presidency of the Council, was appointed by Lord Salisbury First Lord of the Admiralty, and reappointed to the same post in 1886. It was Lord George Hamilton who cautiously expressed the belief that Masonry was one of the safeguards to order and good behaviour in that troublesome little spot in the British Empire which is known as the Emerald Isle.

COLONEL NORTH.

COLONEL JOHN T. NORTH was initiated into the Craft many years before he became the financial celebrity he is now. That he has been uniformly successful in his enterprises is not due to luck, but to his innate shrewdness; and those who prate about his star no longer being in the ascendant, discuss matters upon which they are profoundly ignorant. Colonel North is a very rich, but, withal, a very charitable, man. He never forgets his friends; those who backed him in the past flourish with him in the present. As Colonel of the Tower Hamlets Engineers he commenced those hospitalities which have made his name notorious. He has presented his native town of Leeds with a park and a ruined abbey, and has built himself a palace with a lighthouse on it at Eltham. He is a master of fox-hounds, and when he goes hunting the nitrate market drops a point, and he entertains his friends to breakfast or luncheon at the meet. He is a friend of Lord Randolph Churchill, and the Prince of Wales likes him. He is a keen sportsman, both in racing and coursing, and will have none but the best horses and the best dogs in his stables and kennels. He has won the Waterloo Cup and says he will win the Derby. As the "Nitrate King" he is one of the best known men in the City, and has had a following there large enough to make the fortune of a well-known tavern, and comprising some of the biggest spongers in London. Of these he has tired, but none the less does he stick to his friends, and it is when amongst his "mates" that he is happiest. He has never pretended to be more than he is, and if he attempted pretence Mrs. North would prevent him. He has patronised the drama in more ways than one. He has made the success of two newspapers—one of which made its name by abusing him, the other by championing his cause. He is fearless, outspoken, and honest. He has made a progress to Chili, has a weakness for fur-lined coats, and is said to prefer Scotch whisky to champagne.

MR. THOMAS BOWMAN WHYTEHEAD.

MR. THOMAS BOWMAN WHYTEHEAD, eldest son of Mr. William Whytehead, of Clifton, Yorks, the younger branch of an old Yorkshire and Hampshire family, was born in 1840, and educated for the legal profession. This not proving congenial to his roaming propensities, he went to sea, subsequently being engaged in the Colonial coasting and South

Sea Islands trade ; becoming tired of the merchant service, he turned his attention to the sober requirements of journalism in the Colonies, and continued to wield the pen on his return to England seventeen years ago. In 1886 he was offered the appointment of Registrar to the Dean and Chapter of York, an office which he still holds. Mr. Whytehead was initiated in the Prince of Wales' Lodge, at Auckland, New Zealand, in 1872 ; joined the York Lodge (England) (236), in 1874 ; and two years later was a founder and first Senior Warden of the Eboracum Lodge (1611), becoming its Worshipful Master the following year. In 1878 he received his first Provincial Grand rank in Craft Masonry—that of Prov. G.D.C. for N. and E. Yorks. four years later being appointed Prov. Senior Grand Warden of his province ; and in 1889 became a founder and first Senior Warden of the Albert Victor Lodge (2328), and its Worshipful Master the present year. In Mark Masonry he was advanced in the York Mark Lodge in 1874, becoming its W.M. three years later ; and in 1881 he was appointed Prov. Grand Secretary for N. and E. Yorks., and received the honorary rank of Past Grand Master Overseer from Lord Lathom. In 1888 he was appointed Prov. Senior Grand Warden of his province. Thomas Bowman Whytehead was exalted in the Zetland Chapter in Royal Arch Masonry in 1874, was appointed Provincial Grand Registrar of North and East Yorks, the following year ; was a founder and first Z. of Eboracum Chapter in 1880, and was appointed Provincial G. H. in 1885. In 1874, which seems to be the year in which Masonry first infused him with the desire of conquering everything that presented itself before him, he was received into the ancient Ebor Preceptory of the Temple, three years later being installed E.P. The following year he was appointed Captain of the Guards in the Great Priory and Honorary Provincial Prior of Canada. Ten years later he was made a Provincial Constable and sub-Prior of North and East Yorks, and was elected a member of the Grand Master's Council the present year. In the A. and A. rite he was perfected in the ancient York Chapter of Redemption, at Hull, in 1876 ; was M.W.S. of Hilda Chapter (23) in 1880, and two years ago was admitted to the 30°. In 1877 he was admitted and elected first celebrant of Hallamshire College of the Rosicrucian Society, two years later he was appointed chief Adept of Yorkshire, the following year becoming a member of the High Council. In 1883 he was admitted in the Grand Master's Council (1) of the Cryptic. Mr. Thomas B. Whytehead is a Life Governor of the Boys' Benevolent Institution, a life subscriber of the Girls', and Life Governor of the North and East Yorks Educational Fund. He was the first organiser of Masonic Exhibitions, has read papers on Masonic subjects before Lodges and Chapters, and has more Masonic testimonials and addresses than any other Mason in Yorkshire. At Communication of Grand Lodge, in March of the present year, he was appointed Grand Sword Bearer of England, and is the present Grand Standard Bearer in the Royal Arch.

MR. JOHN CHAPMAN.

MR. JOHN CHAPMAN, P.M., P.Z., P. Prov. G.D., Devon, hails from Yorkshire, where his family and estates have been from time immemorial. His health giving way, he settled in Devonshire, where he has during the past twenty years distinguished himself in Freemasonry. He was initiated in Sincerity Lodge (189), on November 14th, 1870. Soon giving proof of his desire for Masonic knowledge, we find him in a few months taking the Mark degree in Sincerity Lodge (35) ; and on April 14th, 1871, the eighteenth degree in the St. Aubyn Rose Croix Chapter. From this time he appears to have taken a very active part in general Masonry in Torquay, where he joined St. John's Lodge (328), and became its zealous secretary. It was while in this office that he was encouraged by his friend, the Rev. John Huyshe, Prov. G. Master of Devon, to form a second Lodge in Torquay ; and in making this effort Bro. Chapman's object was to raise the prestige of the Order, by having only one banquet each year, and to increase the initiation fee and annual subscription. The Jordan Lodge (1402) was, therefore, formed by Mr. Chapman, and consecrated August 22nd, 1872. The next important

step that he took was in becoming a Royal Arch Mason, and on the same day a Knight Templar, which degrees he entered in connection with the St. Aubyn H. R. A. Chapter, and the Royal Sussex Encampment, respectively, on June 14th, 1872. From this brief summary of the opening Masonic career of Mr. Chapman, it will be very easy to imagine how he subsequently worked through the several offices in the various Lodges and Chapters with which he was connected ; and the Rev. John Huyshe, the Chief of the Province, in the degrees indicated, recognised the zeal and ability of Mr. Chapman by conferring upon him the rank of Prov. G. Reg. in the Priory, Prov. G. St. B. in the H. R. A., and Prov. G. D. in the Craft. The Provincial rank thus worthily attained was further embellished by Mr. Chapman devoting himself to the interests of the great Masonic Charities, and we find him serving as Steward for the three Institutions, and qualifying as Life Governor to each. This he subsequently improved, and again became Steward for the three Charities, qualifying as Vice-President of the three Institutions, adding to these the Vice-Presidency of the Devon Masonic Educational Institution, and the Life Governorship of the Masonic Orphan Boys' School of Ireland. The literary services of Mr. Chapman have also made their distinctive mark on the Masonic order, for as a Lecturer on Freemasonry and the Great Pyramid (both in America and this country), he has contributed valuable matter for the Masonic student ; especially in editing and issuing the Masonic Orations of Dr. L. P. Metham, the proceeds of which work—now out of print—being devoted to the "Royal British Female Orphan Asylum" at Devonport. John Chapman has also rendered valuable services in the formation of the H. R. A. Chapter of St. John (328), and material support to the Chine Lodge in its effort to reduce a heavy building debt ; and his present position in the Order, officially considered, indicates the appreciation of his twenty years' labour by the following responsible offices that he holds during the current year :—Z., St. John's H. R. A. Chapter (328) ; E. P., "Royal Sussex" Preceptory, and W.C.N., Royal Ark Mariners' Lodge (319). Add to these the chairmanship of the Grand Masonic Charity Ball, to be held in Torquay on the 28th of January next year, for the benefit of the Devon Masonic charities, and we have a list of valuable Masonic services that very few in the Craft can record.

DR. JABEZ HOGG.

DR. JABEZ HOGG, whose portrait hangs in the meeting-room of the John Hervey Lodge, at Freemasons' Hall, was initiated in 1855, in the old Concord Lodge, and almost immediately placed his professional services at the disposal of the Royal Masonic Institution, and has ever since continued to be their honorary consulting ophthalmic surgeon. Twelve years after initiation—that is, in 1867, after he had passed the chair of his mother Lodge—the Earl of Zetland made him a Grand Deacon of England. In 1869 he assisted in founding John Hervey Lodge (1260), eventually passing the chair and becoming its Treasurer. In 1876 he became M.E.Z. of the Hervey Chapter, and also its Treasurer. Dr. Hogg was about this time elected Grand Sword Bearer in Grand Chapter. In 1884 we find him assisting at the foundation of the Lodge of King Solomon, and subsequently he was elected an honorary member. Dr. Jabez Hogg is also a member of Quatuor Coronati, has served the office of Steward at the Masonic Festivals on many occasions, is a Life Governor of the three Institutions, and serves at the present moment on several of the Committees. Outside of Freemasonry, of which he has been for the last thirty-five years a careful disciple, Dr. Hogg has become famous in medical science. He is a Fellow of the Royal Microscopical Society, an ex-President of the Medical Miriscipal Society of London, an Honorary Fellow of the Academy of Philadelphia, the Canadian and Belgian Microscopical Societies, the Society of Medical Jurisprudence, and Medico-Legal Society of New York. Dr. Hogg was a great friend of the late Mr. Herbert Ingram, the founder and proprietor of the *Illustrated London News*, and he was the author of several of those illustrated scientific works which Herbert Ingram com-

menced publishing about the year 1850. One of these, the history, construction and application of the microscope, has run through ten large editions, and is still looked upon as a standard work. The *Illustrated London Almanac* has been edited by the Doctor ever since its commencement forty-five years ago. After his secession from his medical studies, during which his pen was busy for the daily press, the desire to qualify for his medical profession again overpowered his literary pursuits, and after completing his studies at Charing Cross Hospital he obtained the diploma of the Royal College of Surgeons, and decided to devote his future to the treatment of diseases of the eye. This led him to the clinical assistantship to the eminent eye surgeon the late Dr. Guthrie, and he was in 1855 unanimously chosen to be assistant surgeon to the Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital. Shortly after he became chief surgeon, and for upwards of a quarter of a century Dr. Hogg has given his unremitting attention to the duties of his position. Dr. Hogg has during the last twenty-five years contributed largely to the medical press, and has published innumerable works upon ophthalmic surgery, and has been a constant contributor to all the eminent societies of which he is a member. A chum in his early days of the immortal Charles Dickens and Albert Smith, Dr. Hogg can take us back to a school of literary and scientific genius of which he himself is a brilliant light.

THE EARL OF SUFFIELD.

THE RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF SUFFIELD, K.C.B. of Suffield, Norfolk, Hon. Colonel 1st Battalion Norfolk Rifle Volunteers, and 2nd Brigade Eastern Division Royal Artillery, was born on January 2nd, 1830, succeeded his brother in the barony when he was twenty-three years of age, and was married the following year to Cecilia Annetta, daughter of the late Henry Baring, brother of the first Lord Ashburton. Lady Suffield is Lady of the Bedchamber to the Princess of Wales and the Earl holds a distinguished position in the household of H.R.H. His lordship was initiated into the Craft at an early age, and after passing through many honourable degrees was installed P.G.M. of Norfolk in 1876.

THE DUKE OF CLARENCE.

H.R.H. PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR CHRISTIAN EDWARD, DUKE OF CLARENCE AND AVONDALE, eldest son of the Prince and Princess of Wales, was born on the 8th of January, 1864. On attaining the age of thirteen H.R.H. became a cadet on the *Britannia* training ship at Dartmouth, where he spent two years under the care of Captain Henry Fairfax, R.N., C.B. In July, 1879, the young prince went to the West Indies in the *Bacchante*, and in the following year, when the *Bacchante* formed part of a flying squadron under Rear-Admiral Earl Clanwilliam, in company with his younger brother, Prince George, started on a voyage which lasted a couple of years. Among the places visited were Vigo, Madeira, St. Vincent, Bahia, Montevideo, and the Falkland Islands; thence they sailed to the Cape of Good Hope, and from there to Australia, spending some time at both. On leaving Australia in the *Bacchante*, the princes visited the Fiji Islands, Japan, China, Singapore, Colombo, and Suez, and returned to England in the summer of 1883, by the way of Egypt, the Holy Land and Athens. A diary was kept by the Princes during their travels, and it was afterwards edited by their tutor, the Rev. J. N. Dalton, and published. In October, 1883, Prince Albert Victor became an undergraduate at Trinity College, Cambridge, and during the long vacations visited Heidelberg. On leaving the University the prince went through a course of military science at Aldershot, and was eventually drafted to the 11th Hussars, of which he is now a Major. H.R.H. was initiated into the Craft by his august father, H.R.H. the Grand Master, and was appointed a Senior Grand Warden in 1887,

and on Monday, the 15th of the present month, was installed at Reading with unusual pomp and ceremony as Provincial Grand Master of Berkshire.

THE RT. HON. THE EARL OF LATHOM.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE EDWARD BOOTLE-WILBRAHAM BARON SKELMERSDALE, EARL OF LATHOM, was initiated whilst a minor in the Apollo University Lodge at Oxford, and was appointed Provincial Grand Steward for Oxfordshire the following year, when he was but twenty years of age. Lord Lathom had amongst his contemporaries Bros. C. F. Martyn, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, and Sir Edward Malet (the present ambassador at Berlin). On leaving Oxford, his lordship joined the Lodge of Harmony at Ormskirk, where one of his country seats, Lathom House, is situated. He was about this time appointed Provincial Senior Grand Deacon of West Lancashire, and in 1861-2-3 he filled the position of Senior Grand Warden of the Province. In the latter year he received his first grand honours from the hands of the Earl of Zetland, who appointed him Senior Grand Warden. Four years later he became deputy to Sir Thomas Hesketh, Bart., Provincial Grand Master of West Lancashire; and in 1872 he succeeded that Baronet in the Provincial Grand Mastership, his installation, which was most magnificently managed, taking place on January 27th, 1873; and on 5th April following he was installed Grand Superintendent. Previous to this he was the founder and first W.M. of the Skelmersdale Lodge, Liverpool. In 1875 the Earl of Lathom was appointed by the Prince of Wales, on his Royal Highness's succession to the Grand Mastership, Deputy Grand Master in Craft Masonry and Grand H. in Royal Arch Chapter, positions which he still occupies. In the following year—1876—he succeeded Mr. Romaine Callender Provincial Grand Mark Master of Lancashire, and, at the same time, was appointed Deputy Grand Master of Mark Grand Lodge. In 1878 Lord Lathom succeeded the Earl of Limerick as M.W.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons, being followed, at the end of his three years' term, by Lord Henniker. Lord Lathom is a Grand Prior of England, and a Knight Grand Cross in the Order of the Temple, and a Past Grand Viceroy, and a Chief Intendant-General of Rome and the Grand Cross of Constantine, and a Past Captain of the Guards of the Patriarchal Council of K.H.S. of St. John the Evangelist; whilst for many years he has been M.P. Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Rite, and an honorary member of the Studholme Chapter, Rose Croix. It was in 1876 that Lord Lathom installed the late Prince Leopold Provincial Grand Master of Oxfordshire. His lordship has also filled the position of Chairman at an anniversary festival of each of the Masonic Institutions, and was President of the Board of Stewards at the centenary festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, which was held at the Albert Hall in June, two years ago, when the Prince of Wales, the Chairman on the occasion, brought as his guest His Majesty the King of Sweden, the head of the Craft in his country. The province over which Lord Lathom rules is the largest in the English Constitution, and the West Lancashire Educational Institution now boasts an invested capital of nearly £25,000. His lordship is also Vice-President of the three Institutions of the Craft, and has for some years held the post of Trustee to the Girls' and Benevolent Institutions. The Earl of Lathom has been for many years a high official at Court—first as a Lord-in-Waiting, then as Captain of the Yeomen of the Guard, and during the two Administrations of the Marquis of Salisbury he has held the important position of Lord Chamberlain. Lord Lathom possesses a beard which is the envy of all the bearded pards of the House of Lords. His acquaintance with all sorts and conditions of men and women, functions and faculties, has made him one of the kindest and most courteous members of the English aristocracy. Lord Lathom married, in 1860, a daughter of the late Earl of Clarendon, and Lord Skelmersdale, his eldest son, is an officer in the Horse Guards.

MR. JOHN AIRD, M.P.

MR. JOHN AIRD, M.P. for Paddington, lives in Hyde Park Terrace, in the house originally purchased by Mr. W. H. Smith from the executors of Lord Romilly for his own occupancy, and which the eminent railway contractor obtained from the Leader of the House of Commons when he determined, after mature reflection, to move to Grosvenor Place. Mr. Aird is noted, amongst other things, for his extensive patronage of modern art and artists, and his beautiful house, crowded from cellar to roof with an unique and priceless collection of modern pictures, is a home for the best traditions of painting and its sister art of music. Mr. Aird is the eldest grandson of a Scotch workman from Ross-shire, who lost his life through an accident during the construction of the Regent's canal. He is now, at the age of fifty-seven, at the head of the renowned firm of Messrs. Lucas & Aird, contractors, which has carried out gigantic engineering enterprises in every quarter of the inhabited globe, from the construction of the Metropolitan Railway and the Royal Albert and Tilbury Docks to the never-to-be-completed Suakin-Berber Railways in the Soudan. Mr. John Aird admits that, as regards Masonry, his kind guide has been Bro. Fenn. He is the Deputy Master of the Prince of Wales's Lodge; P.M. of the Evening Star Lodge, and an original member of the Drury Lane Lodge. He is a P.Z. of the Prince of Wales's Chapter, a Knight Templar of King's Lynn Habitation, a Past Grand Steward and a member of the Board of General Purposes in Grand Lodge. For thirteen years in succession Mr. John Aird has seconded the nomination of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales for the position of Grand Master in Grand Lodge, and did so at the last election, when the nomination was so ably moved by Sir Henry Isaacs.

MR. GEORGE EVERETT.

MR. GEORGE EVERETT was initiated into Freemasonry on the 19th August, 1858. He is a Past Master, and the Treasurer of the Domatic Lodge (177). A Founder, Past Master, and Treasurer of the Kennington Lodge (1381). A Past Master of the Kilburn Lodge (1608), and was for seven years its Treasurer. Founder and Past Master of the Chiswick Lodge (2012). Founder and I.P.M. of the Duke of Fife Lodge (2345). He is also a P.Z. of the Domatic Chapter; P.Z. of the Rose of Denmark Chapter; a P.Z., Founder, and the Treasurer of the Kennington Chapter (1381); a Member of the Correspondence Circle of the Lodge Quatuor Coronati; and the Grand Master's Council Royal and Select Masters. He was a Special Steward at the Installation of the Prince of Wales as M.W.G.M., at the Royal Albert Hall, in April, 1875; is a Vice-President of the three Charities—viz., the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons, and has served several stewardships to each. His work in connection with Freemasonry has extended over thirty years. He has been foremost in promoting the practical benefits and extending the active charity of the Order. As a member of the Provisional Management Committee of the Boys' School, he has proved himself a painstaking and able administrator of the affairs of that Institution, and in matters connected with the amusements and outdoor games of the School he has taken a keen interest, and contributed valuable advice and liberal donations. George Everett is an ardent sportsman, and is a director of Kempton Park, and one of the largest shareholders in that very successful undertaking; he is also a member of the committee of the Surrey County Cricket Club. On the 3rd of December last, at the meeting of Grand Lodge, Mr. Everett was nominated by Mr. John Glass for the high and important office of Grand Treasurer of England, and there being no opposition he is virtually elected to that post of honour.

PROFESSOR BANISTER FLETCHER.

PROFESSOR BANISTER FLETCHER was a pupil of the late Charles James Richardson, the well-known architect and author of architectural books, and before entering the profession, went to work at the bench and in the workshop, so as to obtain general practical knowledge of all the building trades. During his articles, he gained admission as student to the R.I.B.A., the subjects he submitted being two sepia drawings from casts, and an elevation of a Casino; and he gained the students' first prize in the year 1852, with his design for a parsonage house. Again, desiring further acquaintance with the practical side of his profession, he spent further time in bricklaying, plumbing, and painting. Feeling now that he was not only theoretically but practically competent, he began work at Newcastle-on-Tyne, at the age of twenty. From his design, and under his superintendence, wharves, warehouses, and numerous buildings were erected there; but for the past thirty years he has practised in London, and has erected churches, chapels, lodges, public halls, and numerous country and villa residences, and helped to adorn our thoroughfares with excellent examples of street architecture. His work on "Model Houses for the Industrial Classes" (First Edition, published in 1871,) attracted great attention to this important subject, meeting with approval from the late Lord Shaftesbury. His practice as a Surveyor is very extensive, and his services are in great demand as Witness, Arbitrator, and Umpire. He is District Surveyor for West Newington and part of Lambeth, and one of the Surveyors to the Board of Trade. Elected Professor of Building Construction and Architecture at King's College, London, he, with characteristic energy, is carrying out his idea that such a chair should possess the advantage to students of casts, models, diagrams, drawings, and photographs, and he has obtained liberal assistance from the Worshipful Company of Carpenters (of which Company he is now a Past-Master) and the assistance of the Council of King's College. He is (partly at his own expense) fitting up an Architectural and Building Construction Reference Museum. It is a good sign that manufacturers are alive to its importance when we can mention that they are giving exhibits to the Building portion. The Carpenters' Company have established a branch at King's College of their Technical Reference and Lending Library. During the last five years this Company has been devoting its time and money to furthering technical work connected with its trade, and Mr. Banister Fletcher has given his valuable and earnest help. They have organised Annual Examinations, when certificates and medals are awarded; the Lending and Reference Technical Library Exhibitions, the Technical Lectures given at Carpenters' Hall, School of Wood Carving for the Trade at Chapel Street, Bedford Row, and for amateurs at King's College, London; the Institute at Stratford, and the trade Classes and Workshops there. His professional work has not exhausted his energies, for we find that he is now a member of the Common Council of the City of London, Lieutenant-Colonel of his Volunteer Regiment, and also a Deputy-Lieutenant and Justice of the Peace for the County of London.

THE HON. CHIEF JUSTICE WAY.

THE HON. CHIEF JUSTICE WAY, Grand Master of South Australia, son of the Rev. James Way, of Adelaide, was born in 1836. He was educated at the Bible Christian Grammar School, North Devon, and at the Maidstone School, Chatham. He was called to the Bar, South Australia, twenty-nine years ago, and was made a Q.C. ten years later. He was elected a member of the House of Assembly, South Australia, and became Attorney-General, 1875-76. He was elevated to the Chief Justiceship in 1876, and has four times administered the Government of the Colony. He was Vice-Chancellor of Adelaide University in 1876, and became Chancellor in 1883. He has a beautiful house at Montefiore, on the outskirts of Adelaide, has the most brilliant Masonic career of any man in

Australia, and has promised to be an "Eminent Mason at Home" early in the year.

MR. JOHN LANE, F.C.A.

MR. JOHN LANE, of Torquay, has done more solid work on behalf of the Literature of Freemasonry, in a period of three years, than any other man! W. J. Hughan truly observed in 1887, that Mr. Lane's "Masonic Records, 1717-1886" (Dedicated by permission to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales), had "placed the author, *at one bound*, in the front rank of trusted and competent Masonic experts and historians"; and Gould, two years later, tersely described that massive volume as "a publication of extraordinary merit, and which, as a Gazetteer of the Lodges, became at once to Freemasons as valuable a work of reference as the famous Dictionary of Dr. Johnson did to the general public in the last century." When it is understood that this great work furnishes reliable information respecting all the Lodges which have been warranted under the auspices of the Grand Lodges of England, London and York—and of the "United Grand Lodge" from 1717 to 1886, amounting to considerably over 3,600 in number—some idea may be formed of the magnitude and importance of that great and elaborate production, as likewise the extent of the researches incident to the preparation and arrangement of such an enormous mass of figures and other data. What may be termed a companion volume was published in 1889, by the same author, entitled "A Handy Book to the Study of the Engraved, Printed, and MS. List of Lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England ('Moderns' and 'Ancients'), from 1723 to 1814." A less ambitious effort, but one equally as much needed, was the paper read by Mr. Lane, before the members of the "Quatuor Coronati," on June 25th, 1888, on "Masters' Lodges," and printed with the proceedings of that most successful organisation. Those who have known John Lane from his youth upwards will be aware how his professional duties have peculiarly tended to fit him for such special and arduous literary labours. Born in 1843, and spending his early years in a solicitor's office, he subsequently commenced practice as an accountant, becoming an Associate of the "Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales," on its incorporation in 1880, and obtaining the coveted distinction of "F.C.A." in 1882. He is secretary to several public companies, and though so overcrowded with professional work, is so methodical, accurate, and diligent, that he contrives to make time for the study of archaeological subjects, and nothing that comes from his pen betrays any evidence of undue haste or lack of careful deliberation. His initiation in the "Jordan" Lodge (1402), Torquay, did not take place until September 10th, 1878, so that he is still a young Mason. John Lane, however, was W.M. in 1882, and on the completion of his term of office was voted a gold P.M.'s jewel. He is again "in collar" as Treasurer; and has been Charity Steward from 1885. In that capacity he has served eight stewardships, become a Vice-President of the three Institutions, Vice-Patron of the "Devon Masonic Educational Fund," Life Governor of the "Fortescue Annuity Fund," and "Mark Benevolent Fund." His exaltation in No. 328 was on February 25th, 1880, and installation as M.E.Z. in 1889. The Mark was taken the following year in the Newton Abbot (315), and in 1883 he became founder and first Master of the "Jordan" (3191), Torquay, continuing as Secretary from the year following; and has made himself thoroughly acquainted, ritualistically and generally, with all these ceremonies. The chivalric degrees have been supported by him since 1883, when he became a Knight Templar, &c., and later on in that year was "perfected" as a Rose Croix Mason, attaining the Preceptorship and chair of the eighteenth degree some six years afterwards. John Lane is also a Past Provincial Grand Registrar of the Craft, Arch and Knight Templars, and Past Provincial Grand Mark Overseer for the Mark. Unfortunately we are not able to chronicle any grand honours in the English Craft, but his appointment, by vote of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, in 1888, to honorary membership in that distinguished body, with the rank of *Senior Grand Warden*, was a special

mark of appreciation highly valued by Mr. Lane, as also the rank of Past Senior Grand Overseer of the Mark Grand Lodge, conferred by H.R.H. the Grand Master, in the Jubilee Year. John Lane was elected to full membership in the "Quatuor Coronati" Lodge (2076) in 1887, and to honorary membership in the senior Lodge, at Plymouth, "St. John's" (70); the "Fortitude" (131), Truro; and the "Eboracum" (1611), York, in 1888-9. Notwithstanding his manifold duties, he has never been absent once from either of his Torquay Lodges or Chapter, thus presenting an unbroken record of attendance which cannot certainly be surpassed.

SIR OFFLEY WAKEMAN, BART.

SIR OFFLEY WAKEMAN, BART., was born in 1850, and succeeded to the estates in 1858; he married Catherine Mary, the only surviving daughter of Sir Charles H. Rouse Broughton, Bart., in 1885. Sir Offley is a J.P., chairman of Quarter Sessions for Shropshire, an elected County Councillor for the same, and a representative of the diocese of Hereford in the House of Laymen; he is also a barrister of the Inner Temple. Sir Offley Wakeman was initiated in the Churchill Lodge (478), Oxford, in 1870, and joined the Salopian Lodge (262), Shrewsbury, in 1873; he passed the chair in both Lodges. He was elected Provincial Grand Senior Warden of Oxfordshire in 1881, and Deputy-Provincial Grand Master of North Wales and Shropshire in 1882, becoming P.G.M. of Shropshire in 1885. He is a Vice-President of the Boys' and Benevolent Institutions, a Vice-Patron of the Girls', and presided on the occasion of the festival of that institution in 1886.

MR. EX-SHERIFF HARRIS.

MR. EX-SHERIFF WALTER H. HARRIS is a Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies of the year, a member of the Court of Lieutenancy of the City of London, and a Justice of the Peace of the County of Surrey. He was Sheriff of London with Mr. Walter Alderman Knill, 1889-90, during the Mayoralty of Sir Henry Isaacs, retiring on the 29th of September last, when a warm tribute to their efficiency, general courtesy, and liberality was paid to them in Common Hall, on the motion of Dr. Freshfield, and seconded by the Prime Warden of the Goldsmiths' Company. Mr. Sheriff Walter Harris and his colleague accompanied the Lord Mayor to the Edinburgh Exhibition, which occasion was memorable as being the first on which the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs have officially visited the northern capital. Whilst in Edinburgh, he became affiliated to the Lodge of Edinburgh, No. 1, under the seal of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. He is a Past Master of the St. Mark's Lodge (857), a subscribing member to the Lodge of Felicity, the Phoenix Lodge, and the Honour and Prudence Lodge of Cornwall. He is also a life governor of all the Masonic Institutions, a member of the Merchant Taylors', Liners', Innholders', Spectacle Makers', Gold and Silver Wire Drawers', Playing Card Makers', and Blacksmiths' Companies. Mr. Walter Harris holds a high position in City circles, and is a popular and influential member of the Raleigh, the Lyric, and City Carlton Clubs.

THE EARL OF LONDESBOROUGH

WILLIAM HENRY FORESTER DENISON, EARL AND BARON LONDESBOROUGH, of Londesborough Castle, Yorks, and Viscount Raincliffe, of Raincliffe Castle, in the same county, Vice-Admiral of Yorks and Hon. Colonel of the 1st Battalion of the East Yorks Regiment, was born fifty-six years ago, and succeeded his father, a prominent Mason, in 1860, in which year he was appointed a Senior Grand Warden of England. Three years later he married the youngest daughter of the seventh Duke of Beaufort. Lord Londesborough

was one of the founders, and an active member of the Drury Lane Lodge, of which he is a P.M., having preceded Sir Henry Isaacs in the chair. His lordship has always been an ardent patron of the drama, and by his extreme courtesy and consideration for followers of all the artistic professions, possesses the esteem and respect of the whole artistic world.

COL. SIR FRANCIS BURDETT, BART.

COLONEL SIR FRANCIS BURDETT, BART., was initiated into the Craft whilst serving in India as a cornet in the 13th Light Dragoons, on January 18th, 1837, and his certificate, which is engraved on vellum, is signed "J. Fitzgerald, Master." Having duly qualified for and obtained the rank of a Master Mason, a period of inaction set in, owing to the travelling duties of the regiment, and the difficulty in those days of a soldier Mason obtaining the benefit of visiting civic Lodges. But in 1841 we find him joining the Fidelity Lodge (6th Dragoon Guards), and on May 28th in the same year being instructed in the mysteries of the Holy Royal Arch under the R.A. Chapter of Scotland. Also in this year, on December 27th, he was admitted a member of the Celtic Lodge of Edinburgh and Leith. In 1848 he was back in Ireland, and seems to have devoted the whole of his leisure time to continuing his Masonic work, and qualifying himself for all the attainable positions he could find. On May 3rd he was raised to the Mark degree. On the same day, "Brother F. Burdett, Major, 17th Lancers, Kilwilling Encampment, has been duly and regularly admitted, instructed, and registered in the books of the Supreme Grand Encampment of Ireland as a Knight of the Sword, Knight of the East and King of the East and West, of the Royal and Mysterious Order of the High Knights Templars and Masonic Knights of Malta." On November 10th he joined the Eureka Lodge (47), Dundalk, and just one month later he was voted the Honorary Membership of the Clanwilliam (55), Tipperary, and the Triune (333), Limerick, "in testimony of the high esteem in which the members of these Lodges hold your Masonic zeal and worth." In the following year, in which he attended various Masonic meetings no fewer than 148 times, he founded two Lodges, accepted the honorary membership of three others, and added several posts to his long list of Stewardships. Plodding onward, as men do when the doctrines of Freemasonry have eaten into their souls, we find Lieut.-Colonel Burdett, 17th Lancers, in 1858, admitted a Sovereign of Grand Rose Croix. In 1862 Lord Zetland, the Grand Master, invested him as Senior Grand Warden of England, since which time he has represented the Grand Lodge of Ireland at Grand Lodge, with the rank of S.G.W. (Ireland). Five years later he joined the Harmony Lodge (255). In 1869 he was elected and installed as first Prov. Grand Master of Middlesex—a position he still retains. The following year he was admitted to the 33°, and installed as the first Prov. Grand Master of Mark Masonry for Middlesex and Surrey, the honours of which he also retains. In 1876 he was presented with the honorary membership of the Burdett Royal Arch Chapter (1293); and in the succeeding year he was appointed the representative of the United States at the Grand Council of the Red Cross of Constantine in Scotland. In 1879 he was appointed Sov. Grand Inspector-General of the 33°, Inspector-General of the Southern District of England, and First Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross Order in Scotland. In 1888, on April 6th, Sir Francis was admitted to the Order of the Secret Monitor, which for the present completes one of the brightest records in Masonry it is possible to chronicle; and among the numerous proofs he has received of the esteem with which his life-long effort to serve Masonry and his own particular Province have been met, he values none so highly as the iron-bound oak chest containing that beautiful service of plate which the Brethren of the Province of Middlesex presented him in 1876. Sir Francis Burdett is frequently to be seen in Grand Lodge, occupying one of the Warden's chairs, and he presided at the festival of the Royal Masonic Institute for Girls during the present year. Sir Francis has no town house, properly so called, but resides at his Richmond place, Ancaster House,

which adjoins the main gates of the Old Deer Park, immediately opposite the Star and Garter, during the season. His country seats are Ramsbury Manor, Wiltshire, noted for its fine trees and trout fishing in the River Kennett, and Foremark Hall, near Repton, where the Colonel always spends his Christmas. Sir Francis has been twice married, and his eldest son was a few months ago initiated into Masonry by his father.

MR. WILLIAM CHAPMAN.

MR. WILLIAM CHAPMAN, a sound and a good Mason, as we once had an opportunity of styling him, has had the great honour of being re-elected to the chair of the Savage Club Lodge, into which he was installed in February of the present year. Will Chapman, as his friends call him, has made the *nom de plume* of Ithuriel well known and appreciated in the theatrical world, and left the staff of the *Topical Times* about a year ago to start his new paper *London*, which has just celebrated its first birthday. Perhaps there is no sounder Mason in the whole ranks of Bohemia than Will Chapman. He is unmarried, has a pretty little den in Clement's Inn, smokes from morning to night big and full-flavoured cigars, and never said an unkind word of anyone in his life. The chair of the Savage Club Lodge is honoured by its W.M.

MR. CHARLES BARRY, F.R.I.B.A.

MR. CHARLES BARRY, the eldest son of the late Sir Charles Barry, R.A., the eminent architect—whose crowning achievement of a long and successful career was the Palace of Westminster—was born in 1823, and showing an early desire to follow the profession of his father, entered his office and was engaged for some years in assisting him in many of his important works. His health failing when he was three-and-twenty years of age, suggested the opportunity of travel, and after an absence of a year and a half, during which he studied the architectural art of France, Germany, and Italy, he returned to England and commenced practice with the late Robert Banks, who had for many years been one of the chief assistants of Sir Charles. This step, taken under the strong advice of his father, led up to the very large practice Mr. Charles Barry now enjoys. His partner dying in 1872, left Mr. Barry as the sole survivor of the "firm," neither of Mr. Barry's four sons having entered the profession. New Burlington House, Piccadilly, the new College at Dulwich, the County of Middlesex Industrial Schools at Feltham, the roof of the Royal Exchange, and the large additions and restorations of Clumber House, the seat of the Duke of Newcastle, are among Mr. Barry's chief works, and great regret is now openly expressed in artistic circles that he has never been offered the opportunity of completing his father's designs for the Westminster Palace. Mr. Barry is also responsible for the remarkable railway viaducts, bridges, and stations at Dulwich, erected since 1858, when he was appointed Surveyor to the Governors of Dulwich College. Mr. Charles Barry held the office of President of the Royal Institute of British Architects for the year 1876-77, and had the honour of re-election the following year, when he was chosen by his colleagues of the Royal Institute as recipient of the Queen's gold medal, awarded by Her Majesty every three years to an English architect of eminence. Mr. Barry was an original council member of the City and Guilds' Institute for the promotion of technical education, representing the Skinners' Company, of which he is a Past Master. He was elected a member of the Athenaeum in 1872, and for the last ten years has held the office of architect to the club. He is an honorary member of the Academies of Fine Arts at Vienna and Milan, and a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London. He was the Royal Commissioner for Great Britain, as architectural representative, at the French Universal Exposition of 1878, and for this service, at the instance of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the French Government conferred on him the Cross of Officer of the Legion of Honour.

Not until he was fifty-four years of age did this eminent architect seek admission into the Craft of Freemasonry, being initiated in 1877 in the Jerusalem Lodge (197), becoming its W.M. in 1886. Five years previous—in 1881—he joined the St. James's Chapter (2) of Royal Arch Masons, and was exalted the following year; he was a Grand Steward in 1884, and has served as Steward of all the Masonic Charitable Institutions and holds the high appointment of Grand Superintendent of Works during the present year in the Grand Lodge of England. Mr. Woolf Barry, the eminent engineer who designed—in conjunction with the late Sir Horace Jones—the new Tower Bridge, is a younger brother of Mr. Charles Barry.

MR. RALPH D. M. LITTLER, Q.C.

MR. RALPH D. M. LITTLER, Q.C., is the younger son of the late Rev. Robert Littler, of London. He was born at Matlock Bath on October 2nd, 1835, and in 1854 took the degree of B.A. at the London University, becoming a student of the Inner Temple in November of the same year. Mr. Littler was called to the Bar on June 6th, 1857, and thirteen years later was admitted a barrister of the Middle Temple. He was made a Q.C. on February 3rd, 1873, and in November, 1882, became a bencher of his Inn. Ralph Littler is a member of the Covocation, a Common Law Prizeman, and a member of the Northern and North-Eastern Circuits. He is the author of several well-known legal works, amongst them being "Practice and Evidence in Divorce Cases," and "Digest of Cases before the Referees in Parliament." He is an influential and popular member of the St. Stephen's, the Whitehall, and the Royal Thames Yacht Club, and has a very charming house at Palmer's Green, where he generally resides. In the early days of his career, Mr. Littler was a leading member of a well-known debating society, and led the Conservative party in many a fight against Lord Herschell in his student days. He is a chairman of Quarter Sessions, and was initiated in the Bank of England Lodge, and eventually occupied the chair for two successive years, possessing a like honour in the Northern Bar Lodge, of which he is now the father. The eminent barrister was one of the founders of the University of London Lodge, and holds a high opinion of the benefits of Freemasonry.

MR. ZILLWOOD-MILLEDGE.

MR. ZILLWOOD-MILLEDGE, of the firm of Milledge & Son, Weymouth, born May 13th, 1844 (son of James Milledge, who was G.M. 170, P.Z. 170, P.P.S.G.W. Dorset, and P.G.H. Dorset), was initiated in the All Souls' Lodge (170), in 1875. Exalted in All Souls' Chapter (170), in 1876; served the offices of J.G. Soj. J.W., and S.W., and was installed W.M. in 1884, in the presence of a large body of P.M.'s, of which his father, who had been installed in 1834, was one. In 1888 he again filled the chair, and during his year of office, 1884, the additions to the Lodge were 12; in 1888 there were 21 additions, 12 initiations, and 9 joining. He performed all his ceremonies, and installed his successors. He is P.P.G.D.C. for Dorset, which office he held in 1884, and was a Provincial Grand Steward in 1880. In the Royal Arch he served as Ass. Soj., and for five years as P.S., going from that office into the chair of J. he was Z. of his Chapter in 1887, and Provincial Grand Soj. of Dorset in 1888, and is at present P.G.D.C. for Dorset, having also filled this office for the years 1885-7. He is Vice-Chairman of the Dorset Masonic Charity, and Charity Steward of his Lodge; has served as Steward for the Girls' School, and is a Governor of the Girls' School, and Benevolent and Life Subscriber of the Boys' School. Is a member of All Souls' Preceptory, Knight of the All Souls' Priory of the Order of Malta, and a member of the Weymouth Chapter Rose Croix 18°; is a member of the Correspondence Circle, Quatuor Coronati, and lent contributions to the Worcester and Shanklin Masonic Exhibitions. During his second year (1888), as W.M., the Lodge was most beautifully altered and redecored,

and is now one of the best fitted and most convenient Lodges in the provinces. On the occasion of the re-opening, nearly 200 Brethren were present, and thirteen provinces were represented. It was a red-letter day in Weymouth Masonic annals. All Souls' Lodge celebrated its centenary in 1867. Masonry has been practised in Weymouth since 1734, and the subject of our sketch comes from a family settled in the town before the Commonwealth, and which has produced excellent Masons.

MR. BLUNDELL MAPLE, M.P.

MR. BLUNDELL MAPLE, M.P. for Dulwich, was born in the parish of St. Pancras, which he endeavoured unsuccessfully to represent in the House of Commons. He lives but a few doors from Mr. George R. Sims, in Clarence Terrace, but possesses quite a palatial residence at St. Albans known as Childwickbury, from which he took his racing cognomen of Mr. Childwick before racing owners recognised the absurdity of hiding their identity behind such a transparent disguise. Mr. Maple is the owner of Falmouth House—poor Fred Archer's place at Newmarket—which he purchased for conversion into racing stables. Mr. Maple was initiated in the Anerley Lodge (1397), and holds a minor office, having very wisely refused to usurp the rights of any member of the Lodge in their succession to the various offices. Mr. Maple has shown great practical interest, during the past year, in matters concerning the welfare of the poorer classes. He was, in a great degree, responsible for the rejection of the Compulsory Closing Bill introduced by Sir John Lubbock; the Cart and Wheel Tax by Mr. Goschen; and is now vigorously working at two Bills, which he intends to bring before the House, one to be called the Cheap Trains (London) Bill, and the other the London Water Bill. The first will in many instances cheapen the special workmen's tickets within the twelve miles radius of London; and the other gives power to the consumers of water for domestic purposes to demand to be supplied by meter instead of according to rateable value.

MR. FREDERICK BINCKES.

MR. FREDERICK BINCKES was initiated into Freemasonry in the Enoch Lodge (11) in December, thirty-nine years ago, and passed the Chair five years later, having been exalted the previous year (1855) in the Mount Sinai Chapter. In 1856 he was elected on the Board of General Purposes, and was a member of the first Building Committee appointed to consider the re-erection of Freemasons' Hall. In 1860 he filled the Chair of the Crescent Lodge (788), and has since occupied the same position in the Peace and Harmony, Grand Stewards, and Lewis Lodges. In 1862 he passed the eighteenth degree, Rosicrucian, and that of P.M.W.S. thirtieth degree, in 1864. In 1866 he was installed K.T., and three years later joined the Order of the Red Cross of Constantine, and in due course filled the Chair as Sovereign, and held office as Intendant-General unattached. From 1862 to June, 1889, he occupied the position of Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons, having acted as Assistant Grand Secretary for two years previous. He has served many times as Steward at the festivals of the Charities. Mr. Binckes will, perhaps, be best remembered from his long connection with the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys as its Secretary, and the extraordinary commotion which the commutation of his pension created throughout the Craft at the beginning of the present year, when he retired from the Secretaryship with a pension indemnity of £2,500. Mr. Binckes appeared as our "Eminent Mason at Home" for the month of November, 1889, when we were most impudently accused by that peculiar nameless section of Freemasonry which unfortunately exists, of siding with Mr. Binckes in his difficulty for some ulterior purpose. In including Mr. Binckes as a "Mason of the Year," without his knowledge or permission, the Editor of THE MASONIC REVIEW has wished to

place on record once more a reminder of the brilliant services this gentleman rendered to the Boys' Institution, during a long tenure of office.

MR. J. C. PARKINSON.

MR. J. C. PARKINSON, whose latest exploit in the ranks of journalism has been to join his life-long friend, Edmund Yates, in the management of the *World*, was early in life on the staff of the *Daily News* and left his position in the Civil Service after twenty years "completely thrown away," as he has since admitted, to act as special correspondent of that journal at the opening of the Suez Canal. Thence he went to Calcutta, and has since, at various periods of his career, travelled all over the globe. Mr. Parkinson, or "J. C. P.," as some of his friends style him, was at one time Deputy P.G.M. of Middlesex, is a Vice-Patron of all the institutions, and a Past Grand Officer of England. He married, some years ago, a daughter of Sir George Elliot, the Provincial Grand Master of the Eastern Division of South Wales. He has a charming flat in Victoria Street, in the same building as George Augustus Sala reside in. He possesses a fine physique, has a handsome face, the most charming manner imaginable, is a bit of a wit, and has letters in his possession from the immortal Dickens, who addressed him as "Dear Parkinson." J. C. P. has seen his best days in Masonry, but he occasionally comes into evidence when some big affair is on, and had the somewhat unique honour of installing the Lord Mayor into the chair of the Drury Lane Lodge at the Mansion House last year.

LIEUT.-COL. EDIS.

MR. ROBERT WILLIAM EDIS was born in 1839, at Huntingdon, and received his early education at the local Grammar School, afterwards finishing at the Brewers' Company School at Aldenham. When Mr. Edis was seventeen years of age he came to London, and after serving his articles to a well-known firm of architects, entered the office of the late Mr. Salvin, leaving it when he was twenty-two years old to start in practice on his own account. Early in his professional life Robert Edis became a member of the Architectural Association, of which he was eventually elected President for two successive years. In 1862 he was elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and in 1862 became a Fellow of that august body. Mr. Edis was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquarians in 1870, and early in his career went on a tour through France, Italy, and Germany, sketching most of the important architectural work. In 1882 Robert Edis crossed to America to advise the authorities of Kansas State in the laying out of a new city; he made a survey on the spot, and drew up a scheme for a town of about 2,000 houses, actually designing most of the principal buildings himself. Among his most notable works are the additions to the library of the Inner Temple; the Boscombe Spa Hotel, near Bournemouth; the Badminton Club, Piccadilly; the Constitutional and Junior Constitutional Clubs, almost his finest pieces of work; the ball room and additions to Sandringham for H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and many other important buildings. Mr. Edis has spent a large amount of his time in pleading for the artistic treatment of English homes, and has made a long study of furniture and interior decoration. In 1880 he was invited to lecture before the Society of Arts on "The Decoration and Furniture of Town Houses," which lectures have since been illustrated and published. The Council of the International Health Exhibition also chose Mr. Robert Edis as the most competent authority to write their handbook on "Healthy Furniture." Mr. Edis is a living illustration of the old adage of "Sana mens, &c.," for, with all his artistic, decorative, sanitary, and such like talents, he is a keen sportsman and volunteer. He joined the Artists' corps on its formation in 1859, and is now the colonel of the regiment.

Lieut.-Colonel Edis was *aide-de-camp* to Lord Bury in the French and German War under the General Convention, and witnessed the closing scenes of the Commune in Paris; then, on his return to England, as the result of his observations, he wrote a masterly paper on "Fireproof Materials," which was read before the Royal Institute of British Architects. About the favourite work of Lieut.-Colonel Edis is the new headquarters of the Artists', where, as the commanding officer, he is as esteemed by his men as he is jealous of the proud position of his regiment. He was initiated in the Westminster Keystone Lodge, and became its Master in 1874. He is a P.M. of the Carnarvon Mark Lodge, and was appointed Grand Superintendent of Works in 1888.

MR. EDWARD TERRY.

MR. EDWARD TERRY, the popular founder of Terry's Theatre in the Strand, was initiated into Freemasonry in the Royal Union Lodge (382) at Uxbridge, in which he passed the chair. He was the first actor W.M. of the Asaph Lodge, which is the representative Lodge of the musical and dramatic professions, and is a Past First Principal of the Asaph Chapter. He has passed the chair of the St. Albans' Lodge (29), and was one of the original members of the Savage Club Lodge, in which he followed Henry Irving in the post of Treasurer. He was appointed a Grand Steward in 1885-86, and has been three years a member of the Board of General Purposes; he is a Vice-President of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and Life Governor of the two other Masonic Institutions; he has also served the office of Steward eight times. From this, in one mighty bound, he sprang into the position of Grand Treasurer of Grand Lodge for the year 1889-90, to which he was elected by a large majority, defeating Mr. George Everitt, his opponent on the occasion. Mr. Edward Terry is a member of the Actors' Benevolent Fund, and was presented with the only ticket granted to his Lodge for admission into the Albert Hall when H.R.H. the Grand Master was raised to that sublime position. He was one of the representative actors invited to the Abbey when the Thanksgiving Service was held at Her Majesty's Jubilee, and was selected to deliver a lecture at the Cardiff Church Congress last year upon "Popular Amusements in Relation to Christian Life." Mr. Edward Terry will be best remembered by the present generation of playgoers by his unrivalled successes in the Gaiety burlesque company under the management of the late (Bro.) John Henderson. Since the breaking up of that extraordinary quartette—Messrs. Terry and Royce, and Mesdames Farren and Vaughan—Edward Terry has turned his peculiar dramatic powers into quite an original groove of farcical comedy, and inaugurated his first success at his own theatre in Pinero's beautiful play of *Sweet Lavender* which terminated last month a phenomenal run, and brought the actor and author a good round fortune. Edward Terry is an experienced traveller in many lands. He has gone through Western Europe, Lapland, Poland, and parts of Russia; has landed more than one salmon from the fjords of Norway, and has sent home all sorts of *souvenirs* of his wanderings to decorate the rooms of his charming house at Barnes. During his year of Grand Treasurership, Edward Terry, with his wife and daughter, went for a tour through India, with special permission from the Grand Master to assert his rank during his travels. At Bombay he was introduced to Lodge Cyrus, which is composed of Hindus, Mahomedans, and Parsees, and was made an honorary member of the Lodge. At the Scottish Lodge, in Bombay, he was specially entertained by the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Harold King, since deceased, and received, with his wife and daughter, the honour of a command from Government House to dine with the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. The Grand Treasurer received the utmost courtesy from the Maharajahs of the different provinces through which he travelled; they placed their carriages, elephants, and servants at his disposal, invited him to their palaces, and paid him all the respect due to his professional and Masonic position. He witnessed all the native customs of the Empire, from a Parsee funeral at the Towers of Silence, where the bodies are devoured by vultures, and the

sacrifice of Hindus at Benares, to the worship in the snake temples outside the city. At Ceylon the Government launch was placed under his orders, and he was a fellow-traveller with the unfortunate Arabi Pasha. A lengthened sketch of Mr Edward Terry at Priory Lodge appeared in No. 4, Vol. I., of the MASONIC REVIEW.

SIR HENRY ISAACS.

SIR HENRY ISAACS, whose Mayoralty of London terminated on the 9th of last month, created a precedent inasmuch as the meetings of the Drury Lane Lodge, of which he is the immediate Past Master, were, during his Mastership, held in the saloon of the Mansion House. Sir Henry has never aspired to any very exalted position in the Craft, but perhaps a finer exponent of the teachings and the benefits of Freemasonry does not exist. He was initiated in 1853 in the Lodge of Israel (247), and passed the chair three years later (in 1856), during which he was Lecture Master of the Prosperity Lodge of Instruction, for fulfilling which post he was presented with a service of silver plate by its members; and founded the Benevolent Fund of his Mother Lodge, for which £1,000 was very quickly collected. In the same year, also, he served a stewardship of the Boys' and Girls' Institutions, and was invested with the collar of Prov. Grand Organist of Hertfordshire. In 1857 he initiated his father into the mysteries of the Craft, and installed his brother, Mr. J. M. Isaacs, as his successor in the chair of the Israel Lodge. From the Lodge of Tranquillity he was presented with a silver claret-jug and salver in recognition of his services to the Lodge. In the same year he presided at the twenty-eighth annual festival of the Emulation Lodge of Instruction, and filled the chair of numerous festivals connected with the charitable funds of private Lodges. From then, for a period of thirty years, he progressed soundly but slowly through his various Masonic obligations until he connected himself with the Drury Lane Lodge, into the chair of which he was installed at the Mansion House by Bro. J. C. Parkinson. Of anecdotes and charming recollections Sir Henry is full, and he remembers being lured from his bed by some rollicking young Masons to deliver the fifteen sections without fifteen mistakes, to decide a wager that had been made upon the event. Sir Henry is a man of but medium height and build, and does not look his age within ten years of it. He was born in the City, has lived in the City, and will probably die in it, for there is no firmer commercial undertaking at the present moment than that of Messrs. M. Isaacs and Sons, of whose establishments at Hull, Valencia, and London he is the head. In 1862 he was elected to the Court of Common Council as representative of the Ward of Aldgate, and occupied the chairs of the Coal, Corn, and Finance, the City Lands and Markets Committees in succession. He laid the stone of the Leadenhall Market, and was Chairman of the Grand Markets Committee whilst the Fruit Market in the Farringdon Road was being built. In 1883 he was advanced by election to the position of Alderman of the Ward of Portsoken, and immediately became famous on the bench for his exemplary sentences upon persons brought before him for cruelty to animals. He served the post of Sheriff in 1886-7, her Majesty's Jubilee year, and was knighted at the termination of his office. Sir Henry Isaacs, amongst other important commercial positions, is the Chairman of the Hansard Publishing Union, the biggest of those Unions which Mr. Horatio Bottomley has parented.

HERR MEYER LUTZ.

HERR MEYER LUTZ, whose sympathetic melodies have charmed thousands of playgoers and seaside visitors, was initiated in the Asaph Lodge sixteen years ago, and became its Worshipful Master in 1881. He is an original member of the Drury Lane Lodge, a Royal Arch Mason of the Asaph Chapter,

a member of the Orpheus Chapter, Rose Croix, and was appointed Grand Organist of Grand Lodge at the Communication in March of the present year. Meyer Lutz has been the musical chief of the Gaiety Theatre for many years, and, in fact, he may be said to have revolutionised music of the burlesque school in its latest modernising phase. His principal melodies are noted for their sympathetic and dreamy sensitiveness, and perhaps he has never done anything finer in pure composition than the series of songs he composed for Miss Nellie Farren. Of all modern composers Herr Lutz is perhaps the most unassuming; and his style, had it been so fostered, would have given him high rank among the composers of sacred music of the day.

MR. JAMES TERRY.

MR. JAMES TERRY, the Secretary of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, was initiated into Freemasonry in the United Strength Lodge (228) in February, 1860, and such was the progress he made in the Craft, as well as in the estimation of his brother members, that he was chosen Worshipful Master of the Lodge in 1863. In 1873 he was again elected to the same honourable office, and is now, and for some years past has been, its Treasurer. His connection with other Lodges has been equally prominent. In 1867 he helped to found the Urban Lodge (1196), and, for the first seven years of its existence, discharged the duties of Secretary. In 1869 he was a founder and first W. Master of the Burdett Coutts Lodge (1278), and for twelve years held the office of Treasurer. Two years later he joined the Highgate Lodge (1366) in the same capacity of founder, was installed its first W. Master, and has been Treasurer from the time of its foundation. He is also a joining member of the King Harold Lodge (1327), Waltham; a founder of the Cranbourne Lodge (1580) in 1875, and the Clerkenwell Lodge (1964) in 1882, of both of which lodges he has been Secretary from the dates of their establishment; also a joining member of the Gresham Lodge (869), Cheshunt, since 1869, and the Fidelity Lodge (445), Towcester, since 1880. His services to Freemasonry in the Province of Hertfordshire were first recognised in 1869, when he was invested Prov. G.S.B. In 1873 he was appointed Prov. G.D. of C., and five years later was promoted to the chair of Prov. G.J. Warden, while in 1880 he was invested as G.S. Warden of the Province of Northants and Hunts. Almost equally conspicuous have been his services in connection with the Royal Arch, to which he was exalted in the Rose of Denmark Chapter (975), in March, 1865, being installed First Principal in 1868. In 1867 he helped to found the Sincerity Chapter (174), and became M.E.Z. in 1869. He was a founder and first M.E.Z. of the United Strength Chapter in 1877, and is at the present time its Treasurer; a founder, first M.E.Z. in 1880, and now the Treasurer of the Highgate Chapter; a founder and first Scribe E. of the Islington Chapter (1471), in 1878, and M.E.Z. last year. In the way of provincial honours he was appointed Prov. G.D. of C. Herts in 1875, and in 1883 Prov. G.J. He was advanced to the Mark Degree in Lodge 22 in 1866, and was a founder and first J.W. of the Henniker Lodge, (315), in 1883. He was installed a K.T. in the Stuart Encampment, Watford, in 1876, and was E.C. in 1883. He is also a Knight of Malta, and Past M.P.S. and K.G.C. of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine, as well as a member of the Allied Degrees. In June, 1864, he was appointed Collector, and in December, 1872, Secretary of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. The latest honour James Terry boasts of is the recent consecration of a Lodge bearing his name, and of which he is the W.M. A shrewd and careful man in all commercial matters, James Terry will be remembered for the peculiar assurance with which he indulges in after-Lodge oratory, and the elaborate scroll he interlaces with his signature.

THE PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER OF
BERKSHIRE.

A SPECIAL saloon train left Paddington at 10.30 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 15th inst., containing a large number of brethren who intended taking part in the installation of H.R.H. the Duke of Clarence as P.G.M. of Berkshire. The train stopped at Slough, where it was joined by their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Clarence and Avondale, and the Duke of Connaught, accompanied by Colonel Egerton. The whole of the way from town was through a snow-covered country.

On the arrival at Reading, their Royal Highnesses were welcomed by the Mayor and Corporation, and conducted to the carriages in waiting. A guard of honour, composed of the Reading contingent of the Berkshire Volunteers, was drawn up outside the station, while men from the same regiment lined the route to the Town Hall, where the ceremony was to take place. The streets were throughout gaily decorated with flags and streamers, while large crowds were congregated at all points.

The Town Hall had been prepared as a Provincial Grand Lodge. The floor was reserved for Present and Past Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, while the galleries were devoted to Master Masons. The dais was kept clear for the Grand Master and the Grand Officers, and during the period of waiting voluntaries were played.

At 12.30, His Royal Highness the Grand Master, accompanied by the Grand Officers of the year, entered the lodge in procession, a fanfare from the trumpet and the applause from those present being the only accompaniment to the slow march. On arriving at the throne, His Royal Highness was saluted according to ancient form "by nine." An anthem was then sung, and, when concluded, His Royal Highness the Grand Master said—

We have assembled here to-day to install His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence and Avondale as the Grand Master of the Masonic Province of Berks. This province was established nearly a century ago, and two years later the Province of Bucks, as a joint province, was founded. When, last year, Bro. Sir Daniel Gooch, the Grand Master of Berks and Bucks, died, it was wished to have two separate provinces. I am glad to think that my eldest son will to-day become the Provincial Grand Master of Berks, and that for Bucks a well-worthy Grand Master will be found in my noble friend and brother, Lord Carrington, who has just returned to England, having been Governor of New South Wales for five years, and where he was Grand Master. One of the first Masonic ceremonies I took part in was 20 years ago, when I laid the foundation-stone of the Grammar School of Reading in the presence of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and I need hardly say that it is of still greater interest to me to now install my own son as Provincial Grand Master of this province.

The Acting Inner Guard then announced that His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence and Avondale, K.G., the Grand Master designate of the province, was without, and sought admission, in order that he might be duly installed. The Grand Master directed that he should send in his patent. Bro. T. Fenn, acting as Grand Director of Ceremonies in the absence of Bro. Sir Albert Woods, then left the lodge, returning almost immediately with the patent, which was examined by the Grand Master, after which an escort of Past Masters was directed to conduct His Royal Highness the Provincial Grand Master designate into the lodge. The young Prince was received with due honours, the patent was read, the Grand Chaplain offered prayer, and then, in clear tones, the Grand Master recited the obligation

of a Provincial Grand Master, which was repeated by the Duke of Clarence in a lower key.

The young Prince then ascended the steps of the dais, when he was duly invested with the apron, chain, and jewel of his office. The Prince of Wales then took him by the hand and placed him in the chair which he himself had previously occupied, taking himself the lower seat on the Duke of Clarence's left hand. The Provincial Grand Master being thus duly installed, was then proclaimed and duly saluted "by seven."

The Duke of Clarence then appointed the Provincial Grand Officers as follows:—

Bro. J. T. Morland, 945	...	...	...	Prov. D.G.M.
" S. G. Kirchhoffer, 1899	...	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" J. T. Dodd, 414	...	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" Rev. Canon Garry, 414	...	...	...	} Prov. G. Chaps.
" Rev. A. A. N. Deacon, 1887	...	...	...
" C. Stephens, 414	...	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" W. Butcher, 2228	...	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" J. W. Martin, 414	...	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" S. Knight, 574	...	...	...	Prov. S.G.D.
" G. Saxby, 945	...	...	...	Prov. J.G.D.
" C. B. Tubbs, 2043	...	...	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
" W. Hickie, 1101	...	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" W. G. Nottage, 771	...	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" G. Milward, 1770	...	...	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" John Greenfield, 795	...	...	...	} Prov. G. Std. Brs.
" A. C. Hewett, 1566	...	...	...
" G. H. Stubington, 2043	...	...	...	Prov. Asst. G. Sec.
" W. Sevenoaks, 209	...	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" R. D. Wilder, 1887	...	...	...	Prov. A. G. Purst.
" R. L. Reed, 2043	...	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" B. W. Bennett, 2043	...	...	...	} Prov. G. Stwds.
" R. J. Ball, 209	...	...	...
" C. D. Adkin, 945	...	...	...
" Major E. A. Ball, 1899	...	...	...
" Charles Dearing, 795	...	...	...
" J. T. Champion, 1887	...	...	...	} Prov. G. Tyler.
" W. Hemmings, 1110	...	...	...

Subsequently the newly-installed Provincial Grand Master presided at a banquet, which was given in the Jubilee Hall, lent by Messrs. Sutton & Sons, who had beautifully decorated the building and its approaches with palms, ferns, cyclamens, primulas, tulips, hyacinths, and a wealth of other flowers which may have caused a momentary forgetfulness of the wintry weather prevailing outside. After the luncheon,

The Duke of Clarence and Avondale gave the toast of "The Queen and the Craft," which was enthusiastically received.

The Duke of Connaught, on rising to propose the next toast, was loudly cheered. He said: I have been asked to propose a toast which I am sure will meet with a very warm reception from all brethren here present. It is "The Health of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales." (Cheers.) Brethren, I am sure that I shall only be expressing the opinion of all of us when I assure His Royal Highness that we appreciate most highly his coming amongst us on this interesting occasion. (Cheers.) We are well aware of the many and onerous duties that are required of him; therefore, we all the more appreciate it when he comes amongst us as he has done to-day. It has been an occasion of great interest to us all, and especially to myself, as representing another province, and also a distant district in the empire—I refer to Bombay. (Hear, hear.) It has been an especial pleasure to me to have been present to see His Royal Highness install my nephew, the Duke of Clarence and Avondale. I am sure that our Grand Master has made a most excellent choice in the appointment which he has just made. (Hear, hear.) His first object, as you know, is to promote the interests of the Craft. We have seen the great development of Freemasonry since His Royal Highness has been at our head, and we thank him most warmly for the admirable manner in which he conducts everything for the good of the Craft. (Cheers.) I hope he will allow me on this, the first public function I have been present at since the high honour was conferred upon me of giving me the rank of Past Grand Master of England, to say that it is an honour that I appreciate most highly, and that I thank him for having given me a distinction

which has only been given on rare occasions in the annals of Freemasonry. Brethren, I ask you without further preface to join with me most warmly in drinking "The Health of His Royal Highness our Grand Master." (Cheers.)

The Prince of Wales, in response, said: I must apologise if I cannot raise my voice, but I am suffering, as I daresay many of you are in this inclement weather, from a rather severe cold. At the same time, allow me to respond most cordially for the very kind way in which you have all received my health, and I am very much touched by the flattering terms in which my brother has proposed it. I have not forgotten that four years ago I installed him at Brighton as Provincial Grand Master of Sussex. That was in the summer, and I remember we had remarkably fine warm weather on that occasion; now, four years later, I have had the pleasure of installing my son—(cheers)—amidst snow and frost. Although the weather outside has been inclement, all I can say is, that my reception and his have been most warm—(cheers)—and we also, thanks to the kindness of Messrs. Sutton, have this spacious room for our banquet. Though we are here as Masons, and not, as is generally the case here, as seed—(laughter)—still I hope that the good seed sown here to-day will take root—and that, as Freemasonry is increasing and flourishing throughout the Kingdom, I have little doubt that in this Province of Berkshire it will equally flourish and increase. I thank you very much for your kind reception of me, and I assure you of the pleasure it has given me to take part in to-day's ceremony, and you know well enough that whenever time permits I am always ready to come forward in the interests of Masonry. (Cheers.) Before I sit down I have to give "The Health of the Junior Provincial Grand Master." He is naturally still young and inexperienced in Masonry, but I feel sure he will do his utmost in carrying out the duties which have been thrown upon him to-day. I ask you all to drink most cordially to his good health, with which I beg to couple "Prosperity to this Province." (Cheers.)

The Duke of Clarence and Avondale, after returning thanks for the manner in which the toast had been proposed and received, said: I assure you I consider it a very great honour indeed that has been conferred upon me to-day—an honour I shall ever remember as long as I am connected with Freemasonry, which I hope will be for many years to come. I can assure you that I will ever endeavour to discharge, to the best of my ability, the duties imposed upon me now in this province which I represent, and I feel sure that I can have no better Deputy than the brother opposite, Bro. J. T. Morland. His Royal Highness then proposed "The Health of the Grand Officers," coupled with the name of Lord Alcester, G.S.W.; at the same time, in the name of the brethren of the province, welcoming back from Australia Lord Carrington, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales.

Lord Alcester, in the absence of the Earl of Lathom, responded on behalf of the Grand Officers, and

Lord Carrington, in response to loud calls, expressed the fraternal and affectionate greeting of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales to the Province of Berkshire, and its congratulations upon the honour conferred upon the province by the selection of the illustrious Prince who had that day been appointed to rule over its destinies. Those greetings, he observed, were none the less sincere, coming from 14,000 Masons who constituted 180 lodges, because they came from an independent Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge of England had wisely given to the Grand Lodge of New South Wales independent government; but there was not a single Mason in New South Wales who signed the charter who would not sooner have cut off his hand had he thought it would in any way weaken his connection with the great old country from which they all sprang. (Loud cheers.) He spoke for every Mason and for every Australian when he said, in the presence of the illustrious Prince who would some day reign over England, that his Royal Highness would have no more loyal or dutiful subjects than those who lived in the sunny land of Australia. (Cheers.) The English Government had wisely given self-government to the different Colonies, and worthily they deserved that trust. In like manner self-government had been given to their Masonic bodies. They were thus bound together, and he predicted that, so long as the sun continued to rise upon the earth, so long would the great English-speaking Federation, which was already three times as big as Europe, and which three times exceeded the United States of North America in bulk, revenue, and population, under Queen Victoria and her successors, remain one—loyal, undivided, and invincible for all time. (Loud cheers.)

This concluded the proceedings, and the Royal party left by special train for London shortly after 3 o'clock.

The Grand Officers of the year present were:

Bros. the Earl of Lathom, D.G.M.; Lord Alcester, S.G.W.; Lord A. Churchill, J.G.W.; Rev. Dr. Currie, G. Chap.; Shadwell H. Clerke,

G.S.; T. Fenn, P.B.G.P., acting G.D. of C.; Augustus Harris, G. Treas.; Robt. Grey, P.B.B.; Sir George Harris, R. Loveland-Loveland, and W. F. Smithson, G.D.'s; W. G. Lemon, A.G.D. of C.; T. B. Whythead, G.S.B.; R. J. Emmerson, and R. C. Sudlow, G. Std. Br.; A. A. Pendelbury, A. G. Sec.; D. D. Mercer, G. Purst.; S. Vallentine, A.G. Purst.; and H. Sadler, G. Tyler.

Amongst the other Grand Officers who occupied seats on the dais and in the body of the room were:

Bros. the Duke of Connaught, P.G.M.; Lord Carrington, P.S.G.W.; General Laurie, G.M. Nova Scotia; the Earl of Euston, Prov. G.M. Norths and Hunts; Colonel Foster Gough, Prov. G.M. Staffordshire; W. W. B. Beach, M.P., P.G.M. Hants and Isle of Wight; H. D. Sandeman, P.D.G.M. Bengal; Rev. C. J. Martyn, P.G.C.; E. Terry, H. B. Marshall, and R. Eve, P.G. Treas.'s.; Colonel R. W. Edis, P.G.S. of W.; Frank Richardson, P.G.D.; Peter de Lande Long, P.G.D.; E. Montennis, P.G.S.B.; C. F. Hogard, P.G. Std. Br.; F. H. Goldney, P.G.D.; Baron de Ferrieres, P.G.D.; V. P. Freeman, P.G.D.; Charles Belton, P.A.G.D. of C.; James Terry, P.G.S.B.; W. Hopekirk, P.G. Purst.; E. M. Money, G. Stwd.; and others.

The Mayor and many members of the Corporation who, not being members of the Masonic Craft, were not able to attend the banquet, were entertained privately, with over 100 other guests, at luncheon by Messrs. Sutton. Mr. Martin Sutton, the head of the firm, was specially thanked by the Prince of Wales for the excellence of the arrangements made.

Round and About.

One event in the Craft eclipses all else this month—the Installation of H.R.H. the Duke of Clarence, Provincial Grand Master of Berkshire, which took place at Reading on Monday, the 15th inst. Has it not been chronicled in the chronicles of the Egyptians, and of the Assyrians, and among the people round about the cities of Judea, that such sights were seen as were never seen before? All the forces of the holy ones were there. There was the Grand Master looking in fine form, doing his work in fine form and in fine style. There was the Duke of Connaught—his first public appearance since his return from India—drawing forth the biggest round of cheering during the day. There was, likewise, Lord Carrington hot from the Masonry of New South Wales, bringing Australia's greetings with him. There was the "Colonel" in fine fighting costume and up to concert pitch, and there were the most brilliant gems of Freemasonry, with all their honours (and all their jewels) thick upon them.

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* * * Bishop and abbot, and prior were there;
Many a monk, and many a friar,
Many a knight, and many a squire,
With a good many more of lesser degree,—
In sooth, a goodly company;
And they served the Lord Primate on bended knee.
Never, I ween,
Was a prouder scene,
Read of in books, or dreamt of in dreams,
Than the Cardinal Lord Archbishop of Rheims!

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Nothing was cut to waste, time or the ceremony. Messrs. Sutton lent their large hall for the luncheon, and were amply repaid by the seed joke of the Prince, which all the little Suttons will hand down from generation to generation with

the family plate. The luncheon was gobbled up, the speeches rattled through in a fashion which should put to the blush the windy foolery of ordinary lodge banquet orations; and the Royals returned to town with most of the P.G.M's. and the luxurious grand officers at an early hour. Heigh Presto! and our future King and Grand Master is now the head of the royal province of Berkshire. Being of that province bred and born, my humble congratulations lay at the feet of His Royal Highness.

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The timely ending of the celebrated Old Bailey libel case gives me an opportunity of offering just one comment upon it. I have been anxiously waiting Mr. Marks' initiation into the Craft to make him at once an "eminent Mason at home"; because there are materials in his career and in his house for a highly entertaining and instructive article. Whether he will seek admission into Masonry now may be doubtful; but I should think there is no doubt that he has a deal of sympathy from every fair-minded man who knows anything of life. Never before has any case been fought with such weapons as Mr. Gill used to stab his victim; but there are evident signs that that counsel's conduct, in the treatment of his case, will just about put an end to his impudent ambitions now and for all time.

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As to the Koppell story, what does it amount to? The lust of a grown woman for a mere boy—three-and-twenty years of age. Nothing more, nothing less. Yes, there is something less, for the story is eleven years old, forsooth! and the retribution—if such it is—comes not from an injured woman—a woman, mind you, who seduces this boy within a fortnight of her husband's death—but from a man stung to the quick by an action of the *Financial News*, cutting up into shreds a huge and questionable financial scheme he was about to plunge upon the investing public.

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What is there in this Koppell story that is "for the public good"? Perhaps the twelve "good men and true" should have enlightened us. But I wonder how many among them could look back upon their past without the memory of such a boyish or a manish intrigue flitting across the lens? Of course it is a positive cruelty to lock a dozen men in a box for ten days, dragging them from their business, without giving them a farthing of recompense; but that is no fault of a prosecutor. And what are the odds that if each of these men had received a guinea a day they would not have willingly sat till Doomsday and have brought in an entirely different verdict? It all comes down to the common ground of potatoes *versus* principles. Twelve individuals disgusted with their task, wearied to death with the bewildering efforts of a counsel who, having a grand opportunity of winning spurs in a race against the crack horse and jockey of the day, fouls and bores and gets his animal home by hook or by crook; influenced by the cheers of a packed court, and allowing their own unexpansive intellects to be guided by the rantings of a lawyer fighting not for justice, or justice to his client, but for his own advancement in a profession which has now no longer a code of honour and decency to guide it, gives a verdict dead against the summing up of the Judge, and hands a

warrior over to the dogs, who would tear him to pieces if their teeth were strong enough. This is the Marks *versus* Butterfield case in plain language, and a greater injustice was never done to any man in a court of law, as was done to the prosecutor in this.

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Bro. Robert Grey, though not particularly ambitious, has been fortunate in his Masonic career since he was initiated in the St. Andrew's Lodge (222), the Chair of which he eventually occupied. Mr. Grey carried the Ionic light when the Earl of Zetland, Past Grand Master, laid the foundation stone of Freemasons' Hall, in Great Queen Street. Twenty-six years ago he was admitted a member of the Prince of Wales's Lodge, and was made a Grand Steward in '65. Then comes a period of steady work, and in 1874 Robert Grey was appointed, by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, the first Deputy Master of the Prince of Wales's Lodge, of which he is the permanent W.M. In the same



year Robert Grey assisted in the initiation of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, and he himself raised H.R.H. to the second degree, and in April, 1875, passed him to the third; on which occasion the ceremony and its working so impressed the Duke that, although he had been compelled to request the Lodge to meet at an earlier hour than usual, to enable him to attend some State function elsewhere, H.R.H. determined, at the last moment, to stay out the Lodge, so that he might witness the ceremony of initiation on some fortunate apprentice performed by the Deputy Master. Mr. Grey is Past Junior Grand Deacon of England, is President of the Board of Benevolence—to which he was elected four years since—Treasurer of the Prince of Wales's Lodge, Vice-Patron of the Boys' and Benevolent Institutions, a Patron and Governor of the Girls' Institution, Chairman of the House Committee, and is a member of the Board of General Purposes. Robert Grey is also a Mark and Royal Arch Mason, and, as an old boy of Merchant Taylors', is one of the founders of the Thomas White Lodge (1820), which is sacred to old scholars of that school. Mr. Robert Grey lives in Russell Square, and can boast of a splendid collection of bronzes, of which he is a *connoisseur*. Being a "waterman," he is a member of the Thames Conservancy, and is on the General Board of the Foundling Hospital, an institution to which he devotes most of his spare time.

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It will be news to many that Bro. J. C. Parkinson, who appears in our supplementary plate as a "Mason of the Year,"

has joined his lifelong friend, the Provincial Senior Grand Warden of Middlesex, in the management of *The World* newspaper. Though a smart writer, J. C. Parkinson must not be mentioned in the same breath with Edmund Yates if it is a question of pure composition, but there is one great faculty which J. C. Parkinson possesses over E. Yates, and that is the faculty of answering a letter. It is a curious instance of the different views birds of a feather sometimes express, that while Joseph Parkinson was writing a very clear paper upon the benefits of tricycling, Atlas was ventilating his wrath in an article which he very tersely entitled "Cads on Castors." However, it is a consolation to the Craft that Edmund Yates and Joseph Parkinson are brilliant members of it.

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Mr. W. Clarkson, the busy *costumier* of Wellington Street, has achieved many successes in the art of transmogrifying living individuals into the beauteous nonentities or celebrities of a bygone age. Why the royal murderer of his unfortunate wives should have been seized upon by a fancy dressed clown as a pattern for his clowning cannot, perhaps, be explained; and why I, of all men else, should be dragged to the bucolic latitudes of Sydenham at ten o'clock at night, in a stuffy four-wheeled cab, decked—I decked, not the cab—in gorgeous robes, with a sword safely stowed away under the seat; puffed out, not with vanity, but with padding and sawdust bags, is for others to guess, but I should never have believed the little putty-faced rascal who has the misfortune to edit these columns could so near approach to the stateliness of a king as I did that night. My best friend and my worst enemy, could I have met them, would never have known me, thanks to the really wonderful art of friend Clarkson.

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But what an awakening there was the following morning! No liveried flunkies, no lords of the bedchamber, no satin sheets or laced pillow-cases, no butterflies' brains on toast, or strains of sweet music to arouse me from my slumbers; nothing but the solid housekeeper thundering at my chamber door and asking whether my breakfast should consist of unsophisticated eggs and bacon, or, for a change, bacon and eggs. I had slept myself down in the course of a couple of hours from a gorgeous monarch to a common-place nonentity, and all that was left of my regal state was a little heap of apparel, a pair of buckled shoes, and a sword whose deadliest record was tearing a hole in King Henry VIII.'s stockings. Oh! how wretched is that man that hangs on princes' favours. There is betwixt the smile we do aspire to, the sweet aspect of princes and their ruin, more pangs and fears than war or women have. And when they fall, they fall like Lucifer, never to rise again. I have forsworn ere this many of the modern luxuries of existence. My first and last fancy dress ball is past, and I never intend to raise a stone to its memory.

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Thirteen years ago, when the *Freemasons' Chronicle* ran its series of Masonic Portraits, which eventually died out after a short career, for lack of interest and appreciation, Bro. Magnus Ohren, who for 35 years has been the secretary of the Crystal Palace District Gas Company, was portrayed as "a shining light." Magnus Ohren comes of a good old Swedish

family; his great grandfather, a ship owner, married an English lady, settled in this country, and became naturalised; his grandfather held an appointment under the Crown—as Surveyor of Sloops.

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His father was a wharfinger, Durand's Wharf, Rotherhithe, Surrey; his mother was the daughter of the Rev. John Ovington, Baptist Minister, of Clapham Common. He was



born on the 8th of December, 1821, at his father's residence, adjoining the wharf, and is, therefore a Surrey man—an Englishman by birth, as in sentiment and disposition. He was, in October, 1837, articled to Geddie Pearse, Esq., Engineer in Chief to the British Gas Light Company, which, at that time, had gas works in London as well as in the provinces. Under the able tuition of his distinguished teacher, our brother mastered the difficulties of his arduous calling, and in due time was admitted to the ranks of the profession. Since the termination of the period of his novitiate he has been closely and continuously connected with gas lighting enterprise.

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From the year 1846 to 1850 he was engaged in the task of lighting the city of Hamburg; was afterwards connected with the Commercial Gas Company, London, and in 1855 was appointed Secretary and Resident Engineer of the Crystal Palace District Gas Company; this Company having made very rapid growth, the two offices were in 1865 separated, and he now holds the former post alone. In the year 1856 he was admitted an Associate Member of the "Institution of Civil Engineers." Is a member and one of the founders of the "Society of Engineers"; is Past President of the "Gas Institute"; a Fellow of the "Chemical Society"; a Fellow, and one of the Founders, of the "Sanitary Institute." He is a member, and on the Council, of the "Aeronautical Society of Great Britain"; and is, like many of the members of his profession, connected with other learned societies.

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His Masonic career commenced in 1861, when he was initiated in the Britannic Lodge (33), and became W.M. in 1872, and such is the interest he has always taken in his mother Lodge that a large number of its members are his personal friends, and were introduced by him into our Order, including the W. Bro. James Glaisher, F.R.S., now a Past Grand Officer of England. He is likewise a P.Z. of the Britannic Chapter. He was installed W.M. of the

Frederick Lodge of Unity (452), in the Province of Surrey, in 1870, and has rendered it and the Chapter, of which he is P.Z. and Treasurer, important services. This Lodge was constituted in May, 1838, and had but few subscribing members when he joined in 1867; in 1877 it numbered 51 subscribing members; in 1871 the members presented him with a valuable jewel, as a token of their high esteem, and of his valuable past services to the Lodge. The jewel was the first ever given by the Lodge, and it now shines on his breast amid other brilliant decorations which he has won by steady application to Masonic duties.

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He is a P.P.G. Jr. Warden of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and a Past J. of the Provincial Grand Chapter of the Province in which he was born—Surrey. He is a Founder, and is P.M. and Secretary of the Ravensbourne Lodge, 1601, held at Catford, in the Parish of Lewisham, and County of London; the founders being chiefly members and officers of the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, he being the auditor of the Parish Accounts. He is also P.Z. and Scribe E. of the Ravensbourne Chapter (1601). He identified himself, as a Founder, with the Evening Star Lodge, 1719 (a Class Lodge for Brethren connected with Gas Companies); he was the first Secretary, and is now Past Master and Secretary of the Lodge, having worked through the Chair. This Lodge was consecrated in August, 1877; in 1884 it numbered 43 members, and with his aid and guidance it has proved to be as flourishing as any of those upon which he has expended his energies. He is a Life Governor of, and has twice served Stewardships for all the Charities, to whose welfare he is devoted, and considers no portion of his spare time better employed than that which he gives to aid in their growing prosperity.

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Of other Masonic Degrees, Magnus Ohren is a P.M.M. of the Bon Accord Lodge of Mark Masters, and is Treasurer of that Lodge, and is a Past "Grand Master Overseer" of the Grand Lodge of M.M.M. He is a Past Commander of the "Stuart Encampment" of Knights Templar, and was a Founder and is Treasurer of the "Shadwell Clerke" Preceptory of Knights Templar, and is a Past Grand Officer of the Great Priory of Knights Templar, a Past M.W. Sovereign of the Invicta Chapter of Sovereign Princes of the Rose Croix, and is a member of the 32°. He is also a Past Grand Officer (Grand Visitor) and member of the Grand Council of the Order of the "Secret Monitor," for England, and a Past Grand Assistant Director of Ceremonies of England. In addition to his labours in the cause of Masonry and of Masonic benevolence, he is an active friend of the local charities of the district in which he resides, and a subscriber to many other charities.

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In the outer world Magnus Ohren is greatly respected as a sincere and straightforward man; and in the Craft his word is his bond, from which he never swerves. In social life he is a cheerful companion, and dispenses a large-hearted hospitality, both at home and to the brethren. He is fond of music, possesses a fine voice, and can still sing a good song in the style of an accomplished amateur.

It was not long ago that the whole of the English Craft had to offer their sympathies to Bro. Brackstone Baker, but it is pleasant to be able to glance through the career of a man who has made the beliefs of Freemasonry the basis of his life. Brackstone Baker was born in 1813, and after receiving his education at Charterhouse, and a private school at Southampton, matriculated at London University in 1833, as a student of science and natural philosophy. He adopted civil engineering as his profession, and after a tour in Germany and Russia, spent some years in the South of France whilst occupied in connection with some very big enterprises in the shape of various gas works, canals, and railway undertakings. He subsequently became a member of the Institute of Civil Engineers, and has lived for years in Belgium and Russia during the carrying out of large railway schemes, eventually retiring from his profession in 1881.

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Bro. Baker was initiated into Masonry in Hamilton, Canada West, in August, 1854, in a Lodge under the Irish Jurisdiction. On coming to London he joined the Emulation Lodge (21), English Constitution in June, 1855, of which he was elected W.M. and Grand Steward (it being a Red Apron Lodge) in January, 1862. He was exalted to the Royal Arch degree in February, 1857, in the Royal York Chapter (7), but shortly afterwards joined the Chapter of Fidelity (3), of which he became First Principal in January, 1865, being still an honorary member. In November, 1859, Brackstone Baker became a Knight Templar in the Faith and Fidelity Encampment, and was appointed First Grand Standard Bearer in May, 1860. He was raised to the 18° Rose Croix in July, 1860, and in the same year became a Mark Mason in the Old Thistle Lodge. He has served as Steward at the festivals of the Institutions, and is a Life Governor of all three. He was also a Steward at the foundation ceremony in 1864, and the inauguration in 1869, of Freemasons' Hall. Bro. Brackstone Baker was appointed Grand Junior Deacon by Lord Zetland in 1869. He served a year on the Board of General Purposes, and in 1862 was elected a member of the Colonial Board, and up to date has continued his membership, with the exception of the year 1864, when he was rendering his assistance to the Craft in Quebec. For these services the Grand Lodge of Canada conferred on Bro. Brackstone Baker the rank of a Past Grand Senior Warden in 1868. Since then the Canadian Craft have divided into two Masonic Jurisdictions, for the Province of Quebec and the Province of Ontario.

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Bro. Brackstone Baker, with the sanction of our M.W.G.M., has been successively appointed to the dignity of representative at the G.L. of England of the following United States and Dominion of Canada Grand Lodges—viz., Missouri, Tennessee, Alabama, Oregon, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Arkansas, Rhode Island, Nebraska, New York, Washington, Indiana, Iowa, New Jersey, Maryland, South Carolina, Texas, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ohio, Florida. It was, therefore, appropriate that Bro. Brackstone Baker should have been one of the Founders and the first W.M. of the Anglo-American Lodge (2191) established in London in 1886, and Bro. Baker is never happier than when welcoming American visitors at the meetings of the Lodge.

Bro. John Chapman, of the Lawn, Torquay, is the chairman of a grand Masonic Ball, which will be held in the Bath Saloon, Torquay, on January 28th, in aid of the Devon Masonic Charities. Whatever John Chapman does he does so thoroughly well that there is nothing surprising in a dozen dukes, marquises, earls, viscounts, and baronets having already signified their patronage and support.

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The dying year remembrance brings,
 But tinged with sadness—
 Of past resolves, undone
 In hours of madness.
 Of thoughts, words, deeds, whose mem'ry
 Fraught with sorrow,
 Leaves us but Hope alone, to
 Light the morrow.
 The coming year a message brings
 To us of gladness ;
 For Hope, undimmed, divine, hath
 Changed our sadness.

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Ring down the curtain on the Old Year, put out the lights, and cover up the tapestries from dust ; lock up the instruments that have given us music for the past twelve months, and leave everything for the solitary watchman and his friend, the solitary cat. What has happened to us since last we rang the tableau curtain down? Nothing, absolutely nothing, but another milestone left on the road to eternity behind us. We made the same resolves last year as we did the year before. We make them again now, as we shall in years to come, if we live so long. Our little sorrows and our little joys, our petty worries and delights, have left us the same worthless transparent creatures that we were a year ago. Nothing better, perhaps nothing worse. Let us fill the cup that inebriates and maddens if it will drown the memory of past foolishness and follies, and ease us for one moment from that conscience that makes cowards of us all.

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Across the walnuts and the wine round which we gather as of yore we may clasp hands in friendship which might momentarily have been severed. We can wash all enmity away with a glass of sack and struggle through the same old strain of "Auld Lang Syne," even if tears of sorrow dim our eyesight for awhile. To all ye, my poor and distressed brothers, scattered wherever you may be over the face of the globe, I wish you a speedy return to your native land and a happy issue out of all your afflictions.

THE DRUID.

Brothers.

A Serial Story, by HERBERT O'GRADY, Author of "The Dying World," &c.

CHAPTER I.

THE suns of summer and the snows of winter had shone for many a long, long year on the crumbling walls of Newlyn Abbey. The great chancel arch stood up still like a gateway into heaven, with moss and lichen-covered masonry, capped over all with last century's ivy, which had struggled up the piers of the nave and wormed itself along the niched clerestory, until it had covered all things with its dark green overall. Wood-pigeons found hiding-places

when stress of weather drove them in from the bleak woods around ; and all the bird creation had some time or other reared its offspring in the mortarless crevices of the masonry. Veneration for the historical ruins died with the last generation, ever since Mr. Blunderbuss had retired from his pork-butcher business in Smithfield, and had come down into the Manor House of Newlyn to teach the Newlynites that a gentleman of his rank and weight of metal knew as much about manorial rights as they did. Mr. Blunderbuss had closed the ruins and his friendship with the townpeople on the same day, and when he died, in the odour of sanctity, not a solitary blind in all Newlyn was drawn as a mark of respect. The ruins were no longer closed, but grass had grown in the aisles and round the sanctuary walls, and sheep came bleating from the roofless chapter-house ; and all was peacefulness and repose, ruin and desolation. The Vicar of St. Mary's came no longer with tourists to tell them the history of the place, no one passed but the sheep-boy who tended his flocks, and the native lovers who had made a meeting-place of the crumbling font in the south transept.

The snow was deep over everything this winter afternoon. Footprints along the winding path led up from the village to the Abbey, until a fairly beaten track had been made by the men who came to tend the ewes and their young. The shepherds had attended to their sheep and had gone back home, and the day was fading away on no living human being within sight. What could bring Mary Finch—if it was Mary Finch—up to the ruins a day like this? Closely wrapped from the biting wind which whisked freezing along round the corpses where the footpath tended, walking briskly over the crunching snow and looking once or twice behind her, came Mary ; for surely it was her, and with eager footsteps, too, if footsteps can speak. Mary was Bob Finch's only daughter, and Bob Finch was the local postman and florist, newsmonger, and general retailer of information on all subjects from poetry to pig-sticking. But Bob was honest and a good fellow, and wasn't he just proud of his girl Mary ! On she came through the breach in the north aisle wall, crossed the nave, over her feet in snow, down by the south wall into the south transept, and there she stopped at the font, as if she had expected to find someone waiting. And the someone came soon.

"You have kept your word, little one !"

"In coming here ? Yes !"

"And you must promise me something more, and keep your word again, Mary."

"Hasn't he come back ?"

"No."

"Nor written ?"

"No."

"And you still have no idea where he is ?"

"No."

"Then what am I to do, Mr. John ?"

"This, Mary !" and the man leaned his gun against the wall of the ruined minster, and took her cold, trembling hands between his and spoke with a husky firmness there was no mistaking. "You must walk over to Frampton Station instead of going up to the Hall to-morrow morning. You leave home at eight, plenty of time to reach the station—if no more snow falls—before ten. Marney, my man, will meet you somewhere along the road and give you a ticket for London. Get into the first third class carriage

nearest the engine, and I will join you at Whitton Wood' and go on to London with you."

"What for, Mr. John?" with eagerness and amazement.

"To prevent a scandal, my poor girl. To save the honour of our house, to save you, to save your poor father and mine.—I am going to marry you, Mary!" and never were words of such serious import said with more meaning than those were said to her.

"Mr. John!" and what with wonderment and misunderstanding Mary could positively say nothing.

"Don't ask any questions, little one. There is no time, and this is no place for them. You promised, when you confided your story to me, a month ago, to abide by my advice; you were to let me guide you in all you did, you were to believe in me implicitly, you were to do just as I wished you to. If you sacrifice anything in a marriage with me, how much do you think, Mary, I sacrifice in marrying you? If you know what sentiment is, withdraw it altogether from the case, and let a sensible man of the world and an innocent little woman like you, Mary," and he smiled at her encouragingly, "look upon the whole thing from the point of necessity. You will be there, Mary?"

Mary said "Yes," and so it was settled.

We do not want to inquire too much into this meeting in Newlyn Abbey. Here was a man! of strength and purpose making an honourable alliance with a weak woman—to be correct, let us say girl—who was completely subjected to his stronger will. And, presently, when it was almost dark—quite dark, in fact, but for the snow-clad ground—Mary and her companion parted company, for their roads divided.

There was no sleep this night for Mary Finch, and her eyes were heavy, perhaps with tears, when she came down stairs the following morning. Her father had long since been out on his round, and would not see her again until she returned from the Hall late in the afternoon. But she was not returning to her poor old father, or to her home, again. No heart had Mary for breakfast. She was alone in the cottage; and she came downstairs dressed for her journey. She left a little note, which she had scribbled in her bedroom, leaning up against the clock on the mantel-piece, and she pulled the front door after her, without one glance back into the sweet little parlour, where she had been so happy and comfortable for as long as she could remember. Not even a tremor of the little fingers as they pressed upon the latch for the last time. And yet Mary Finch had sinned, and her heart was broken.

The village postman returned from his round later than usual. His feet were weary with ploughing through the snow. His hands were numbed; his eyes were almost blinded, and there was no light at home to cheer, or fire to comfort him.

"Mary will stay at the Hall, to-night, puss," said poor old Bob to "Tim," the cat. Then he lit the lamp and the fire, and boiled water for his tea, and laid the cloth, and enjoyed his meal. And then it was time for the evening smoke. So from the shelf Bob took his jar and his pipe, and the letter which Mary had left for him.

"Good little woman," he thought, "to let me know she was staying at the Hall," but poor foolish Bob never inquired of himself how the letter could get on the mantel-piece if Mary had sent it by one of the men-servants. So he lit his pipe and blew several clouds up to the ceiling before he attempted to read the letter. It was brief, and to

the manner of such letters which loving daughters write to loving parents when shame drags them from their nests of peace and happiness into the great yawning abyss which swallows up so many of our country maidens. There were no regrets or evidence of sorrow, nothing but plain facts from a poor girl whose heart was rent with shame too great for words.

"DEAR FATHER,—I am going on a long journey. I shall come back to you before a great while, because I want to tell you so much which I could not tell you now. Lucy will do for you until I return, and I shall pray to God every night of my life that when I do come back to you you will love me just as you love me now.—Good bye, dear father. From your affectionate daughter, "MARY."

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The snow flakes fell from the leaden clouds thicker and thicker as the night wore on. They covered the palace of the peer and the palace of the peasant. To some came joys, to some came sorrows; and when the night had passed and the light of another day revealed more clear the snow flakes still falling, it revealed poor Bob Finch upon his knees by the bedside, with Mary's letter tightly clasped between his hands.

The local postman of Newlyn started on his delivery as usual, his heart and his back being heavily loaded.

CHAPTER II.

"I LIKE your article, Mr. Cumberland," said the chief Editor of the *Daily Telephone*, to a youngster who sat without the slightest trepidation in the presence of the great man, "your knowledge of life must be very extensive, much more than your years."

"No, sir! I think not: my acquaintance with what you may consider life extends over a period of about three weeks. I am a Cambridge man with a couple of Firsts to my credit, and the Latin Scholar of my year, but beyond that I presume but little."

"How, then, do you come to be in want of such work as I can offer you?" and the Editor seemed curious.

"That, sir, is *my* business," and Mr. John Cumberland rose, prepared to put an end to the interview if required to do so. "I heard, just in the nick of time, of your requirement, and was offered a letter of introduction to you from a person of high position in the political world, but I refused that letter because it is necessary I should earn my living on my own footing; a salary of three pounds a-week is very poor, but not too poor for me, and if you are satisfied, I have no objection to make to anything you wish."

The Editor took his glasses from his nose, and played with them meaningly, as he glanced across the table to this very independent gentleman seated opposite him. The Editor was clearly getting interested.

"My dear young friend," he said presently, and very slowly, "I don't know that I have given any young man so much valuable time as I am giving you now, but you have admitted your ignorance of the world, which surprises me as much as you do yourself. You are right; you are ignorant of it, or you would fear lest your independent manner should leave you miles behind the thousands of educated fellows who would grasp the present post with alacrity. But that post, Mr. Cumberland, is yours," and touching a bell to bring an assistant to his room, "if you will please place

yourselves under the tuition of Mr. Grimley, he will instruct you as to your duties. Good morning."

And the editor of the *Daily Telephone* actually shook hands with Mr. John Cumberland.

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Everything about "The Hut" at Hampton was bold. It was a pretty little place at the back of the Priory, immediately opposite Tagg's Island boathouse, half-a-mile round by the road from the bridge; and the "hardy annuals" creeping round the bay window and over the porch up the front of the cottage, never pretended to hide the name of the place, or that of its occupant, which was boldly blazoned on a brass plate under the knocker of the front door.

MR. JOHN CUMBERLAND.

was the name on the plate, and evidently Mr. John Cumberland was not ashamed of it.

It was seven o'clock, and the inhabitants of "The Hut" were boldly taking dinner. The parlour was small and neatly furnished, and round the little table decked with china, which certainly had not been purchased from Oslers' but for all that serviceable and clean, sat Jack Cumberland, his wife, and an intellectual person who was called Mrs. Naylor. The food was plain, and plainly served, but plain food always allows more attention being given to the jovial conversation of a jovial table, and there certainly was no lack of jovial conversation there. Of course, Jack was the spirit of the party; with consummate skill he kept the chatter wavering round the ordinary comprehensible subjects of every-day life, and seemed now and again to prompt his wife with a leading question which always brought a smart and clever answer. Jack had worked his tuition so cleverly, that his pupil never once detected his design. But Mrs. Naylor had. She had lived with the Cumberlands for nearly five years. She came as a constant companion to a lady whose education had been neglected through illness. She was engaged by Mr. Cumberland at a salary of £30 a year; first of all to mind her own business, then the business of her mistress, and lastly the instructions of her master.

Three months had not elapsed before John Cumberland had read every atom of Mrs. Naylor's character. He read her as a shrewd and clever woman, with a great sorrow nestling at her heart, but a sorrow he never wished to desecrate. So one day, when the wife was out of the house, he took Mrs. Naylor into his confidence, and explained just so much as he thought was necessary. And when his wife returned that afternoon she found that a copy of a certain marriage certificate had been framed, and was hanging boldly over the desk in Jack's own room. It was a certificate of marriage solemnised at St. Andrew's, Holborn, between John Henry Brodrick Cumberland, bachelor, son of Sir Henry Brodrick Cumberland, Bart., of Apsley Hall, Cheshire, and Mary Finch, spinster, daughter of Robert Finch, letter carrier, of Newlyn, in the same county. And from that moment Mrs. Naylor imagined she detected germs of love and affection between the husband and wife, signs which she thought she had never detected before.

And Mrs. Naylor was right, as she generally was, and what was more, she helped to fan the little flame that was bursting from Mary's heart, and as it increased in brightness and in strength she guarded it and cherished it as if it

were her own, so that in a very short time indeed she became absolutely indispensable in the household of "The Hut."

Mrs. Cumberland, however, was not much like the Mary Finch of five years back. The neatness of the village maiden had ripened into the sweetness of the polished woman. She could discourse—thanks to the clever tuition of Jack—upon other subjects than the making of butter and the rearing of poultry; but for all that there was a reserve of discussion, a strong line as it were drawn across the page forbidding all subjects written beneath it. It seemed to be quite an understood thing between them all that these should never be mentioned, and they never were. The past had buried the past; John Cumberland, Mary Cumberland, and Mrs. Naylor knew no childhood. Their existence had no early days, the little world enclosed within the four walls of the Hampton cottage was created but four years ago, and every one was happy at the forgetfulness of an earlier period. Happy souls, perhaps, to be able to bury their histories; what would not some of us give to start our lives from last year, last month, perhaps last night? How many of us would dig a grave this instant to hide our memories in a soil where worms could eat into it, and carry it away into perfect oblivion. And yet, God knows, there was little in these lives that could not bear the light of day. Mary Finch had sinned, but Mary Cumberland had atoned for it; and who dare say that sin is not forgiven? The little son born to her within a few weeks of her arrival in London was now nearly five years old, and yet he had never been home to "The Hut," since he was taken to reside in a lady's seminary at Eastbourne directly he was old enough to leave his mother.

But the poor little chap had not been neglected. Every month Mrs. Cumberland went down to Eastbourne, sometimes accompanied by Mrs. Naylor, sometimes by her husband. Everybody loved the chubby little fellow, he was such a sweet child, but none loved him so much as Mary. Once when Mrs. Cumberland was down at Eastbourne with her husband—they had gone down in the summer on a Saturday and intended to stay until the Monday morning—Mary fetched the little fellow and took him to the hotel where they were staying. She had never done such a thing before; but when they had mounted the stairs to their own room, and she found Jack, wearied with work into a sound sleep upon the couch, she placed her little boy beside him and wept over them both as if her heart would break. When Jack woke, a chubby little hand was caressing his cheek, and every now and again a pair of sweet little lips would creep up close to his and kiss him, with that tenderness which children alone possess. There was a tear too, in Jack's eyes when he quite realised what was going on, and for the first time in his life he took the little fellow in his arms and kissed him in return, and then little Alfred asked papa what mamma was crying for, and Jack said he didn't know, but he went across to her and soothed her, and told her to make preparations for taking Alfred back home with them. And that night late, when they drove up to their sweet little cottage at Hampton, another of those living memories which laid hidden in the buried past was exhumed by free consent and was ruthlessly destroyed for ever and ever.

And Mary went to rest much happier in her mind than she had been for years.

(To be continued.)