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THE ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

THE year 1890 has opened with somewhat grave surroundings for the youngest of the Masonic Institutions—that one whose especial care is to assist in the maintenance of aged members of the Order, and their widows, and which, at the present time, is expending an annual amount of £14,866 in annuities alone, dispensing its benefits to 180 Aged Masons, at the rate of £40 per annum each, and to 229 Widows, at £30 per annum each, while a few others receive for a limited period moieties of their deceased husband's annuities. This brief summary of what the Institution is doing is practical evidence of the systematic benevolence of the Craft, and it seems almost unjust to say anything having even the semblance of dissatisfaction in connection with it. Yet, like Charles Dickens tells us in connection with *Oliver Twist*, there is a continuous craving for more. It is not enough that the Craft should be paying, through this Institution, large annual grants to upwards of four hundred aged Craftsmen or Widows; there is also an ever-increasing number outside of this, continually asking for similar help, all of whom come forward well recommended and are acknowledged to be fully deserving of assistance, providing it lay in the power of the institution to afford it. But what can the charity do? Its annual income—of a permanent character—is £3,600, and although the Craft has hitherto nobly and generously given sufficient to make this sum up to what is absolutely required to meet current expenditure, there is no means of compelling a continuance of such generosity, or of forcing its augmentation. We see here the great difficulty which the executive of the Institution has to face at the present time, not only is there an immense amount required to meet current expenses—to pay annuities which were promised—but there is likewise an army of some hundred and fifty qualified candidates seeking a participation in the benefits of the Institution, while at the present time there are but eleven vacancies to be divided among them. This enormous excess of candidates over the number of vacancies can hardly be allowed to continue, and yet, how is it to be remedied? The obstacles in the way of a solution of the difficulty appear almost insurmountable, and it is a matter that must receive early and careful consideration at the hands of the Craft. It will never do to allow an indefinite increase in the roll of candidates, with little or no possibility of their being elected. The Craft will only continue to support the Institution so long as it gets a speedy return of benefits for those put forward as worthy to receive them, and although the Institution may continue to expend as much as hitherto in annuities, and help as many of the distressed members of the Craft as it has hitherto been able to assist, it will not appear so prosperous in the eyes of those who are asked to sup-

port it, if it can only relieve some ten per cent. of the applicants, as when it was in a position to take on one-third or even one-half of those who went to the poll. We can hardly hope for any material increase in the number of beneficiaries, and must therefore adopt the other alternative—reduce the number of applicants. The question the Craft has now to consider is, how shall this be accomplished? or by what other means shall an amelioration of existing difficulties be brought about?

It is very certain the Institution cannot do more than expend the money contributed by the Craft, and the sums for which the Charity now stands virtually liable are sufficient to swallow up the whole of the funds subscribed year by year, without speaking of making any adequate provision for the future by laying by a store for the day of adversity, which may come upon this Institution just as likely as upon any other. On the other hand, it is all but futile asking the members of the Craft to so increase their subscriptions as to allow of an extension of the benefits of this Institution; the marvel to us is, not that more is not done, but that it should be possible to continue, year by year, the immense amount of relief that is being afforded by the Charitable Institutions of the Craft. From the figures we published last week it will be seen a total of £48,443 18s 3d was received by the three Institutions during 1889, and the same amount, or more, is actually required for the current year. How is it to be raised? It is idle to suppose it will come in of its own free will and accord, and with all the persuasive powers of our annual Stewards it is a stupendous task to undertake; but if this presents difficulties, how much more so must any proposal to augment the income? Yet there is an ever-increasing craving for more, a craving, too, that must be met in some way or other, in face of the 150 candidates on the list for an election for which there are now but eleven vacancies.

We were very pleased to hear that the Benevolent Institution had secured the services of the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of London as President for its Annual Festival, and this pleasure has been heightened on hearing of the way in which Sir Henry Isaacs approaches the work he has on hand. If ever a chairman made up his mind to "command" success the present is a case in point, and we hope, both for the sake of the distinguished Craftsman who has undertaken the responsibility, as well as for the Institution for which he will plead, that the success he desires will be forthcoming. A glance at our report of the Alliance Lodge, at the meeting of which the Lord Mayor made a strong appeal on behalf of the Benevolent Institution, and even went so far as to arrange a really business-like bargain on its behalf—fully justified, even in Freemasonry, in the cause of Charity—will give an idea of the spirit with which the Lord Mayor approaches the task before him. But he enters the contest heavily handicapped in comparison with many

who have gone before. He may have the Craft of London at his back, but that following lacks the system of organisation which is almost universal in the Provinces, and which secures for a country chairman something special in the way of local enthusiasm. How many Metropolitan Craftsmen will make a special effort on this occasion simply to support the first magistrate of the City of London? and what would be the case if a Provincial dignitary undertook a similar task? The marked difference that may be expected makes one almost hope for the day when the county of London shall enjoy the honour of a regular Provincial Grand Lodge, or series of Provincial Grand Lodges of its own; perhaps such a change would lead to an alteration under this and many other heads. Sir Henry Isaacs must, however, take things as he finds them; there are the hundreds of Metropolitan Lodges which should specially support his Chairmanship, and no doubt they will provide something very handsome towards the total of the year, but we almost despair of their entering into the spirit of the gathering with anything like the enthusiasm that would be shown by our country cousins if their particular chief had undertaken the responsibility now assumed by the Lord Mayor of London, and as a consequence the total of the subscriptions may be expected to suffer, while the powers of the Charity will be correspondingly curtailed—not because the Chairman is less eligible for the position than those who have gone before him, but because the section of the Craft with which he is specially associated is not so well organised and self-helping as elsewhere. We do not know what we can suggest in order to throw a little more local enthusiasm into London Freemasonry, but if the Lord Mayor could see his way to invite a representative of each London Lodge to the Mansion House, there to discuss the matter in its bearing on the particular task he has in hand, we think perhaps some tangible benefit might result, especially bearing in mind the ability of Sir Henry to discuss business matters, and, if need be, push a bargain. We cannot, of course, say that our suggestion will be acted upon, but from what we know of this year's Chairman for the Benevolent Institution we believe it would be at once adopted if it were considered, by those particularly interested, likely to achieve the object in view. Briefly summarising the position, the Institution may be heartily congratulated on the fact of having secured a zealous and able Chairman for the year, one whose every effort will be devoted to securing a grand success, such a success as will, we trust, redound to the credit of the Craft, and place the Institution in a position not only to fully maintain, but perhaps extend its sphere of operations, or make some outside provision for the scores of approved candidates who must be left out after the annual election to take place in May next.

Recurring to the subject of the exceptionally large number of candidates to go to the poll, in comparison with the probable small number of vacancies, we may refer to one or two of the proposals which have been mentioned as a means of overcoming the difficulty. First, there is the proposal to reduce the amount of each existing annuity, so as to allow of a greater number being helped without additional outlay. This is only put forward to be immediately rejected, as wholly opposed to the feeling of the Craft, which has always leaned towards an increase rather than a decrease in the individual grants. Indeed, it is only a comparatively few years since that the annuities were raised to their present amount, and it is quite outside the range of possibility to expect any proposal to reduce them would be supported. No; relief must not be looked for in this direction. Annuities have been granted of £40 per year to Aged Brethren, and £32 per year to Widows; these cannot be reduced—that is to say, cannot so long as the Craft has it in

its power to continue to raise the funds necessary for their sustenance, and we imagine it is not at all likely to propose such a course in order to relieve the existing pressure. Another proposal that has been put forward is, to raise the minimum of age at which candidates shall be allowed to appeal to the Craft. This, doubtless, would be an effectual remedy, although one cannot help the feeling that present arrangements make the benefits come quite late enough in life for those who are forced to seek them. This proposal has, moreover, merits which should secure for it the most careful consideration when it becomes absolutely necessary to make a change in existing arrangements, with a view of checking the tremendous increase in the number of candidates as compared with the accommodation available for their reception. There is yet another suggestion to be considered, and although this can only be properly discussed in association with a proposal to increase the number of existing annuities, it is worthy of consideration at the present time. As we hope the day is not very far distant when an extension will be decided upon, it may be well to see how far it will meet the case before us, and learn how far it falls in with the views of the Craft. The proposal is that any new annuities to be created shall be for half the existing amounts, so as to enable the executive to give something to a larger number of individuals. The "half" annuity system would be similar to the "deferred" system that has been in vogue for some years past. Vacancies on the full list would be filled from those on "half pay," in the order of their election, and all new annuitants would have to take their place in regular sequence at the foot of the list. This method presents a means of relieving the very heavy list of candidates, when the possibility occurs for an extension of the expenditure of the Institution, and, as we have said, it is worthy of consideration, among other proposals, at the proper time.

Meanwhile, there is one tangible and practical method by which the members of the Craft can do much to relieve the difficulties which beset the Benevolent Institution at the present time—by supporting, as far as lies in their power, the Anniversary Festival, to be held on the 26th of next month, when, as we have said, the Lord Mayor of London will preside. The cause for which the appeal is made is a most deserving one, the needs are great, and the field for working almost unbounded. For these reasons we hope that a very large number of additional supporters will come forward, and not only work themselves, but induce others to do the same, so as to ensure for the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution a successful Festival for the present year.

GOSSIP ABOUT FREEMASONRY;

ITS HISTORY AND TRADITIONS.

A Paper read by Bro. S. Vallentine, P.M. and Z. No. 9, to the Brethren of the Albion Lodge of Instruction, 2nd November 1889.

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AT the commencement of the present century a loss irreparable was sustained, by the conflagration, at Dublin, of records and documents belonging to the Irish Grand Lodge; but perhaps a greater misfortune was that which stands thus recorded: "George Payne, Esq.,—he was Grand Master in 1718 and 1720,—desired every brother to bring to Grand Lodge any old writings or records concerning Masons and Masonry, in order to show the usages of ancient times, and this year several old copies of the Gothic Constitutions were produced and collated." This would appear to be a preliminary step to what, strange to say, followed; by it a knowledge was obtained as to who were the possessors of a great, and possibly the greatest, number of Masonic records existent in this country, the result of which would appear to be thus stated: 1720, this

year, at some private Lodges, several very valuable MSS., for they had nothing yet in print concerning the Fraternity, their Lodges, regulations, charges, secrets and usages, —particularly one written by Mr. Stone, the Warden of Inigo Jones,—were too hastily burned by some scrupulous brothers that these papers might not fall into strange hands." The why and the wherefore this dread arose subsequent proceedings cause to be one of the inexplicable mysteries of Freemasonry. You will notice that this act of Vandalism took place in 1720; in 1717, the Masonic art having experienced a temporary neglect, a revival took place, and in that year a Grand Lodge was established in London. In 1718, the locations of Masonic documents were ascertained, and a number of them, and probably others equally valuable, destroyed; but, strange to say, that figuratively before their ashes were scattered by the winds, a Dr. Anderson, a brother of good reputation as a genealogist, received from Grand Lodge the commission, "You are to order and arrange the ancient Gothic Constitutions upon a new and better system." This course Grand Lodge justified, as follows: "Whereas by the confusion occasioned in the Saxon, Danish and Norman wars, the records of Masons have been much vitiated. The Freemasons of England twice thought it necessary to correct their constitutions, charges and regulations; in the reign of King Athelstan the Saxon, and long after, in the reign of Edward the Norman; and whereas the Old Constitutions in England have been much interpolated, neglected and miserably corrupted, not only with false spelling, but even with many false facts and errors in History and Chronology." I cannot but think that it would have been more creditable had the then Grand Lodge made these statements, important as they are in the matter of Masonic history, before the means of proof and comparison had been destroyed. If such documents as are here alluded to were ever in existence, and from this manifesto we must believe they were, what a cruel wrong was done to Masonic posterity by this unjustifiable and miserably ill-advised action. The arrangement for book making, after so much of the material that would have aided the making the book had become unavailable; this destruction of writings, to prevent the possibility of their being read by the uninitiated, and then almost immediately afterwards publishing a book that was certain to become the property of the general public, is a problem I must confess I am unable to solve.

Anderson's work appears to have been completed, to the satisfaction of Grand Lodge, as it issued a mark of its approbation, stating, "All the old records have been retained." (Another unsolved enigma—how could *all* have been retained when so much havoc had been accomplished?) "The errors in History and Chronology corrected," (readers of Dr. Anderson smile not), "the false facts, and the improper words omitted, and the whole digested in a new and better method." How far the production merited these encomiums may be judged from this extract: "Adam, our first parent, created after the image of God, the Great Architect of the Universe, must have had the liberal sciences, particularly geometry, written on his heart. No doubt Adam taught his sons geometry and the use of it in the several arts and crafts convenient, at least for these early times." The learned Doctor has been termed the father of English Masonic History. I have little doubt but that he was the parent of much of it.

A clever satirist, such as Laurence Dermott often proved himself, was hardly likely to let Anderson's work pass without some notice. Accordingly, in the 6th edition of his "Ahiman Rezon" we find him assuming the character of a Masonic historian, and as such writing, "My next step was to furnish myself with pens, ink, and paper. This being done, I immediately fancied myself an historian, and intended to trace Adam to his sylvan abode in Paradise, and to give an account of the Craft even before the creation. Having tried my pen, I began to flourish away in a most admirable manner, and in a few days wrote the first volume of the 'History of Masonry,' wherein was an account of the first Grand Lodge, particularly the excluding the unruly members, as related by Milton; and as I intended to give the world a history of Masonry for several years before the creation, I made no manner of doubt but my work should live, at least 2000 years after the general conflagration of the world."

If it may be said Dermott shook the Masonic world at this period, it would have seemed the Masonic world required some shaking.

I have endeavoured to show the importance given to geometry in connection with Freemasonry by the old Masonic writers, and we can therefore understand its being considered a most important necessity as a portion of Masonic instruction, and in later times, under the Mastership of such celebrities as Inigo Jones and Sir Christopher Wren, it is more than probable that many practical Masons were enrolled in its ranks. We have some evidence of this in "Eutick's History of London 1756," wherein, respecting the armoury of the Tower, he remarks, "It was begun by King James II., and by that prince built to the first floor, but finished by King William, who erected that magnificent room called the new or small armoury, in which he, with Queen Mary his consort, dined in great form, having all the warrant workmen and labourers to attend them, dressed in white gloves and aprons, the usual badges of the order of Freemasonry."

Notwithstanding the prominence thus given to the Order, it would appear that after Wren retired from, or as it was stated, "neglected" the Order, the operative section of its members gradually dropped off, apparently taking with them the taste for geometry in connection with Masonic study, and that even prior to the formation of Grand Lodge in 1717 it had all but passed away.

It has been said of Cervantes that "he laughed Spain's chivalry away." I think it may be applied to Laurence Dermott that what, if any, remained of Masonic geometry, he satirised it (with the exception of some few shreds) out of Masonic practice. One or two extracts from his letters may not be wholly uninteresting, even if but as specimens of the "missiles" used during the warfare of those days between the then so-called Ancient and Modern Masons. The first portion is a slight but clever satire on the formation of the "Grand Lodge of the Moderns," and the "Constitutions of Dr. Anderson." He says, "About the year 1717 some joyous companions, who had passed the degree of Fellow Craft, though very rusty, resolved to form a Lodge for themselves, in order, by conversation, to recollect what had formerly been dictated to them; or, if that should be found to be impracticable, to substitute something new which might for the future pass for Masonry among themselves. At this meeting the question was asked whether any person in the assembly knew the Master's part, and being answered in the negative, it was resolved that the deficiency should be made up with a new composition, and what fragments of the old order remained should be immediately reformed and made more pliable to the humours of the people. It was also thought expedient to abolish the old custom of studying geometry in the Lodge, and some of the younger brethren made it appear that a good knife and fork, in the hands of a dexterous brother, over proper materials, would give greater satisfaction, and add more to the rotundity of the Lodges than the best scales and compasses in Europe; and furthermore added, that a line, a square, a parallelogram, a rhombus, a triangle, a trapezium, a circle, a semi-circle, a quadrant, a parabole, a cube, a parallel-opipadon, a prism, a pyramid, a cylinder, a cone, a prismoid, a cylinderoid, a sphere, a spheroid, a parabolic, a frustum, segment, polygon, ellipse, and irregular figures, of all sorts, might be drawn and represented upon bread, beef, mutton, fowls, &c., as well as upon slates or sheets of paper and that the use of the globes might be taught and explained as clearly and briefly upon two bottles as upon Mr. Senex's globes of 28 inches. There was another old custom that gave umbrage to the younger architects, which was the wearing of aprons, which made gentlemen look like so many mechanics. Therefore it was proposed that no brother for the future should wear an apron. The proposal was objected to by the old members, who declared that the aprons were the only signs of Masonry remaining amongst them, and for that reason they should keep and wear them.

I have now done with the connection between Freemasonry and Geometry, and proceed to state, though with no small degree of diffidence, that which I take to be the origin and progress of our Order, though with the necessarily limited time at my disposal I shall be unable on this occasion to proceed far on my course. John Locke, in his great work "On the Human Understanding," says, "There is nothing more ordinary than children receiving things into their minds from their parents, nurses or those about them, which being fostered by degrees, at last equally, whether true or false, become rivetted there by long custom and education, beyond all possibility of being pulled out again." I agree with this remark of the philo-

sopher, holding, as I do, the opinion that poets and painters have been the makers of much of what we now call "Ancient History." As ages rolled on, the flesh and the form has fallen from the event, and the dry skeleton only has remained; the skeleton has been re-clothed, according to the imagination of the poet and the painter, and, in olden time, too often by their offspring the historian. It may be said, with Shakespeare:—

"The dust on antique time does lie unswept,
And mountainous errors be too highly heaped for truth to
overpeer."

The historian has also, in matters relating to Ancient History relied materially on tradition, the consequence being that very much so-called history is but tradition. It is ascribed to an apparently ardent traditionalist, the erudite Rabbi Hillel, who devoted a lifetime to God's service, that during one of his disputations, on being asked by an opponent, "What is Tradition?" the Rabbi asked him to repeat the three first letters of the alphabet. Slowly and distinctly he did so. "Who," said Hillel, "taught you to repeat those letters?" "My father," was the reply; and, answered the Rabbi, "You will teach the same to your children? That is tradition." This anecdote is pretty and popular, but with all respect and reverence to the enormous genius of Hillel, if Hillel did say this, I scarcely think the answer met the question. The man who first made a certain sound the means by which a want could be supplied, or help be given, created a fact; that particular fact which is now called language; the individual who first produced the sound, or formed the language, may be only traditionally known, but the sounds and the letters are facts. If of a vacant piece of ground it is said, a palace is to be built upon it, we have an assertion; if generations pass away and the ground remain unbuilt on, it might be said, a splendid edifice was to have been erected thereon; that would have been the creation of a tradition; but when the palace is really built, the tradition dies; it has become a fact that lives.

The most difficult of all traditions to contend with are those which are a mixture of truth and fable, and of such one of the most mistaken (that is to say, according to my lights) is that which has taken its origin from the simple (though none the less powerful by its simplicity) statement of the death of Abel, as set forth in the Book of Genesis, a statement which I accept as fact. But what says tradition respecting the cause of this fratricide. Here is one—"The two brothers being born with a twin sister, God directed Adam to marry each of them to the sister of the other. Cain refused his consent to the arrangement, because his twin sister was the more beautiful woman, and he was desirous of marrying her himself. To settle the dispute, Adam directed them to make their offerings to God, and thus refer it to his decision. Cain complied, with great reluctance, and offered a sheaf of the very worst of his corn, while Abel sacrificed the very best of his flock." Tradition is born of tradition, and thus we find the quality of Cain's offering stated in a somewhat similar manner by regarded authorities such as the Talmud and Josephus. Thus the Talmud states, "Cain brought from the fruits of the ground, and Abel from the firstlings of his flock; but while Abel selected the finest and best conditioned animals, Cain offered fruit of an inferior quality, the poorest which the earth offered." Josephus writes:—"Abel was a righteous man, and a keeper of sheep; Cain, on the contrary, was a wicked and graceless person, and the inventor of tillage. He governed himself wholly by his interest, and finally, upon the following account, he murdered his own brother. The two brothers were agreed to a sacrifice to the Lord; Cain brought an offering of the fruits of the ground; Abel's offering was of the milk and firstlings of his flock. The latter was the more acceptable to God of the two, as being only the pure bounty and production of nature, whereas the other looked more like an oblation extracted by avarice and force than an homage of good will. Cain took it so heinously to have his younger brother preferred to him, that he fell upon and killed him." Here is a tradition, in itself false, founded on a fact; the fact being the murder of Cain; the falsehood the cause through which his offerings were rejected. And when the fatal event was accomplished, Genesis iv. 8 proves that this did not follow immediately on the rejection of Cain's sacrifice, but was rather the result of a subsequent quarrel. But the tradition as given by Josephus has been permitted to a great extent to supplant the Biblical history, thanks to its perpetuation by means of the pencil and

graving tool of the artist, and thus we find so many of what purports to be artistic representations of this sad event generally present a dark and stern countenanced, well-built, and well-knitted man, either rushing from, or standing over the prostrate body of a slim, fair, handsome youth. In the background two altars; one blazing, the other overturned. I have seen such representations introduced into Pictorial Bibles. The child before whom it is placed sees the pictures before it can read the text, and its nurse probably fixes an idea into its head by telling it the story of how "the wicked man killed his brother, because God liked Abel, who was very good, better than he did Cain, who was naughty and bad," and thus are many of our opinions formed, well justifying the quotation I have given from Locke. Josephus, however, is very merciless toward the memory of Cain, and evidently considers him guilty of any enormity, from murder to the "invention of weights and measures." I have already read to you that in his opinion Cain "was a wicked and graceless person, and the inventor of tillage," but he goes on thus—(I had perhaps better mention here that in my extracts from this writer I have not quite confined myself to "Whiston's Translation," but have to a slight extent availed myself of that by L'Estrange)—"Cain went further, from bad to worse, abandoning himself to lust and all manner of outrages. Without regard to common justice, he enriched himself by rapine and violence, and made choice of the most profligate of monsters for his companions. He corrupted the plain dealing of former times with a novel invention of weights and measures, and exchanged the innocence of their primitive generosity and candour for the new tricks of policy and craft. He was the first that invaded the common liberties of mankind by boundaries and enclosures. Nay, even while Adam was alive, it came to pass that the posterity of Cain became exceedingly wicked, every one successively dying, one after the other, more wicked than the former." I fear me that much of history has been woven from material such as this.

(To be continued.)

CANDIDATES FOR MASONRY.

CONNECTED with the working of the institution, perhaps there is no subject that has been more often referred to in the addresses of Grand Masters, reports of Correspondence Committees, and the Masonic press, than the careful selection of material to be admitted to membership. The Craft have been admonished from time immemorial how important it is that care should be taken that no one be admitted without the most careful scrutiny; and yet it always has been, and most probably always will be, a fact that a large share of Lodge troubles arise from carelessness at this very initial step.

A brief reference to this important subject, if not of interest to older brethren, will at least be of interest to those who are commencing their Masonic life. Among the earliest landmarks and the printed Constitutions of Anderson, 1723, provides that "No man can be made or admitted a member of a particular Lodge without previous notice one month before given to said Lodge, in order to make due inquiry into the reputation and capacity of the candidate;" from which we perceive that the Craft of those early days were fully impressed with the idea that an evil tree cannot bear wholesome fruit, nor a bad man make a good Mason.

The third of the "Ancient Charges" declares that "the persons admitted members of a Lodge must be good and true men, free-born and of matured, discreet age; no immoral men, but of good report." Wholesome as this regulation unquestionably is, it must be admitted that there has been a culpable negligence in some Lodges in enforcing it. It may be true, that with the best intentions, a committee or a Lodge may be imposed upon by some of the many who seek admission to our institution. But it is not only the character of the candidate that is to be inquired into, but also his capacity; that is, we are not only to satisfy ourselves that he is of mature and discreet age, of sound body, and of good report, but whether his mind is of such quality as not only to enable him to receive and understand the esoteric instructions of the institution, but in time to return to it, as interest for the benefit conferred on him by his admission, the result of his study and investi-

gation into the hidden arcana, its history, philosophy and symbolism, and the example of an upright walk and conversation.

Masonry is more than a merely social institution, and requires of its initiates something beyond merely social qualities. As a general rule, we should not devolve the whole duty even upon a discreet committee. Every brother should be a sentinel, always on duty, beyond whose sleepless vigilance none should pass but the worthy, and every committee of investigation should use the utmost care before consenting to make a favorable report upon admissions to our institution.—*N.Y. Dispatch.*

A REVIVAL NEEDED.

IT is pleasant to consider the general prosperity which now attends the Masonic Fraternity. Never was the organisation in better condition than now, as respects numbers, material resources, and opportunities for progressive development and enlarged usefulness. Masons may well rejoice that they have membership in an institution established on a firm and abiding foundation—one which certainly holds first rank among the Fraternal Bodies so numerous in this age. But with all the advances made, and the present prosperity witnessed in so many ways, there is yet a call for a reviving of interest in and devotion to the fundamental principles of Freemasonry. Brethren may well be exhorted to consider what the Masonic institution stands for and represents, and what are its leading purposes, that so they may be wise and diligent to keep it within the appointed lines of its rightful expression, never consenting, either in their ignorance or folly, to a perversion of its original character and mission.

If a revival is needed among Craftsmen generally it is of the nature indicated. There is a disposition to quite overlook or considerably undervalue those special features that distinguish the Masonic system. It does not present itself with as much distinctive individuality to its supporters now as it did to the fathers. The younger members of the Fraternity can hardly be said to have such a feeling of attachment to the Lodge as was formerly characteristic of Craftsmen. A generation ago, or more, there was no such bond of alliance as the Masonic Lodge. Men who were Masons were drawn toward each other, and made sympathetic and helpful in a more than ordinary degree. Members of the same Lodge were more than acquaintances—they were friends and helpers of each other according to the close relation in which they were thus placed, and in the expression of Masonic obligations which to them had a very real and literal meaning. Have we not departed somewhat from that former understanding of the character and purposes of Freemasonry? We have multiplied rules and forms; we have brought the Craft organisation more into the light, and sought to fashion it more in accord with other systems and societies, but in so doing has there not been some loss of the devotion and enthusiasm formerly so characteristic of Masons?

We would not detract from the glory that now attaches to Freemasonry. We appreciate its assured position of honour and usefulness. We believe that at the present time it justifies its existence by contributing light and help to its own membership, and exercising a most wholesome influence in the community. But still we think that a revival of the genuine Masonic spirit is needed. Masonic pledges and relations ought to count for more than they do; there should be a renewal of the old time love to the institution and devotion to its interests, as its special ministries and privileges are emphasized and brought into deserved prominence. Let us cultivate the *esprit de corps* both in the Lodge and in the wider lines of Masonic association. Let us in all just ways magnify the glory of our ancient society, mindful of the fact that it suggests so much of important truth and of varied service. So shall we help to bring in a true Masonic revival—a quickening of spirit that will tend to results of enlargement and blessing.—*Freemason's Repository.*

THE SPIRIT OF MASONRY.

IT is not enough that one, to be a good Mason, upright and true, should punctually attend all communications, keep square with the Treasurer and live up to his obligations strictly according to the written letter of the law. A man may do all this and still be wanting in a vital element. The spirit of the law, the unwritten text, the esoteric principle, is what constitutes the true creed, and by this alone can one enter into the inner sanctuary, the spiritual sanctum sanctorum, outside of which no true Masonry can exist. A Mason can regulate his conduct by the square and plumb line, move to the extreme length of his cable tow in his ministrations to afflicted brethren, attend rigorously to all the various details of Lodge-room duty, and still be deficient. There are many ways in which a brother can manifest what is in his heart, and many ways of doing the same thing. Relief may be given in a manner that wounds instead of heals, while the mere earnest pressure of the hand, or the utterance of a single word can speak volumes of sympathy and comfort and bring timely assistance, when mere eleemosynary assistance fails.

In brief, the spirit of Masonry is in the heart, and not in the mere outward act. The bond of true fellowship, which makes us kin, is an essence, not a substance; a sentiment, not a mere formula; and he may come nearest to the perfect type of Fraternity who lacks the means to contribute temporarily. When soul speaks to soul and hearts are attuned in the grand unison of kindred fellowship and trust; when the hand in its cordial pressure typifies that closer embrace in which heart holds heart; when our common humanity is voiced in the word spoken in season, then is the perfect bond. Acts that are formulated, duties that are rendered perfunctorily, words that are empty, are but poor substitutes in the dark hour which comes to all for what the heart hungers for. True Masonry is summed up in the following exquisite stanza:

When each can feel a brother's sigh,
And with him bear a part,
When sorrow flows from eye to eye
And joy from heart to heart.

That is the real spirit of Masonry, brethren. Do you possess it? If not, set about its inculcation.

—*New York Sunday Times.*

EAST LANCASHIRE BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

ANNUAL DINNER TO THE ANNUITANTS.

THE customary treat was given, on Saturday, the 4th inst., to the "Old Folks" in the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, Manchester, but owing either to possible infirmities or through residing at a long distance, only ten male and female annuitants put in an appearance. These, however, were received and welcomed by Bro. Tom Lawton, No. 78, the indefatigable Secretary, and his brother Peter, the President. Notable absentees from the organisers and workers of and for this laudable object were Bros. William Jeffrey P.M. 152 P.P.G.D., and T. J. Hooper P.M. 1633 P.P.G. Treas. Both of these brethren have, from the time of the first dinner given to the aged people, been most active in canvassing for subscriptions towards the expenses, and energetic in labouring to make the entertainments a success. It is needless therefore to say their unavoidable absence, through indisposition, was much regretted. A splendid dinner, prepared and served under the superintendence of Bro. and Mrs. Phillips, was much enjoyed by all present, after which the toasts of the Queen, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, H.R.H. the Princess of Wales, and the rest of the Royal Family were given. The toasts were warmly received and responded to, after which Bro. Peter Lawton proposed Prosperity to the East Lancashire Systematic Educational and Benevolent Institution. This toast was also well received and heartily responded to. Several of the visitors entertained the company with songs and recitations, Bro. Murphy, of the Arthur Sullivan Lodge, being well to the front with his finished performances on both guitar and banjo. Bro. Lisenden recited "Kissing Cup's Race," and "Over the Hills from the Poor House." Bro. Peake sang "Sailing" in a spirited manner, and Bro. Thomas Rigby sang "Tom Bowling." Some of the annuitants also contributed songs and recitations; altogether a very enjoyable evening was spent. Amongst the visitors were Bros. A. H. Jefferies P.M. 1161 645, &c. P.P.G.D.C., C. D. Cheetam P.M. 993 P.P.G.D., Henry Walmsley P.M. 317, H. Peake 993, W. T. Allett P.M. 993 and W.M. 1633. The "old folks" left the building at nine o'clock, and received packets of tea and tobacco respectively, one and all expressing their satisfaction and enjoyment.

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HOW TO SECURE WORK.

IN every Masonic Lodge there is the desire that there should be frequent work. This is proper—nay more, the absence of such a prevalent desire on the part of the members is evidence not only that the Lodge is in an unhealthy condition, but that the members are pleased to have it so. The work of the Lodge is the life of the Lodge. It is to it what the circulation of the blood is to the individual man—the absence of circulation brings with it paralysis and invites death. We need not now discuss why this is so, but we take it for granted for the purpose of this article, which is to discover the most proper and praiseworthy methods for securing continual work for a Lodge. If idleness be death and industry life, it is important that it should be determined how a Lodge may be in the best sense of the term industrious.

For more purposes than one the Officers are the Lodge. Given the possession of attentive, earnest, skilful Officers, and the prosperity of the Lodge ordinarily *must* follow. They compel success. Their punctuality, energy, ability and devotion to rendering the work correctly and forcibly are infectious. Like Master like members. The Officers are the leaders, and where they go many others follow, what they do is copied generally by the body of the Craft over which they preside. They are the great luminaries—especially the W.M., around whom all the others revolve. Given a thoroughly competent Master, and a live Lodge is almost inevitably the result. Moral: *select your Master, and do not let him select himself.* In elevating him you are either elevating or lowering yourselves, since what he is that you will probably become. He, far more than any other Brother, determines the condition and character of the Lodge. Another moral: Masters, recognise the responsibilities you are under, and do everything in your power for the highest advancement of the Masonic body over which you have the honour to preside. Master the work in every part of its details. Be not slouchy about anything. Take a pride in saying the right thing in the right way. When you get your intellectual team into action, do not put the cart before the horse. Be sure you are right and then go ahead, with everything to hope for and nothing to fear. Having mastered the ritual render it audibly, intelligently, earnestly. Show that you mean what you say, and manifest your sincerity by vigour of utterance, by propriety of intonation, and by downright earnestness. Throw yourself into the work. The result will be, every one will be interested, every one will attentively listen, every one will be instructed. It will get abroad that excellent work is done in your Lodge, your membership will be largely drawn out, and you will also have numerous visitors. It does not require that you should be a Demosthenes or a Cicero to fill your rôle with distinction; it only requires that you should be sincere in manner, articulate your words clearly, and speak in tones so as to be heard by all in the Lodge.

But the members have duties to perform as well as the Officers, and distinct from the Officers. The Lodge is *your* Lodge. It made you, and you may make it—or mar it. If your Officers are model Officers, of course you are attracted to attend regularly, but if they be not, still attend regularly, and endeavour to give them such fraternal aid and advice as will tend to improve them. They are *your* Officers, and you *owe* them your presence, your sympathy and your assistance. Especially is this true of Past Masters. These should never be Past Masons! Never can a brother who has been accorded the highest honours in the gift of his Lodge do too much for its advancement and prosperity. If it droops, it is in part his fault; if it prospers, he should be proud to be in part at least the cause of it. Where a healthy spirit of emulation exists among the members as to who can best work and best agree, that Lodge is on the high road to prosperity. It is a live Lodge, an active Lodge, a busy Lodge. Its work is ably performed, its charities are liberally dispensed, and its meetings are attractive and instructive. It properly unites labour and refreshment, and when the toil of the evening is over, the brethren assemble around the fraternal board, and there enjoy those felicities of speech, anecdote and song which are only known in their perfection to brethren of the Mystic Tie.

Do not the readers of *The Keystone* think these objects worth striving for in their several Lodges? Is it not wise for them to covet the best gifts? Does it not pay to work

well? In no instance where the Officers and members of a Lodge conscientiously perform their several duties, can it be said that there is no Labour, no Refreshment, no harmony, and no attractiveness in the Lodge meetings. Just as surely as the work is correctly and impressively performed, so surely the members will be drawn together in increased numbers, and their presence will secure the frequent presentation of material for moulding into perfect ashlar, so that the spiritual Temple shall have constantly added to it living stones of value and beauty.—*Keystone.*

Clarence Lodge of Instruction, No. 263.—The Bank of England Lodge having given its sanction for a Lodge of Instruction to be attached to it, under the above title, a number of zealous brethren assembled on Thursday evening, the 2nd inst., at Tapp's Restaurant, No. 8 Tottenham Court-road, in order to give practical effect to the permission so kindly granted by this old and distinguished Lodge. Bro. R. C. Sudlow P.M. 263 (the well-known Preceptor of the Emulation Lodge of Improvement), who had been instrumental in obtaining the sanction, having been elected to the Master's chair, appointed Bros. H. Sadler S.W., Wm. Rowley J.W., D. G. Imlay Sec. *pro tem*, F. J. Sykes S.D., Wm. Baker J.D., and J. W. Bull I.G. The Lodge was then opened, and the minutes of a preliminary meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was ably rehearsed, Bro. H. G. Spilling being the candidate. It was then proposed by Bro. Sadler, seconded by Bro. Rowley, and carried unanimously—"That this be considered the opening night of the Clarence Lodge of Instruction, and that brethren who who had already become members, or should do so this evening, should be deemed 'Founders,' and their names should be inserted in the Lodge book as such." Bros. F. M. Noakes 2148, F. J. Sykes 256, J. W. Bull 1965, and H. G. Spilling 2148, were then duly proposed and elected members. On the motion of Bro. Sadler, seconded by Bro. Imlay, and carried unanimously, Bro. W. H. Kirby 1965 was elected Preceptor for the ensuing year. Bro. Kirby then proposed "That the best thanks of the Lodge be given to Bro. Sudlow for his great kindness in attending this meeting (notwithstanding the fact of his being far from well), and for the marked ability with which he had performed the ceremony and conducted the business of the evening." This was seconded by Bro. Imlay, and carried by acclamation. Bro. Sudlow was then elected an honorary member. Bro. Sadler was elected Master for next Thursday evening, and gave notice that the work would comprise the rehearsal of the second ceremony and the explanation of the tracing board. The Lodge was then closed.

Obituary.

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BRO. W. G. BROWN.

THE funeral of Bro. W. G. Brown, who died on 23rd ult., took place on Thursday, the 2nd inst. Bro. Brown had been a resident of the town of Glaston, Bury, for about eight years, during which time he has gained the esteem of all with whom he has come in contact. Death appears to have resulted from a chill, taken during a visit to Bristol. Bro. Brown was a member of the Pilgrims' Lodge, and was in November last appointed by the brethren W.M. As a mark of respect several of the brethren attended the funeral. The coffin was of polished oak, and on it were placed several beautiful wreaths, including one from the Freemasons, bearing the inscription, "A tribute of fraternal affection from the Wardens and Brethren of the Pilgrims' Lodge." The Rev. J. Higham conducted the service.

The meetings of the Nelson Lodge of Instruction, No. 700, will in future be held at the Star and Garter Hotel, Powis Street, Woolwich.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Essex commences the new year bravely; two Lodges are to be added to the roll of the Province, thus raising the number to 31. The Lodges to which the M.W.G.M. has granted warrants are the Mistley, No. 2339, to meet at Manningtree; and the Easterford, No. 2342, to meet at Kelvedon.

DEATH.

HOLLINGTON.—On 6th January, very suddenly, Bro. GEORGE HOLLINGTON, of Roding House, Woodford, and of Hollington Brothers, Aldgate; youngest son of the late Thomas Hollington, of Mile End Road; aged 42. A dearly loved husband and father. Funeral this Saturday, at 2.30, Woodford Bridge Church.

THE THEATRES, &c.

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Covent Garden.—The festive season has not been allowed to pass without another circus company being organised, and with such managers as Messrs. Augustus Harris and Freeman Thomas to look after affairs, it is only natural that big things might be expected. That these expectations have not been fully borne out we are sorry to have to admit. This year's circus lacks variety, and thus causes the audience to tire long before the last turn comes on. For instance, there are three turns of performing horses or ponies, and, as everybody knows, however clever these creatures may be, they become monotonous in time. There are bears, who go through some clever tricks, including walking the tight rope; Gou-Gou puts his pig through his paces, and causes much amusement thereby. It will thus be seen that there are no less than five of this kind of entertainment, which to our mind is too many. What we expect in the circus ring—equestrian acts—there is a lack of. Mdlle Aguzzi goes through some graceful feats, while the daring riding of Mr. Silvester, as the Newmarket Jockey, was greatly appreciated. These are the only equestrian acts in the programme. The funniest item is undoubtedly the clever antics of the Feely Family, who go through their acrobatic entertainment in splendid style, which the audience greatly appreciates; the drolleries of the clown of the troupe are very amusing, and cause roar after roar of laughter. The Sisters Hoffman exhibit skill on the horizontal bar; Mdlle Jessica goes through her marvellous performance on the telegraph wire; and Sig. Pasha puts himself into some awkward positions as the Morocco Jumper. The last item on the programme is Herr Hagenbach's equestrian lion, or rather we should say lioness, accompanied by the royal Dane Boar Hound. A large iron cage is erected in the centre of the ring, and all being in readiness, a horse is led into it, after which the lion and hound, accompanied by Herr W. Philadelphia, enter the cage. The lion then goes through some equestrian acts, which are followed by a general race round by horse, lion, and hound, which brings the performance to a close. All this may be a novelty, and has unquestionably taken a very long time to accomplish, but now that it has been accomplished we are inclined to think, as we thought on the occasion of our visit, that it will not prove attractive enough to help to draw a large audience. The children's "Cinderella," which takes place after the first part, is capitally managed, and reflects great credit on all concerned. The acting of the Misses Louisa Hind, Emily Hobden, Topsy Sinden, Dod Etherington, Evelyn Field-Fisher, Amy Vincent, and Masters Alfred Field-Fisher and Bertie Sinden is especially worthy of notice, while the music of Mr. Gwyllym Crowe is tuneful and bright.

Grand.—It has once more been Mr. Charles Wilmot's good fortune to produce a pantomime that is admirably suited in every respect to the taste of a North London audience. Year after year this astute manager brings something bright to the fore, and this year is no exception. As is the custom here, Mr. Geoffry Thorn has been called in to supply the book, and chooses for a subject the well-known legend of "Aladdin;" he has written as bright and entertaining a story as it has been our lot to unravel. Witty sayings, comic songs, brisk dialogue, and puns innumerable, is what the book is made up of, and with the melodious music, composed and selected by Mr. W. H. Brinkworth, not a dull moment is allowed in the piece. Starting in the good old fashioned style, with the temple of the oracle, the story is elaborated through no less than fourteen bright and picturesque scenes. The moonlit garden where the grand ballet of jewels takes place is an exceptionally pretty scene, while the blue temple by the willows is an exact copy of the willow pattern plate. Another ballet takes place in the Egyptian Hall of Aladdin's Palace, after which a really magnificent transformation scene is allowed to unfold its charms, which brings one of the best pantomimes we have ever seen to a close. As we have already said, the fun is fast and furious; the song "I'm so Happy" by the Widow Chow-Chow, the song "Bobby knows his book" by Ske-Ming, the dance to the tune of "The Turkish Patrol," executed by Ab-Mee and Ah-Rong, are all worthy of special mention. Miss Belle Black makes a vivacious Aladdin, her dancing and singing being excellent, while Mr. Wilfred Shine, made up like Mr. Fred Leslie in "Monte Cristo jun.," lends valuable aid as Abanazar. The Widow Chow-Chow is cleverly represented by that amusing comedian Mr. Joe Cheevers, Mr. Alfred Rivers is Ske-Ming, and Miss Retta Walton is Ah-Rong. One of the funniest characters is that of Ab-Mee, a toy soldier out of a Christmas box. This is undertaken by Mr. Fred Walton, who causes no end of amusement by his really clever antics. Wishee-Washee finds a good interpreter in Mr. Charles Seel, while Miss Louie Wilmot is entertaining as Aladdin's chum. Miss Sara Beryl (Princess Badroulbudvar), Mdlle Elsie (So-Shi), Mr. Wal Curtis (Ah-Dup), Mr. Harry Moore (Fiz-fiz), all lend good support. During the performance the Leapo troupe go through some clever acrobatic feats, while the trick bicycle riding of Mdlle Elsie is worth notice. In conclusion, we feel sure that Mr. Wilmot will reap a good harvest from his 1889-90 pantomime, which may rank among the best of the year.

The hundredth performance of the interesting revival of "Caste," at the Criterion, took place on Friday evening, the 3rd inst. Thus another testimony is afforded of the abiding popularity of Robertson's prettiest domestic drama.

The two ballets at the Empire have changed their respective positions on the bill. "The Paris Exhibition" is now played at half-past eight, and "A Dream of Wealth" at half-past ten. This arrangement is in accordance with the wishes of the patrons. Mdlle. Vaouini, who has been exclusively engaged at this theatre, is to make her first appearance on the 15th inst.

The Principality of Wales has ever been noted for its bards and its songs, while some of the most popular of our musicians and

vocalists speak with pride of their early association with Welsh mountains and vales. Our good brother Benj. Davies, of Haverfordwest, is the happy father of two talented musical daughters, and we are pleased to be able to record that last week the younger of these, Miss Florence, was made the happy recipient of two prizes:—one for displaying exceptional ability in playing at sight, the other prize for brilliant execution in a selected piece. We heartily congratulate our dear little friend on her success.

Messrs. Spiers and Pond have been appointed Refreshment Contractors for the Royal Military Exhibition, which will be opened in the grounds of Chelsea Hospital, early in May, by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, under the immediate patronage of Her Majesty the Queen. The Exhibition will be open for some months, and is in aid of the Church of England Soldiers' Institute.

BARNATO LODGE, No. 2265.

A CHARMING "function" was that participated in at the Whitehall Rooms of the Hotel Metropole, on Tuesday, the occasion being the second annual ball under the auspices of the Barnato Lodge, No. 2265, in aid of their Masonic Benevolent Fund. The ball room, lavishly decorated, wore a brilliant and picturesque appearance, every means that taste or talent could command being brought into requisition. The aristocracy of wealth found in the decorations blended most harmoniously with the dresses of the guests, which were beautiful in colour, and reflected great artistic taste in the loveliness of the shades introduced. Sparkling diamonds and jewels were conspicuous for their beauty, and were a favourite adornment for the dress and hair. Many familiar faces were recognised in the company, which numbered some 170 guests, though not representing by any means the total of tickets sold. To the prevailing epidemic must be attributed the absence of a number of ladies and gentlemen who had looked forward to the Barnato Lodge Ball as one of the events of the season. As for those who graced the proceedings with their presence, it was felt that the dance was a most successful one, all entering with zest into the convivialities of the hour. The honours of the occasion were performed by Bro. H. Barnato, who extended a courteous welcome to every arrival. Dancing commenced shortly before 10 o'clock to the strains of Messrs. Coote and Tinney's band, the early comers opening an excellent programme of dances with the "Old Guard" walse. By midnight the scene was one of great animation, the sole interruption being the delicious supper, which was plentifully discussed, and served up in a manner which spoke well for the management of the Hotel Metropole. Dancing was subsequently resumed, and it was nearly 5 o'clock before the last batch of guests retired from the festive scene. Messrs. Tom Honey and John Robertson rendered efficient service as M.C.'s, the following gentlemen officiated as stewards:—Messrs. M. J. Jessop (the Worshipful Master of the Barnato Lodge), J. Joel, M. J. De Leeuw, E. J. Acworth, I. Joel, C. F. Hogard, A. Levy, and H. Warner.—*Middlesex County Times.*

On the 6th inst., the Lodge of Probity, No. 61, held its annual meeting at Halifax. Bro. William Cash, Senior Warden, was installed Worshipful Master of the Lodge by Bro. George Parke P.M. The Lodge was numerously attended. The brethren afterwards sat down to a banquet.

The Rev. Harry Hebb, M.A. Oxon, has been elected by the Provisional Management Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, to the Head Mastership, in succession to Rev. Dr. Morris, M.A. LL.D. and such election has received the confirmation of the General Committee. The appointment dates from 1st January 1890. The School Term will commence on Tuesday, 4th February 1890.

The fifth annual ball of the Chiswick Lodge, No. 2012, will be held under the patronage of Bros. Right Hon. Lord George Hamilton, M.P., Senior Grand Warden, W.M., George Everett P.M. Treasurer, George Gardner P.M. Secretary, at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge, on Wednesday, the 22nd instant. Dancing to commence at 9 p.m. Tickets (Lady's 10s 6d, Gent's 12s 6d, double 21s) will include supper and light refreshment during the evening. These may be had of the Officers of the Lodge, or any member of the Committee:—Bros. W. H. Ellis, Clavelly, Hounslow; Hartzborn, M.D., Blenheim Lodge, Chiswick; W. Ritchie, High Road, Chiswick; J. Brill, Castle Hotel, Brentford; G. Callingham, High Road, Chiswick; E. Wavell, Victoria Street, S.W.; G. Sales, Avenue House, Acton; F. W. Walden, 9 Heathfield Gardens, Gunnersbury; W. Wilson, 21 Binden Road, Shepherd's Bush; Evan Philips, Runnymede, Brentford; W. C. Dickey, High Road, Turnham Green; H. C. Waters, Chiswick Square, Chiswick; B. Hardy, Gordon House, Chiswick. By dispensation granted, Masonic clothing will be worn.

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Bro. J. H. HAWES, P.M. 33, *West Sussex Gazette* Office, Chichester.

Bro. W. J. INNES, 1928, 219 South Lambeth Road, S.W.

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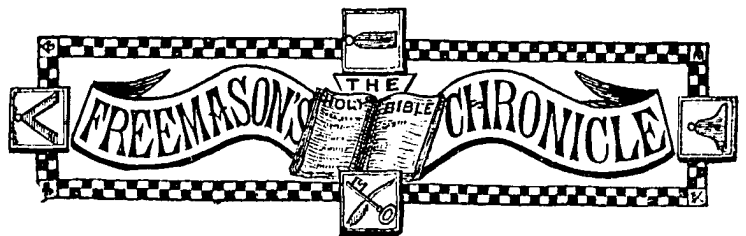
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SATURDAY, 11th JANUARY 1890.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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LODGE OF JOPPA, No. 188.

THIS Lodge, which recently celebrated its Centenary, held its installation meeting on Monday last, at Freemasons' Tavern, Bro Botbol W.M. presiding. The brethren present included Past Masters A. G. Dodson, Lewis Lazarus (Secretary), J. W. Dewsnap, Wall, and George Lion; the Visitors were Bros. C. F. Hegard P.G.S.B. W.M. 205, Frank Herold P.M. 1056, Kinnell 392, Lancaster W.M. 1668, H. Massey P.M. 619 and 1928, Mious 1288, Sly 76

W.M. 1219, and Price 186. The installation of the new W.M. was the only ceremony to be transacted, and after the opening of the Lodge and the reading and confirmation of the minutes, Bro. A. G. Dodson P.M. was requested to take the chair. Bro. Dodson complied, and Bro. W. J. Gardner S.W. W.M. elect was presented to receive at his hands the benefit of installation. Bro. Dodson thereupon duly installed Bro. Gardner, who was afterwards saluted in the different degrees. The following brethren were constituted the Lodge Officers for the current year:—Bros. A. Botibol S.W., Harry Lazarus J.W., Garrard S.D., Ansell J.D., Cohen I.G., Rocco Chaplain, Lyon Treasurer, Lewis Lazarus P.M. Secretary, Dodson D.C., Onken A.D.C., Davey Steward, Seigenberg Assistant Steward, Gaskill Tyler. The death of a brother was announced; this information caused general regret. An expression of sympathy was conveyed to Bro. Lyon (Treasurer), who through illness was unable to be present. Banquet was then served, and the hospitality of the Lodge was prolonged till nearly midnight, some beautiful music enlivening the proceedings. The performers were Miss Emily Davies, Miss Mildred Dubois, Mr. Trefelyn David, Bros. Henry Prenton and Lovett King. The programme was under the direction of Brother Henry Prenton. The usual list of toasts was observed. The W.M., in giving the Queen and the Craft, stated that among other points for which the Craft revered her Majesty was the fact that she was the mother of our M.W.G.M. In proposing the M.W.G.M., the Worshipful Master referred to the great interest the Prince of Wales took in Masonry, and to his good work; he made himself thoroughly acquainted with the intricacies of the general action of the Craft. The toast of the Pro Grand Master, &c., gave the W.M. the opportunity of saying that the very fact of the Craft having men of such high standing as Grand Officers in the Order showed that Masonry must be popular with all classes of society, and while they had such men among them there was very little fear that Masonry would degenerate. Bro. Hogard P.G.S.B. responded; it had been the custom for many years—and he hoped the custom would be continued—for each of what were called the Hebrew Lodges to invite the Masters of their sister Lodges to be present at installation meetings. It was an excellent custom, as it held the Hebrew Lodges in closer communion and firmer friendship, and led to an interchange of ideas and a cementing of the ties which bound the members together. Bro. Botibol P.M. proposed the health of the W.M.; he hoped all the brethren would strive to make his year of office the most successful any Master of the Joppa Lodge had experienced. He (Bro. Botibol) had had the honour of knowing Bro. Gardner for many years; he had watched him, and was sure they could not have found a better Master, if they had searched London through. The W.M. said he came into the chair with the firm determination to do his duty to the Lodge and to the brethren. He was not going to interfere in any way with Lodge customs and usages, but he would strive to maintain them. The brethren had promised him their assistance. If they would do so the good old Lodge of Joppa would go on prospering. If the Lodge was lower in number of members than it used to be, it was not less in quality. It had good men in it, and the question was whether with the men it now possessed it was not better off than when it had a larger membership. It was a sound Lodge; let them endeavour to keep it so. Let them bring in good men, who would love Masonry for Masonry's sake. The W.M. next gave the I.P.M. He had known Bro. Botibol as long as almost any one in the Lodge, and had found him one of the largest hearted, best disposed men he had met in Masonry. It had been his privilege more than once to go to Bro. Botibol and ask his aid for a brother in distress. He had but one answer—"Put me down for whatever others have given." The W.M. then presented Bro. Botibol with a valuable P.M.'s jewel, voted by the Lodge and supplemented by individual members. He hoped it would pass down to Bro. Botibol's children, and grandchildren, as an heirloom for generations to come. Bro. Botibol, in thanking the W.M. for the sentiments he had given expression to, said he should never forget that evening, nor the kindness displayed by the brethren. Bros. Herold and Mills responded to the toast of the Visitors; Bro. Dodson for the Installing Master. He had undertaken the ceremony of installation because the I.P.M. did not feel up to the work, he was however of opinion that in the Lodges there should not be one brother who was known as the Installing Master. Every Master ought to instal his successor; indeed, his work was not complete unless he did so. A Master ought to be proud to instal his successor. The Joppa Benevolent Fund was the next toast, in giving which the W.M. said he trusted none of those present would need its assistance; but if they did, there it was for them. Those who were on the Board knew they were never backward in giving to a worthy man. The instances were rare in which assistance was refused. He asked the brethren to contribute to the Fund that evening. Bro. Lewis Lazarus P.M. and Secretary announced subscriptions to the amount of £13 8s 6d. He said the largest sum ever contributed in one evening was £35. The Fund was established in 1849, and the Lodge of Joppa was the first Lodge to establish such a Fund. There had been many calls on it, and in the course of years a large amount had been given away. There had been as much as £1400 in the Fund, but it was now reduced to £319. Bro. J. W. Dewsnap P.M., responded to the toast of the P.M.'s; the Past Masters were pleased to see Bro. Gardner in the chair of the Lodge; he (Bro. Dewsnap) congratulated himself on having given Bro. Gardner his first office in the Lodge. The W.M. gave a special toast in compliment to Bro. Solomon, who was initiated in the Lodge in 1846, and has continued a member ever since, though he had not been in the Lodge for 20 years. His cheque however, came regularly. He hoped that Bro. Solomon would come among them more often now. Bro. Solomon expressed his great pleasure with the bountiful way in which he had been entertained that evening; he regretted that he had lost so many opportunities of enjoying himself. He hoped he should be with the brethren many times in future. He had been a member of the Lodge 44 years. He had visited many Lodges, but the Lodge of Joppa would bear comparison with any of them. The W.M., in proposing the Treasurer and Secretary, re-

gretted the cause of Bro. Lyon's absence. Bro. Lazarus P.M. and Secretary replied, and said he felt great pleasure in doing his work; he should always endeavour to do the best he could. The Officers responded to the toast given in their honour, and the Tyler then brought the proceedings to a close.

ALLIANCE LODGE, No. 1827.

IN accordance with annual custom, the members of Lodge 1827 held a special meeting on Monday, at the Guildhall Tavern, for the purpose of entertaining the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs. The meeting was presided over by the Worshipful Master of the Lodge, Lieut-Col. J. Perry Godfrey, who was supported by Henry Clarke I.P.M., Edwin F. Fitch S.W., Frank S. Jackson J.W., Rev. J. Henry Smith Chaplain, Richard Pawley Treasurer, Joseph E. Turner Secretary, G. J. Scott S.D., E. T. Rodney Wilde J.D., B. Emanuel D.C., J. C. Whiddington A.D.C., N. Roderick I.G., F. A. Jenson Organist, Capt. V. Dunfee Steward, Past Masters T. D. Sewell, H. Wright, H. Squire, Frank Green, Peter de Lande Long P.G.D., Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec., Capt. N. G. Philips P.G.D., A. Peebles, W. Westcott. Among the visitors, in addition to the guest of the evening—the Lord Mayor—were Edward Terry Grand Treasurer, F. A. Philbrick Q.C. Grand Registrar, Eugene Monteunis G.S.B., E. Maybriek G. Organist, W. T. Howe P.G.P., J. H. Matthews P.G.S.B., Dr. Zachari P.G.M. (California), T. W. Whitmarsh G. Purs, Geo. Girling 1641, Thos. Beard P.M. 101, E. Dixon 1627, A. Fielder 1670, E. Wilde 96, J. Stevens P.M. 720, Chas. Isaacson 1381, J. E. Walford P.M. 177, W. Lee 1897. The proceedings in Lodge were of a formal character, a hearty welcome being accorded the Lord Mayor and the guests who had attended to meet him. A banquet was subsequently served, at which the Worshipful Master presided, and at its conclusion the customary toasts were honoured. That of the Queen, associated with the Craft, was followed by the National Anthem, and then the chairman gave "The M.W. Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales," who, he said, it was his proud pleasure to follow in three distinct sciences—Military, Law, and Masonic. Speaking of the second of these—the Law—Lieut-Col. Godfrey felt the Prince of Wales had distinguished himself therein. He remembered on the occasion of Her Majesty opening the new Law Courts he had an opportunity of witnessing the Prince of Wales holding his first brief, and it was a matter of history how the Prince distinguished himself on that occasion. The third toast, that of the Grand Officers, brought them to a band of Masons highly appreciated by the Craft. It was to them the Order owed much of its progress and popularity. It was really unnecessary to say anything to ensure a hearty welcome for the toast, but he could not omit to express the gratitude of the Alliance Lodge that so many Grand Officers had honoured them by attending. With the toast was associated the name of Bro. Philbrick, who, the Master said, did very much more for the Masonic Order than was generally credited to him. He it was who was really the prime mover in the revision of the Book of Constitutions some few years back. In replying to the toast, Bro. Philbrick regretted the early retirement of Bro. Terry—whose presence seemed to still hover somewhere in the neighbourhood of "Sweet Lavender"—had placed him in the position of Senior Grand Officer present, with the duty of responding for the very kind reception just accorded their toast. The Masonic Craft, he said, was a power in the land—a power for good. When they were sometimes pointed to as members of a secret society, afraid of their secrets, it was only necessary to point to the high and distinguished noblemen at their head—those who held the foremost positions in the Craft. The next toast, said the Worshipful Master, was essentially the toast of the evening, the health of the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of London. He could but wish he had the eloquence of the last speaker so that he could do greater justice to the toast than it was possible for him to do, but he knew Sir Henry well enough to know he would take the will for the deed. That Sir Henry Isaacs was a worthy man was quite evident from his present position, for no man could rise to the high dignity of first magistrate of the City of London unless he deserved it. He was well known in the City, and generally appreciated, while they had the pleasure of knowing more of him in association with the Craft of Freemasonry. The Chairman submitted the toast with all sincerity and all heartiness, and felt all would unite in according his lordship a hearty welcome. The Lord Mayor, in reply, said he had listened to the precepts, and had observed the practice of the Master in the matter of short speeches, and must say the latter was hardly in accordance with the former. The lengthy remarks in which he had proposed the toast almost involved a lengthy reply. The Lord Mayor hardly knew how to apportion the praise just showered upon him, whether to recognise most as Mayor and less as Mason, or vice versa, but in any case he heartily thanked them for the way they had received him. He considered there was some analogy between the honoured position he held as Lord Mayor and that of Freemasonry. Both claimed great antiquity, both were non-political, each recognised the right of every man to worship God in the way which best fell in with the dictates of his conscience. He hoped he should do something during his term to add to the lustre of the office of Lord Mayor, and trusted he should be equally successful in Freemasonry. He had not been able to devote so much of his time of late years to the Order as he had done in the earlier period of his association with it, and was very pleased to see the marked improvement it showed in many particulars. He had himself been a lecture Master in Freemasonry, and had had some apt pupils, many of whom he had still the pleasure of knowing. He spoke of the time of his admission into Freemasonry, and said its teachers at that time were not like the teachers of today—men of light and learning. He well remembered the first visit of his Preceptor to his house, to give him some private tuition, and how he then thought that the grammar of Freemasonry was very different to what was recognised outside of it, but all that had been changed now, and the ceremonial working of the Craft was taught in accordance with recognised notions. The Lord Mayor related in humorous terms an event which occurred some years back, when a number of his pupils aroused

him at two o'clock in the morning, and induced him to go through the fifteen sections—a wager having been made that he would do so without making fifteen mistakes. He was younger than he was now, and he very much doubted if any amount of wagering would now induce him to repeat the task—even were it possible. However, he asked what the conditions were, and on being told one-half of the wager was to go for Masonic Charity and one-half for dinners, he agreed to try his part, on condition that all was expended in Charity. He was afterwards told that his backer—he believed that was the term—took the stakes, so that he supposed he must have been pretty perfect in those days. He would not, however, advise any of his present friends to repeat the experiment, as even if he could be induced to make a try, he was certain the gentleman who did not back him would take the stakes. He had really fallen back very much in his working, but as he was then a pupil of one who twenty years ago he had endeavoured to teach, he had strong hopes for the future—when he hoped to shine as Worshipful Master of the Drury Lane Lodge. He hoped he should then carry out his work so as to give no cause for those of his old pupils still left on earth to blush for their former tutor. If Freemasonry had no other claims, it would always receive his sympathy on account of its toleration. But it had other claims—notably its benevolence. In connection with this subject, he might mention that he had promised to take the chair for one of the great Masonic Charity Festivals—that of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution—to be held on the 26th of next month. He earnestly asked all present to come and support his efforts on that occasion to advance the welfare of the Institution. If those around him would form a part of the gathering he hoped to witness on that occasion, he should be delighted. The Lord Mayor proposed the next toast—the Worshipful Master, before doing which, however, he expressed the regret of Mr. Sheriff Harris that he had not been able to accept the kind invite of the Alliance Lodge on this occasion. The Lord Mayor complimented the Master on his ability, and the members of the Lodge on the pleasure they must feel in having such a Mason to preside over them. He had listened to the Master that evening with considerable pleasure, and as an old critic of that kind of position, was delighted with his work. He hoped he might long be spared—not he might say as Master of the Lodge, as there were no doubt many others aspiring to that position—but to continue as a shining light in Freemasonry. The Master having acknowledged the toast, Bro. Frank Green proposed the health of the Visitors, which was acknowledged by Past Master Beard. Then the Grand Secretary (Col. Shadwell H. Clerke) proposed the Past Masters of the Lodge. In acknowledging this Bro. Clarke, the Immediate Past Master, expressed the great honour that would be conferred on the Lodge if the Lord Mayor would fill up the only vacancy that existed in its roll—a challenge which the Lord Mayor said he would accept if they would allow him to do so on purely business principles; his conditions were that the Lodge should give him their utmost support on the occasion of his presidency for the Benevolent Institution already referred to, and if the members then proved themselves staunch supporters of the cause for which he should plead, he should have much pleasure in offering himself as a member of the Alliance Lodge. The Worshipful Master proposed the Officers of the Lodge, and in the course of his remarks said that he would do all that lay in his power—and was sure his Officers would support him—to carry out the bargain made between their Past Master Bro. Clarke and their distinguished guest the Lord Mayor of London. The Senior Warden replied to the toast, which was followed by that of the Tyler, and thus the meeting terminated.

PERPETUAL FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 135.

At a meeting of the brethren, at the Royal Clarence Hotel, Bridgwater, Brother J. M. Davis was installed W.M. of the Lodge for the ensuing year, the ceremony of installation being performed by the D.P.G.M. (Brother R. C. Else). There was a good attendance of members and also of visitors. The W.M. appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. R. W. Buffett S.W., D. Burston J.W., Rev. T. D. Bevan Chaplain, J. B. Soper P.M. Treasurer, T. F. Braithwaite Secretary, W. T. Baker S.D., A. B. Cottam J.D., Dr. T. H. Laxton D.C., R. Garton Organist, A. Squibbs I.G., and J. McGowan Tyler.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 202.

The annual meeting of this Lodge was held on the 26th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Granby Street, Devonport, to instal Bro. George Bray S.W. as the W.M. for the ensuing year. The Installing Officers were Bros. R. Carter the retiring W.M., E. Murch, H. Welch, E. J. Knight, and J. Leonard. The Officers invested were:—Bros. R. Carter I.P.M., J. Oldfields S.W., H. Holman J.W., George Collins Chaplain, H. Welch P.M. Treasurer, J. D. Sedy Secretary, G. W. Hancock S.D., G. Coombe J.D., S. Martin I.G., M. Axworthy D.C., W. Corry A.D.C., J. Lark Organist, Jno. Tilly Senior Steward, Thomas Angear Junior Steward, A. Broome, S. Woolland Assistant Stewards, and Thomas Shears Tyler. Bro. H. Welch was appointed representative of the Lodge on the Committee of Petitions and the Charity Steward of the Lodge. The Treasurer having reported a good balance in hand, the sum of £1 1s was voted to each of the following Institutions:—Devonport Blanket, Coal, and Soup Societies; £2 2s to the Royal Albert Hospital, £5 5s to the Devon Masonic Educational Fund, and £5 5s to the R.M.B.I. for Aged Freemasons and Widows, the latter sum to be placed on the list of Bro. the Rev. Dr. Lemon. The annual banquet of the Lodge was held at the Royal Hotel, Devonport, on the 2nd inst.

PRINCE GEORGE LODGE, No. 308.

The brethren of the above Lodge celebrated the festival of St. John, on Saturday, the 4th inst., at the Lodge Room, Station House, Bottoms, Eastwood, Tormorden. There was a very large gathering, including visiting brethren from Victoria, Australia, (Bro. Meadowcroft W.M. 88 P.G.S.W. G.L. of Victoria), also brethren

from Glasgow, Manchester, Leeds, Wigan, &c. Bro. John Horsfall (Hebden Bridge) was duly installed Master by Bro. Henry Parker P.M. 308, the ceremony being rendered most ably and impressively. Brother Horsfall appointed as his Officers the following:—Bros. G. W. Jackman S.W., Stephen Halstead J.W., Alfred Sutcliff S.D., Thomas Greenwood J.D., J. E. Craven P.M. P.P.G.R. Charity Member, Thomas Wrigley P.M. Treasurer, Thomas Lee P.M. Secretary, G. E. Dickenson I.G., E. R. Dickenson Organist, S. Cliffe and F. Holt Stewards, Theo. Bates P.M. D.C., Thomas Hodgson P.M. Tyler. Forty-eight brethren attended the banquet, after which a most enjoyable evening was spent. Many admirable addresses were delivered, those on the Masonic Charities calling for special note. It was briefly, but ably, proposed by Bro. G. E. Dickenson and responded to most admirably by Bro. Darbyshire P.M. 1052 and Bro. J. E. Craven P.M. P.P.G.R. The proceedings were brought to a close at 10.45.

TRUE AND FAITHFUL LODGE, No. 318.

This Lodge met at the Masonic Hall, Helston, on Friday, the 3rd instant. In the absence of the W.M. Bro. W. J. Winn, the chair was filled by Bro. R. Dunstan P.M., who ably initiated a candidate, and afterwards assisted Bro. J. M. Richards I.P.M. in the installation of the W.M. elect Bro. Joseph Pascoe J.W. The ceremony was ably performed, in the presence of a large Board of Installed Masters. The W.M. then invested the following Officers for the year:—Bros. W. J. Winn I.P.M., W. Trevenen S.W., W. Hall J.W., John Willey P.M. Chaplain, W. Ellis P.M. Treasurer, J. Rosowarne and J. O. Eva Pursuivants, J. W. Dudley I.G., A. E. Ratcliffe Org., W. Blackwell D.C., P. Brewer Assistant D.C., and R. James Tyler. Bro. H. Trembath P.M. was re-elected Lodge Almoner and Steward of Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund. The brethren afterwards adjourned to the Globe Hotel, where an inviting table was spread by Bro. John Ellis. A very pleasant evening was spent; the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were drunk and responded to, interspersed with songs and recitations. Among the visiting brethren were Bros. R. Rowe S.W. 1544 and S. Kinsman jun. S.W. 1006.

ROYAL NAVY LODGE, No. 429.

The annual meeting was held at the Royal Hotel, Ramsgate, on Wednesday, the 8th instant. Bro. William A. Valon was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year. The ceremony was ably performed by Bro. H. J. Sturgeon, in the presence of a large gathering of brethren and visitors from surrounding towns. After the installation ceremony, the newly-elected W.M. invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. J. T. May I.P.M. and Treasurer, S. Holbourn S.W., A. H. Hale Secretary, M. H. Gill S.D., A. H. Lanfear J.D., G. Goodburn I.G., C. J. Elliott S.S., J. Neale J.S., and R. Morley Tyler. Bro. the Rev. E. C. d'Anquier was appointed J.W., but being absent through ill-health, Bro. Healing was invested *pro tem*. The banquet was served by Bro. Roach in excellent style. The various Masonic toasts were given, interspersed with music, and the brethren separated shortly before eleven o'clock, all the brethren heartily congratulating the W.M. and wishing him a most successful year of office.

FOWEY LODGE, No. 977.

The members met in the lodge-room, Lostwithiel-street, Fowey, on Monday, the 6th inst., this being their annual meeting, for the installation of the Worshipful Master Bro. William Andrew. The Lodge was opened by Bro. F. Denison W.M. in the chair. The usual business having been despatched, Bro. Tonkin proceeded with the installation, assisted by the following Board of Past Masters:—Bros. J. De C. Treffry, C. Slade, G. Varco, R. Parsons, and E. Rillston. Bro. J. Varco took a prominent part in the ceremonies, which he performed very ably. The Lodge was well attended, amongst the visitors being Major Tracy, R.A., P.P.G.S.W. of Devon. The W.M. then appointed the following as his officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. F. Denison I.P.M., A. Cossentine S.W., J. Isbell J.W., J. De C. Treffry Treas., S. Davis Sec., J. Mitchell S.D., C. Zimber J.D., W. Hawken D.C., S. Gale Orgat., W. J. Lambie J.S., W. J. Graham S.S., S. Cole J.S., and W. Graham Tyler. The business being concluded, the brethren adjourned to celebrate their annual banquet at the Fowey Hotel. This was admirably served by Bro. J. Williams. After spending a very enjoyable evening the brethren separated.

ST. MARY'S LODGE, No. 1312.

A SPECIAL interest attached to the monthly meeting of this Lodge on Monday, the 6th instant, it having been announced on the summons that there was to be a presentation of a jewel to the Secretary. As soon as the regular business was concluded, the Worshipful Master (Bro. R. G. Kellett) said it had occurred to himself and other members of the Lodge that the time had arrived when they ought to recognise in some tangible way the great services which their Secretary (Bro. Malyn P.M.) had rendered to St. Mary's Lodge. He (the W.M.) might, he was sure, be excused a little pardonable pride that it was himself who, in 1863, had first appointed Bro. Malyn to the office of Secretary. They were in considerable difficulties at that time, and the way that Bro. Malyn had got them through those difficulties, and brought the affairs of the Lodge to their efficient state, had earned the lasting gratitude of the members. Amidst much applause, the W.M. then pinned on the breast of Bro. Malyn a handsome P.M.'s jewel, suitably inscribed, remarking that under it beat a heart in unison with all theirs, and expressing a hope that their worthy Secretary might live long to wear it. The W.M. also handed to Bro. Malyn a handsome liqueur stand, and as a present for Mrs. Malyn a fish carver and fork. Bro. Malyn, in acknowledging the gifts, said he should value them most highly, not only on account of their intrinsic value, but for the kind feeling they embodied. Whatever he had done for the Lodge had been to him a great pleasure, and he trusted that as long as he held the office of Secretary he should

be always found doing his very best to forward its interests. At the supper which followed, the health of Bro. Malyn was heartily drunk. Among those present on the interesting occasion was the Provincial Grand Secretary (Bro. Ralling P.A.G.D.C.), Bros. Kellett, Inman P.M., Fuller P.M., Lake P.M., Letch J.W., Davey S.D., Johnstone J.D., A. Piggin I.G., Suckling, Folliott, Moore, Clayden, Hutley, &c.

THE RICHMOND LODGE, No. 2032.

IN a recent report of the proceedings of this flourishing Lodge we stated that the members had secured for their headquarters the Masonic Rooms, at the Greyhound, Richmond, as the increase in membership had necessitated further accommodation than could be provided at the Station Hotel, where the Lodge was originally located. Now it is matter of Masonic History that the popular Harmony Lodge, No. 255, holds its meetings at the Greyhound, at which hospitality it claims sundry special privileges. Lodge Harmony meets on the Tuesday nearest the full moon, and those who are in the habit of studying the progress of the "parish lantern" will know that Tuesday last presented its claims to the brethren of 255. Under these circumstances Lodge 2032 had to make other arrangements, and, as a consequence—the necessary dispensation having been granted—we found the members assembled at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge, where Bro. Bennett, a worthy successor to Bro. John Brill, had made every provision for their accommodation. Lodge was opened at 4 p.m. by Bro. H. Sapsworth W.M., who was supported by Bros. E. Dare I.P.M., J. Marjason S.W., A. Crew J.W., Forster Reynolds P.M. Treasurer, G. C. Rowland Secretary, A. Aldin S.D., T. Covill J.D., R. H. Messum D.C., J. Aldridge I.G., S. Abel and F. Nash Stewards, B. Blasby P.M., C. I. Digby P.M. Amongst the visitors were Bros. W. Carter P.M. 141, W. W. Morgan P.M. 211, T. Butler 55, E. H. Davies I.G. 1793, W. W. Lee 1897. After the Lodge had been formally constituted, and the minutes of last meeting read and confirmed, advance was made, and Bros. Syrett, Amy, and Hopkins, candidates, satisfactorily passed examination, and were raised to the sublime degree. There were two candidates for initiation, Mr. Harry Laker, who was proposed by Brother Walker, and seconded by Brother Phillips; and Mr. John Jones Ponting, proposed by Brother Downes P.M., seconded by Bro. Reynolds P.M. Treasurer. The ballot was in favour of these candidates, and they were separately introduced and received the benefit of Masonic light. The W.M. conducted all the ceremonies in an essentially praiseworthy manner, while the officers showed proficiency in all that was required of them. Some home matters of interest were discussed; it was thought desirable that now the Lodge was in possession of all the accommodation they could desire, the heavy restriction laid on would-be members in connection with the joining fee should receive consideration. A notice of motion to this effect will therefore be brought before the Lodge at the next meeting. The case of the distressed family of a deceased brother, late a member of the Lodge, was next considered, with result that a sum of £10 10s was voted from the Benevolent Fund of the Lodge. We congratulate the members; in the first place on their having established such a fund, and secondly on the liberality displayed on this occasion in its disbursement. Shortly afterwards Lodge was closed. The banquet was admirably served by Bro. Bennett, and the after proceedings were of a specially agreeable character. We sincerely congratulate Bro. Sapsworth on the success of the gathering.

QUATUOR CORONATI LODGE, No. 2076.

THE Lodge met at Freemasons' Hall, on Friday, 3rd January, at 5 p.m. Present:—Bros. Lient.-Col. S. C. Pratt W.M., W. M. Bywater P.G.S.B. S.W., Professor T. Hayter Lewis J.W., G. W. Speth Secretary, Rev. C. J. Ball J.D., R. F. Gould P.G.D. P.M. and D.C., W. H. Rylands P.G. Steward, C. Kupferschmidt, Dr. B. W. Richardson, and F. H. Goldney P.G.D.; also the following members of the Correspondence Circle: Bros. G. W. Taylor, F. Weiss, F. A. Powell, Professor J. W. Driver, J. J. Pakes, J. Newton, F. King, E. Storr, Max Mendelssohn, R. A. B. Preston, R. A. Gowan, H. Warner, and C. F. Hogard P.G. Standard Bearer. Bro. T. Hayter Lewis, who had been absent at the last meeting, was invested as J.W. The report of the Audit Committee was adopted. The report shows during the year an addition of five members to the Lodge, and 305 to the Correspondence Circle; cash receipts upwards of £750, and an expenditure of £736, of which some £350 is absorbed in printing the Transactions, &c., and close upon £100 in postages alone. We have sought in vain for a single penny spent in refreshment, and are convinced that no subscriber to this Lodge can lay his finger on one item of expenditure to which any reasonable, or even captious, critic could object. The income, which is now a large one, is wholly devoted to the furtherance of the peculiar objects of this Lodge, viz., the spread of Masonic Literature of a high class. Two Grand Lodges, one District Grand Lodge, two private Lodges, and 39 brothers were elected members of the Correspondence Circle, in all 44 candidates, bringing the total of instrants up to 795. We append a list. Grand Lodge of South Australia, Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, District Grand Lodge Malta, Royal Athelstan Lodge, No. 19, London, and St. John's Lodge, No. 1039, Lichfield; Bros. W. R. Dyer, Waitangi, Tasmania, 618; Hon. S. G. Way, Chief Justice, Pro Grand Master South Australia; J. Wilkinson, Herberton, North Queensland, W.M. 1978; Heerjeebhoy, Manockjee Rustomjee, J.P., District Grand Secretary Bengal, Calcutta; T. H. De Roos, Johannesburg, Transvaal; E. S. Latimer, Wilmington, North Carolina; Ladislav de Malczowich, Buda Pest, Hungary; J. E. Oram, Dublin, 357; J. L. Van Toll, Lansanne, Switzerland; W. J. Wallace, Edinburgh, 44; A. C. Quick, Guernsey, 168; Major J. J. Ross, Penzance, P.P.G.S.B. Cornwall; W. K. Baker, Penzance, P.P.G.D. Cornwall; W. W. Vincent, Leicester, W.M. 1391; T. M. Wilkinson, Lincoln, P.P.G.W. Lincolnshire; J. Sutcliffe, Grimsby, P.P.G.W. Lincolnshire; R. G. Salmon, Newcastle-on-Tyne, P.M. 406; F. E. Remfry, Tenby, P.P.G. Purst. South Wales (Western Division); J. Monks, Durham, P.P.G.W. Durham; J. E. de Ridder, Clifton, Bristol, 1222, 152; G. Martin, Bradford,

600, 702; T. J. Ralling, Colchester, P.G. Secretary Essex; F. Weiss, Russell Square, P.M. 1491; R. A. B. Preston, Temple, 357, 1118, 1523; C. J. Porceval, 8 Thurlow Place, S.W., P.M. 1607; T. Jones, 273 Dalston Lane, N.E., P.M. 1607; F. King, Forest Gate, E., 1607; C. H. Halford, 43 Fenchurch Street, E.C., 1607; H. M. Hobbs, Lloyds, E.C., P.P.G.W. Surrey; G. H. Lindsey Renton, 72 Gracechurch Street, E.C., 183; F. W. Levander, F.R.A.S., Camden Square, N.W., P.P.G.D. Middlesex; Dr. C. V. Burgess, 61 Southwark Park Road, S.E., 206, 2027; H. C. Houndle, Upper Tooting, S.W., P.M. 1826; J. J. Pakes, Brockley, S.E., P.M. 871; R. Nelson, Burley, Lancashire, P.M. 126, 308; W. Phillips, 108 Fenchurch Street, E.C., 174, 359, 1997; G. Campion, St. John's, S.E., P.M. 19; W. A. Barrett, Mns. Doc., 39 Angell Road, Brixton, S.W., Past G. Organist, and Bro. Enoch T. Carson, Cincinnati. The paper of the evening was by Bro. R. F. Gould, on "The Antiquity of Masonic Symbolism," for an account of which we refer our readers to the "Transactions of the Lodge." Written contributions to the discussion were forwarded by Bros. W. J. Hughan, W. Simpson, J. Ramsden Riley, and E. Macbean; and Bros. W. H. Rylands, F. H. Goldney, Prof. F. W. Driver, G. W. Speth, Prof. T. Hayter Lewis, Rev. C. J. Ball, and Dr. Richardson also spoke on the subject.

RAVENSCROFT LODGE, No. 2331.

THE brethren of this young Lodge have quickly followed up their successful consecration by an emergency meeting, at the Red Lion Hotel, Barnet, Herts, on Saturday last. There were present:—Bros. J. Thom W.M., Frazer S.W., J. Hudson J.W., D. Baker Treasurer, G. Arnold acting I.P.M. and Secretary, Binteliffe S.D., J. Gunn J.D., H. Cronin D.C., S. Wright I.G., M. Powell A.D.C., J. H. Catchpole and E. Rawlinson Stewards, and several brethren and visitors. The Lodge was opened in due form, and letters were read by the Secretary explaining the objects of the meeting; a dispensation from the R.W. P.G.M. Col. Halsey, M.P., was also communicated to the Lodge. The list of candidates having been read over, the ballot was taken, and being declared unanimously in their favour, six gentlemen (Messrs. Richardson, Curry, Fearis, Leach, Wood, and J. Gammon) were duly initiated into the ancient mysteries of the Craft. The W.M., assisted by his Officers, rendered the ritual in a most impressive style, which was enhanced by vocal and instrumental music. There being no further business to transact, the Lodge was closed. The brethren subsequently assembled in the banquet room, under the presidency of the W.M. Mr. Phillips, the host, had provided a most excellent dinner, at the conclusion of which the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were suitably honoured. Replying to the toast of the W.M., which had been proposed by the acting I.P.M., Bro. Thom said:—I have to thank you, Bro. Arnold, for the very kind expressions you have used concerning myself, and I have also to thank the brethren for so kindly receiving the toast. I assure you, brethren, that I feel greatly honoured by your selecting me to be your first W.M. I have further especially to thank you for having given me such a good day's work, for, believe me, you could not please me better than by giving me plenty of work to do during my year of office, and on my part I will endeavour to carry out the duties of my position as they should be carried out by the Master of every Lodge. We seem to have started in the right direction, not only with regard to the work of the Lodge and the chair, but particularly with respect to the excellent music we have heard in this room; we are singularly fortunate in having so much musical talent in our Lodge. I hope, brethren, that the Ravenscroft Lodge will go on as it has commenced, and prove, as I believe it will, a very great success. The toast of the Initiates was next proposed by the W.M., who said:—I do not care where a Lodge is started, it cannot be successful unless it has a goodly number of initiates. We have been established but a very short time, and yet, to-night, our first meeting after the consecration, I have had the very great pleasure of initiating six gentlemen into our ancient mysteries. I have heard a good deal about our newly-made brethren. They are gentlemen of the right stamp for Freemasonry, and I feel satisfied that I shall never regret initiating them. I am also sure that they will be useful members of the Craft, and I trust they have been impressed with the beautiful ritual, and the importance of Freemasonry. I hope, too, that they feel satisfied, and will not be sorry for the step they have taken to-night in having joined the Ravenscroft Lodge. The toast was most enthusiastically responded to, being accompanied by the E.A. song. The several newly-made brethren replied, each expressing his pleasure at joining the Lodge, and admiration of the impressive ceremony. The W.M. heartily welcomed the Visitors—Bros. Wilson, Justice No. 147, King, Hendon No. 2206, Gindre, City of Westminster, No. 1563, Simpson, Leigh No. 957, and Past Master J. C. Smith, Royal Savoy, No. 1744, all of whom responded, the latter brother making special reference to the excellent working, and cordially wishing the Lodge every success. The Secretary and Treasurer suitably responded to their toast. The Officers received a meed of praise from the W.M. for their efficient assistance. Each Officer was named, the W.M. mentioning Bro. Fraser as the creator of the Lodge, and asked that Brother, as the hour was getting late, to respond for the toast. Bro. Fraser, on behalf of the other Officers and himself, thanked the W.M. and the brethren for the way they had received, and had honoured the toast. He assured the W.M. that it had been a pleasure to work with him in the formation of the Ravenscroft Lodge, which he hoped would be a success. Bro. Fraser, in conclusion, said that the Officers and himself would do all in their power to assist the W.M. in carrying out the work of the Lodge during his year of office. The Tyler's toast completed a most successful meeting. The musical arrangements, both in the Lodge and in the banquet room, were under the able direction of Bro. F. W. Hearn, the Organist of the Hendon Lodge. The proceedings were interspersed with recitations and songs, well rendered by members of the Lodge, the comic songs of Bro. Charles Gammon deserving special mention.

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DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

We shall be obliged if the Secretaries of the various Lodges throughout the Kingdom will favour us with a list of their Days of Meetings, &c., as we have decided to insert only those that are verified by the Officers of the several Lodges.

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Saturday, 11th January.

178 Caveac, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate Street
1328 Granite, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1426 The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel
1688 Paxton, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
1743 Perseverance, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
1839 Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
2029 King Solomon, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C.
M.M. 211 Hammersmith, Windsor Castle, King St.
2060 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds
2095 Caterham, Drill Hall, Caterham, Surrey
R.A. 1293 Burdett Mitro Hotel, Hampton Court
M.M. 14 Prince Edward's, Station Hotel, Stansfield
R.C. 43 Eureka, Masonic Rooms, Brighton

Monday, 13th January.

5 St. George's and Corner Stone, F.M.H., W.C.
29 St. Albans, Albion, Aldersgate Street
58 Felicity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
59 Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
90 St. John, Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C.
193 Confidence, Anderton's, Fleet Street, E.C.
1237 Enfield, Market Place, Enfield
1368 Highgate, Gatehouse Hotel, Highgate
1571 Leopold, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge
1805 Bromley St. Leonard, Vestry Hall, Bow Road
2012 Chiswick, Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge
R.A. 1537 St. Peter Westminster, F.M.H., W.C.
M.M. 104 Macdonald, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.

40 Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
75 Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
88 Scientific, Red Lion, Petty Cury, Cambridge
104 St. John, Ashton House, Greek St., Stockport
151 Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
240 St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields
263 Salopian, the Lion Hotel, Shrewsbury
292 Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
296 Royal Brunswick, F.M.H., Sheffield
297 Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
411 Commercial, Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham
481 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Newcastle
502 Rectitude, Town Hall, Rugby
587 Howe, M.H., New Street, Birmingham
589 Druids of Love and Liberality, M.H., Redruth
665 Montagu, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
721 Independence, Masonic Chambers, Chester
797 Hanley, Hanley Hall, Dartmouth
827 St. John, Masonic Temple, Dowsbury
893 Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook
949 Williamson, St. Stephen Sch., Monkwearmouth
1021 Harrington, Masonic Hall, Barrow-in-Furness
1069 United Brothers, Castle Hotel, Southsea
1112 Shirley, Masonic Hall, Shirley, Haunts
1174 Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
1221 Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds
1253 Travellers, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
1359 Fernor Heskoth, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1435 Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1474 Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn St., Birmingham
1477 Sir Watkin, Masonic Hall, Mold
1592 Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
1611 Eboracum, Masonic Hall, St. Salvourgate, York
1618 Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea
1966 Fidelity and Sincerity, Wellington, Somerset
R.A. 148 Elias Ashmole, Chapter Rooms, Warrington
R.A. 151 Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Wakefield
R.A. 306 Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall St., Leeds
R.A. 379 Tynte, M.H., Old Orchard Street, Bath
R.A. 495 Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Wakefield
R.A. 1253 Kennard, Masonic Hall, Pontypool
R.C. Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale
R.C. 12 Red Cross, Atheneum, Lancaster

Tuesday, 14th January.

46 Old Union, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
189 St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
198 Percy, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St., E.C.
211 St. Michael's, Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C.
548 Wellington, White Swan, Deptford
917 Cosmopolitan, Cannon Street Hotel
933 Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
1196 Urban, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1593 Royal Naval College, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
1604 Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, Piccadilly
1635 Canterbury, 33 Golden Square, W.
1698 Samson, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
1969 Waldeck, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
M.M. 22 Southwark, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
93 Social, 23 St. Giles Street, Norwich
131 Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Truro
184 United Chatham of Benevolence, Old Brompton, Kent
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
272 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Ridge, Boston
281 Shakespeare, Masonic Rooms, Warwick
473 Faithful, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
495 Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Wakefield
503 Belvedere, Star Hotel, Maidenhead
603 Zetland, Masonic Hall, Cleckheaton
620 Lansdowne of Unity, Town Hall, Chippenham
620 Star in the East, Pier Hotel, Harwich
696 St. Bartholomew, Anchor Hotel, Wednesday
726 Staffordshire Knot, North Western Hotel, Staff.
903 Gosport India Arms Hotel, High St., Gosport
1120 St. Milburga, Tontine Hotel, Ironbridge
1250 Gilbert, Masonic Rooms, Sankey, Warrington
1314 a cacia, Bell Hotel, Bromley, Kent
1465 Ockenden, Talbot Hotel, Sutton, Sussex
1509 Mudoc, Queen's Hotel, Portmadoc
1515 Baildon, Masonic Rooms, Northgate, Baildon
1678 Tonbridge, Masonic Hall, Tonbridge
1713 Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walton
2099 Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Horno Bay

R.A. 70 St. John's, Hayshe Mas. Tem., Plymouth
R.A. 265 Judea, Masonic Club, Keighley
R.A. 268 Union, Queen's Arms, Ashton-under-Lyne
R.A. 289 Fidelity, Mas. Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds
R.A. 330 St. Petrock, Masonic Hall, Bodmin
R.A. 510 St. Martin's, Masonic Hall, Liskeard
R.A. 558 Temple, Masonic Hall, Folkestone
R.A. 660 King Edwin, Freemasons' Hall, Yorkorgate
R.A. 1055 Derby, Masonic Rooms, Cheetham
M.M. 6 Adams, Victoria Hall, Sheerness
M.M. 75 Royal Sussex, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
M.M. 152 Dover & Cinque Ports, Royal Oak, Dover

Wednesday, 15th January.

General Committee Grand Chapter, F.M.H., 4
Grand Stewards, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
149 St. George, Trafalgar Tavern, Greenwich
174 Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham St., E.C.
190 Oak, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
619 Beadon, Greyhound, Dulwich
700 Nelson, Masonic Hall, William St., Woolwich
969 Maybury, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth
1278 Burdett Courts, Approach Tav, Victoria Park
1349 Friars, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel, Wimbledon
1382 Corinthian, George Inn, Cubitt Town
1507 Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
1673 Langton, Viaduct Hotel, Holborn
1677 Crusaders, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct
R.A. 141 Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
R.A. 192 Lion and Lamb, Cannon Street Hotel
M.M. 131 Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham

20 Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
121 Mount Sinai, Public Buildings, Penzance
175 East Medina, Masonic Hall, Ryde, I.W.
178 Antiquity, Royal Hotel, Wigan
200 Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
221 St. John, Commercial Hotel, Bolton
246 Royal Union, Freemasons' Hall, Cheltenham
325 St. John's, Freemasons' Hall, Salford
342 Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, Landport
428 Sincerity, Angel Inn, Northwich, Cheshire
451 Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem
537 Zetland, 9 Hamilton Street, Birkenhead
581 Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
591 Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
592 Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirencester
633 Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
683 Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Newport, Mon.
753 Ellesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn
816 Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Wardle
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
874 Holmesdale, Royal Sussex, Tunbridge Wells
859 Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston
938 Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
962 Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Workington
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1019 Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Wakefield
1040 Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield
1086 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale
1129 St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
1246 Holte, Aquarium Assembly Rooms, Aston
1301 Brighthouse, Masonic Room, Brighthouse
1353 Duke of Lancaster, Atheneum, Lancaster
1443 Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
1511 Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull
1536 United Military, Masonic Hall, Plumstead
1634 Starkio, Railway Hotel, Ramsgate
1971 Army and Navy, Imperial Hotel, Aldershot
1988 Mawddack, St. Ann's Bldgs, Barmouth, Wales
R.A. 76 Economy, Masonic Hall, Winchester
R.A. 249 St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, S. Shields
R.A. 258 Amphibious, F.M.H., Heckmondwike
R.A. 290 Prosperity, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield
R.A. 323 Charity, Florist Hotel, Stockport
R.A. 344 Beauty, Bull's Head, Radcliffe
R.A. 371 Nicholson, Freemasons' Hall, Maryford
R.A. 417 Faith and Unanimity, M.H., Dorchester
R.A. 519 Vernon, Dragon Hotel, High St., Walsall
R.A. 530 Unity, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
R.A. 663 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Devizes
R.A. 731 Truth, Masonic Hall, Derby
R.A. 1060 Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Tamworth
R.A. 1323 Talbot, Mackworth Hotel, Swansea
R.A. 1350 Fernor Heskoth, M.H., Liverpool
M.M. 135 Hotspur, Freemasons' Hall, Alwicks

Thursday, 16th January.

23 Globe, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
55 Constitutional, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
63 St. Mary, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
159 Temperance, White Swan, Deptford
179 Manchester, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
181 Universal, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
813 New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
1139 South Norwood, Public Hall, South Norwood
1287 Great Northern, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1321 Emblematic, Horns Tavern, Keenington
1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton
1613 Cripplegate, Albion, Aldersgate Street
1623 West Smithfield, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1728 Temple Bar, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, Dulwich
1963 Duke of Albany, M.H., Lavender Hill
R.A. 217 Stability, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 733 Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood
R.A. 834 Andrew, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith
R.A. 1216 Macdonald, 1st Surrey Rifles, Camberwell
42 Relief, Albion Hotel, Bury
56 Howard, High Street, Arundel
98 St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
100 Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Gt. Yarmouth
203 Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
268 Union, Queen's Arms Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne
343 Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Preston
345 Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn
367 Probity and Freedom, Red Lion, Smallbridge
623 John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester
600 Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
605 Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
1011 Richmond, Crown Hotel, Salford
1042 Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Leeds
1299 Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near Liverpool
1332 Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
1432 Fitzalan, Wynnstay Arms, Oswestry
1512 Hemming, Red Lion Hotel, Hampton
1872 St. Margaret's, St. Mark's School, Surbiton
1892 Wallington, Public Hall, Cusshalton
2107 Etheldreda, White Hart Hotel, Newmarket

R.A. 204 Caledonian, F.M.H., Manchester
R.A. 249 Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 283 Wisdom, Swan Inn, Haslingden
R.A. 327 St. John's, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
R.A. 339 Regularity, Crown Hotel, Penrith
R.A. 546 Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Longton
R.A. 913 Pattison, Freemasons' Hall, Plumstead
R.A. 1324 Okeover, Mar Hotel, Ripley, Derby
M.M. Canyages, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol

Friday, 17th January.

House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green, 4
6 Friendship, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
143 Middlesex, Albion, Aldersgate Street
201 Jordan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1118 University, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1704 Anchor, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
1962 London Rifle Brigade, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
M.M. 176 Era, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C.
K.T. 49 Kameys Tynte, 33 Golden Square, W.

127 Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
152 Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
271 Royal Clarence, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
347 Noah's Ark, Wagon and Horses, Tipton
516 Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
541 De Loraine, Freemasons' Hall, Newcastle
663 Wiltshire Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Devizes
993 Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulmo
1096 Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1311 Zetland, Masonic Hall, Leeds
1644 Alma Mater, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
1773 Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
R.A. 31 Bortha, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
R.A. 414 Union, Masonic Hall, Reading
R.A. 521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield
R.A. 622 St. Guthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
R.A. 837 Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
R.A. 1010 Kingston, Masonic Hall, Hull
M.M. 65 West Lancashire, M.H., Liverpool
K.T. De Furnival, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

Saturday, 18th January.

715 Panmure, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
1329 Sphinx, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
1384 Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Hackney
1732 King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
1767 Kensington, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill
2308 Viator, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 142 St. Thomas's, Cannon Street Hotel
R.A. 1572 Carnarvon, Albion, Aldersgate Street
M.M. 251 Tenterden, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.

811 Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
1556 Addiscombe, 105 High Street, Croydon
1897 Citadel, Railway Hotel, Harrow
2035 Beaumont, Royal Hotel, Kirkburton
2147 Crays Valley, St. Mary Cray, Kent
R.A. 68 Royal Hotel, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol

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Saturday, 11th January.

179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav, Southgate Rd., N. 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7
1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1864 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Picnic, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7-30
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8

Monday, 13th January.

22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7-30
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., 7
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7
180 St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air St., W., 8
248 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon, 7
382 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
548 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8
724 Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
933 Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, 8
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7-30
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8
1349 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6-30
1425 Hyde Park, Porchester Hotel, Cleveland Gdns., 8
1445 Prince Leopold, 2/2 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8
1489 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park, 7-30
1507 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 7-30
1595 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney, 8
1609 Kilburn, 48 South Molton Street, W., 8
1623 West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, Smithfield, 7
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8-30
1707 Eleanor, Seven Sisters Hotel, Tottenham, 8
1743 Perseverance, 23 Adde Street, E.C., 7
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hotel, W. Kensington, 8
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8
2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The Criterion, W., 8

Tuesday, 14th January.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7
65 Prosperity, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., 7
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 8
177 Dematic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7-30
188 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Cannon Town, 8
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
406 Northern Counties, Masonic Hall, Newcastle, 7
463 East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, 7-45
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7-30
753 Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tavern, Maida Hill, 8
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 7-30
860 Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Dalston, 8
861 Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle St., 7
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8
1321 Emblematic, Mona Hotel, Henrietta St., W.C., 8
1325 Stanley, 21 Gt. Homer St., Liverpool, 8
1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex
1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7-30

1446 Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8
 1471 Islington, Champion, Aldersgate Street, 7
 1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
 1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St., 8
 1838 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8
 1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N., 8
 1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
 1949 Brixton, Prince Regent, East Brixton, 8
 2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton
 Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6'30
 R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Fin-bury Pavement, E.C., 8
 R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8
 R.A. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

Wednesday, 15th January.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barsbury, 8
 30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7'30
 72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
 73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8
 193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 7
 228 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
 538 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
 594 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7
 673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
 720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7
 781 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav, Burdett Rd., 7'30
 813 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Rd., 8
 862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8
 892 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8
 972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8'30
 1366 Toxteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7'30
 1475 Peckham, 516 Old Kent Road, 8
 1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull
 1524 Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Hackney, 8
 1601 Ravensbourne, George, Lewisham, 8
 1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7'30
 1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7'30
 1681 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8
 1892 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8'30
 1791 Creaton, Wheatstheat, Shepherd's Bush, 8
 1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8

1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7'30
 2206 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 8
 R.A. 177 Domatic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
 R.A. 720 Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, E.C., 7
 R.A. 933 Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., 7'30
 M.M. Grand Masters, 8a Red Lion Square, 7
 M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., 8

Thursday, 16th January.

87 Vitruvian, White Hart, Lambeth, 8
 144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7'30
 147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
 263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.
 435 Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8
 704 Camden, 365 High Holborn, 7
 754 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8
 879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New Road
 1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
 1158 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8
 1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7'30
 1278 Burdett Courts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8
 1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
 1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 7'30
 1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6'30
 1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8
 1571 Leopold, 7 London Street, E.C., 7'30
 1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse, Liverpool Road, N., 8
 1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7'45
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8
 1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Cumberwell, 8
 1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7'30
 1673 Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 5'30
 1677 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, 9
 1744 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8
 1892 Wallington, King's Arms, Carshalton
 1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7'30
 1998 Priory, Constitutional Club, Acton
 R.A. 753 Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, 8

R.A. 1471 North London, Northampton House, Canonbury, 8
 M.M. 199 Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Dalston, 8

Friday, 17th January.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6
 General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
 167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park, 8
 453 Chigwell, Pub. Ha, Station Rd., Loughton, 7'30
 507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7'30
 749 Belgrave, Harp Tavern, Jermyn Street, W., 8
 765 St. James, Princess Victoria, Rotherhithe, 8
 766 William Preston, St. Andrew's Tav, Baker St., 8
 780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 8
 834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
 1056 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7
 1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7'30
 1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8
 1298 Royal Standard, Builders' Arms, Canonbury, 8
 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, 7'30
 1381 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8
 1393 Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
 1612 E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8
 1901 Selwyn, Montpelier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8
 1993 Wolseley, 74a King Street, Manchester, 9'30
 2030 Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, S.W., 7'30
 R.A. General Chapter, M.H., Birmingham, 5'30
 R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 8
 R.A. 890 Hornsey, Porchester, Cleveland Sq., W.
 R.A. 1275 Star, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
 M.M. Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall
 M.M. 355 Royal Savoy, 15 Finsbury Pavement, 7'30

Saturday, 18th January.

179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8
 198 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8
 1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 7
 1288 Finsbury Park, Cook Tavern, Highbury, 7
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
 1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7
 2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7'30
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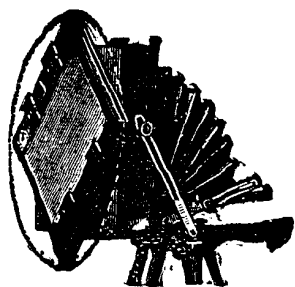
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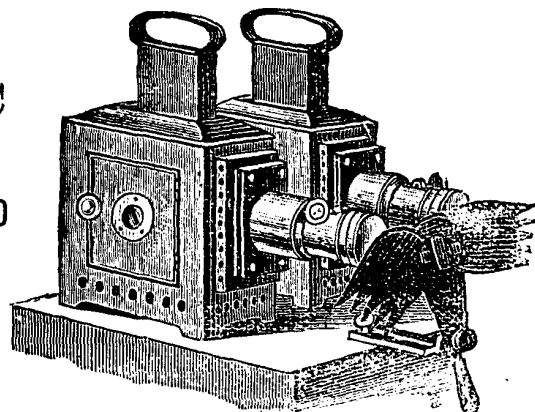
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