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## THE ELECTION FOR SECRETARY.

THE one topic of the day in Masonic quarters is the question of the election of a new Secretary for the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and the more we hear of the subject the more convinced we become that trouble is likely to result from the contest. It is bad enough to reconcile conflicting ideas when public opinion is divided for or against any one particular object, but when, as is the case here, there are several factions to be considered, the difficulty is increased, not only in proportion to the number of interests to be taken into account, but also because each section sees, in the action of its fellows, something which appears exceptional, and calling for blame or adverse criticism.

We have already recorded the fact that there were 38 applicants for the office, that 10 were not qualified to go to the poll, and that of the remaining 28 only some half a-dozen really stood a chance of winning the coveted appointment. We do not think we shall offend any of the outside candidates if we say that the actual number of those who have a moderate chance of success is five, two of whom may be regarded as London candidates, two as Provincial, and one London and Provincial combined. To be more precise, it may be as well to give the names of these candidates, not because we have any partiality to bestow on either of them, but because we consider it a part of our duty to our subscribers to show them what is going on in regard to this contest, and the possible support that is likely to follow from the election of any particular candidate. Taking the five in alphabetical order then, we have Bro. Baskett, Bro. Greenwood, Bro. McLeod, Bro. Gordon Smith and Bro. Storr. Of these Bro. Greenwood may be described as the candidate with both London and Provincial supporters; Bros. Baskett and McLeod pin their faith principally on the Provincials; while Bros. Gordon Smith and Storr rely, in the main, on London voters. Having said this we should, perhaps, show wisdom if we said no more, but there are some among our readers who look to us for a summary of rumours, possibilities and certainties, which it is generally supposed a newspaper is fully cognisant of, and which in this case, we almost regret to say, are both numerous, loudly proclaimed, and various.

First and foremost among the rumours is a statement that the Provisional Management Committee of the Institution has selected four candidates for especial recommendation to the general body of voters. This item may be regarded as quite outside the range of rumour, in face of a circular issued officially from the Province of West Yorkshire—and to which we shall refer later on—wherein it is stated that one of the candidates has "been unanimously placed first of the four selected candidates by the Provisional Committee." It is really no secret who these four are, but we will first devote ourselves

to the one of the five we have named above who is left out of the recommendation of the Provisional Management Committee. The Province of North and East Yorkshire supplies us with official intimation on this point, the brethren of that district having pledged themselves to support Bro. Baskett, who they now say is omitted from the list of those specially recommended by the Committee. North and East Yorkshire is but one Province which has promised to support Bro. Baskett, and to say its members are up in arms at the action of the Committee is but a mild way of putting it. There are Dorset, Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, Wiltshire, Devonshire, Durham, Cumberland, and Westmoreland, Cambridgeshire, Jersey, Suffolk, North Wales, and Oxfordshire among those who are to be considered in connection with Bro. Baskett's candidature, for in each of these districts he has the support of either the Provincial Grand Master or a large number of leading Masons—while in most of the districts named he has both. It is not for us to question the why and wherefore of the Committee's recommendation, but can any one outside that body see on what grounds, save actual incompetency, the Committee can disregard such support as we have here enumerated. Do they wish to drive away the twelve Provinces pledged to support Bro. Baskett? If so, they are going the right way to work to achieve their desire; but if not, they are acting most unwisely in ignoring a candidate put forward with such an array of supporters. Bro. Baskett claims the endorsement of twelve Provinces out of the forty-four into which England is divided, and yet is not regarded by the Provisional Committee as worthy of the same special reference they have accorded to four others, who, we venture to think, will agree with us that the fifth name should have been added to the list of recommendations. The Provisional Committee has made a serious blunder in this matter. Are they prepared for the consequences?

Bro. Greenwood will go to the poll with a grand list of supporters, and if his friends will only fulfil their promises we fail to see who can beat him. He has a splendidly organised Committee working on his behalf, and one way and another has a list of nearly 2000 pledged supporters, many of them London Masons; among them also are to be found the voters of Surrey and Sussex almost to a man. We imagine the only difficulty he will have to contend with is that of getting the signed proxies in hand, and if his friends can surmount that obstacle they should have the satisfaction of seeing their protégé at the head of the poll.

Bro. Gordon Smith and Bro. Storr rely, we believe, primarily if not wholly, on London friends and each of them has a strong and numerous body of supporters, so much so that as yet it is impossible to even hazard a guess as to which of the leading candidates has the best chance.

We have left Bro. McLeod until last, not from any

want of respect to him, but because some one must of necessity be last, and we have found convenient opportunity of referring to the other candidates in front of him. But he can well afford being low down on our page, from the fact that he comes at the head of those especially recommended by the Provisional Committee, and also because he has such strong and influential supporters as to almost render his election a certainty, were it not that others are also being well backed up. Foremost among those who will support Bro. McLeod is the Province of West Yorkshire, from which district we have before us a summons, marked "urgent and important," calling a special meeting of the Charity Committee of the Province, to be held at the Masonic Hall, Great George Street, Leeds, on Monday next, when the following, among other, "Business" will be submitted:—

The R.W. Prov. G. Master Bro. T. W. Tew, J.P., will propose, and the W. Dep. Prov. G. Master Bro. Henry Smith will second, the following resolution:—

"That this Charity Committee of West Yorkshire, do hereby undertake to support the election of Bro. James Morrison McLeod, for the office of Secretary to the R.M.I. for Boys, he having been unanimously placed first of the four selected candidates by the Provisional Committee."

This means that West Yorkshire, with its hundreds of voters, will "go solid" for Bro. McLeod, who, we may add, does not stop when he polls the papers of West Yorks. He has several other of the Midland counties pledged to him, and when we remember the way in which those districts combine in matters of voting, and the splendid system they already possess for communicating with the voters and collecting the proxies, it appears almost a Herculean task to oppose him. But we have shown he is to be opposed, and also pressed very hardly in the race for the Secretaryship. The contest will be one of the most severe ever known in connection with a Masonic office, and we can only hope that all may end well in connection with it, both as regards the brother who is ultimately selected for the office, and the Institution he will be called upon to work for.

## SECULARISING DANGEROUS.

*An Oration before the Grand Lodge of Kansas, F. and A.M., 20th February 1890, by Rev. Bro. Enoch Powell.*

**W**HEN life is viewed from the animal plane, it is a vulgar affair. When wrestling for place and power, what a wild beast scramble it is! A man running after his hat is not more ridiculous than a moral being running after happiness or reputation. In seeking to wrest from the necessities of his fellows some advantage for himself, he reminds you uncomfortably of his dog ancestor in the corner, gnawing his bone and growling off all intruders. Human nature thus presented, scheming for place and power, is in the "rough ashlar" state—an unformed, unpolished stone, not fitted for a place in the "Temple not made with hands." The life that is put to no divine use is a severed fragment. The life that is not fashioned according to the design on the trestleboard, that has no conscious part in the plan of the Great Architect, has no part or lot in that spiritual temple, from whose "Holy of Holies" streams the glory which gives to life all of hope and significance it has.

"How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable" seems all the uses of this world to him who makes self the measure of their value! Any life that is not fraternal—any seeking of good save through the good of all—must be vulgarly selfish and unspeakably tragic.

But, on the other hand, when we regard human nature from the plain of Fraternity, what a boundless privilege life is! Here all hearts beat as one. How sacred the ties which unite us in fraternal relations! How ennobling the condition in which no man seeks his own but a brother's good! When the tides of fraternal love are heaved to their flood, we seem almost infinite and divine.

I am not quite satisfied with such statements as that "Freemasonry is a science of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols; Freemasonry is a science of morality developed and communicated by the ancient method of symbolism. If Freemasonry were merely a symbolic morality, a mystic, esoteric philosophy, it would not be possible for all men to be good Masons. It is not given to every man to grasp in thought the deeper laws of the highest life. Above and before all else Freemasonry is a brotherhood—a fraternity of helpfulness. By the cultivation and practice of the Masonic virtues, the simplest mind may raise itself to the sublimest plane, and acquire a deep intuition of the "Royal Art." He who has nothing more than faith in our beloved Order may be its brightest ornament, and may exemplify its spirit; while another who can most eloquently expound all the mysteries may not have been raised from the dead level to the living perpendicular, and may be a stranger to that which is at the heart of our ceremonies, allegories and symbols. We may concede that the first great want of the candidate is "light," while his first great need is warmth of fraternal affection. Our mystic rites have no magical efficacy. Not even to save a weak Lodge from forfeiting a charter have we the right to admit those who have not found a moral basis for life and action, and who have not shown themselves to possess the fraternal spirit. The Masonic Institution is not a reformatory; neither is it an association of men on the plane of self interest, but a brotherhood. He who wants the "Master's word" only that he may secure the Master's wage—that he may travel in foreign countries with greater profit, that he may have a key to noble hearts and great opportunities, and that seats of honour and power, which princes and rulers have sighed for in vain may be his—must of necessity be blind to the true secret of our fraternal life. Our first great need is "that light which never was on sea or shore"—that without which our cable tow were but a rope of sand. Before we can cherish the laudable ambition to "best serve," we must have something more than the ability to open and close a Lodge, expound the lectures, and give correctly the signs of recognition.

I congratulate the Grand Lodge of Kansas, for the Masons of this State have a rich, warm, fraternal spirit, the very soul of brotherly helpfulness. Who that has come under the charm of your courtesy, and beheld the boundless wealth of your charity, can doubt that the Craft in Kansas possess the prerequisites of Freemasonry?

While even in Freemasonry faith in moral principles and affection for the brethren are the all-essentials, knowledge is not to be despised. We should seek to understand the law of social life, that which makes fraternity possible. Why is this the law of moral life? Why must we seek our own good through the good of our brethren?

If we were brutes, under the rule of sordid appetite and selfish passion, we could not be brothers to each other. But man is an immortal soul. He comes into possession of himself and of his race-inheritance, through and by means of his fraternal relations. Masonry assumes the existence of a wise and benevolent Creator, who begets the universe from Himself, and raises us up through what we call nature by a long process of evolution; educates us into freedom and develops us into true individuality, making us capable of self-knowledge and self-direction. Masonry, like the family, is one of the divine agencies for carrying onward and upward the higher education of man; teaching him how to "link his market cart to a star;" teaching him how to live for his race, that his race may live in him; filling out his finite life to infinite proportions and making it divine.

"Even the South Sea Islander commences with his infant child, and teaches him habits that conform to that phase of civilization, an ethical code fitting him to live in that community, and, above all, the mother tongue, so that he may receive the results of the perceptions and reflections of his fellow beings, and communicate his own to them. The experience of the tribe, a slow accretion through years and ages, is preserved and communicated to each new born child, vicariously saving him from endless labour and suffering. Through this race culture the individual acquires the experience of the species and lives the life of his race. Thus the individual is lifted above himself."

Masonry has garnered up the experience of many ages and many races. Their richest wisdom and their ennobling moral principles she seeks to communicate in symbols,

whose higher meanings are revealed at every stage of his development.

The reception of this rich inheritance is conditional. If the Tyler does not keep the self-seeker out of the Lodge, the Almighty blinds his eyes so that he sees nothing but empty forms and meaningless symbols. Only he who seeks his own good, through the good of the whole, finds his own true life in his fraternal relations. The mystic law of fraternal life was exemplified for us most clearly by the Nazarine convict who became the redeemer of the world through His perfect obedience to the law of our common nature. He who sprang from the most exclusive of people exemplified the brotherhood of man by preferring the welfare of all to His own, and thereby became the highest manifestation of the life of God in the race. He who seemed fated by his ancestry and environment to be an insignificant fragment of a remote people has become the Lord of all, by living for all. And all that He wrought was effected by no exceptional power or genius, but by the exercise of that miraculous power which resides in every loving heart, is felt in every throb of brotherly love, and is seen in every fraternal act.

The deeper lessons of the moral life which we are here to live, are begun in the family and carried up and on by the Lodge. The Masonic Lodge is a home and a school. Freemasonry teaches in the oldest and most effective ways—the deepest and highest moral lessons—how to identify ourselves with the life and interests by which we are limited, that we may be universal and free, doing by choice what flowers do by structure and planets by law.

If time had been given, I should have reviewed the history of the Craft, and expounded allegories and symbols to point the same lesson. But my object will be accomplished if I can make you feel the ever-present danger of being content with the gorgeous beauty of our ceremonials and the surface meaning of our symbols.

Do you again need to be reminded of the fact that the strength and worth of this Institution does not depend upon the number, but on the quality of its membership? Better surrender a charter than admit an unworthy member. Self seeking and ambitious men will desire to ally themselves with great institutions, which they would warp to their low purposes. Our first duty, therefore, is to keep Freemasonry a brotherhood of noble souls, whose duty it is to leaven the world with fraternal ideals.

Freemasonry is not only a brotherhood, but a church. It is the moral interpretation of that religion which was implanted in the mind and inwoven in the very constitution of man by a wise and benevolent Creator. Masonic scholars show that Masonry is related to, even if it has not sprung from, the "Ancient Mysteries." In every age and every land a chosen few have held and guarded the esoteric doctrine of a self-existent God, who is One and Holy.

It is a significant fact that no Atheist may be made a Mason. At the threshold he must confess faith in a Supreme being. Without religious services he may not be made a Mason. No true Mason will speak lightly the Ineffable Name.

One of the highest lessons taught in Masonry is the dignity and nobility of work. Interwoven with our work is worship. Indeed, "Work may become, and should become a kind of worship." But how shall this desirable end be reached if the secularising tendencies are not checked? I fail to find any justification of the prevalent practice of waiving signs and ceremonies and ignoring prayer and praise. It becomes absolutely farcical to be engaged in rearing a spiritual temple, symbolised by King Solomon's temple, while at the same time separating man from God. "The Operative Mason was engaged in the construction of a material temple at Jerusalem, to be dedicated to the service and worship of God, a house in which Jehovah was to dwell visibly." As Speculative Masons we are engaged in constructing a spiritual temple in our hearts, where God may dwell, and whence His oracles may speak for our guidance in the way of life. Do we need no instruction from Him who is wisdom—no inspiration, no counsel from Him in whom are all the sources of our lives?

Do not misunderstand me. I do not want to encourage pious cant. I would not have Masonry anything more than a moral expression of natural religion. It is an essential part of our ceremonial to joyfully recognise our relationship to God, our dependence upon Him, and to

express our sense of need. A Masonic temple is a religious temple. The very word "temple" implies worship. Our Lodges are dedicated to the Supreme. Only a vicious, unjustifiable habit of waiving signs and ceremonies could have led to the too prevalent custom of ignoring religious observances.

He who does most to make members enter a Lodge as they do a church, and conduct themselves therein in a like reverent manner, will deepen, strengthen and enrich the sources of Masonic influence. Long ago that noble Mason, George Washington, said, in substance this: "It becomes us to beware how we entertain the delusion that the sanctities of the home, and the moralities of public life can long survive the fervours of religion." It were a blinding superstition to imagine that even Freemasonry could long survive a severance from the chief source of its power and influence. He is the worst foe of our Order who does most to secularise it.

My last word is: You cannot separate man from God and keep man. We can be brothers to each other only as incarnations of God. It is the manifestation of the grace and truth of God in the flesh that makes one a helpful brother. If we were but cunning animals even Freemasonry would be but a vulgar partnership—an association which mankind would do well to fear. It would be but another phase of "The Struggle for Existence"—not that which it is, "A Struggle for Moral Excellence," a passion to effectively serve our common life. Freemasonry separates us from the world only to identify us more closely with the dearer and higher interests of mankind. We are invested with real power only as we use it for the good of all, and no glory is enduring but that which we help to create.

At the meeting of the Rural Philanthropic Lodge, 291, held at the Railway Hotel, Highbridge, on Friday, the 16th inst., Bro. Dr. Peskett S.W. was unanimously elected, by ballot, the W.M. of the Lodge for the ensuing year, as successor to Bro. T. H. Railton. Bro. J. Burnett P.M. was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Woodward Tyler.

A new edition is about to be published by Messrs. Dean and Son, of "The Illustrated Book of Wonders, Events and Discoveries," by John Timbs, author of "Things not Generally Known." Chapters are included on "The Submarine Telegraph," which has been revised and extended by Mr. Peter Lund-Simmonds, F.L.S., and on the Ragged School movement, which has been revised by the Secretary of the Ragged School Union, and extended to the present date.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kelly's handsome presentation volume, entitled "Those were the Days," published last winter, at half a guinea, having met with such an unlooked for reception, the publishers (Messrs. Dean and Son) have decided to issue the same magnificent reproductions of Mr. Kelly's original pencil drawings in exactly the same style, but bound in cloth, small quarto, at about five shillings.

"The Masonic Guide of New South Wales," compiled by G. S. Jacobs, W.M. 977, is a copyright, and is stated to be issued under the patronage of the M.W. Grand Master Bro. His Excellency the Right Hon. Charles Robert Lord Carrington, G.C.M.G., &c. &c. The book, which is in a small compass, is published by Messrs. Gibbs, Shallard, and Co., printers, 84A Pitt-street, Sydney, and contains a complete record of all Lodges, Chapters, &c., with their places and times of meeting, names of Officers, and other useful information. This little book will be of great value to all of those who are connected with Masonry.

At the annual meeting at St. George's Hall, Stonehouse, on Monday, the 9th inst., of the brethren of the Sincerity Lodge, No. 189, Bro. Dr. J. Harrison was unanimously elected as the W.M. for the ensuing year. The installation of the W.M. elect and the annual banquet will take place on the second Monday in July. In compliment to Bro. Harrison, the banquet will be held at Devonport.

At the regular meeting of the Eldon Lodge, No. 1755, held at the Royal Hotel, Portishead, on Saturday last, Bro. W. Glasspole, the Worshipful Master, on behalf of the Lodge, made a presentation to Bro. A. J. Tonkin. The gift took the form of a handsome carved oak cuckoo clock, and was accompanied by a few well-chosen remarks from the W.M., expressive of the hearty good wishes of himself and the brethren. The present was made to commemorate the recent marriage of Bro. Tonkin, who holds the office of I.G. of the Lodge, and was suitably acknowledged by him. The gathering was rendered attractive by a fraternal visit of the W.M. (Bro. Britt) and the Officers and members of the Canynge Lodge, No. 1388.

The Freemasons of Scarborough will present the Duke of Clarence and Avondale with an address on the occasion of his visit to the town to open the new Marine Promenade on Friday, the 27th inst. The Duke, who will travel by special train from York to Scarborough, will be met at the station by the Mayor and Corporation.

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## SO-CALLED "EVIDENCE OF STEINMETZ ESOTERICIS."

BY BRO. JACOB NORTON.

THE next paper after Bro. Gould's lecture in the last Q.C. Transactions is headed "Evidence of Steinmetz Esoterics." The writer of the said paper, of course, believes in the antiquity of speculative Masonry, and his arguments for his opinion are based upon some poetry written in 1623, by J. V. Andreæ. The same Andreæ wrote, in 1614, a fictitious narrative about the origin of a fraternity called "Rosicrucians." As far as I know, no one believes now that such a fraternity ever existed before 1614 (Masonic Rosicrucians of course excepted), nor do I believe that such a society was ever organized before the latter half of the last century, by some Masonic degree monger. The winding up of Andreæ's poetry is as follows:—

"And if we here below would learn,  
By Compass, Needle, Square and Plumb,  
Wherewith our God hath measur'd us."

Upon which, saith Bro. Schnitger, the author of the paper referred to:—

"It is not my purpose now to inquire whether he (Andreæ) was a Rosicrucian or not, although . . . I may be permitted to say, that it is strange he should write against an Order of Rosicrucians, if such a society was not in existence before and at his time," &c., &c.

He then goes on to reason thus:—How such a man (of learning and piety) should happen to use the tools of the Steinmetzen symbolically, unless he had their application in this sense from the Steinmetzen (or Masons) themselves, is not easy to say. He must have invented this application himself for the purpose, unless we admit the other and more natural explanation. Again, if such emblematical use was not readily understood by contemporary readers, and consequently known in wider circles, why did he employ terms which he knew his readers would not appreciate?

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"The only logical conclusion I can come to, seems to point to the Steinmetzen for the source of Andreæ's information; and in the time of their (the Masons') decadence, when Andreæ wrote—say 1616—nothing is more likely than that such a man should get hold of some information, even assuming he was not duly initiated as a lay brother, and adept in mathematical science.

"I think it must be admitted, that Andreæ uses the symbols exactly as they were used in 1717, and afterwards, and that being so, we have proof that, say one hundred years before (the) Grand Lodge, the same emblematic meaning did attach to these tools as the existing Lodges inculcate. This alone is a long step towards disproving the 1717 theory. . . . Anyhow, the theory falls to the ground, that the esoteric meaning was added in 1717 for the purposes of what is now called the newly founded symbolic Freemasonry. It is quite possible that some operative Lodges had forgotten their esoteric catechism, but to apply this to all the Craft, does certainly require better proof than has hitherto been adduced."

The above extracts, which contain the gist of Bro. Schnitger's argument, can leave no doubt in the reader's mind, that he believes that the symbolic explanations of the Masons' working tools were either confined to Masons only, until the time of Andreæ, from whom he somehow learned them, or that Andreæ was the original genius who discovered a new meaning to the words, *Compass, Needle, Square, and Plumb*; or, in other words, that nobody before 1616 ever thought of symbolizing the said working tools.

I shall now proceed to prove that in the days of Andreæ, the figurative allusions to Masons' working tools were, metaphorically speaking, "as old as the hills"; they were widely known and understood, and may be said to have been "familiar as household words." Now read the following quotations:—

2 Kings xxi. 13.—"And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house of Ahab."

Isaiah xxviii. 17.—"Judgment will I lay by the line, and righteousness to the plummet."

Amos vii. 8.—"And the Lord said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plummetline. Then said the Lord, Behold, I will set a plummetline in the midst of my people Israel: I will not again pass by them any more."

Shakespeare, "Tempest," act iv, scene 1.—"We steal by the line and level." Again, "Steal by the line and level, is an excellent pass of pate."

"Winter's Tale," act i, scene 3.—"Yet for this once, yea, superstitiously, I will be squared by this."

I believe there are more allusions to Masons' working tools figuratively referred to as above. But here is some-

thing older than Shakspeare's play. In Richardson's Dictionary, under the word *square*, is the following quotation from Piers Ploughman, viz.:—

"And contrevede (counterfeit) the compass,  
And cast by *esquire* (meaning square) both *lyne* and *level*."

Under the same heading, viz., *square*, he gives again:—

"And when he gave me the bishopric of Winchester, he said he had often squared with me." (This was written in 1551.)

Under the word *plumb* and *plummet* I find the following old quotation:—

("I saw, that very many things) were by the perfect *lyne* (line) and *plummet* of God's word."

In Johnson's unabridged Dictionary I find similar quotations, here is one of them from Shakespeare:—

"Antony and Cleopatra."—"I have kept my *square*, but that to some shall be done by the *level*."

The fact is, orators, poets and writers of the earliest period, naturally seized certain subjects, and referred to them metaphorically or symbolically, especially so the names of implements that were designed to test the exactness of either measure, weight, size, shape, and so forth; hence such phrases as "scales of justice," or "as true as a needle," &c., were commonly said, and well understood. In a like manner, a bad man was referred to as a snake, a viper, &c., and a bad woman was alluded to as a Jezebel. Hence we need not be surprised to find John Valentine Andreæ refer to the *needle* (meaning the magnetic needle), the *square*, the *compass* and the *plumb*, as religious symbols in 1616. And now I must repeat Bro. Schnitger's argument, namely:—

"I think it must be admitted, that Andreæ uses the symbols exactly as they were used in 1717 and afterwards, and that being so, we have proof that, say one hundred years before Grand Lodge, the same emblematic meaning did attach to these tools as the existing Lodges inculcate."

Now, first. Bro. Schnitger certainly *overshot* his mark by saying, "*exactly as they were used*," because the *needle* is never symbolized in a Masonic Lodge.

Second. The *square*, *compass* and *plumb* were not symbolized in Masonic Lodges in 1717, nor very soon after 1717. Indeed, even as late as 1765, that is, forty-eight years after 1717, the *compass*, *square* and *plumb* were not symbolized in Masonic Lodges, and even then, the working tools in the first degree *only* were symbolized, and as the *compass*, *square* and *plumb* were not then, and are not now, the working tools of the first degree, hence Bro. Schnitger's assumption, that Masons in 1717 symbolized the *compass*, *square* and *plumb*, is therefore incorrect.

Third. Although, for reasons above given, it is certain that Andreæ was not the originator of applying Masons' working tools as symbolic of religion, yet it is equally certain that he did not obtain the symbolizing idea in 1616 from the Steinmetz.

Fourth. Bro. Schnitger claims, that a Masons' Guild in 1695, at Halberstadt, had or used a *secret word*. But supposing even that the said Guild had half-a-dozen secret words, that would be no evidence that the said Guild symbolized either their working tools or anything else.

And fifth. There is an old and true proverb, viz., "A thousand probabilities do not make one truth." Hence, as Bro. Schnitger's "Evidence of Steinmetz Esoterics" is wholly based upon imaginary probabilities, his "Evidence" is, therefore, *no evidence at all*.

BOSTON, U.S., 30th May 1890.

Messrs. Dean and Son also announce an important work on "Canary Birds," from the pen of Dr. Karl Russ, the eminent German ornithologist, and author of "Foreign Aviary Birds." The work will contain an account of the history of the canary, full details as to the various breeds of canaries, and chapters on pairing, colour, breeding, feeding, aviaries, nesting and diseases. The Stock-Keeper, referring to the forthcoming work, says that "Dr. Karl Russ has been for many years a large breeder of canaries, and is therefore able to speak with all the authority of a practical observer, as well as a learned naturalist."

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## NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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## PEACE AND HARMONY LODGE, No. 199.

A MEETING was held on Monday afternoon, the 2nd inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, Dover, and there were some fifty of the brethren — members and visitors — present. The Lodge was opened at three o'clock, the Worshipful Master Bro. G. Church presiding. The minutes of the last regular Lodge having been confirmed, Bro. H. W. Culpeck was duly raised as a Master Mason. At half-past four Bro. J. Falconer, the S.W., who had been unanimously elected Worshipful Master of the Lodge, was duly installed, the ceremony being admirably performed by the I.P.M., Bro. G. Church. Bro. Falconer appointed his Officers for the year, as follows:—Bros. A. T. Dartnall S.W., W. Walker J.W., Rev. V. S. Vickers Chaplain, E. Lukey (Mayor of Dover) P.M. P.P.G.S.D. Treasurer, J. D. Torson P.M. Secretary, E. C. Fielding S.D., Dr. W. J. Best J.D., F. W. Prescott P.M. D.C., F. A. Clarke Organist, H. H. Goodwin I.G., W. Thomas and O. G. Saville Stewards, and L. Marsh Tyler. Bro. J. D. Terson, the Secretary, was unanimously re-appointed Charity Representative of the Lodge. The Lodge was honoured with the presence of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Kent, Bro. J. S. Eastes P.G.S.D. Eng. At the conclusion of the proceedings the members and visitors adjourned to the adjoining building, where an excellent dinner was served. The usual Masonic toasts were proposed and responded to, and a very pleasant evening, with harmony, was enjoyed by those present.

## APOLLO LODGE, No. 301.

THE installation of Bro. S. A. Gothard as Worshipful Master of the Apollo Lodge (No. 301) for the ensuing year took place at the Town Hall, Alcester, on Wednesday, the 4th inst., when a goodly number of the Craft were present. The ceremony was impressively performed by Bro. Dr. F. H. Haynes, of the Shakespeare Lodge, Leamington. The brethren afterwards dined together at the Swan Hotel, under the presidency of the newly-elected W.M., and a most agreeable and pleasant evening was passed.

## CHIGWELL LODGE, No. 453.

THE annual Installation Meeting of this popular Lodge took place last Saturday, at the Royal Forest Hotel, Chigwell, and the weather proving propitious most of the members attended, with several friends, to witness the ceremonial. The W.M. Bro. John R. Bredding presided, and was supported by Bro. Richard Eve P.G. Treasurer, Bro. Ralling P.G.D.C. Provincial Grand Secretary for Essex, Bro. A. Lucking P.G.P., Bro. Benjamin Stone P.M. of the District Grand Lodge of India, Bro. Alfred J. Dixie Prov. G.D., Bro. W. T. Buck P.P.G.S., Bro. J. T. Renshaw P.G.S., Bro. Geo. Corble P.M. Secretary, Bro. Glass Treasurer, Past Masters Jas. Motion, E. J. Acworth, Martin, W. J. Shadrach 1457, Latta 704, J. Maple 657, W. W. Scarlett 799, H. B. Holliday 1076, E. Tholander 1457, W. E. Sutton 799, W. Bensley 1524, J. E. Fluck 1538, E. W. Moore 2677, and W. B. Hengerty 1343. There were also present Bros. Dr. Scoresby Jackson, Hobbs, G. S. Miller, Triggs, Tucker, A. Parvis, C. Streather, H. S. Homewood, S. Behrend, Jas. Motion, W. A. Glass, H. A. Jager, A. Bonsall, John Culver, T. Motion, Coxon, Olton Cooper, &c., &c. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes being read and confirmed, the installation ceremony was immediately proceeded with. Bro. Frederick C. Dixie having been elected by the brethren to fill the office of W.M. for the ensuing year, was brought before the Lodge, and answered the usual questions. The service was rendered by Bro. Alfred J. Dixie, in a highly impressive manner, the several charges being especially well delivered. The newly-made Master was then saluted in the various degrees by the brethren, and subsequently the following Officers were appointed and invested. Bro. J. D. Christian S.W., Bro. J. G. Renshaw J.W., Bro. Glass Treasurer, Bro. Geo. Corble Secretary, Bro. Hobbs S.D., Bro. Jas. Motion J.D., Bro. Coxon I.G., Bros. T. Motion and H. S. Homewood Stewards, and Bro. R. W. Guddard Tyler. A Past Master's jewel was presented to I.P.M. Bro. J. R. Bredding and suitably acknowledged. The brethren were soon enabled to judge of their new Master's qualifications for the office, his first ceremony being the passing of Bro. Henry Alexander Jager. This was performed in so admirable a manner as to elicit high praise from the brethren present. The explanation of the working tools was given in full, but time did not permit of the lecture on the tracing board. It is satisfactory to note that the brethren were unanimous in their opinion that Bro. Fred. C. Dixie was a worthy successor to the long list of efficient Masters, so that his year of office promises to be peculiarly happy and successful. The banquet was served in the Connaught Hall, in the well known *récherché* style of the establishment, and at its termination the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given and received, Bro. Richard Eve responding with an effective speech for the Grand Officers. Bro. Ralling, in acknowledging the toast of the Provincial Grand Officers, stated that the strength and popularity of the Province of Essex were proved by the fact that there were now no less than thirty-one Lodges. The W.M., in replying to the toast of his health, which was proposed by Bro. Bredding I.P.M., said that it seemed but a very few years since he occupied the initiate's chair at the banquet table, and now he found himself presiding over the Lodge as Master. He could not help a feeling of pride at the honour that had that day been conferred upon him, and trusted that the Lodge, now over half-a-century old, would lose none of its dignity while in his charge. Bros. Jas. Motion, Bredding and Alfred J. Dixie responded for the Past Masters, the last named expressing the peculiar pleasure it had been for him to instal his brother, and assured the Lodge that his sympathy and assistance were always at their command. Bro. Benjamin Stone, as a brother from India, drew attention to the remarkable progress that the

Craft had made in that country, and contended that Masonry had really accomplished more than religion, for it had annihilated caste prejudices that had existed for thousands of years, and men of all creeds and colours now met as brothers in one common cause. The residence of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught in India also had a beneficial effect, as under his rule as D.G.M. of Bombay, many new Lodges were established. The Officers having been duly complimented, the Tyler's toast brought this pleasant gathering to an agreeable termination. During the evening some capital songs were given, by Bros. Richard Eve, John Culver, Jas. Motion, Renshaw, Corble and Miller, and Bro. H. S. Homewood obliged with a humorous recitation.

## MALLING ABBEY LODGE, No. 1063.

THE installation of Bro. Daniel T. J. Lyle as W.M. of the above Lodge, in succession to Bro. Richard Clout, took place at the Bear Hotel, Town Malling, on Wednesday, the 11th inst., in the presence of a large attendance of brethren, present and past Provincial Grand Lodge Officers and brethren from neighbouring Lodges. The beautiful ceremony of the ritual was efficiently performed by Bro. Benjamin Sidney Wilmot Installing Master, who, at its close, was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. The Worshipful Master, Bro. D. T. J. Lyle, subsequently invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. R. Clout I.P.M., R. McVicar S.W., W. M. Apps J.W., W. Jude P.M. P.P.G.A.S. Treasurer, S. Wagon P.M. Secretary, H. M. Apps S.D., T. M. Kennett J.D., W. Wells I.G., F. Gordon P.M. D.C., W. Wallond Steward, F. E. Roe Organist, R. Pointer Tyler. The I.P.M., Bro. R. Clout, was then presented by the newly installed Master, in the name of the Lodge, with a Past Master's jewel, in recognition of the zeal and ability he had displayed in the discharge of his duties during his year of office. Two gentlemen were proposed for initiation at the next meeting. After hearty good wishes, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned for the customary banquet. The W.M. presided, and was supported by a number of Provincial Officers and Installed Masters. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts followed, and were received heartily by the company, the speeches being agreeably interspersed with amusing songs by Bro. H. Schartau. The health of the new W.M. was proposed by Bro. R. Clout, who referred in the highest terms to the zeal displayed by Bro. Lyle in filling all the minor offices of the Lodge until he had attained the highest honour his brethren could confer upon him. The selection of Bro. Lyle for the chair of K.S. was fully justified by his punctuality and ability, and he (the speaker) was sure he would not only do credit to the Lodge, but advance the interests of Freemasonry in general. The Worshipful Master, in responding, undertook to discharge the important duties with which he had been entrusted to the best of his ability; and said he hoped to receive the same hearty applause at the end of his year of office as the toast had just received, and he felt sure he should have willing and loyal assistance at the hands of his Officers. The W.M. Bro. Lyle then gave the "Visitors," according them a hearty welcome. He coupled with the toast the names of Bros. Barker, Woolley and Gibbon. Bro. Barker, in responding, said he had not visited the Malling Lodge for nearly twenty years, but after the splendid manner in which he had been entertained that evening he hoped it would not be long before he should have the same opportunity of enjoying himself in their company. The esteem in which the W.M. was held by the brethren must be deeply gratifying to him, and encourage him to keep up the prestige of the Lodge as his predecessors had done, and he hoped that on leaving the chair he would enjoy not only the esteem, but the friendship of his brethren for many years. Bro. Barden said he had known Bro. Lyle ever since he came to Maidstone, and a more worthy Mason could not occupy the chair. Bro. Woolley said it was his first visit to the Lodge, and hoped it would not be the last by many. He thanked the brethren for the hearty reception he had received. Bro. Gibbon was also called upon to reply, and said that friendship and brotherly feeling among the brethren was a jewel worthy to be worn and treasured. The Officers' toast was responded to by the S.W. and J.W., who said they were all anxious by merit to arrive at the chair which was so ably filled. The brethren expressed themselves highly pleased with the evening's enjoyment.

## WHARFEDALE LODGE, No. 1108.

THE Festival of St. John was celebrated by the brethren of the Royal Wharfedale Lodge, 1108, at the Masonic Rooms, Boroughgate, Otley, on Friday, the 6th instant, when Bro. William Henry Dawson was installed Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, the ceremony being performed by Bro. William Laycock P.P.G. St. B., assisted by Bro. A. Walker and Bro. H. Harrison. Besides the brethren of 1108, there was a good muster of visitors. After the ceremony of installation the newly-elected W.M. invested the Officers, as follow:—Bros. W. Weegmann I.P.M., Fred Cooley S.W., F. Barraclough J.W., William Laycock P.M. Treasurer, James Etebells P.M. P.P.G.R. Norths and Hunts Secretary, T. Houlding S.D., H. Harrison P.M. J.D., W. H. Tetley I.G., J. Mason Tyler. Subsequently the brethren banqueted together, after which the usual toasts were honoured, and the evening passed in an enjoyable manner.

## DE MOULHAM LODGE, No. 1146.

ON Saturday, the 7th inst., the regular June meeting was held at the Mowlem Institute, Swanage, when Bro. Dr. Woodruffe Daniel S.W. was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony being very ably performed by Bro. Dr. Lawton, No. 137. There were 46 brethren present, including no less than 23 installed Masters. The newly-elected W.M. appointed his Officers, as follow:—Bros. G. F. Parsons S.W., H. W. White J.W., Rev. H. J. Mason Chaplain, T. Raudell D.C., J. T. Hillier sen. Secretary, F. Burt S.D., J. G. Robinson J.D., F. A. K. Hounsell I.G., J. T. Hillier jun. Organist, F. A. Burt and J. Andrews Stewards, H. W. Tomes Tyler. The banquet

was held at the Royal Victoria Hotel, at half-past six, when about 45 brethren sat down to a most excellent repast, which was thoroughly appreciated by all, and which reflected the greatest credit on the hotel management. A special late train at 9.30 conveyed most of the brethren to their homes, after a most enjoyable evening spent in a truly Masonic manner.

#### LODGE PRUDENCE, No. 1550.

A regular meeting at the Freemasons' Hall, Princes Square, Plymouth, on Saturday evening, the 7th inst., Bro. A. C. Titherly S.W. was elected as the Worshipful Master for the year ensuing, and Bro. C. Philp P.M. as Treasurer. Bros. J. G. Kevern P.M. was appointed representative on the Committee of Petitions; C. Mutton Charity Steward; and W. H. Phillips Tyler.

#### ST. MAURICE LODGE, No. 1855.

THE annual meeting was held at the Masonic Hall, Plymouth, on the 11th inst., to install Bro. J. D. Folley S.W. as the Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. The ceremony of installation was performed by Bro. R. Hambly P.M., assisted by Bros. J. R. Lord, C. H. Cooper, and W. K. Michell. Amongst the other Installed Masters present were:—Bros. T. J. R. Chalice, John Lavers, Rev. T. W. Lemon, D.D. Oxon, S. Jew, Richard Lavers, E. Aitken-Davies, James Gidley, John A. Lavers. The Board of Installed Masters having been closed, the W.M. invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. G. S. Strode Lowe I.P.M., F. Hunt S.W., J. C. Revell J.W., T. J. R. Chalice P.M. Treasurer, R. Hambly P.M. Sec., Samuel Hicks S.D., J. Hellings J.D., S. G. Osmond I.G., Joseph Pearse D.C., John Pearse A.D.C., J. F. Harris Organist, W. T. Luke and J. N. Wills Stewards, W. J. Gidley P.M. Tyler, R. Hambly Representative of Committee of Petitions, T. J. R. Chalice Charity Steward. Previous to the installation ceremony, a candidate was duly initiated into the Order. The brethren adjourned for their annual banquet to the George Hotel, Ridgway, where an excellent spread was prepared by the worthy host, Bro. Earle 1855. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured and responded to. Several songs were rendered, and a pleasant evening was spent.

#### HIGH PEAK LODGE, No. 1952.

THE Annual Festival of St. John, in connection with this Lodge, was held at Chapel-en-le-Frith on Monday, the 9th inst. For the first time the installation ceremony was performed in the National Schools, Chapel-en-le-Frith, when Bro. Joseph St. Leger was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, and he afterwards invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. John Hallam I.P.M., W. S. Anderson S.W., Broadhurst J.W., R. H. Hyde Treasurer, Jas. Whitehead Secretary, Rev. W. P. Stamper S.D., E. Walker J.D., W. Lingard Organist, W. Ward I.G., and R. Longdon Tyler. Subsequently a banquet was served in the Town Hall, to about 65 guests, from Baxton, Bakewell, Chapel-en-le-Frith, and New Mills, Bro. J. St. Leger W.M. presiding.

#### STRIGUEL LODGE, No. 2186.

ON Thursday, the 29th ult., the annual installation of a Worshipful Master took place at Chepstow. The new W.M. is Bro. W. Whalley, who was installed by Bro. S. G. Homfray D.P.G.M. After this the W.M. appointed the Officers of the Lodge for the ensuing year. In the evening there was a grand banquet at the Beaufort Hotel, Bro. Whalley presiding, supported by several distinguished Officers of the Order.

#### ASHBURTON LODGE, No. 2189.

THE members of this Lodge held their annual meeting at the new Masonic Hall, Ashburton, on the 12th inst., when Bro. C. G. S. Adcock was installed W.M. for the ensuing year. The Installing Masters were Bros. John Oliver and the Hon. R. Dawson. The W.M. invested as his Officers Bros. S. Jervis I.P.M., G. Tozer S.W., F. J. N. Crowe J.W., the Rev. C. Forster Chaplain, H. Stevens Treasurer, R. E. Tucker Secretary, G. C. Foot S.D., W. Ford J.D., E. F. Tanner D.C., F. J. Crowe Organist, J. Eales I.G., E. J. Sawdye S.S., and George Furneaux Tyler. Bro. H. Steer P.M. was elected representative on the Committee of Petitions. Owing to the lamented death of the late Secretary, Bro. Frazer, the annual banquet was postponed.

#### BOROUGH OF GREENWICH LODGE, No. 2332.

THE second invitation concert given under the auspices of this Lodge—Bro. T. W. Boord, M.P., P.G.D. W.M.—was held on Thursday, 12th inst., in the Lodge premises at East Greenwich, and was attended by a highly appreciative audience. In the unavoidable absence of the W.M. the acting I.P.M. Bro. Bateman welcomed the guests and managed the concert, which was eminently successful. Bro. Nichols M.E.Z. 1793 sang "I am waiting," and "Beauty's Eyes," in his well-known able way. Bro. S. J. Gore gave a recitation, with considerable declamatory power; and Mr. Cockton delighted his audience with a humorous song, "The Lay of the very last Minstrel," but still more so with a musical sketch of his own, "The rehearsal for our amateur concert." A pleasant first appearance was made by Miss Edith Thomas, daughter of the respected S.D. of the Lodge, who sang "Kathleen Mavourneen" in a manner betokening considerable promise. The chief successes of the evening were, however, achieved by the two ladies who have already been favourably noticed here, on the occasion of the first concert given by this enterprising young Lodge,—Miss Marie Hooton, who sang "The Better Land" and "Golden Harvest," with great expression and in admirable style; and Miss Bertha Colnaghi, who gave "Love's old sweet Song," and (by special request) "Dear Heart." The latter beautiful song has seldom, if ever, been better given, the singer's clear and admirable rendering of both words and music leaving

absolutely nothing for the most exacting critic to desire. The two ladies also gave a delightful rendering of Offenbach's well-known duet, "In the dusk of the twilight." At the close of the concert, Mr. Mitchell, a well-known resident, expressed the thanks of the visitors, to the Lodge for their invitation, and especially to the artistes for the great musical treat afforded.

Camden Lodge of Instruction, No. 704.—The usual weekly meeting was held at the new Masonic Rooms, adjoining the White Hart Hotel, 116 High-street, Lewisham, at 8 p.m., on Thursday, the 12th inst. Bro. J. A. Sheldon presided as W.M., and amongst those present were Bros. G. A. Pickering S.W., H. R. Frank J.W., James Stevens P.M. P.Z. Preceptor, R. W. Cartwright S.D., W. Fieldson J.D., T. White I.G., C. Thomas, A. Weimbush, S. Lancaster, W. Robin Secretary, G. Bird, &c. The ceremonies of the first and second degrees were rehearsed, accompanied by explanations by the Preceptor of a most instructive character. Bro. Pickering was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. The fourth Thursday in this month, the 26th inst., is Preceptor's night, and it is expected that Bro. Stevens will take the opportunity to expound at some length the most important points of ceremonial in the E.A. degree. Visitors from London should leave the train (S.E. Railway) at Lewisham Junction Station.

### ROYAL ARCH.

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#### LOYALTY AND VIRTUE CHAPTER, No. 251.

A REGULAR meeting was held on Wednesday, the 11th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Barnstaple. The Officers elected for the year were Comps. J. H. Seldon D. of C., H. P. Tardrew 1st Principal, H. Ascott 2nd Principal, Captain Ivimy 3rd Principal, R. P. Morrison Scribe E., W. A. Roberts Scribe N., T. Pearse P. Soj. J. H. H. Seldon D. of C., R. Harper 2nd Asst. Soj.

#### DUNDAS CHAPTER, No. 1255.

THE annual meeting was held on the 5th inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth, to install the Principals of the year ensuing:—Comp. G. Damier as Z., J. D. Daniels as H., and W. Lavers as J. The Installing Officers were Comps. J. R. Lord P.Z. 70 P.P.G. Treasurer, W. Allsford P.Z. 202 P.G.P. Soj., and James Gidley P.Z. 1205, 2025. The Officers were invested, as follows:—Comp. John Pearse I.P.Z., S. Hearle P.Z. Treasurer, John Hammond P.Z. Scribe E., A. B. Toms Scribe N., W. Wallis P. Soj., R. M. Parker 1st A. Soj., G. W. Townsend 2nd A. Soj., W. H. Bottrell Organist, J. W. Warren D.C., and W. H. Phillips, Janitor. The Companions adjourned to the refreshment hall, where a pleasant hour was passed. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured and responded to.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our Correspondents.

All Letters must bear the name and address of the Writor, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

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#### THE ANTIQUITY OF MASONIC DEGREES.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—In your last issue, Bro. Jacob Norton maintains that three degrees, and not two only, were recognised as then existing, by the Constitutions of 1723.

In support of this contention, he adduces the following, extracted from the Constitutions of 1738, and which is Dr. Anderson's own version, in that year, of what actually occurred in 1725:—

NEW REGULATION XIII. (22nd Nov. 1725)—"The Master of a Lodge with his Wardens and a competent Number of the Lodge assembled in due Form, can make Masters and Fellows at Discretion."

Brother Norton then goes on to argue that, by virtue of the said Regulation, the privilege of working the second and third degrees was restored to the Lodges.

But what really took place in Grand Lodge on the 27th (and not the 22nd) Nov. 1725, is thus recorded in the Minutes of that body:—

27th Nov. 1725.—"A motion being made that such part of the 13th Article of the General Regulations relating to the making of Masters only at a Quarterly Court may be repealed, and that the Master of Each Lodge, with the consent of his Wardens and the Majority of the Brethren, being Masters, may make Masters at their discretion. Agreed, Nem. Con.

Here there is no reference whatever to "Fellow Crafts," or "Fellows," and the wording of the enactment altogether forbids the supposition that more than a single degree was referred to.

I may add that the entry in the Grand Lodge Minutes of 27th November 1725, was given by me in the paper on Masonic Symbolism which has evoked the criticism of Bro. Norton.

Yours fraternally,

16th June 1890.

R. F. GOULD.

FUNERALS properly carried out and personally attended in London and Country, by Bro. G. A. HUTTON, 17 Newcastle Street, Strand, W.C. Monuments erected. Valuations made.

## Obituary.

### BRO. DR. JOHN HUGHES.

THE remains of the late Bro. Dr. John Hughes, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of Curry Rivel, near Langport, who died at his residence, on the 27th ult., at the age of 56, were consigned to their last resting place, in the parish churchyard, on Monday, the 2nd inst., when Officers of the Province of Somerset, brethren from neighbouring Lodges, and Officers and brethren from Portcullis Lodge, No. 2038 (Langport), attended the funeral, and (by dispensation) wore Masonic clothing. The brethren proceeded from Portcullis Lodge to the residence of the deceased, where they took a position allowing the body and mourners to pass through, and then followed to the Church of St. Andrew, where the Rev. C. M. Speke Mules, Vicar of the Parish, and a brother Mason, performed the office for the dead. At the conclusion of the service, the brethren filed past the grave, each casting a sprig of acacia on the coffin. Professional friends of deceased, and a large number of parishioners, attended the funeral, including Mr. J. Louch, clerk to the Langport Board of Guardians, and Dr. Johnstone, of Langport. The coffin was borne upon the shoulders of eight parishioners, and was covered with splendid flowers, among which was a beautiful wreath, contributed by the brethren of Portcullis Lodge. The grave was lined with ivy and bordered with acacia. A large congregation attended the ceremony. The deceased had been a medical practitioner in Curry Rivel for many years, and was one of the district medical officers of the Langport Union. As a Freemason he was a P.P.G.S.B. of Somerset, and Senior Past Master of the Portcullis Lodge, Langport. He took great interest in the various Institutions.

### BRO. DR. WILLIAM J. FRASER

THE funeral of the late Dr. William J. Fraser took place at Ashburton Church, on Saturday, the 14th inst., amid many tokens of sorrow. Leaving the house at three o'clock, the cortège consisted of most of the principal townsmen. As representing the Ashburton Lodge, No. 2189, of which deceased was Secretary, there were present Bros. the Hon. R. Dawson, H. Steele, W. S. Gervis, J. Olver, and C. G. S. Acock, S. Tozer S.W., F. J. W. Crowe J.W., H. Stevens Treasurer, R. E. Tucker Secretary, G. C. Foot S.D., W. Ford J.D., J. Eales I.G., E. Sawdye S., G. Furneaux Tyler, H. M. Firth, W. T. S. Smerdon, W. Pengilly, R. Ackerley, J. R. Eddy, and W. Lear; also present Bros. J. Chegwiddden P.M. 699, J. F. Baker 710, and N. Page 2258.

### BRO. THE REV. GEORGE LEMON CHURCH.

THE mortal remains of Bro. the Rev. George Lemon Church, P.P.G.S. Warden, vicar of Chacewater, were interred on Tuesday, the 10th inst., in the family vault at the parish churchyard of St. Paul's. The rev. gentleman, who held the living of Chacewater for forty-three years, was a Freemason (Boscawen Lodge), besides which he was a member of nearly all the public institutions of the village. He was very popular with his parishioners, and highly esteemed by all who knew him. The deceased was carried to his last resting place by eight brother Masons, while a large number of members of the Boscawen Lodge were attired in the Cornish Masonic regalia—a white sash, rosette and gloves, together with a sprig of acacia.

### BRO. JOSEPH FAIRBURN, P.M. 1337.

On Tuesday afternoon, the 10th inst., Bro. Joseph Fairburn, P.M. of the Anchor Lodge (No. 1337), and P.P.G.R. of the North and East Ridings of Yorkshire, was found dead in the parlour attached to his chemist's shop in the main street of Northallerton. The deceased gentleman, who was 45 years of age, had been for 22 years in business as a chemist and druggist, and was widely respected. He was a prominent Churchman, having several times filled the office of churchwarden and sidesman, while he was a member of the select vestry, one of the hon. secs. of the Northallerton Sunday School, and he has been an ardent supporter of the Northallerton Cottage Hospital since its formation. Deceased was also a Royal Arch Mason, and liberally contributed to all the Masonic Charities.

## MARK MASONRY.

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### PROV. G. LODGE OF EAST ANGLIA.

THE annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Mark Masons Lodge of East Anglia was held under the united banners of the Isaac Newton Lodge and the York Lodge, at the Lion Hotel, Cambridge, on Tuesday the 3rd inst. Bro. Lord Henniker, the Provincial Grand Master, was in the chair, supported by Bro. the Rev. C. J. Martyn, Deputy Provincial Grand Master. The Provincial Grand Lodge having been opened, the minutes of the Norwich meeting in 1889 were confirmed. The reports from the various Lodges were presented, showing that the numerical strength had been maintained. A code of revised bye-laws was considered and adopted. After the transaction of other business, the appointment and investment of Provincial Grand Officers for the year was proceeded with. Bro. A. H. Moyes was installed P.S.G.W., and Bro. F. C. Wace P.J.G.W.

The consecration of the Dorio Lodge, No. 2359, of Free and Accepted Masons, will take place to-day (Saturday) at the Conservative Club, Didsbury. Bro. G. S. Smith is to be installed the first W.M. Future meetings of the Lodge will be held at the Didsbury Hotel.

At a regular meeting of the Lodge of Concord, No. 1135, held at the Masonic Hall, Ilfracombe, on the 11th inst., Bro. William Walters S.W. was unanimously elected Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. Bro. J. S. Catford P.M. was re-elected Treasurer, and Brother John Blackford Tyler. The installation of the W.M. elect and the appointment and investment of Officers will take place on the Festival of St. John the Baptist, Tuesday, 24th inst., at 5.15 o'clock p.m.

On Thursday, the 5th inst., a large number of the members of the Montefiore Lodge of Instruction attended a meeting at the St. James's Hall Restaurant, to evince their regard for the Preceptor and one of the Founders of the Lodge, Bro. Nathaniel Vallentine, to whom a testimonial was presented on the occasion. The presentation was made in a feeling speech by Bro. S. V. Abraham, who occupied the chair. He referred to the great services rendered to the Lodge by Bro. Vallentine as its Preceptor, and said that the members eagerly embraced the opportunity of his approaching marriage to express to him, in a substantial form, their grateful appreciation of those services. Bro. Vallentine, who was cordially greeted, suitably acknowledged the presentation, which consisted of a very handsome and massive bronze clock and a pair of vases.

A meeting of the founders of the proposed new Warner Chapter (No. 2256) was held on Monday, the 9th inst., at Bridge-chambers, Hoe-street, Walthamstow—Comp. William Shurmer P.Z. M.E.Z. designate presiding—supported by Companion Scoresby-Jackson J. designate, Companion H. French Bromhead S.E. designate; also Comps. J. H. Wildash P.M., Wm. Finch P.M., Christopher G. Cutchey P.M., John Ives P.M., James Speller, Nathaniel Fortescue, Fredk. Taylor, Benjamin Nicholson, J. J. Briginshaw, William Peter Allen, Geo. Long, J. Horley and Christian Horst. It was resolved that the Convocations of the Chapter should be held at the Royal Forest Hotel, Chingford, on the third Tuesdays in May, July, and September.

On Saturday, the 14th inst., was interred in St. James's Cometary (the Rev. S. Arrowsmith officiating) Bro. John Ellis, late of 3 Pilgrim-street, Liverpool, for some years a member of the Derby Lodge, No. 724. The funeral was attended by the widow and daughters, T. S. Ellis (nephew), H. Travis jun., John Martin, Bennett Finn, Matt Bell, John Jones, Wm. Jones, John Regan and Jos. Hughes (friends). The brethren present were:—Brothers Henry Ellis (brother of the deceased), H. T. Evans S.W., H. Wright P.M., G. Beeken P.M. Treasurer, Jas. Pendleton P.M., G. Gordon P.M., John Blenkinsop S.D., Geo. Dutton, J. Parry, J. T. Fordham, all of Lodge 724; Bros. George King 823, and John Ashley P.M. 1356.

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20th May 1890.

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By command of the Provincial Grand Master,

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Names and addresses of Candidates, with name of Lodge and Chapter,  
must be sent to me not later than the 30th inst.

The Annual Banquet will be held at the Café Royal, Regent Street, W., at  
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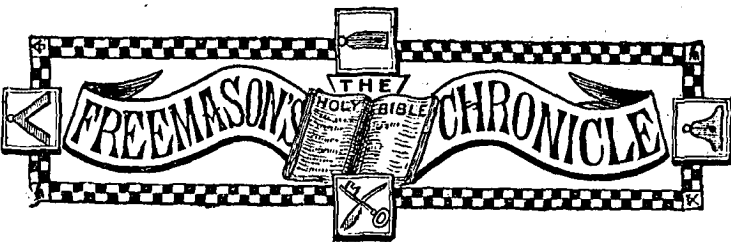
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SATURDAY, 21st JUNE 1890.

## PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF CHESHIRE.

THE corner stone of the Fulshaw Memorial School, Wilmslow, was laid on Saturday, the 14th inst., with full Masonic ceremony and ritual, by his Honour Judge Sir Horatio Lloyd, Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire. Provincial Grand Lodge met in the Wilmslow Drill Hall, about 150 brethren attending, including a strong contingent of Provincial Officers, present and past. In the absence of Lord Egerton the Provincial Grand Master, Sir Horatio Lloyd presided. Bro. T. Marwood P.P.G.S.W. acted as Deputy Grand Master, and the Wardens' chairs were filled by Bros. Colonel Wilkin-son and Captain Gilbody. The gathering also included Bros. the Hon. Alan de Tatton Egerton, M.P., P.P.G.W., Henry Holbrook P.P.G. Superintendent of Works Cheshire, and P.D.G.M. of British Columbia and Vancouver Island, Major Preston P.P.G.W., Revs. R. Hodson and J. G. Bird Prov. G. Chaplains, T. Broadsmith P.G. Registrar, R. Newhouse P.G. Secretary, W. Pritchard P.G. Assistant Secretary, R. Andrew, S. W. Ramsden, C. S. Dean, and H. T. Newman P.G. Deacons, A. Parkes P.G. Superintendent of Works, G. H. Browne P.G.D. of C., Lance Bentley P.P.G. Registrar, T. Pattinson, P.P.G. Registrar, and Herbert Finch P.P.G.D.C. Immediately after the Lodge had been opened the Provincial Grand Senior Warden proposed, and the Provincial Grand Junior Warden seconded, a vote of congratulation to Sir Horatio on the honour of knighthood having been conferred upon him by her Majesty. The acting Provincial Grand Master, in acknowledging this compliment, said that, unexpected as it was by him, he had always met with such great kindness among the Masons of the Province that he ought not to be surprised to receive their congratulations. The recent episode in his life would have been colourless and valueless to him without the approval of his friends, but the satisfaction expressed in the event on all sides was more delightful than the honour itself. It was gratifying, indeed, to receive the congratulations of the brethren of the Order to which he had belonged for 40 years, and in which for 30 years he had been a Provincial Officer. The Lodge afterwards proceeded to deal with some matters affecting the finances of the Province, adopting a report thereon, brought up by a special committee appointed a year ago. Before closing the Lodge in due form, the acting Provincial Grand Master said the brethren would all regret to learn that the absence of Lord Egerton was due to indisposition. They most heartily and sincerely sympathised with the head of their

Province, and he proposed a resolution expressing their sympathy, and their hope that Lord Egerton's illness might be of very short duration. The motion was seconded by the acting Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and was carried unanimously. From the Drill Hall the brethren, in full Masonic clothing, proceeded to the Parish Church, which was filled by a large congregation. There was a shortened form of evening service, with a sermon by the Rev. J. Grant Bird Provincial Grand Chaplain, and at its termination the procession was again formed, the surpliced choir, a considerable number of clergy, and several gentlemen connected with the village church and schools, joining it, and a brass band leading the way to the school site. The site being reached, the Rev. E. Bates, rector, explained to the acting Provincial Grand Master that the new building was to be a substitute, educationally, for the school church established some years ago by Mr. Geo. Fox, now of Elmharst Hall, Staffordshire, in memory of his wife, in order to meet the demand for increased school accommodation in the locality. Mr. W. Cobbett, on behalf of the Building Committee, presented Sir Horatio Lloyd with a silver trowel, as a memento of the day's ceremony, and in appreciation of his kindness and that of his fellow Masons. The elaborate ceremonial prescribed by Grand Lodge was then conducted, under the direction of Bro. Browne, and the stone was proved and declared to be well and truly laid, with accompanying flourishes of trumpets, and was solemnly dedicated by the acting Deputy Provincial Grand Master, with vocal responses from a Masonic choir. Bro. R. B. Lingard Monk, Provincial Grand Warden of Kent, proposed, and Mr. H. Boddington seconded, a vote of thanks to Sir Horatio Lloyd and Provincial Grand Lodge for their attendance, and this being passed the proceedings ended with the return of the brethren to the village.

### PROV. GRAND LODGE OF MIDDLESEX.

THE annual meeting was held on Saturday, the 14th instant, at the Athenæum, Enfield, under the presidency of Bro. Colonel Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., P.G.W. Provincial Grand Master. Amongst the Provincial Grand Officers and others who were present were the following:—Bros. Raymond H. Thrupp D.P.G.M., J. W. J. Oswald, Rev. G. Nugee, G. H. Carter, H. C. Weld, Howard H. Room, E. Rogers, E. Monson, J. Laurence, W. Spearing, H. W. Schartau, W. H. Lee, J. Weston, E. Y. Jolliffe, H. F. Bing, D. W. Pearce, Rev. S. T. H. Saunders, R. M. Jones, W. A. Rogers, J. F. Hepburn, G. Gregory, F. W. Levander, T. H. Thompson, Rudolph G. Glover, J. F. H. Woodward, A. J. Eyre, J. Sennell, W. A. Scurrah, T. L. Chandler, J. Woodmason, J. Osborn, K. R. Montgomery, C. A. Walter, Captain T. C. Walls, J. Tickle, H. W. Roberts, C. Brown, G. Fehrenbach, A. Bryant, A. G. Fidler, C. I. Axford, W. Harris Saunders, E. Dalzell, H. Slyman, and the Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Officers and Brethren of Lodges in the Province. After Provincial Grand Lodge had been opened, and the minutes read and verified, the reports of the Audit and Charity Committees were presented, special mention being made of the fact that, with regard to the latter, there were but few applications for assistance during the past year. The election of Provincial Grand Treasurer resulted in the selection of Brother H. Pritchard P.M. 1415 and Secretary of the Bank of England Lodge, No. 263. Brother Pritchard gracefully acknowledged the honour done him. The Provincial Grand Master appointed Brother Raymond H. Thrupp as Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and invested the following Officers for the year:—

Bro. Lient.-Col. Ballock 1871	...	Senior Warden
Dr. A. E. Sansom 1494	...	Junior Warden
Rev. G. Nugee 1691	...	Senior Chaplain
Rev. W. W. Martin 1460	...	Junior Chaplain
H. Pritchard 1415	...	Treasurer
W. R. Palmer 2105	...	Registrar
Howard H. Room 1777	...	Secretary
Dr. Williams Cock 1597	...	Senior Deacons
Geo. Clark jun. 1777	...	Junior Deacons
J. D. E. Tarr 1293	...	Supt. of Works
J. Davies 1309	...	Dir. of Cers.
J. Finch 1793	...	Deputy Dir. of Cers.
E. C. Kilsby 1702	...	Assistant Dir. of Cers.
H. W. Nicholson 332	...	Sword Bearer
E. T. Edwards 788	...	Standard Bearer
Selby Parsons 1237	...	Organist
J. Boulton 1579	...	Assistant Secretary
W. C. Hall 2163	...	Pursuivant
W. Wright 1897	...	Assistant Pursuivant
W. H. Lee 1897	...	
J. Weston 1897	...	
R. Drummond 1656	...	
Dr. W. H. Causton 865	...	
A. H. Gurney 1503	...	
J. Hookey 2687	...	
A. & B. Terrell 1494	...	
G. L. Wingate 1423	...	
J. Sailer Wood 2024	...	
J. Gilbert 1194	...	Tyler

The Immediate Past Wardens and the Registrar of last year were, on the nomination of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, elected for the Audit Committee for 1891. Bros. W. H. Lee, Maple, and Carter were appointed by the Provincial Grand Master, and Bros. Dr. Riley, Frost, Creswick, and J. Tickle were elected members of the Charity Committee. The Provincial Grand Master then said the brethren would excuse him for introducing a question which was not upon the agenda. He was confident that every brother would have the greatest pleasure and gratification with what he was about to do. They had been acquainted and knew the duty performed by their late Provincial Grand Secretary, Bro. Woodward, than whom no brother had performed the duties in a more efficient, more satisfactory, or more genial manner. Bro. Woodward came into the Province at a critical time, but he had a good system of organisation, and it was soon in a different position; he would now, in the name of the Province and those around him, present Bro. Woodward with a testimonial in appreciation of his services; and he had further gratification in being able to state that they should be able to present Mrs. Woodward with some mark of their appreciation of her husband's services. Bro. J. F. H. Woodward was perfectly at a loss for words to express what he felt. The Provincial Grand Master had spoken in far too flattering terms of any service he had rendered the Province. He (Bro. Woodward) had entered upon the work of Provincial Grand Secretary at a very important period in the history of the Province, viz., one month before the new Book of Constitutions came into force. That involved a large amount of work, for which he was responsible. He would indeed have been ungrateful for the great confidence reposed in him if he had not done his utmost to bring the by-laws of the Lodges and Chapters into perfect agreement with the new Book of Constitutions. It was a pleasure and an honour to serve under one so beloved and respected as Sir Francis Burdett. He must take that opportunity of thanking the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. Thrupp, and Brother W. H. Lee the Assistant Provincial Grand Secretary, as also the Secretaries of the Lodges and Scribes of the Chapters, for the great assistance they had rendered him in bringing his work to a successful conclusion.

The text of the illuminated address was, as follows:—

The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex, Bro. Col. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., Past Grand Warden of England, Representative from the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

The Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex, Bro. Raymond Henry Thrupp, Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies of England.

Several Lodges and Chapters in the Province, and many Brethren and Companions of the same, whose names are set forth in the accompanying bound volume, being desirous of conveying in some substantial manner to W. Bro. John Francis Holmes Woodward, Past Grand Sword Bearer of England, and Past Provincial Grand Secretary of Middlesex, the expression of their feelings of sincere personal esteem, and especially their high sense of his valuable and unremitting services to the Province while acting as its Secretary, during which time he brought its affairs into perfect order and to a most successful condition, beg his acceptance of a gold watch and chain, trusting that he may be endowed with long life and health to use this memento of the fraternal affection of the donors.

Signed on behalf of the subscribers,

FRAS. BURDETT, Prov. Grand Master.

Presented at a meeting of the Prov. Grand Lodge of Middlesex, held at Enfield, 14th June 1890.

The testimonial consisted of an illuminated and framed address, a gold watch and chain, and a bracelet and locket for Mrs. Woodward. The sum of 30 guineas was voted to the R.M.I. for Girls, and 15 guineas each to the Boys' and the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institutions. A sum of £13 was voted for the purposes of placing a memorial on behalf of the Province in one of the lights in the windows in the Centenary Hall of the R.M.I. for Girls. The roll of Lodges was then called. All, with the exception of the Elthorne and Middlesex Lodge, No. 2094, were represented. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Committee who carried out the arrangements for the meeting, which was acknowledged by Bro. Adams P.G.S.B.; and to the late Prov. Grand Treasurer, Brother Carter, for his services during the past year. Letters of apology for non-attendance were announced from a large number of brethren. This completing the business Provincial Grand Lodge was closed. After banquet the Loyal toasts were heartily received. In giving the Grand Officers, the Prov. Grand Master said the Pro Grand Master was one of the most efficient members of the Order, but was

not able to attend as often as he could wish at Grand Lodge owing to illness. Bro. Raymond Thrupp was an efficient Grand Officer, and had been their Deputy P.G.M. for years; he hoped Bro. Thrupp would retain that position for many years to come. Bro. Adams returned thanks. He could endorse the remarks of the Provincial Grand Master, for the Grand Officers all tried to do their best. Bro. Raymond H. Thrupp, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, said they now came to what, in the Province of Middlesex, was justly considered the toast of the evening—the health of the Provincial Grand Master. This needed no words. Their Master was respected, esteemed, and beloved. It was because they recognised in Sir Francis Burdett a true, genuine, and enthusiastic Mason, and a kind and courteous gentleman, one of the old English sort; whenever he came amongst them he extended a genial hand to any brother in Masonry. They all hoped he would be spared for many years of enjoyable hunting. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., thanked the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and the brethren for the kindness with which they had received his remarks. He hardly felt he could express the gratitude he felt for the kindness with which he had been received that evening, and on all previous occasions, but he could say the brethren had exceeded what had been done before. He was not only an old Provincial Grand Master, but an old member on the list of Provincial Grand Masters. It had always given him pleasure to preside in Grand Lodge, because he felt he represented one of the most influential Provinces. He ought not to lose that opportunity of thanking those brethren who had made the excellent arrangements for the meeting, including Bros. Thompson and Clements, and also Bros. May and Poulton, who had decorated the hall most beautifully. The Visitors was the next toast, and Bro. E. H. Buchanan, Grand Architect of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, in reply, said it afforded him extreme satisfaction to return thanks for the flattering remarks made by the Prov. Grand Master in proposing the toast, and for the hearty reception it had received. He felt somewhat selfish in occupying that position, for he thought he had prevented more prominent and deserving visitors from responding, and who could speak locally. He was almost an entire stranger amongst them, although he did not feel so, as the kindly treatment and reception he had received made him feel quite at home and amongst brethren. He had not yet visited many Lodges in England, but was present at the Annual Festival of the Girls' School, and he complimented the Prov. Grand Master on having had the honour to preside thereat. The United Grand Lodge of New South Wales would be pleased to hear of their fraternal greetings, and he would have much pleasure in forwarding same in his next letter to Grand Lodge. The Provincial Grand Officers was the last toast given by the Provincial Grand Master, and Bro. Raymond H. Thrupp D.P.G.M., in reply, said the Provincial Grand Officers tried to render the working of the Province such as could be held up as an example to other Provinces. The Tyler's toast closed a successful meeting. An excellent programme of music was given, under the direction of Bro. H. W. Schartau, assisted by Bros. E. Dalzell and R. Grice, and Masters A. Lee, H. Jackson, and W. T. Porter.

### PROV. G. LODGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Lincolnshire was held at Sutton Bridge, on the 5th inst. Bro. Major Smythe presided, and every Lodge in the Province was represented, about 250 brethren being present. The accounts of the Oliver and Sutcliffe Memorial Funds and other charities were presented, and found to be in a satisfactory condition. It was resolved that the Province should this year support the Boys' School, and Bro. Ward, of Sutton Bridge, and Bro. Goodwin, of Grimsby, were appointed Charity Stewards. The Registrar (Bro. Watson) reported an increase of 32 on the membership of the year. Bro. Vickers was re-appointed Provincial Grand Secretary, and Bro. Nesbitt was re-elected Treasurer. The Provincial Grand Master invested his Officers for the ensuing year. It was decided that the Provincial Grand Lodge should next year be held at Barton-on-Humber. The brethren afterwards attended divine service at the Parish Church, and a banquet was provided in the Dock Buildings.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Benevolence was held on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall. Brother Robert Grey P.G.D. presided, and Bros. James Brett and C. A. Cottbrune occupied their respective chairs. Bros. A. A. Pendlebury Assistant Grand Secretary, W. Dodd, and W. H. Lee represented Grand Secretary's Department, and a large number of brethren were present. The recommendations to the Grand Master at the May meeting, to the amount of £185, were confirmed. There were 27 cases on the new list, but the petitioner in one of them had died. Four cases were deferred, and two dismissed. The remainder were relieved, with a total of £600. One case was recommended to Grand Lodge for £100, one for £80, and one for £50. There were four recommendations to the Grand Master for £40, and two for £30 each. There were three grants of £20, three of £15, four of £10, and one grant of £5.

The question of an annual change in the office of Treasurer, whether of Grand or Provincial Grand Lodge, will be once more put to the test at the approaching meeting of the Province of Essex, when, among those who will be balloted for is Bro. E. J. Acworth, who was before the district at each of the last two annual Provincial meetings. It being clear that numerous brethren of the Province desire a change, we think the claims of Bro. Acworth should receive attention.

The installation meeting of the Anglo-American Lodge was held on Tuesday. Our report of the gathering is unavoidably held over till next week.

At the last regular meeting of the St. Nicholas Lodge, No. 2259, held at Thorne, Bro. A. L. Pearce W.M. presiding, Bro. John Henry Bletcher S.W. was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year.

On Monday evening, the 12th ult., the Right Worshipful Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Bengal, the Hon. Justice Prinsep, paid an official visit to Lodge Marine, No. 232 E.C. He was accompanied by the Deputy Grand Masters Very Worshipful Bros. Fitze and Zemin, the Grand Junior Warden Worshipful Bro. Westerhout, Grand Secretary Worshipful Bro. H. M. Rustomjee, Grand Standard Bearer Worshipful Bro. Franks, and Grand Sword Bearer Worshipful Bro. Morgan. The members of the Lodge Marine, under the Hiram of Worshipful Bro. R. D. Mehta, mustered strongly, a large number of visitors, including representatives from the Scotch Constitution, viz., Right Worshipful Bros. C. O. Mayer and Duncarjee of the Lodges of St. Andrew and St. David in the East were also present. The Right Worshipful Grand Master, with his Officers, was received by a deputation consisting of all the Past Masters present and the two Deacons of the Lodge, and expressed himself greatly pleased and gratified with the working of the Lodge. He was glad to find that it had made such steady progress, which, he said, was due to the energy and zeal of the Master, assisted no doubt by an efficient staff of Officers. It was very gratifying to him to see not only that there was a large number of members, but that their attendance was so regular. At the conclusion of business an adjournment was made to the banqueting hall, where a sumptuous dinner had been laid out.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., a large gathering of Masons of the Province of Kent assembled at the Masonic Buildings, Tunbridge, to make preparations and arrangements for the forthcoming Grand Festival which will shortly be held at Ashford. The Provincial Grand Master (Bro. the Right Hon. the Earl Amberst) presided. After the transaction of the usual business, the brethren dined together at the Public Hall, when the catering (which was left in the hands of Bro. T. Pawley, of the Rose and Crown Hotel) was thoroughly appreciated.

"A Virginia Masonic Jurisprudence Committee, considering the Reports of the Grand Lecturer and his associates, in closing their report to the Grand Lodge, proudly and profoundly venture an opinion that, in the purity of their work, the Craft in this Grand jurisdiction may proudly boast that they are as near, if not nearer, than all others, in that which was first promulgated by Solomon King of Israel, Hiram King of Tyre, and Hiram Abiff, at the building of the Temple."—*Hebrew Standard*, New York, 9th May 1890.

MASONIC SIGNS FROM THE LEBANITES.—After a sojourn of many months among the Druses of Lebanon, the Rev. Haskett Smith, Rector of Braunceswell, Lincolnshire, is about to return with an important discovery concerning that mysterious people, who are supposed to be lineal descendants of the Hittites. Mr. Smith was admitted to the most secret intimacy with the Druses through having saved the life of a popular young man by sucking the venom of a deadly snake bite from his body. He was initiated into a number of mysterious rites, hitherto unknown to any foreigner, and among these the natives startled him, as a Freemason, by passing the most characteristic of Masonic signs. Hence Mr. Smith augurs that the Druses are none other than a branch of the great Phœnician race, whose ancestors supplied the Lebanon cedars to the builders of King Solomon's temple.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—Confidential Advice free per post to all in weak and failing health, with loss of strength and vitality. Fifty years experience in Nervous Ailments. Address, The Secretary, 3 Fitzalan Square, Sheffield. Form of Correspondence Free. Write to-day.



## 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, 21st June.

1185 Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green  
1641 Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell  
M.M. 251 Tentorden, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
M.M. 357 Chiswick, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge  
1194 Villiers, Albany Hotel, Twickenham  
1328 Lebanon, Lion Hotel, Hampton  
1491 Felix, Clarence Hotel, Tooting  
1861 Claremont, Crown Hotel, Chertsey  
1897 Citadel, Railway Hotel, Harrow  
2035 Beaumont, Royal Hotel, Kirkburton  
2228 Deno, King's Arms, Cookham, Berks  
R.A. 1326 Lebanon, Lion Hotel, Hampton  
R.A. 2096 George Price, Greyhound, Croydon  
M.M. 205 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow  
M.M. 354 Rose & Lily, Four Swans, Waltham Cross

## Monday, 23rd June.

K.T. 128 Oxford and Cambridge, 31 Golden Square  
48 Industry, 31 Denmark Street, Gateshead  
999 Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester

## Tuesday, 24th June.

259 Prince of Wales, Willis's Rooms, W.  
1158 Southern Star, Bridge House Hotel, S.E.  
1719 Evening Star, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
2476 Quatuor Coronati, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
2108 Empire, Criterion, Piccadilly  
R.A. 1269 Stanhope, Thicket Hotel, Anerley  
R.A. 1339 Stockwell, Surrey M.H., Camberwell  
M.M. 3 Keystone, Snip and Turtle, Leadenhall St.  
K.T.D. Mount Calvary, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C.  
253 Tyrion, Masonic Hall, Gower Street, Derby  
299 Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford  
310 Unions, Freemasons' Hall, Carlisle  
573 Perseverance, Sheenstone Hotel, H. des Ovens  
789 Crescent, Island Hotel, Twickenham  
1016 Elkington, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
1358 Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton  
1566 Ellington, Town Hall, Maidhead  
1609 Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1636 St. Cecilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton  
1675 Actin Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
2025 St. George's, St. George's Hall, Stonehouse  
R.A. 103 Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, B.istol  
R.A. 5-7 Zion, 9 Hamilton Street, Birkenhead  
R.A. 823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
K.T. Plains of Tabor, Swan Hotel, Colae

## Wednesday, 25th June.

2 Antiquity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
898 Temperance in the East, 6 Newby Place, Poplar  
1540 Chaucer, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark  
R.A. 753 Prince Fredk. Wm., Lord's, St. John's Wood  
R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond  
R.A. 907 Royal Albert, White Hart Tavern, E.C.  
86 Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescott, Lancaster  
163 Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
220 Harmony, Garston Hotel, Garston  
304 Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
439 Scientific, Masonic Rooms, Bingley  
724 Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
778 Bard of Avon, Greyhound, Hampton Court  
896 Sonides, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk  
1039 St. John, George Hotel, Lichfield  
1083 Townley Parker, Brunswick Hotel, Manchester  
1218 Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Manchester  
1219 Strangeways, Masonic Rooms, Manchester  
1243 Ryburn, Central Buildings, Sowerby Bridge  
1392 Egerton, Stanley Arms, Bury, Lancashire  
1633 Avon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
1967 Beacon Court, Ghuzee Fort Hotel, New Brompton  
R.A. 225 St. Luke's, Freemasons' Hall, Ipswich  
R.A. 228 Benevolence, Red Lion, Littleborough  
R.A. 329 Brotherly Love, Choughs Hotel, Yeovil  
R.A. 605 De Tabley, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead  
R.A. 806 Segontium, Carnarvon Castle, Carnarvon  
R.A. 1356 De Gray and Ripon, M.H., Liverpool  
M.M. Howe, Masonic Hall, New St., Birmingham  
M.M. Northumberland & Berwick, M.H., Newcastle  
M.M. 174 Athol, Masonic Hall, Birmingham

## Thursday, 26th June.

General Committee Girls' School, F.M.H., 4  
65 Prosperity, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.  
858 South Middlessex, Beaufort House, Fulham  
1524 Duke of Connaught, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
R.A. 1623 West Smithfield, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
M.M. 118 Northumberland, Masons' Hall, E.C.  
51 Angel, Three Cups, Colchester  
78 Imperial George, Asheton Arms, Middleton  
111 Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Darlington  
116 Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne  
208 Three Grand Principles, M.H., Dowsbury  
275 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield  
283 Amity, Swan Hotel, Market Place, Haslington  
286 Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup  
337 Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth  
341 Wellington, Cinque Ports Hotel, Rye  
344 Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliff, Lancashire  
348 St. John, Bull's Head Inn, Bradsawgate  
591 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
636 Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth  
659 Wigdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blythe  
784 Wellington, Masonic Rooms, Deal  
867 Cabbell, Masonic Hall, Norwich  
904 Phoenix, Ship Hotel, Rotherham  
935 Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salford  
966 St. Edward, Literary Institute, Leek  
1164 Eliot, Private Rooms, St. Germain's, Cornwall  
1313 Formor, Masonic Hall, Southport

1437 Liberty of Havering, Rising Sun, Romford  
1459 Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, West Gorton  
1505 Emulation, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1576 Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire  
1626 Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Newcastle  
R.A. 57 Humber, Freemasons' Hall, Hull  
R.A. 216 Sacred De'm, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
R.A. 279 Fortitude, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester  
R.A. 431 Ogle, Masonic Hall, North Shields  
R.A. 441 St. Peter's, Masonic Hall, Peterborough  
R.A. 1130 De Mowbray, George, Melton Mowbray  
R.A. 1235 Phoenix of St. Ann, Court Hotel, Buxton  
R.A. 1503 Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham  
M.M. 34 St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester

## Friday, 27th June.

60 Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Tav, W.C.  
R.A. 749 Belgrave, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St.  
R.A. 1159 Marquis of Bathurst, 31 Golden Square  
R.A. 1802 Sir Hugh Myddelton, Agricultural Hall, N.  
M.M. 221 West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, E.C.  
566 St. Germain, M.H., the Crescent, Selby  
800 Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton  
1393 Hamor, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1712 St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Newcastle  
2039 Londonderry, M.H., Park Terrace, Sunderland  
R.A. 61 Since-ity, Freemasons' Hall, Halifax  
R.A. 242 Magdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster  
R.A. 630 Sefton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
R.A. 1036 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale  
M.M. 161 Southdown, Station Hotel, Haywards Heath  
K.T. 125 Sussex, Southdown Hotel, Eastbourne  
R.C. 20 Royal Kent, Masonic Hall, Newcastle

## Saturday, 28th June.

1541 Alexandra Palace, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct  
1871 Gosling-Murray, Town Hall, Hounslow  
R.A. 1044 Mid-Surrey, Surrey M.H., Camberwell  
R.A. 1329 Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, S.E.  
308 Prince George, Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood  
1492 Waincliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone  
1464 Erasmus Wilson, Pier Hotel, Greenhithe  
1511 Chiselmurst, Bull's Head Hotel, Chislehurst  
1965 Eastes, Parish Rooms, Bromley, Kent  
1982 Greenyod, Public Hall, Epsom  
R.C. Stanhope, Queen Hotel, Chester

## INSTRUCTION.

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## Saturday, 21st June.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30  
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8  
193 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8  
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8  
1283 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8  
1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7  
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8  
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Finsbury, 7  
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30  
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8

## Monday, 23rd June.

22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30  
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8  
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Rope-maker St., 7  
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7  
180 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8  
243 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon, 7  
332 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge  
513 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  
1319 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6:30  
1425 Hyde Park, Porchester Hotel, Cleveland Gdns., 8  
1115 Prince Leopold, 22 Whitechapel Road, E., 7  
1119 Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8  
1189 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park, 7:30  
1517 Metropolitan, The Morgate, E.C., 7:30  
1555 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney, 8  
1693 Kilburn, 40 South Milton Street, W., 8  
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7  
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8:30  
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8  
1743 Perseverance, Deacon's Tavern, Wallbrook, 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, 24th June.

24 Newcastle-on-Tyne, F.M.H., Newcastle, 7:30  
25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8  
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7  
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7  
177 Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30  
148 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8  
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Cannon Town, 8  
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
554 Yarrowburgh, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8  
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7:30  
753 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tavern, Maid's Hill, 8  
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 7:30  
869 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  
1345 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex  
1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7:30  
1448 Mount Edgecombe, Three Stars, Lambeth Rd., 8  
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30  
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich  
1510 Chanicer, Old White Hart, Borough High St., 8  
1634 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8  
1635 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, N., 8  
1849 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7  
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent, East Brixton, 8  
2146 Sarbiton, Maple Hall, Sarbiton  
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6:30  
R.A. 761 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8

## Wednesday, 25th June.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barking, 8  
30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30  
65 Prosperity, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., 7  
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8  
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8  
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 7  
223 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8  
533 La Tolerance, Portland Hotel, Gt. Portland St., 8  
720 Panmure, Batham Hotel, Batham, 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  
902 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8  
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8:30  
1035 Hartington, M.H., Gower Street, Derby  
1264 Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7  
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney  
1475 Peckham, 513 Old Kent Road, 8  
1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull  
1501 Ravensbourne, George, Lewisham, 8  
1634 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7:30  
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7:30  
1691 Lonsborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8  
1791 Creation, Wheatheaf, 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 Domestic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8  
R.A. 720 Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, E.C., 7  
R.A. 933 Doric, 203 Whitechapel Road, E., 7:30  
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., 8

## Thursday, 26th June.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30  
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8  
203 Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7  
219 Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7:30  
263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.  
435 Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8  
701 Camden, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8  
751 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8  
879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New Road  
1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8  
1159 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8  
1278 Bartlett Coutts, Swan, Bathnal Green Road, 8  
1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8  
1325 Stanley, 214 Gt. Homer St., Liverpool, 8  
1363 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wembley, 7:30  
1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30  
1538 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8  
1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7  
1590 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8  
1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse, Liverpool Road, N., 8  
1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7:45  
1614 Coven Garden, Criterion, W., 8  
1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8  
1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7:30  
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 Hotel, New Southgate, 7:30  
1996 Priory, Constitutional Club, Acton  
R.A. 79 Pythagoreau, Dover Castle, Deptford, 8  
R.A. 753 Prince Frederick William Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, 8  
R.A. 1471 North London, Northampton House, Canonbury, 8

## Friday, 27th June.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 8  
General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8  
167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park, 8  
433 Cligwell, Pub. Ha., Station Rd., Loughton, 7:30  
507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30  
749 Belgrave, Harp Tavern, Jernyn 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  
1293 Royal Standard, Builders' Arms, Canonbury, 8  
1365 Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, 7:30  
1381 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8  
1642 E. Carnarvon, Laibroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8  
1901 Selwyn, Montpelier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8  
2030 Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, S.W., 7:30  
R.A. 95 Eastern Star, Hercules Tavern, E.C.  
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, 28th June.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30  
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8  
193 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav, Southgate Rd., N., 8  
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 7  
1283 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8  
1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7  
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8  
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Finsbury, 7  
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30  
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8

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Bro. J. W. Boughton P.M., lessee and manager of the Theatre Royal Portsmouth, has been presented with a beautifully-framed illuminated vote of thanks by the Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, in grateful recognition of the valuable services rendered by him on the occasion of the Centenary Festival. The principal features of the design are a reproduction of Bartolozzi's celebrated engraving of the children being led through the hall by the Chevalier Raspiui, the founder of the Institution, in the presence of the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, and other noble and prominent patrons. The quaint costume of the children of that day contrasts strongly with that of the present in the companion picture, taken from a photograph depicting the children drawn up in a square awaiting the arrival of their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, at the Albert Hall, London, on the 4th of June 1888. Above these drawings, which are encircled by foliage, is a representation of the centenary jewel worn by the stewards, and at the side are the arms of the Royal Chairman, emblazoned in proper colours.

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