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NEXT WEEK'S FESTIVAL.

THE Jubilee Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, which has been so long looked forward to, has at length come within a few days reach, for before another issue of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE appears this great event will belong to the records of the past, with nothing but the memory of the meeting and—let us hope—a very substantial addition to the funds of the Institution, to mark the celebration of one of the greatest events in the history of modern Freemasonry. There is little to say to-day in addition to what we have already written in regard to this celebration, further than to record a continued satisfactory increase in the roll of Stewards, and a yet brighter prospect for a successful result. We are not in favour of hazarding guesses as to what the total will be, but knowing the way many of the Stewards are working, and the success which has attended their appeals, we see no reason why the celebration of next week should not produce a total in excess of anything yet achieved in connection with the Charity records of Freemasonry. The roll of Stewards contains as many names as figured on that of the Girls' School Centenary, and there is good reason to expect that the average per Steward will be equal to what was reached on that occasion; but this question will have to remain undecided until Wednesday next, when we hope Brother Terry will crown his splendid labours as Secretary of the Institution by announcing a total in excess of the £50,000 proclaimed at the Albert Hall on the occasion of the Girls' Centenary in 1888.

One matter in connection with the celebration which has caused considerable disappointment and regret is the inability of the Committee to provide for any but Stewards at the Festival. The accommodation of Covent Garden Theatre has been taxed to the uttermost, and yet there is only room for the Stewards, indeed, were it not that several of their number will be engaged on special duties, acting as Ladies' Stewards and so forth during the day, and dining at an earlier hour, at Freemasons' Tavern, there would not be nearly sufficient room for the Stewards themselves. This is unfortunate, but one of those unfortunate matters which have to be endured, and it may perhaps even prove to be a blessing in disguise, for a few enthusiastic brethren, anxious to be present at the celebration, have enrolled themselves as Stewards rather than miss a sight which can never be repeated—the Celebration of the Jubilee of the Institution.

The long array of Stewards is splendidly representative of nearly every section of England. London has upwards of 500 Stewards, the proportion of unattached brethren being much below that in connection with the Girls' Centenary, so that it would seem likely a better result would attend the efforts of those working in this district, a larger number of

Lodges and Chapters being specially interested, and available for canvass. Outside the London district we have most of the Provinces very strongly represented, a large number of them making really supreme efforts to show their regard for the aged and infirm of the Craft, and everything points to satisfactory results in this quarter, with little or nothing to urge in the contrary direction. Indeed, apart from the fact that the number of Stewards is larger than ever secured before, there also seems to be the additional gratification of knowing that individual members of the Board are working with even greater enthusiasm than usual.

Last week we briefly recorded the proceedings at the monthly meeting of the Committee of Management of the Institution, when, in view of the support already secured in connection with the Jubilee, it was decided to create twenty additional annuities: ten for Aged Craftsmen, at £40 per annum each; and ten for Widows, at £32 per annum each. This is at once a tangible and a satisfactory result of the special efforts which have been made throughout the country for some months past, and it shows that the Committee, with their knowledge of affairs, have no doubt as to the success of the Festival. The creation of these twenty additional annuities means an annual outlay of £720—not merely the expenditure of that sum for one year, or for any given period, but a permanent charge year by year on the resources of the Institution, and we imagine the Committee would hardly undertake such a responsibility unless they saw good grounds for expecting a considerable addition being made to the permanent income of the Charity, which it is needless to point out can only be secured by adding to the invested funds of the Institution. The creation of these additional annuities must not be regarded as the sole result of the Jubilee celebration—they are probably given rather as an earnest of what may be expected than as any full return for the help that is being rendered; and so far from the members of the Craft relaxing their efforts now that they have been rewarded, we think they should redouble them, in the hope of securing yet further concessions on behalf of the numerous candidates who are seeking a participation in the benefits of the Charity. The Committee of Management no doubt kept well within bounds when they decided on this increase of twenty annuities, and if the result of the Festival exceeds their anticipations there is no reason why a supplementary addition should not be made before the next election, for which, as already recorded in our pages, there are 139 candidates (69 men and 70 widows), with 52 vacancies (31 men and 21 widows).

Now that the addition has been decided upon, we cannot help expressing our regret that the Committee did not see their way to making a departure from the customs of the past in regard to the new annuities just created. We have seen an additional expenditure of £720 per annum decided upon, twenty

new annuities being the result. What we should have liked was the creation of fifty new annuities, of a smaller amount than usual. This could have been done without entailing any additional outlay, and a blessing would have been conferred on thirty more old people than will now be the case. Even had the Committee decided that £720 per annum was the extreme limit of the increase they could recommend, they would have been able to advise the creation of twenty-five new annuities for the Male Branch of £16 10s each, and twenty-five for Widows at the rate of £12 10s each, or a total new outlay of £725 per annum. This would have been a true Jubilee increase, and although it might have entailed a little extra trouble to bring about, we think it would have well repaid any additional labour bestowed upon it. But different ideas have prevailed, and our long cherished hope has been doomed to disappointment. Let us hope this is the only disappointment that will be experienced in connection with this Jubilee celebration, and that in all other respects the Anniversary Festival of the Benevolent Institution for 1892 may be deserving of the highest praise, and give the greatest satisfaction to all interested in the Charitable Institutions of Freemasonry.

What wine shall we drink?" is a pertinent question when the order of the course has to be considered. The greatest attention has been paid by the Stewards to these little matters of detail so important to the comfort and satisfaction of the brethren and their guests. The special wine committee was told off by the Stewards to settle the question of the champagne to be supplied for the Festival next week, and upon the now more universally admitted plan of selection, known as that of "judgment, not labels," bottles figured on the testing board by numbers only, and one of the wines selected was that of the fast becoming famous brand of "Veuve Monnier et ses Fils."

STRAY SHOTS BY A YOUNG MASON.

THE prosperity of our Order should, and undoubtedly does cause a thrill of pleasure to every true Mason when he contemplates its marvellous growth under the drouth of indifference, storms of treachery, and whirlwinds of oppression and persecution. The grandest example of what can be done is seen to-day in Mexico, where the noble Diaz stands as firm as a rock itself, at the helm of the ship of state, guiding it through the breakers, and the storm raised by the Jesuits in their last desperate effort to regain control of their temporal power and thus hold Mexico in a state of ignorance and slavery.

Such Masons are men worth having. But even our noble Southern brother could not have done what he has unaided. In order to accomplish what he has he was obliged to have the co-operation of faithful brothers who in reality "dwell in unity." Within that circle petty bickerings and personal animosities had no place, for if they had they would have caused the ruin of the Order there, as well as the death of liberty in the country.

I am a young Mason, but I fancy I can see where improvement can be made nearer home which will impart to us that thorough union of spirit necessary for strength enough to meet such a crisis, as is occurring in our sister Republic in the South. While our members are large, and the memberships of the Lodges are constantly increasing, there is lacking to a certain extent the active interest in the workings of the Lodges and close communion among the members there should be, to have a thorough understanding and actual brotherly feeling. Out of a membership of 200 or 300 there will not be over 50 who attend the meetings with anything like regularity. The consequence is that when they do turn out in full force, though brothers in name, they are strangers in reality.

Should they realize how difficult this makes the Master's position and that of the other Officers of the Lodge there is no doubt every member would endeavour to be present as often as possible. With a continued attendance the feeling of strangeness would wear off, and an interchange of views and confidence take its place. The

diffident would feel at home. The active would be encouraged to greater efforts, and the indifferent would awake from their torpor to the real importance of their membership in the Lodge.

From the moment every man, who can, will attend his Lodge meeting the Lodge will shoot upwards the Officers be stimulated and true Masonry exemplified in the intercourse of its members. It may be argued that under such circumstances as exist in Mexico, we would also stand solidly shoulder to shoulder.

Of course, we would, or we would not be Masons. But would we not be much better prepared for the emergency if we were more thoroughly and personally acquainted with each other? Would not the spirit of the Lodge carried into our daily intercourse with each other to a greater extent, assist us? I think it would.

Another thing which strikes me is that too little attention is paid the first degree, not by the Officers of the Lodge, but by the members, who rarely put themselves out to be present on the night the first is worked. In this connection it should be remembered that the impressions received by the candidate upon his first seeing "the light" are indelible and last a life time. He goes through the second and third much impressed with the ceremonies, but the almost awful solemnity of the first stands out by itself in his memory.

The scene when he is brought to light, and the faces of his surrounding brethren, is a picture stamped upon his heart for all time to come. From the surroundings he receives his first impressions of the Lodge, its work, its magnitude, and its value, and though he may afterward ascertain that the attendance at his initiation was but a handful of the real membership, the first impression remains with him to a great extent.

In this may be found a key to the indifference, or at least lukewarm interest taken in the workings of the Order by so many who should be active.

As soon as the Lodge is called off for the second section of the first degree a great many retire, leaving but a small company to listen to the lecture.

During the first section, after the candidate has seen "the light," his mind is occupied with the ceremonies of his initiation, so he really does not have a chance, or the inclination, to look around the room, or if he does so it is with a confused sense of numbers.

It is then at the opening of the second section that he has an opportunity to glance around him with a view of noticing his fellows, and he sees but a comparatively small number, when, as a matter of fact, there should be as many as possible present.

Extend to the new member the warm recognition he has been taught to expect, make him acquainted and thoroughly at home on his first appearance as well as afterward, and in nine cases out of ten you will have an enthusiastic Mason, devoted to the interests of the Order and his Lodge.

I do not write the above for the purpose or with the desire of finding fault with the Grand Order to which I am proud to belong, because my lines have fallen in particularly pleasant places, but as the impressions of a young Mason received from observation in various Lodges, and given with a hope that some of the suggestions may be worth considering. Comte De Paris openly says with the help of the Jesuits he hopes to restore the monarchy to France; Mexico is fighting against the sway of fanaticism; and dark clouds are gathering on the horizon everywhere, foretelling of devastating and bloody wars in which nationality, politics and religion will each have full sway according to their different localities.

At such a time it behoves us to remain a solid wall of Masonry, cemented by brotherly love and impervious to the shot and shell hurled against us by our enemies.

Hoping my remarks may be received in the spirit in which they are written, I will draw this to a close by saying, let us meet upon the level and part upon the square in every day life as well as in the Lodge.—P. L. —American Tyler.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.—Rheumatism and Gout.—These purifying and soothing remedies deserve the attention of all persons liable to gout, sciatica, or other painful affections of the muscles, nerves, or joints. The ointment should be applied after the affected parts have been patiently fomented with warm water, when the ointment should be diligently rubbed upon the adjacent skin, unless the friction causes pain. Holloway's Pills should be simultaneously taken to diminish pain, reduce inflammation, and purify the blood. This treatment abates the violence, and lessens the frequency of gout, rheumatism, and all spasmodic diseases which spring from hereditary predisposition or from any accidental weakness of constitution. The Ointment checks the local malady, while the Pills restore vital power.

THE JESUITS AND THE FREEMASONS OF GERMANY.

[A ROMAN CATHOLIC VIEW.]

NINE hundred and eighty thousand and six hundred persons signed the petitions to the German Reichstag for the return of the Jesuits to the Empire. Against their return there were nine hundred and eighty-five thousand signatures.

The Catholic and Protestant populations of the Empire are respectively 16,785,000 and 29,369,000; so that it is evident that only a small proportion of the adult population signed on either side. The reason of this is, probably, that all efforts to bring the subject before the entire population were only partially successful. But, taking into consideration the respective figures representing population, the proportion of signers in favour of the Jesuits is considerably larger than that of the signers against them. We may infer the intensity of Lutheran and Calvinistic hatred of everything Catholic, from the fact that those who have petitioned against the Jesuits are petitioners for persecution against a religious body who have done only good, against whom not a truthful word of reproach can be uttered.

The Catholic signers in favour of the Jesuits ask no more than this religious order should receive the same measure of justice which others of their countrymen enjoy. It is easy to see who are the friends of Equal Rights in this case; yet the advocates of persecution are they who have always on their lips the pretence that they are the friends of liberty, civil and religious. Surely Satan puts on very often the appearance of an angel of light.

The German Freemasons took an especially active part in procuring signatures to the anti-Jesuit petition; so much so that they actually sent a deputation to Rome towards the close of the year 1890 to consult with the Grand Orient of Italy regarding the best measures to be adopted to prevent the return of the Order; and they co-operated everywhere with the fanatical parsons who preached the anti-Jesuit crusade in and out of their pulpits.

It may be very true, and we believe that it is the case, that the Freemasons of this country do not take the same pains as an organisation to oppose the Catholic Church in all her operations, but this conduct of the society in Germany shows the inherent spirit of the association and proves the wisdom of the Church in prohibiting Catholics to encourage or to become members of it.

Many people consider Masonry as merely a convivial society, and others are attracted to it because of its provisions as a life assurance, or as a mutual benefit association; but though, possibly, it does not interfere much in other matters than these in this country, it is essentially bound up with the Continental societies which are continually engaged in the prosecution of evil purposes, specially the overthrow of religion; and the societies on the other side of the Atlantic are responsible for these evils inasmuch as they are united by oath with those of the Continent. We must add to this that even in America, by efforts to frustrate the cause of justice, Freemasonry has proved itself to be hostile to the best interests of society. But apart from all these considerations, the oaths which Freemasons take are such as to render the association essentially evil. Those oaths are destitute of the conditions which justify the taking of an oath—"judgment, justice, and truth." They are rash oaths, because those who take them are not aware of the obligations they will be called upon to fulfil in obedience to them, when circumstances arise which will make compliance unlawful. They are unjust, because frequently cases arise when members of the society are called upon to do wrong in obedience to Masonic laws; and they are opposed to truth, because it is really known that the ultimate object of the association is the supervision of the revealed truths of the Christian religion.

These are some of the reasons why Freemasonry is totally and unequivocally condemned by the Church. This condemnation ought to be sufficient reason for all loyal Catholics to keep themselves apart from it. The Catholic Church was instituted by Christ to direct us in the way of salvation, and we are obliged in conscience to follow the course she points out, that we may secure this most important of the objects for which we have been created. Every true Catholic will therefore yield a willing

obedience to the laws of the Church on this matter; and if there are some Catholics who have unfortunately so forgotten themselves as to become Freemasons, their duty is plain—to leave the society without hesitation.

Freemasonry is not merely a theoretical evil. Pope Pius IX., in his Bull condemning it, declares positively that he weighed well the character of the association before he issued that Bull, and that from sure information he knows it to be inimical to religion. The fact of prohibition should be sufficient with Catholics to keep them out of it, but when we have this positive assurance of so wise a Pope, and one so zealous for religion as the late Supreme Pontiff, the duty of Catholics becomes still more clear and the action of the German Lodges against the Jesuits is another proof added to many previous ones that Pope Pius knew the inner workings of the society, and that he condemned it with good reason.

As far as the petitions themselves are concerned, most of those which were sent in against the Jesuits are from localities where a Jesuit was never seen, and consequently nothing is known about them except such calumnies as the parsons and Freemasons circulated; whereas on those which are in their favour there are not only the names of the Catholic peasantry, but also those of the most intellectual in the land, Protestant and Catholic, along with the most distinguished members of the aristocracy and magistracy. There appears to be little doubt that with the favourable sentiments entertained by the Emperor now towards the Catholic Church, the Jesuits will soon be put on a par with other citizens of the Empire.—*Catholic Record*.

The Board of Benevolence held its monthly meeting on Wednesday evening, at Freemasons' Hall. The Board of Masters first settled the agenda for Grand Lodge on 2nd March. Bro. Robert Grey P.G.D., President of the Board, presided; Bros. James Brett P.G.P. Senior Vice President, and C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P., Junior Vice President, occupied the Senior and Junior Vice President's chairs. Bros. A. A. Pendlebury Assistant Grand Secretary, W. Dodd, W. H. Lee, and Neville Green represented Grand Secretary's office. The other brethren present were W. P. Brown, H. Garrod, C. J. R. Tijou, E. C. Mulvey, S. Vallentine, D. D. Mercer, G. B. Chapman, G. R. Langley, W. Vincent, S. V. Abraham, J. H. Matthews, S. H. Goldschmidt, James Bunker, G. Coop, C. Dairy, J. Lewis Thomas, Charles Barry, E. Barrett, T. J. Smith, J. Duncan, H. Quare, F. Mills, E. J. Morgan, H. Massey, C. H. Haine, E. M. E. Hamilton, W. H. Rivers, C. Welch, A. E. Bishop, F. M. Newton, Nicholas Hanhart, J. H. Clare, T. W. Oldfield, J. Brindley James, J. Jenkins, T. Day, George Brown, A. H. Nottingham, E. E. Austin, G. Powell, H. Hack, Robert A. Gowan, A. Tilling, T. Rossdale, J. Holland, C. H. McQueen, W. M. E. Pells, E. A. De Paiva, J. Bladen, G. J. Earney, W. L. Crow, J. Sparks, P. Carr, H. G. Martin, C. Woodrow, A. J. Henochsberg, Wynn Westcott, and Henry Sadler Grand Tyler. The President announced that letters had been received from petitioners who were relieved at last meeting, thanking the Board for the assistance rendered. In the case of a brother who was relieved with £30, to assist him to go to Australia, and who had been seen by Dr. Jabez Hogg P.G.D., as he had an affection of the eyes, Dr. Hogg had written to him (Bro. Grey) stating that the assistance rendered was most timely, and that the brother desired his thanks to be expressed to the Board. The President stated that he, on receiving the letter, and finding the poor brother wanted to leave for Australia immediately, authorised the payment of the money at once, and the brother had since sailed. The brethren then confirmed £200 worth of grants recommended to the Grand Master at the January meeting. There were 23 new cases on the list, which was a most favourable reduction on the ordinary number. The number of years' subscription to Lodges was in some cases large. The highest was 34½ years' subscription; there was one of 27 years, one of 25¼ years, one of 23, one of 20, one of 17, three of over 16 years each, one of 15½, one of 11½, one of 10, and two of nine. The total amount voted was £670. This sum was composed of one recommendation to Grand Lodge of £150, three recommendations to the Grand Master of £40 each, five of £30 each, and one recommendation of £25. Nine grants were made of £20 each, one of £15, and three of £10 each. The Board sat for over three hours.

FOR THE LIVING.

An Address, Delivered by Rev. Charles O. Cook, at an Annual Visitation of Anacostia Lodge, No. 21, by the Grand Officers, F. and A. M., of the District of Columbia, 19th October 1891.

AT this epoch, marking a period in our work, let us glance at our companions; let us examine the composition of this mighty army, whose standards catch every breeze and whose temples are in every land upon the civilized earth. It is taken from no one sect, or station, or people, or tongue. We find kingly hands laying aside kingly robes and ensigns of royalty to clasp in brotherly love the hands of loyal subject. The sons of wealth stand as brethren side by side with those whose sufferings their charity has relieved. Ruler and subject, rich and poor, statesman and warrior, scholar and labourer, men from every honest class, and of every honourable employment, stand to-day, as they have stood for ages, foot to foot, shoulder to shoulder, as brethren within the same temples, around common altars, and renew their vows of mutual fidelity and unshaken devotion to one of the grandest causes the world has ever seen. We have noble company in the work before us. The heart and brain of civilization to-day throb and pulse around the altars of Masonry.

For what purpose? In what cause? What is this mystic tie that to-day, as for ages past, proves stronger than wealth or fashion, than the hatred of sect, the zeal of the fanatic; stronger than the iron arm of despotism, and binds the millions of every age and nation in bonds of brotherly love? To what mysterious being are erected so many altars in every clime? What is this cause for which so many vows have been made in every civilized language of the earth—vows repeated for near six thousand years, renewed to-day around so many altars? What are those principles, for the triumph of which have contended with equal zeal, ancient and modern, Jew and Gentile, monarchist and republican, the prophets of Israel, the princes of Europe, and the fathers of our own republic? These questions press themselves upon us. Let us give them a moment's attention.

It might be a pleasant task to trace the history of Masonry and the record of its growth, but in this practical working, living age, it is more important to know what Masonry is than what it has been; what it is doing and proposes to do for the needs of humanity, than what it has done; to understand and appreciate the beauties of the superstructure it has erected, than to know who laid the foundations of its temples.

Masonry is not, professes not to be, a religious teacher. She requires, however, that the applicant for admission to her temples shall possess the essential elements of all religion—an avowed belief in the existence of a Supreme Personal Being, and a state of future rewards and punishments. She strictly enjoins upon him during his whole Masonic life that he speak reverently of the Father of all. For further religious light she points to the HOLY BIBLE, "God's best gift to man," the teachings and the laws of the God of Masonry.

Masonry is not a political teacher, yet enjoins the first principles of all good government—loyalty to rulers, obedience to laws. Recognizing the existence of sect and party in religion and government, she endeavours to throw over all the mantle of charity, enforce forbearance and toleration, and constrain them to live in harmony as brethren.

Masonry professes to be, and is, a teacher of every moral and social virtue. She deals with man as a moral and social being, watches over his conduct as a father, or husband, or son; as master and workman; as mechanic and trader; in every relation of life in which he comes in contact with his fellow-man, and regulates all by the square of virtue. She enjoins the cultivation and practice of every virtue calculated to expand the heart or ennoble the life. She endeavours, as far as human institutions can, to cultivate and develop a perfect, upright manhood; to erect a temple of purity in every heart. An enemy to vice and oppression and injustice in every form, wherever found; for truth and right, an ever ready and sturdy champion.

Industry in business, the better to enable us to support and educate those dependent upon us, and to contribute to the relief of the distressed; fidelity to marriage vows;

integrity in all our dealings with mankind; temperance in the indulgence of every appetite; prudence, fortitude, secrecy, brotherly love, relief and truth; justice and charity to all; to walk uprightly before God and man; improvement in art and science and literature; diligence in acquiring useful knowledge—in short, the full and harmonious development of every moral, social and intellectual faculty that God has given us—these are the virtues that every Mason is enjoined to teach and practice and exemplify in his life and conduct, by word and example.

Perhaps it may be asked how Masonry works to attain these ends; by what means she labours to achieve such grand results? By line upon line and precept upon precept; by constant admonition; by continually painting the graces and beauties of virtue, and the deformity of vice; by keeping the mind unceasingly occupied with the contemplation of purity and detestation of iniquity; by at all times exhibiting to our view the rewards of a well-spent life. Her ritualism and her symbolism are constant and powerful arguments for all that is pure and good and great in humanity. These are to be learned, not merely to be fluently repeated, but that their teaching may be understood and practiced. They are full of significant meaning. They are channels through which are conveyed to human hearts the most important truths and practical lessons of life. He who learns in them only what should be left in the Lodge-room; who learns nothing to take with him to his home, into his business, to the house of his friend, to the daily duties and occupations of life; who has not become a better husband, a better father, a better man in every sphere of life; more temperate, more industrious, more honest, for being a Mason, has not learned the first principles of his profession. To him her work and her teachings alike have been in vain.

Masonry requires of her votaries, then, that they learn her language, listen constantly to her teachings, attend upon her temples, and above all and over all, a constant and daily practice of the virtues she inculcates. She knows no magic word, the utterance of which awakens to new life. She does not profess to transform men into angels of light by the ceremonies of initiation. "Search the Scriptures daily," is the command of Holy Writ. No man ever became good or wise by listening to the words of wisdom and goodness once in a lifetime; no one ever attained an upright character by the performance of one good act. The grandest achievements of nature and of art have been of slow development. They have been the product of continual, persistent, and repeated effort. The young sapling, growing in a secluded spot, sheltered from the storm, fanned only by gentle breezes, watered by rippling brooks, surrounded by fragrant flowers and sweet music of merry songsters, does not become the pride of the forest. High on the mountain's brow, fanned by the lightning's fiery breath, lashed by the storm king's fury, the monarch of the mountain gains new strength with each fierce conflict, strikes its roots deeper in the earth, bares its crest to the storm, spreads its branches to the heavens, and defies the elements. So it is by constant and prolonged work, by repeated instructions, through resistance to temptation, and the daily practice of virtue, that Masonry expects to build that noblest of all structures—the character of true manhood.

I do not claim, no one claims, that we all attain the standard Masonry has erected for us. Temptation is strong, passions are urgent; the spirit is willing, the flesh is weak. We as Masons are not alone in doing those things we would not do, and leaving undone those things we should do. Perfection is confined to few. In struggling toward the goal, our efforts may be weak, our steps feeble, our progress slow. Death may arrest our onward march before our journey is half done, before our foes are half vanquished, but our banners wave in a nobler cause, and bear brave words. The standard above and before us is a grand one. Every effort to reach it, every progress toward it, is a step in the right direction, deserving charity and encouragement. It brings us nearer and nearer to virtue, further and further from vice.

Against every other organization, religious or secular, engaged in the great work of relieving the suffering and elevating the morals of mankind, Masonry entertains no envy or jealousy. She extends to them fraternal greetings, and recognizes them as co-workers in a common cause. The interests of these institutions are not, they must not be antagonistic, while there is human suffering to relieve,

human ignorance to enlighten, human depravity to reform. There is room for all, and work for all. Working each in its own way, and with its own material, they are labouring in a common cause, for a common object—to relieve, enlighten, purify and elevate mankind. They have done well; they have accomplished much; but above and over all, they are yet grander social, intellectual and moral heights, to which, by their united efforts, mankind may be elevated.

The influence of Masonry and other kindred societies, in controlling and regulating the actions and conduct of men, may be compared to one of the forces of the universe. Astronomers tell us that the movements of the solar and planetary system are regulated by two forces. One urges each planet onward into space; another draws it towards its appointed centre. By the exact proportion and harmony of these two forces, balancing and controlling each other, moon moves with perfect regularity around its planet, planet around its sun, sun and solar system around its central power, filling entire space with music and harmony, now, as when "The morning stars first sang together." Could the attraction of a planet for its central sun be destroyed, and it be impelled uncontrolled into space, no imagination can picture the desolation that would follow in its track. So with the man who has surrendered himself to the guidance of passion. He moves but to destroy and desolate. His pathway through life is covered with the wrecks of human lives and souls, and no man can measure his destroying power. It is the Province of Masonry and her co-workers to keep him within his appointed orbit and around his central sun of purity and right.

Brethren, what have we done to advance this noble work? Have we lived our pledges? Have we worked to the square of virtue? Will our work bear the scrutiny of the Master's "all-seeing eye?" Have the lessons to which we have so often listened borne fruit in good works? As we lay down the square and the level and the plumb, if we have builded in our own hearts and households the temples she had directed us to build, practiced the virtues she has enjoined upon us, it is the most eloquent defence of Masonry that could be given or desired. If, on the contrary, we have disregarded her admonitions and falsified her teachings; if we have not reflected her teachings in purer lives and more extended charity; if we have poisoned for her the shafts of malice and drawn upon her the finger of scorn, no words of mine can heal the wounds our hands have made.

As Lodges and as individuals, let us enter upon our labours manfully, gird our loins and quit us like men. As another anniversary rolls around let there be no stain upon our escutcheon. Let us make progress toward the goal to which Masonry points us. Let not the most malignant scoffer be able to point to one act of ours contrary to the tenets of our high profession. Let us discard and eliminate all base material, and throw aside every weight that oppresses us. "With malice toward none, and charity for all," let us gather the rubbish from the temple, and lay its foundations deep and firm as granite. Place or set in the walls no shapeless stones.

Above all, brethren, let us live together in harmony, and practice toward each other that greatest of all Masonic virtues, charity. Harmony is essential to every well regulated institution, especially of ours. Our only hope for success is in united effort, united power. Let there be among us no contention except "who can best work and best agree."

One word more, and I am done. Masonry is for the living, not for the dead. If you have words of love or affection, of sympathy or forgiveness, do not keep them from ears that cannot hear, for hearts that cannot feel, that do not need them. Speak them now. Let them speed upon their mission of mercy while the ear can hear and the heart feel. They may smooth rugged paths to tired and bleeding feet. They may bind up the wounds of broken and bleeding hearts. They may give new life and courage to weary, grief-stricken souls, sinking under the burdens and oppressions of life. Speak them to-day, and in the hour of your need your blessings shall return a hundredfold. Now and here let us renew with the living our vows of mutual fidelity and brotherhood, and with hands and hearts united, raise high the standard of Masonry, filling her banners to the breeze, and bear them on to victory in a cause as grand as the universe, as undying as the soul.—*Voice of Masonry.*

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

OLD CONCORD LODGE, No. 172.

THE fifty-third annual ball of this Lodge was held at the Cannon Street Hotel, on Tuesday, the 16th inst., when a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent. Owing to there being so much illness at the present time, the muster was not so large as on previous occasions, but from 150 to 200 ladies and gentlemen put in an appearance, and kept the ball rolling merrily until the morning was far advanced. Our brethren of the Old Concord had done all in their power to make the ball a success, and we can compliment the Stewards on the result. The W.M. (Bro. J. B. Evans) was the President for the occasion, and he had the following brethren to support him as Stewards:—Bros. H. Tatton Sykes S.W. (Vice-President), R. Steele P.M., Hunt J.W., Jordan J.D., Norman Dir. of Cers., Pusey, Jones, G. A. Ravaisou, Reichardt, Poole, Schneberger, Francis, Bailey, C. Hooper, F. Davies, Reece, Hopperton and Geo. King P.M. (Hon. Secretary). The band of the Grenadier Guards, under the direction of Bro. Dan Godfrey, supplied the music, and right well did they carry out their duties, while our old friend Brother Jarvis efficiently performed the arduous task of M.C. Shortly after nine the brethren and their friends began to arrive, and not long after that time the proceedings commenced with the captivating waltz "Elsie." The ball-room gradually filled, and by half-past ten all was going as merry as the proverbial "marriage bells." Shortly before one o'clock supper was announced, and under the genial President, the guests sat down to a most recherché supper, which was done ample justice to by all assembled. After grace had been said, Bro. J. B. Evans rose to propose the first toast, "The Queen and the Craft," and in doing so said that he knew full well that his friends around him did not want to listen to many speeches, and he should be as brief as possible. Bro. Evans said he thought it just as well not to linger on the great trouble that had befallen Her Majesty and her family, but he was sure she was glad to see the loyalty of her subjects, which had been so clearly exhibited during the past few weeks. He hoped that Her Majesty might be spared for many years to come, and that it would not be long before she recovered from the loss she had sustained. Bro. R. Steele P.M. then rose, and in proposing the health of their President, Bro. Evans, said he was sorry Bro. H. Tatton Sykes S.W. (Vice President) was absent that evening, owing to a family bereavement. They all knew in what way he had carried out his duties as President of the ball, and he was sorry there were not more present to do honour to him on that occasion. But he (Bro. Steele) felt sure those around him knew it was not Bro. Evans' fault; no one could have worked harder for the success of the ball. On rising to respond Bro. J. B. Evans said he did not know how to thank those present for the way they had received the toast. He assured them he deeply felt the honour they had done him; all he could add was, that he had striven to do all in his power to make the ball a success, and he sincerely hoped the company had all enjoyed themselves. He felt that that night was an important one in his career, and he hoped they would all enjoy themselves in such a way that it would be a long time ere they forgot the Old Concord Lodge Ball of 1892. Before concluding Bro. Evans said there was one important feature to be got through, that was to propose the health of the ladies. They all appreciated the company of the ladies, and hoped they would be present on many future occasions. Bro. Evans then called on Brother Norman to respond. Bro. Norman was very happy in his remarks; he said that as he felt sure they wanted to get back to the ball-room he would not detain them by giving a long speech, but content himself by wishing them every enjoyment. In conclusion Bro. Norman called on the gentlemen to drink to the health of the ladies. This was heartily done. The company now adjourned to the ball room, where dancing was kept up till after four o'clock, to the entire enjoyment of all concerned. The best of good feeling was to be seen everywhere, and the way in which the ladies entered into the fun of the "Leap Year Dance" was most gratifying to Bro. C. Hooper, who proposed this dance. We must certainly congratulate Bro. Evans and the Stewards on the brilliant success of their ball. Among those present we noticed the following:—Bro. J. B. Evans W.M. and Mrs. Evans, Bro. and Mrs. F. J. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Palmer, Bro. R. Steele I.P.M., Mr. G. H. and Miss Lawther, Captain M. and Mrs. Lawther, Brother G. King P.M. Secretary, Brother J. J. Lea, Mrs. Searle, Bro. and Mrs. Carl T. Fleck P.M. 172, P.M. 619, P.Z. 172, M.E.Z. 1275, Mr. and Mrs. Garnham, Mrs. and Miss Boncey, Bro. Hollingsworth, Bro. and Mrs. Upton, Bro. and Mrs. Cowley, Mr. and Mrs. Minns, Mr. and Mrs. Stapel, Bro. L. and Mrs. Upton, Mr. Harding, Bro. G. and Mrs. Evans, Mr. Parish and daughters, Mr. Purchase and daughter, Mr. H. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Fowle, Mr. H. W. Jones, Mr. Millbourn, Mr. James and Miss Brown, Mr. Geo. and Mrs. Brown, Mrs. and Miss Triggs, Bro. C. Hooper, Miss Pemberton, Mr. H. and Mrs. Banister, Mrs. F. C. Jones, Bro. and Mrs. Dickenson, Bro. Mrs. and Miss Carpenter, Bro. King, Mr. A. W. and Miss Woods, Mr. Walter F. Morgan, Mr. and Miss Couchman, Bro. Mrs. and Miss G. A. Ravaisou, Bro. W., Mrs. and the Misses (2) Ravaisou, Bro. Gesking, Bro. and Mrs. Jordan, Bro. and Mrs. George, Mr. and Mrs. Hagermann, Mr. Lambert, Miss Adcock, Miss Lake, Mr. H. Gosney, Miss A. Beauchamp, Mr. F. A. Gosney, Bro. Norman D.C., Bro. Pusey, Bro. Poole, Bro. Reece, Bro. Jarvis, Mr. Cook, &c., &c.

RUTLAND LODGE, No. 1130 (MELTON MOWBRAY).

THE installation meeting of this Lodge was, by dispensation, held in the Colles Memorial Hall, on Friday, the 12th inst. The gathering was presided over by the W.M. (Bro. W. J. Freer P.M. P.P.G. Sword Bearer), and there was a considerable attendance of

Officers and Brethren, amongst the visitors being Bro. S. S. Partridge P.G.A.D.C. Eng. D.P.G.M., Hon. Pauly Hastings W.M. 779, W. M. Williams P.M. 279 P.P.G.J.D., W. Vial P.M. 1007 Prov. G.S.W., W. G. L. Rolleston W.M. 1560, W. J. Curtis W.M. 523, T. S. H. Ashwell W.M. 1391, J. B. Waring P.M. 523 P.P.G.A.D.C., T. B. Laxton P.M. 1007 P.P.G.O., T. Worthington P.M. 50 P.P.G.J.D., C. K. Morris P.M. 1265 P.P.G. Supt. Works, W. Keep P.M. 1265 P.P.G.J.W., J. Raven W.M. 1007, E. Holmes W.M. 279, J. Griggs Ex. Mayor of Loughborough, and others. The minutes of the preceding meeting having been read and duly confirmed, Bro. W. W. Vincent P.M. 1391 P.G.S.D. Prov. G. Charity Steward submitted the claims of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and the Lodge voted £10 10s thereto. A ballot was taken for Bro. R. Blakeney, Vicar of Melton Mowbray, member of Albert Victor Lodge, 2328, York, P.P.G.Chap. N. and E. Yorks, who was unanimously elected a joining member. Bro. the Most Hon. the Marquis of Granby, M.P., S.W. W.M. elect then received the benefit of installation, which ceremony was performed in a thoroughly efficient and impressive manner by the Deputy Prov. G.M. (Bro. Partridge). The following brethren were appointed and invested as Officers for the ensuing year, viz.:—Bros. W. J. Freer I.P.M., W. F. Hill S.W., C. L. Fernelley J.W., Rev. R. Blakeney Chaplain, G. T. Willan P.M. Treasurer, John Fletcher P.M. Secretary, M. Shelbourn S.D., E. Foster Knight J.D., Arthur H. Marsh P.M. Dir. of Cers., J. McCraith I.G., E. Jeeves P.M. Steward, J. Bailey Tyler. The Treasurer's accounts as audited were presented and approved. Bro. W. J. New P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C. referred to the excellent manner in which the duties of W.M. had been carried out by Bro. Freer during the past twelve months, and proposed that a suitable P.M.'s jewel be provided and presented to him, which met with hearty approval. The newly-appointed W.M. proposed the thanks of the brethren to the Installing Officer, which was suitably acknowledged. Before closing the Lodge apologies were tendered for the unavoidable absence of the Earl Ferrers P.G.M., R.W. Bro. W. Kelly, F.R. Hist. Soc., P.P.G.M., Rev. C. H. Wood, M.A., Prov. G. Secretary, and the W.M.'s of Lodges 50, 1265, 1330. A most *récherché* luncheon then followed, provided in an admirable manner by Bro. J. Selby, at the George Hotel. After the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts had been duly honoured the health of the newly-installed Master was proposed in suitable terms, and Bro. the Marquis of Granby expressed his thanks for the great honour he felt had been conferred upon him, stating his desire to promote the interests of the Craft, and his intention to endeavour to attend and carry out the duties of that Lodge, in which he took an especial interest, his family having been bound up with the Craft generally in this Province, and that Lodge in particular, for many years. After alluding to the great pleasure he felt at being placed in such a responsible position, and the gratification for the honour done him, he stated his intention of trying to act up to the great and worthy objects inculcated in the various charges to which he had listened. The toast of the Installing Master was responded to by Bro. Partridge D.P.G.M., who expressed the satisfaction he felt in being permitted to instal such an esteemed and highly respected nobleman of the county, and looked upon that gathering as an augury of success for the coming year, confidently anticipating a substantial increase in numbers and prosperity. The P.M.'s having been honoured, the toast was acknowledged by Bros. Drew, Freer, and Rev. W. Langley, M.A., P.P.G.S.W., the latter of whom alluded to his being one of the founders of the Lodge (along with the worthy host, Bro. Selby) and to the happy choice of its name, having regard to the present W.M. being an honoured member of the Manners family. The toast of the Visitors was responded to by Bro. E. Holmes W.M. 279, who acknowledged the special pleasure he felt as a native of Melton responding in that Lodge.

BLACKHEATH LODGE, No. 1320.

A REGULAR meeting of this Lodge was held on Thursday, at the Bridge House Hotel, S.E., under the presidency of the W.M. Bro. John Hooper, who was supported by Bros. H. Thompson Rae S.W., W. E. Row J.W., W. H. Morson P.M. Treasurer, J. H. Stunt P.M. Secretary, Neville S.D., T. R. Cass J.D., A. W. LeClew D. of C., A. J. Martin P.M., G. C. Lister P.M., Alfred Lister P.M., W. W. Snelling P.M. 1541, C. F. Hilton P.M. 1622, Orilton Cooper W.M. 211, E. Harris, W. Duncan, E. H. Mitchell, J. Sparks, Ruston Odell, T. Hobly, J. W. Spencer, W. Wright, E. A. Rice, A. Smith, G. Pike, W. Orton, M. Thompson. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, Bros. Arthur Sly and Henry Charles Stoll were brought before the Lodge, answered the usual questions leading to the second degree, and were subsequently passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. The ballot was then taken and proved unanimous in favour of Mr. Harry Broadway, who was then initiated into the mysteries and privileges of ancient Freemasonry. Both the ceremonies were admirably performed by Brother John Hooper. An additional vote of ten guineas was voted to be placed on the Master's Charity list, and the Lodge was closed in perfect harmony, and the brethren adjourned to the banqueting room. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly given and honoured, touching reference being made to the loss the Craft and the country have sustained by the death of the Duke of Clarence. Bro. Alfred Lister in eulogistic terms proposed the health of the Worshipful Master, and congratulated him on the amount of work he had performed during his term of office. The W.M. in returning thanks said he was most pleased to receive such a welcome addition to his Charity list as that voted by the Lodge that evening, but it was for the benefit of the Lodge, as the votes obtained would remain the property of the members. Brother Broadway replied to the toast of the Initiate, and hoped he would prove a worthy brother in Masonry, and a credit to the Lodge. Bros. Snelling P.M., Orilton Cooper, Hilton, and Sparks responded for the Visitors, and the toasts of the Treasurer and Secretary and Officers brought the proceedings to an agreeable termination. During the evening some capital songs were given by Bros. Odell, Stunt, Hobly, and Broadway, and altogether an enjoyable evening was spent.

ST. MICHAEL'S LODGE, No. 211.

THE installation meeting of this popular Lodge was held on Tuesday, the 9th inst., at the Albion, Aldersgate Street. The W.M.—Bro. P. J. King—presided, and he was supported by his Past Masters and Officers. After the minutes of the last regular meeting had been read and confirmed, Bros. George C. Brightling and Cecil Brandram Fielding Mount were raised to the sublime degree of M.M., the W.M. performing the ceremony in a thoroughly efficient manner. The W.M.-elect, Bro. Orilton Cooper, had just felt the effects of the prevalent complaint, and it was feared his installation would have to be postponed in consequence. However, our esteemed brother struggled manfully against his weakness, and in due course presented himself before his brethren, much to their satisfaction. This was amply testified during the proceedings, one enthusiast remarking that Orilton Cooper was one of the most popular Masons who had ever peeled an orange in St. Michael's. Bro. King now vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Alfred Green (P.M. and Treasurer), who had consented to act as Installing Master. Bro. F. J. Hentsch P.M. (Director of Ceremonies) presented the W.M. elect, and the ceremony was proceeded with. On the closing of the Board of Installed Masters the new W.M. was proclaimed and saluted in the three degrees. Bro. Orilton Cooper then invested the following as his Officers for the year:—P. J. King I.P.M., W. Kirkland S.W., W. J. Dyer J.W., Alfred Green P.M. Treasurer, W. Radcliffe P.M. Secretary, George Cookrell S.D., G. E. Absell J.D., G. J. Copley I.G., W. W. Morgan P.M. D.C., H. Nash P.M. Organist, A. B. Spawforth Steward. Bro. Green then delivered the several addresses, and on taking his seat, was heartily congratulated by those present. Bro. Morgan now rose, and made reference to the splendid manner in which their Installing Master had acquitted himself; it was recognised by all who had listened to this talented Past Master's working that Bro. Alfred Green was one of the best exponents of the Ritual the Craft could boast of. He (Bro. Morgan) now proposed that a vote of thanks to Bro. Green should be passed by the brethren, the same to be duly recorded on the minutes. This was forthwith seconded and carried *nem com.* Routine work followed, and Lodge was closed. The usual banquet followed, but the proceedings were "expanded" beyond the usual hour. This in a great measure was due to the absence of the Tyler—Bro. Benjamin Banks, who had been re-appointed at the last meeting of the Lodge, and should have been re-invested on this occasion. Our brother, however, was suddenly stricken with an alarming illness, which illness terminated fatally two days afterwards. On the removal of the cloth the customary toasts were briefly introduced and due honour was done them. Some capital songs were given in the intervals, and the usual Lodge jewel was presented to the outgoing Master. The brethren separated with pleasant anticipations for a prosperous year under Bro. Orilton Cooper's presidency. The following were present as visitors:—Bros. W. Harvey J.D. 174, H. Parkinson 1328, W. H. Pocklington J.W. 1288, A. J. Martin P.M. 188 1320, W. G. Jennings, W. W. Porter Org. 1572. Amongst, in addition to those named, the Past Masters present were Bros. Henry Lindfield and Harry Nash.

LODGE OF FREEDOM, No. 77.

AT the usual monthly meeting of this Lodge, held at the Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend, last Monday, the W.M. Bro. Joseph Solomon presided, and was supported by Bros. Hitchens I.P.M. Beamish P.M., Champion P.M. Treasurer, Biggs P.M. Secretary, Rev. A. Jackson S.W., Rackstraw J.W., Dean P.M., Whitfield J.D., Fowle I.G., Orilton Cooper W.M. No. 211, Frier, Loft, Ronaldson, Gunn D.C., Buckle. After the minutes had been read and confirmed, Bros. John Blyth and John W. Boucher were brought before the Lodge, answered the usual questions, and subsequently passed to the second degree, the ceremony being carefully performed by the W.M. The ballot was taken and proved unanimous in favour of Mr. Thomas Darby, who will be initiated at the next meeting. The Treasurer submitted his annual report, showing a satisfactory balance, and reported that the Board of Benevolence had awarded a substantial contribution to the widow of a deceased member of the Lodge. The business of the evening being finished, the Lodge was closed in perfect harmony, and the brethren adjourned to supper.

BENEVOLENT LODGE, No. 303.

THE members held their annual meeting on the 8th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Teignmouth. In the absence of Bro. T. J. B. Sandercock the W.M., the chair was occupied by Bro. F. C. Hallett P.M. P.P.G.S.D. Installing Master. The W.M. elect Bro. G. H. Johnson was presented by Bro. R. C. Masgrove acting I.P.M., and ably installed by Bro. Hallett, the Board of Installed Masters comprising Bros. F. V. Valentine P.P.G.D.C., Burden P.P.G.S.W., Evans, Frost, and Mu-grave all of Benevolent, William Taylor P.P.G.D.C. St. Johns, 328, Drennan P.P.G.S.B., Adams P.P.G.D.D.C., Pleiades 710, Olver P.P.G.S.B. Devon 1138, Lane P.P.G.R. P.G.S.W. of Iowa, Wills, and John Taylor (F.C.S.) I.P.M., all of the Jordan Lodge, 1402, and Pearce P.P.G.S.W. of Malta, 2195. The Board of Installed Masters having been closed, the W.M. appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Hallett I.P.M., Little S.W., Crossley J.W., Lomeroy Chaplain, Hallett Treasurer, J. U. Valentine Secretary, Cordes S.D., Hayman J.D., Curtis Dir. of Cers., French I.G., Fowler and Silk Stewards, Thomas Organist, Huggins Tyler. The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were presented and adopted, being considered very satisfactory, and Bro. F. C. Frost was re-elected representative on the Committee of Petitions. Brother J. U. Valentine was elected trustee in the room of the late Bro. Major Kersteman P.P.G.S.W., whose regretted decease took

place recently. The singing arrangements were very perfectly rendered under the able superintendence of Bro. Loam, of Lodge Pleiades, Totnes, who presided at the organ. At the close the brethren held their usual banquet, at the Queen's Hotel. A large company gathered round the festive board that followed the installation, and an excellent repast having been served, the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. Bro. Pearce P.D.G.S.W. of Malta, in responding for the Grand Lodge, mentioned that he had been Master of the Lodge in which the late Grand Secretary Colonel Shadwell Clerke was initiated. Bro. Burden, in replying for the Provincial Grand Lodge, expressed his pleasure in seeing such a numerous and brilliant company, and congratulated the brethren on having elected such an excellent brother to preside over them. Subsequently Bro. Burden, speaking on behalf of the Past Masters, said that when he was made W.M., in 1870, the Lodge was in debt to the extent of nearly £500, but he was glad to say that their building was now free from all liability, and they had since acquired the freehold. The W.M. (Bro. Johnson) in acknowledging the toast of his health, which was most heartily received with musical honours, thanked the brethren for their kind expression of good wishes, and assured them he would do his utmost during his year of office to maintain the high standard of efficiency the Lodge had attained. Testimony was borne by the W.M. and others to the excellent working of the installation ceremony by Bro. Hallett, who expressed his satisfaction at the kindly manner in which the brethren had spoken of his services. Feeling reference was made to the loss the Lodge and the Province generally had sustained by the lamented decease of the late Bro. Captain Kersteman P.P.G.S.W., to whose memory the brethren drank in silence. Other toasts followed, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. The Royal Prussian Band, from Torquay, was in attendance.

TRAFFORD LODGE, No. 1496 (MOSS SIDE).

A REGULAR meeting took place at Mrs. Toulmein's, Western Hotel, on Monday, when amongst those present were Bros. Blears W.M., Morris S.W., Long J.W., Burslem P.M. Treasurer, Land Secretary, Robert Wilson S.D., Knight J.D., A. Renshaw I.G., P.M.'s Gillman P.P.G.D., Halliwell, D. Johnson, and Kershaw. Visitors—C. P. Dunkerley W.M. 1174, Dunkerley sen. 1147, T. Hall P.M. and Secretary 1458. The Lodge was opened in due form and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Vickers received the third degree from the W.M., Bro. Burslem giving the traditional history. Prior to the Lodge being closed, Bro. Burslem brought forward his motion that the initiation fee be increased to eight guineas, and after some discussion it was seconded by Bro. Seanor, and carried. There being no further business the Lodge was closed.

ST. KEYNA LODGE, No. 1833.

THE installation meeting was held at the Public Hall, Keynsham, on Tuesday, 16th instant, when the following brethren were present:—Charlie Pfeiffer W.M., James S. Naish I.P.M., C. J. E. Grubb W.M. 68 S.W. pro tem, Benjamin Reed J.W., P. H. Shrapnell Secretary, D. Stallworthy S.D., J. Byerley J.D., E. J. Grubb D.C., P.M. 68 P.G.S.D., R. G. Parminster Organist, James Stoate Tyler, S. J. Lewis P.P.G.D.C., W. H. Hobkirk P.P.G. Standard Bearer, O. W. Wiltshire, H. J. Andrews, E. Bradshaw, S. Mackenzie, A. Holborn, S. F. Andrews, Walwyn Collett, C. Burford, Robert Thomas, Vincent Russell, Arthur M. Ordish, R. Brightman, C. Stokes, Henry Southwell S.W. 68, and T. H. Rountree. The Visiting Brethren included the Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of Somerset, R. C. Else P.G.D. of England, C. J. E. Grubb W.M. 68, R. F. Geary P.M. 68 P.P.G.D.C., W. Galpin P.P.G. Standard Bearer, A. J. Tonkin S.D. 1755, J. J. H. King 1039, H. W. Makepeace 1388, J. T. Hallam P.M. 326 P.P.G.J.W., R. G. Parmenter 1388.

After some formal and preliminary business of the Lodge had been disposed of, Bro. Pfeiffer W.M. elect, was re-installed into the chair of K.S. by Bro. Else.

The W.M. at once proceeded to appoint and invest his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Naish I.P.M., Reed S.W., Shrapnell J.W., Wiltshire Secretary, Gay P.M. Treas., Grubb D.C., Stallworthy S.D., Byerley J.D., Tippetts I.G., Tidman and Hayes Stewards, and Stoate Tyler. Some business of a charitable nature was afterwards gone into, after which the Lodge was closed, and the brethren dined together, at the Lamb and Lark Hotel, under the presidency of the Worshipful Master.

We are sorry to add that illness prevented the Provincial Grand Master of Somerset, Lord Dungarvan, from being present.

At the banquet which followed the installation the W.M. proposed the Queen and the Craft in suitable terms, and in submitting the Most Worshipful Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and the rest of the Royal Family, feelingly alluded to the death of the Duke of Clarence. The W.M. next proposed the Pro Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, and Officers of Grand Lodge Past and Present. In rising to respond Bro. R. C. Else Deputy P.G.M. of Somerset and P.G.D. of England, the Installing Master of the day, was enthusiastically received. Bro. Else replied as follows:—"I am exceedingly sorry that I have to leave early and to thus interrupt your programme, but I have to go into another part of the Province to-morrow to perform a similar function. I have to thank you very much for your very kind reception, and for coupling my name with the toast of the Grand Lodge of England. We are all of us aware that after the death of our own truly beloved Pro Grand Master the Earl of Carnarvon it pleased the Grand Master to appoint the Earl of Lathom in his place, and we could not possibly get a better Pro Grand Master. With regard to the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, we are not so well able to judge in this part of the Province, but it is believed that H.R.H. has made a judicious and

wise selection. As regards the Officers of Grand Lodge I have to ask the Officers to attend from time to time and see their work. Before leaving you this evening I desire to refer to the wise selection made by this Lodge in re-electing my old friend Bro. Charlie Pfeiffer as its W.M.; a better man I am sure they could not have found. I do not know any one who is more thoroughly imbued with the principles of Freemasonry by doing his best to practice out of the Lodge those duties he learns within it. I trust this second year of office may be a very happy one. One word of advice, though I hardly think it necessary in this Lodge of St. Keyna. In selecting the ashlar to be fashioned into good Masons be careful of the quarry from which the ashlar is chosen. Nothing conduces more to the welfare of the Lodge than the quality of its members. I congratulate you on the move you are about to make in getting premises of your own, and I hope the members will be able to successfully carry this out, as I am sure it is for the welfare of every Lodge to have a hall or room of its own. Bro. Gay P.M. proposed the next toast, that of the W.M., which was received with enthusiasm. "You heard what the Deputy said about him," observed Bro. Gay, "which we can all endorse, and I need only add that he is a good Master, an excellent worker, and always at his post to time." The W.M. suitably replied, at some length referring to the pride he experienced at being re-elected, and promising to use every effort to maintain the prestige of the Lodge and the quality of its members. He would endeavour to deserve their renewed confidence. Bro. Gay proposed the I.P.M., Bro. Naish, and in so doing spoke to the fact of Bro. Naish being instrumental in the Lodge sending £89 to the Boys' School. Bro. Naish returned thanks in appropriate terms. Bro. Hobkirk submitted the Visiting Brethren, which was duly acknowledged by Bros. Geary, Grubb, and Galpin. The P.M.'s and Officers, the Masonic Charities, and the Tyler's toast brought the list to a close. Bro. Shrapnell kindly accompanied the musical brethren on the piano, with his accustomed ability, and altogether a particularly pleasant afternoon and evening was spent.

TORRIDGE LODGE, No. 1885.

THE annual festival was held at Torrington, on the 8th inst., when the W.M.-elect Brother Dyer S.W. was installed in the chair of K.S. for the ensuing year by Bro. Burrow P.M. P.P.A.G.D.C. 489. There were also present Visitors Bros. Wilson W.M. 489, Coles P.M. 489, Brook P.M. 489, Coleman S.D. 2025, Paddecombe J.S. 489, Smart 489, Dunn 489, Adams 429, and Leigh 489. The W.M. then proceeded to invest the following Officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. Hooper I.P.M., Sillifant S.W., Grant J.W., Werry S.D., Doe J.D., Mallett P.M. P.P.G.S.B. Secretary, Matthews Treasurer, Langdon I.G., Holwill P.M. Steward, Copp Tyler. At the close of the Lodge the brethren adjourned to Bro. Tapley's, Globe Hotel, where a sumptuous repast was served in the host's best style. The following toast list was then proceeded with:—The Queen and the Craft, proposed by the W.M., the M.W. Grand Master the Prince of Wales, and the Officers of the Grand Lodge, given by the W.M., the R.W. Prov. Grand Master and the Officers of Prov. Grand Lodge, submitted by Bro. Ashplant P.M., and acknowledged by Bro. Tapley P.M. P.P.G.S.; the Worshipful Master, proposed by Bro. Hooper I.P.M., and responded to by Bro. Dyer W.M.; the Installing Master, given by Bro. Holwill, and replied to by Bro. Burrows; the I.P.M. and P.M.'s of 1885, proposed by the W.M., and acknowledged by Brother Hooper; the Visitors, proposed by Bro. Sillifant, acknowledged by Brothers Wilson, Coleman, Adams, and the Rev. Bro. Smart; the Officers of Lodge Torridge, submitted by Bro. Coleman, and replied to by Bros. Grant and Werry.

ARTHUR SULLIVAN LODGE, No. 2156, (MANCHESTER).

A REGULAR meeting took place on Wednesday, the 10th inst., at Mrs. Stopford's, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Withy Grove. Present—Bros. Oliver Gags W.M., Goss S.W., Hulme J.W., Nathl. Dumville P.M. P.P.G.S. Treasurer, Radman Secretary, Cuthbert Blacow J.D., Turner P.M. Dir. of Cers., Wm. Dumville P.M. Chap., Murphy, Ben Brierley, Jackson, Kay, Taylor, Booth P.M. 104 P.P.G.D.C. Cheshire, Cunningham and Johnson. Visitors—Bros. Batley 1814, Creswell 1458, Harrop formerly 2156, Goldman 323, and Grundy 1345 and 2216. Lodge was opened at 2:30 and the minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed. The ballot was taken for Mr. Perrin, and being declared unanimous he was initiated into Freemasonry by Bro. Wm. Booth. Bro. Chas. Jackson, being a candidate for passing, was interrogated as to his proficiency in the first degree, and having satisfactorily answered withdrew. He was subsequently passed to the degree of Fellow Craft by Bro. Wm. Dumville P.M. Bro. Robert Johnson was raised to the sublime degree of M.M. by Bro. Turner, who gave the traditional history, and explained the third tracing board, and there being no further business the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony. At the social board the health of the respective candidates was proposed and responded to. A very excellent composition by Brother Ben Brierley, on the contemplated marriage of Bro. the late Duke of Clarence, and also an ode lamenting his untimely death, were read and listened to with rapt attention by all present. At the time Bro. Brierley composed the ode in honour of the late Duke's contemplated marriage he, like others, had no idea of such a calamity befalling H.R.H., hence the two poems, both of which are full of profound admiration for his sterling qualities and intense sympathy for the parents and bereaved lady who would have become his wife. A copy of the poems, beautifully framed, has been sent by the R.W. P.G.M. Bro. Col. Le Gendre N. Starkie for H.R.H. the Prince of Wales's acceptance.

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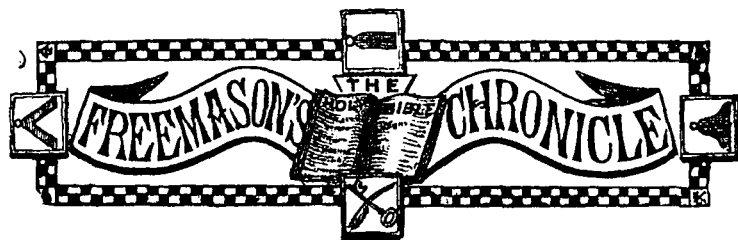
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SATURDAY, 20TH FEBRUARY 1892.

GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.

A QUARTERLY Communication of the Grand Lodge
of Scotland was held in Edinburgh on the 4th inst.
The Lodge was crowded, there being present about
400 brethren. The throne was occupied by the Grand
Master Mason the Earl of Haddington, and Brother J.
Dalrymple Duncan Senior Grand Warden and Brother
Colonel Campbell (Perth) Junior Grand Warden were in
their respective places. Amongst others present were
Brothers Sir Charles Dalrymple, M.P., Grand Master
Depute, Robert F. Shaw Stewart Past Substitute Grand
Master, D. Murray Lyon Grand Secretary, David Reid
Grand Treasurer, the Rev. John Murray Grand Chaplain,
the Rev. Robert Henderson Past Grand Chaplain, &c.

The minutes of Grand Committee contained an excerpt
from the accounts of the grand Masonic Bazaar held in
December 1890. The following is a statement of the
amount remaining at credit of each of the stalls, after
deducting payments made on their account by the Hon.
Treasurer:—Grand Lodge, including the Lodges in the
Metropolitan District, £2268 5s 1d; East and West Ren-
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and Kinross-shires, £392 4s 3d; Ayrshire, £1178 13s;
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Linlithgowshire, £534 9s 5d; Indian and Colonial,
£270 12s 11d; game, £86 4s 9d; refreshment, £53 12s;
tea and coffee, £158 17s; parcels, 10s 2d. The sum con-
tributed to the funds through entertainments amounted
to £431 2s 3d. Total amount, £13,397 11s 7d.

The minutes of Grand Committee also contained the
report of the auditor, Mr. Francis A. Bringloe, C.A. on
the accounts of Grand Lodge for the year ending 26th
November last. Mr. Bringloe reported that the funds and
estate belonging to and under the control of Grand Lodge
amounted at 26th November 1891 to £31,609 18s 6d.
The Fund of Scottish Masonic Benevolence at 26th
of November 1891 amounted to £6891 0s 3d. There

was also appended an abstract account of the Annuity
Branch of the Fund of Scottish Masonic Benevolence,
showing that, after meeting the annuities sanctioned by
Grand Committee, and, in terms of the constitution,
crediting the fund with one-half of the free income of
Grand Lodge to 27th November 1890, the fund at 26th
November 1891 amounted to £19,820 13s 4d, whereof the
sum of £19,383 4s is capital and £437 9s 4d income.
The capital of this fund was augmented during the year
by the net proceeds of the grand Masonic Bazaar held in
December 1890, amounting to £14,449 10s 10d. The
accounts of Grand Lodge for the year ending 26th
November 1891 exhibit a further sum of £1500 12s 10d
as due to this fund at that date, and which amount will
appear in next account.

The Grand Master spoke of the late Duke of Clarence,
who had, in the inscrutable ways of Providence, been cut
off, to the great grief of the Royal Family and every true
and loyal heart in the kingdom. He was a Freemason, and
took a lively and intelligent interest in Freemasonry. A
telegram had been sent to the Prince and Princess of
Wales, and that had been most graciously received. He
thought every one would agree with him that it was their
duty and privilege to show how deeply they sympathised
with Her Majesty and their Royal Highnesses the Prince
and Princess of Wales, and that addresses of condolence
should be prepared and forwarded. On the motion of the
Grand Master Depute, Sir Charles Dalrymple, M.P., Grand
Lodge remitted to the Grand Master and the Grand
Secretary to prepare these addresses.

A charter was granted to the new Lodge of Ben Clench,
Tillicoultry. Brother the Hon. Hew Dalrymple was
appointed Provincial Grand Master of Wigtown and
Kirkcudbrightshires.

Grand Lodge then proceeded to the election of brethren
to fill the vacancies in Grand Committee. There were
thirteen nominations (one having withdrawn) for twelve
vacancies, and the following were elected with votes
stated:—Brothers John Graham of Broadstone 333, Lieut.-
Colonel J. Campbell, Perth 317, Dr. James Middleton,
Stow 313, George C. H. M'Naught, Glasgow 292, David
Hume, Dysart 284, Sir James Buchanan of Dumbugh,
Bart., Milngavie 281, Robert Kennedy, Glasgow 249,
Major W. Ivison Macdonald, Portobello 249, James Cald-
well, Paisley 244, Robert Ferguson, Hamilton 237, John
Maclachlan of Maclachlan 229, William Officer S.S.C.,
Edinburgh 221. Brothers Sir James Buchanan, R. Fer-
guson, Major Macadam, and J. Maclachlan are new
members.

On the motion of Bro. George Christie, Stirling,
seconded by Bro. James Crichton, Grand Lodge remitted
to Grand Committee to consider and report as to the
desirableness of establishing a Provincial Grand Lodge for
the Counties of Mid-Lothian and Peebles. Bro. Macallam
withdrew a resolution of which he had given notice, to the
effect that the time had now come when Grand Lodge
should appoint a Provincial Grand Master for the Metro-
politan district.

On the motion of Bro. Dr. Middleton, seconded by
Brother Colonel Stirling (who withdrew a motion of which
he had given notice), it was resolved that the resolution
adopted by Grand Lodge on 7th May 1885 be rescinded,
and that rule 132 of the Constitution and Laws of Grand
Lodge shall apply to the commissions held by all Provincial
Grand Masters. The next business was the consideration
of a resolution of which Bro. Caldwell had given notice,
seconded by Brother W. R. Mann, to recall the ruling of
February 1851, prohibiting any unauthorised Masonic body
or individual issuing circulars regarding Masonic affairs to
any of the Lodges in Scotland or elsewhere, under pain of
suspension from Masonic privileges or expulsion from the
Order. So as to give more time for consideration, the
Grand Master Depute moved, and Bro. Stirling seconded
the previous question, but the original motion was carried
by 158 against 44. It was explained from the throne that
Brother Middleton's resolution would not affect the
commissions of Provincial Grand Masters until they have
been five years in office from this date. Grand Lodge was
then closed.

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To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Allow me to thank you for your outspoken article on this subject.

I am one of those who from the first have protested against this appointment being made, whether in Lodge, Provincial Grand Lodge, or Grand Lodge, the subject of an annual contest, and against the line we so often have taken up: "such an honour—the only collar at the disposal of the brethren—the appointments to the other offices are only gained by favouritism—you must get the right side of so and so, &c., &c."

Whether it was worthy of Grand Mess to take up the line of refusing to allow an *elect*ed brother to join them, is not now the question; which is how best we can secure the election of Grand Treasurer being made as the reward of merit, and not as the result of successful canvassing. In the present instance, if your article correctly represents the true state of matters, I think an easy remedy is at hand. Give the names of the brethren, and say which course each is adopting: and I think there are enough brethren who agree with you to return the brother who is not canvassing.

Yours fraternally,

IGNORUS.

"OLD MASONIANS"

THE third and last invitation concert (ladies' night) of the above Association was held on Friday, the 12th inst., at Anderton's Hotel. Owing to illness the President, Bro. Col. Lambert P.G.S.B., was unfortunately not able to be present, and in his absence the chair was taken by Bro. Boyce.

The evening was a decided success, owing greatly to the varied character of the entertainment. The items of the programme were contributed by the following ladies and gentlemen: Miss Edith Bloomfield, "The letter song" and "Leonore"; Miss Blanche Gough, "Stars of the earth," with violin obligato, and "Smiles"; Miss M. Elderkin, pianoforte solo, "Polacca Brillante"; Mr. J. Darlington, "My Secret" and "Sweet Marguerite"; Mr. C. P. O'Doherty, "The Three Beggars" and "The Goodwin Sands"; Mr. W. J. Packer, "The last of the boys"; Mr. Joseph Smith, recitations, "The art of proposing" and "The Nancy Lee"; and Mr. Sewell gave a conjuring entertainment. Many of these obtained well-merited encores. Bros Eccleshall and Lofts (of the Domestic Lodge) during the evening kindly volunteered their valuable services, which were greatly appreciated.

At the conclusion of the concert Mr. R. S. Chandler announced that a concert in aid of the Benevolent Fund of the Association would be held on the 29th April, and trusted that all friends of the Association would be present on that occasion.

A TREAT TO THE HOLIDAY CHILDREN OF THE "GIRLS" SCHOOL.

DURING the Christmas holidays the kind-hearted Lady Mayores invited the children who, for one reason or another could not go home, to come and spend an afternoon with her own little ones at the Mansion House. Illness, however, prevented the visit from coming off. Not to be thwarted, her ladyship repeated the invitation, and on Saturday last, some 30 blue-clad maidens were taken by Miss Davis, with several of the staff, to the official residence of the King and Queen of the City, and a right merry afternoon they spent. They stacked their hats and cloaks on the billiard table, sat on all the sofas and easy chairs in the State Drawing Room, danced in the saloon, where they were also entertained by a conjuror and equilibrist, gazed with awe on the Justice Room and the prisoners' dock, ran about in the Egyptian Hall, had tea—such a tea—in the Long Parlour, and by way of a wind-up played "General Post" in the Old Ball Room before saying, with the heartiest gratitude, a tired good-night to the good and kind friends who had marked such a memorable red-letter day in their young lives. Bro. J. H. Matthews, the Chairman of the month, was unfortunately not well enough to be present, but he was represented by his daughter; while Bro. Frank Richardson, as usual, gave his valuable and willing services as an escort out and home.

A GRATIFYING RESULT.—The list of Bro. the Rev. Dr. Lemon P.P.G.J.W., &c., of Devon, as Steward of that Province at the Jubilee Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons, on the 24th inst., in London, to be presided over by the R.W. Bro. the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe D.G.M. of England and P.G.M. of Cornwall, amounting to £250, is, up to the present time, the largest list received by the Secretary of the Institution, which, together with his lists for the two previous years, beat the record.—*Western Daily Mercury*.

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Obituary.

BROTHER G. T. WRIGHT P.P.G.S.W. OF DERBYSHIRE.

WE have to announce the death of this old and highly esteemed Freemason, which took place at his residence in Derby, on Tuesday, the 9th instant. Brother Wright was initiated in the Lodge of Truth, then No. 763, now 521, 2nd May 1851, and was installed W.M. of the same Lodge 2nd December 1853. In 1854, Bro. Wright laid the foundation-stone of the Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield, and was presented by the brethren of the Lodge of Truth with a handsome silver trowel upon that occasion. He received Provincial Grand Lodge in 1856 as Prov. G.S.D. of West Yorkshire. Bro. Wright removed to Derby in 1859, and in that year joined the Arboretum Lodge, No. 731, and passed the chair of that Lodge in 1868, in which year he resigned his membership of the Lodge of Truth, and was elected an Hon. Member of that Lodge. He was appointed Prov. G.J.W. of Derbyshire in 1876, and was elected the first Chairman of the Charity Committee in 1873, which office he retained until his death. He was indefatigable in forwarding the cause of Masonic Charity, being a well-known and respected figure at the Masonic Elections. In 1885 he was appointed Prov. Grand Senior Warden of Derbyshire, and was also one of the Trustees of the Derby Masonic Hall. During his year of office as W.M. of the Lodge of Truth, he had the honour of initiating the Marquess of Ripon, who was afterwards elected Grand Master of England. Bro. Wright leaves a family of five sons and three daughters to mourn his death.

A SATISFACTORY RECORD.

UNDER the presidency of Bro. R. Foote P.P.G.Treas. a numerously-attended meeting of the General Committee of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution was recently held at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool. There were about thirty applicants for the benefits of the Charity, and the whole of the cases were approved and recommended for adoption by the next Court of Governors, involving an additional outlay of nearly £100, the largest sum ever voted at any similar meeting. Twenty-two candidates were placed on the foundation of the Institution, two children were placed on the combined fund, three had grants for advancement in life, and the Committee agreed to grants for an extra year's education to boys who are at present being taught, clothed, and maintained. A vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding concluded the proceedings.

The balance-sheet of the Charity for the past year, which had just been prepared by Bro. J. T. Callow, honorary treasurer, shows that there was a balance of £868 at the beginning of 1891; a deposit note realised £1200; the proceeds of the ball in 1891 amounted to £420; 100 guineas had been received from the P.G. Lodge; 50 guineas from the Masonic Club; £1039 from donations and subscriptions of the brethren of various Lodges in the Province; £530 from interest on dock bonds, £78 from Swansea Harbour trusts, and £25 from Corporation stock; the total income being £4500. The payments included £1588 for the education, clothing, maintenance, and advancement of children on the foundation of the Charity; £262 10s for the purchase of one right of presentation to the Orphan Working School; £1114 for Liverpool Corporation stock; £800 for a bond of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board; and the balance in the bank was £638. The proportionate cost of nine presentations of children to certain Institutions for full maintenance and education was £211 5s. The total incidental expenditure was £96 for printing, stationery, and postages, and 6s for insurance. The whole of the work is entirely voluntary, Bros. Broadbridge, Walker, and Coxon being the honorary secretaries, and Bro. J. T. Callow the honorary treasurer. There are now nearly 300 children receiving the benefits of the Institution, and the invested capital amounts to about £21,000.

Messrs. Everitt and Son, tailors and breeches makers announce that they have established more central business premises at St. Martin's House, St. Martins-le-Grand, (facing the General Post-Office), where they trust they may continue to receive the esteemed orders of their many customers.

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We know that light rays paint the flowers.
We know that richly-fruited bowers
Are grown of thrifty soil and timely rain and genial sun.
We know that autumn's glory floods
The ripening fields and golden woods
When earth and sky in harmony their proper tasks have done.

We know that truth, in word and deed,
Our highest happiness will feed.
We know that justice to our neighbour will re-act in joy.
We know that purity is peace.
We know that honour gives release
From scourging pain—that conscience clean is gold without alloy.

We know that kindness brings content—
That love on an errand sent,
Like a faithful gleaner, will come again with bounteous sheaves.
We know that beauty in the mind,
All beauty in the earth will find.
We know that purpose good and true a royal chapter weaves.

We know that charity is gain.
We know that selfishness is vain—
That miser-heart and misery are cause and consequence.
We know that gen'rous toil each day
Puts music in the sun's bright ray,
Till the toiler feels his kinship with God's benevolence.

We know that listless idleness
Brings fretfulness and weariness.
We know that lack of purpose wastes the brain and sours the heart.

We know that life is a success
When our fixed purpose is to bless—
When, with titan-stroke or child-stroke, we strive to do our part.

Freemasons Repository.

Bro. Benjamin Banks, for many years Tyler to the St. Michael's, the Polish National, and other Lodges, died on the 11th inst.

The following have been elected as office-bearers of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Linlithgowshire. Bros. Cowan, Broxburn, S.W., J. Gardner, Bathgate, J.W. (pro tem), Russell, Queensferry, S.D., H. Robinson, Linlithgow, J.D.

The St. Luke's Lodge of Instruction, No. 141, will in future meet at the Victoria Tavern, Gertrude Street, Chelsea, on Mondays, at 8 o'clock.

It is announced that a meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Cheshire, to be presided over by Lord Egerton of Tatton, will be held at the Royal George Hotel, Knutsford, on the 27th inst.

The will, dated 25th July 1889, of Colonel Shadwell Henry Clerke, of Her Majesty's Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms, and Grand Secretary of the Masonic Grand Lodge of England, late of Clifton Lodge, Farquhar-road, Upper Norwood, who died on 25th December last, aged 55 years, has been proved by the executor, Mr. Aubrey St. John Clerke, barrister-at-law, by whom the value of the testator's personal estate has been sworn at £12,252.

—*Times*, 18th February.

Westbourne Lodge of Instruction, No. 733.—A meeting was held on Monday, 15th inst., at the Swiss Cottage Tavern, St. John's Wood, N.W. Present—Bros. Curtis 733 W.M., Belsham 733 S.W., Rogers 733 J.W., Burton P.M. 733 S.D., Middleweek 1614 1793 J.D., Hughes 733 I.G., Wise P.M. Preceptor. There were also present Bros. J. W. Harvey P.M. 25, Turner, Roberts, T. Payne 2163, and several other brethren. The Lodge was opened in due form with prayer, and opened in the second and third degrees, when Bro. J. W. Curtis worked the ceremony of installation in a most efficient manner, Bro. Belsham being candidate. Lodge resumed in the first degree, and Bro. Belsham rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Payne being the candidate. Bro. Belsham W.M. rose for the first time, and three new members were elected. The W.M. rose for the second time. Brother Wise proposed, and Brother Hughes seconded, that Bro. Rogers be W.M. for ensuing week, which was carried. The W.M. rose for the third time, when a hearty vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes to the W.M. for the able manner in which he had filled the chair. Lodge closed in perfect harmony.

Certain statements which have been made in various quarters respecting Mr. Edward Terry's prospective arrangements are likely to prove misleading. Mr. Pinero's excellent Comedy "The Times" is as popular as ever, and the advance booking is so good that there is no doubt of its running up to the termination of the season, which will be about the end of June. On 18th July Mr. Terry is pledged to start on a provincial tour, which will last ten or twelve weeks but it is his present intention to resume the run of "The Times" on his return to town in the autumn. Therefore it is not likely that another piece will be required before November, at the earliest. When this occasion arrives, it will be found that Mr. Terry's next production is from the pen of a well-known authoress, while the popular comedian will appear as collaborator.

The paragraphs about Mr. Walter Frith's new play are just a little "precoious," as, owing to the above arrangements, it may not be seen before Christmas, or early in 1893.

APRIL ELECTION, 1892.

The Votes and Interest of the Governors and Subscribers of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls

are earnestly solicited on behalf of

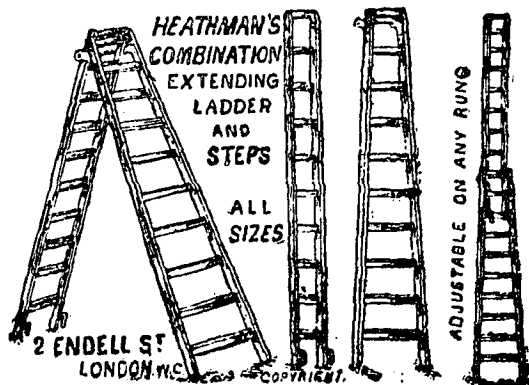
EDITH GRACE WILSON,

(AGED 9 YEARS.)

Daughter of the late Brother Henry R. L. Wilson, who was initiated in April 1877, in the Lodge of Temperance, No. 169, and continued a member until his death, in October 1886, in the forty-second year of his age. He was a subscriber to the Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and their Widows. Brother Wilson was in the employ of the Surrey Commercial Dock Company for twenty years, and left a widow and six children surviving, entirely dependent upon her, the eldest being only twelve years of age. In consequence of the large family and much illness, Bro. Wilson was unable to make any provision for his family beyond a small amount of Life Insurance.

The undermentioned Brethren strongly recommend the case to your sympathy, and Brothers marked thus * have kindly consented to receive proxies. Votes for Widows and Boys will also be thankfully received for exchange.

- SIR F. WYATT TRUSCOTT, P.G.W. P.M. No. 1.
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N.B.—Lord Chancellor Selborne, Lord Justice James, and Lord Justice Mellish decided in favour of FREEMAN'S ORIGINAL CHLORODYNE, and against Brown and Davenport, compelling them to pay all costs in the suit.—See *Times* of 24th July 1873.

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.

Saturday, 20th February.

715 Panmure, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
1364 Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Hackney
1614 Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1732 King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 1706 Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
M.M. 251 Tentarden, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
M.M. 357 Chiswick, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge

811 Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
2035 Beaumont, Royal Hotel, Kirkburton
2147 Crays Valley, St. Mary Gray, Kent
M.M. 205 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow

Monday, 22nd February.

4 Royal Somerset House and Inverness, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
26 Castle Lodge of Harmony, Willis's Rooms, W.
28 Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
23 Unity, Ship and Turtle, Londenhall Street
902 Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
1608 Kilburn, Queen's Arms Hotel, Kilburn
1632 Stuart, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
48 Industry, 34 Denmark Street, Gatheshead
999 Robert Burns, Albion Hotel, Manchester
1694 Herschel, Masonic Rooms, Slough
R.A. 411 Commercial, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
M.M. The Old York, Masonic Hall, Bradford

Tuesday, 23rd February.

14 Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
92 Moira, Albion, Aldersgate Street
141 Faith, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
145 Prudent Brethren, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
205 Israel, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
269 Prince of Wales, Willis's Rooms, W.
1348 Ebury, Regent M.H., Air Street, W.
1744 Royal Savoy, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
2108 Empire, Criterion, Piccadilly
R.A. 7 Royal York of Perseverance, F.M.H., W.C.
R.A. 1339 Stockwell, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
M.M. 3 Keystone, Ship and Turtle, Londenhall St.
R.C. 29 Palatine, 33 Golden Square, W.

299 Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
310 Unions, Freemasons' Hall, Carlisle
357 Apollo University, Masonic Hall, Oxford
573 Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Halesowen
1016 Elkington, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
1052 Callander, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1358 Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton
1479 Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans
1606 Ellington, Town Hall, Maidhead
1609 Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1636 St. Cecilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
1675 A-tient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
2025 St. George, St. George's Hall, Stonehouse
R.A. 721 Grosvenor, Masonic Chambers, Chester
M.M. 168 Keystone, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton

Wednesday, 24th February.

Festival of the R.M.B.I., Covent Garden Theatre
2 Antiquity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
212 Euphrates, Masons' Avenue, E.C.
898 Temperance in the East, 6 Newby Place, Poplar
1017 Montefiore, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street
1058 Victoria, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
1640 Chaucer, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
1680 St. Dunstan's, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
1768 Progress, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1818 Clapham, Grosvenor Hotel, Victoria
1820 Sir Thomas White, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
R.A. 753 Prince Fredk. Wm., Lord's, St. John's Wood
R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond
32 St. George, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
117 Salopian of Charity, Raven Hot, Shrewsbury
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, 8
898 Soudes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk
1039 St. John, George Hotel, Lichfield
1083 Townley Parker, Grand Hotel, Manchester
1119 St. Bede, Mechanics' Institute, Jarrow
1219 Strangeways, Old Boar's Head, Manchester
1253 Ryburn, Central Buildings, Sowerby Bridge
1392 Egerton, Stanley Arms, Bury, Lancashire
1633 Avon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1798 Zion, Grand Hotel, Manchester
1953 Prudence and Industry, George Hot, Somerset
1967 Beacon Court, Ghuzee Fort Hot, New Brompton
R.A. 92 Unanimity, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lanc.
R.A. 258 Amphibious, F.M.H., Heckmondwike
R.A. 290 Prosperity, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield
R.A. 322 Hope, Vernon Arms Hotel, Stockport
R.A. 328 St. John's, Masonic Hall, Torquay, Devon
R.A. 329 Brotherly Love, Choughs Hotel, Yeovil
R.A. 376 Royal Sussex of Perfect Friendship, M.H., Ipswich
M.M. Howe, Masonic Hall, New St., Birmingham
M.M. Northumberland & Bowick, M.H., Newcastle
M.M. 179 Wiltshire Keystone, M.H., Devizes
R.C. Philips, Masonic Rooms, Atherton, Lanc.

Thursday, 25th February.

General Committee Girl's School, F.M.H. 4.
22 Neptune, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
65 Prosperity, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
66 Grenadiers', Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
99 Shakespeare, Albion, Aldersgate Street
507 United Pilgrims, Bridge House, Southwark
808 South Maudslayi, Beaumont House, Fulham
1661 Finsbury, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street

871 Royal Oak, White Swan, Deptford
1421 Langthorne, Swan Hotel, Stratford
563 The City of Westminster, Regent M.H., W.
1816 Victoria Park, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park R.I.
1971 St. Mary Abbots, Town Hall, Kensington
2264 Chough, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 29 St. Albans, Albion, Aldersgate Street
R.A. 157 Bedford, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 657 Canonbury, Masons' Hall Avenue
R.A. 766 William Preston, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 1623 West Smithfield, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.

51 Angel, Three Cups, Colchester
78 Imperial George, Assheton Arms, Mid Rotton
111 Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Darlington
296 Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup
594 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
051 Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon
807 Cabbell, Masonic Hall, Norwich
904 Phoenix, Ship Hotel, Rotherham
935 Ha mony, Freemasons' Hall, Stafford
966 St. Edward, Literary Institute, Lark
1313 Fernor, Masonic Hall, South
1505 Emulation, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1626 Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Newcastle
R.A. 57 Humber, Freemasons' Hall, Hull
R.A. 279 Fortitude, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester
M.M. 34 St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester

Friday, 26th February.

197 Jerusalem, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
569 Fitzroy, Head Quarters, Hon. Artillery Co., E.C.
1601 Ravensbourne, Board of Works Office, Catford
R.A. 749 Belgrave, Ship and Turtle, Londenhall St.
M.M. 223 West Smithfield, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C.

810 Cravan, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton
1303 Pelham, Freemasons' Hall, Lewes
1355 Gladsmuir, Red Lion, Baner
1391 Commercial, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester
1621 Castle, Crown Hotel, Belford
1393 Hamor, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1821 Atlingworth, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
R.A. 212 Angdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster
R.A. 471 Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Newport, Mon.
R.C. Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale
K.T. 20 Royal Kent, Masonic Hall, Newcastle

Saturday, 27th February.

1706 Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1462 Wharnciffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone
1871 Gosting Murray, Town Hall, Houslow
2048 Henry Levander, Station Hotel, Harrow
R.A. 178 Harmony, Royal Hotel, Wigan
R.C. Stanhope, Queen's Hotel, Chester

INSTRUCTION.

Saturday, 20th February.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate Rd., N. 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7
1258 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1361 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30
R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent, St. W.

Monday, 22nd February.

22 Loughborough, Golden 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
190 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8
243 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Beighton, Devon, 8
332 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
543 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7:30
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E. 8
1349 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6:30
1425 Hyde Park, Prince of Wales's Hotel, corner of Eastbourne Terrace, and Bishop's R.I., W. 8
1445 Prince Leopold, 212 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1480 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 7:30
1517 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 7:30
1535 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney
1608 Kilburn, 46 South Moulton Street, W., 8
1633 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7
1693 Kingsmill, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8:30
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8
1743 Perseverance, Deacon's Tavern, Waltham, 7
1891 St. Amrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8
2192 Walthamstow, Bridge Chambers, High Street, Walthamstow, 8

Tuesday, 23rd February.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8
55 Constitutonal, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7
111 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.
177 Dynamic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30
198 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Cannon Row, 8
341 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
463 East Surrey Lodge of Council, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, 8
551 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7:30
753 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tavern, Maida Hill, 8
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 7:30
829 Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Sideup, 7
869 Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Dalston, 8
891 Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle St., 7
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8
1321 Emblematic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1331 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex
1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Cannon Town, 7:30
1445 Mount Edgcombe, Three Sages, Lambeth Rd., 8
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30, 8

1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1473 Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 6
1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.
1638 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav., N.
1849 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8
2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6:30
R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8
R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8
R.A. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 9

Wednesday, 24th February.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8
30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 8
233 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
533 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
591 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7
751 Merchant Navy, Silver Pav, 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
973 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8:30
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney
1356 Toxteth, 110 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30
1475 Peckham, 516 Old Kent Road, 8
1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull
1601 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rusby Green, Catford, 8
1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7:30
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7:30
1681 Lodesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair 8
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8:30
1791 Creton, Wheatsheaf, 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, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., 7:30
M.M. Grand Masters, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C.

Thursday, 25th February.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.
751 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8
766 W. Preston, Waterloo Arms, Marylebone, 8
879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhith New Road
890 Hornsey, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8
1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1158 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7:30
1278 Burdett Coutts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8
1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
1300 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wembleton, 7:30
1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30
1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8
1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7
1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8
1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse, Liverpool Road, N., 8
1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7:45
1614 Coven Garden, Criterion, W., 8
1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7:30
1741 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8
1959 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7:30
1677 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem, St. John's Road, Clerkenwell, 9
1093 Priory, Constitutional Club, Acton
R.A. 753 Prince Frederick William Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, 8
R.A. 1471 North London, Northampton House, Canonbury, 8

Friday, 26th February.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6
General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park, 8
507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30
733 Westbourne, Swiss Cottage Tavern, Finchley Road, N.W., 8
765 St. James, Princess Victoria, Rotherhithe, 8
R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 8
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730 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 8
834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
1036 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7
1135 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7:30
1238 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8
1295 Royal Standard, Builders' Arms, Canonbury, 8
1365 Knapton, Navarino Tavern, Hackney, 8
1331 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8
1457 Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton, Essex, 7:30
1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8
1901 Selwyn, Montpelier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8
2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The Criterion, W., 8
3039 Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, S.W., 7:30
R.A. 95 Eastern Star, Hercules Tavern, E.C.
R.A. 1275 Star, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8.

Saturday, 27th February.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8
1258 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1361 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
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