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ISRAELITISH ORIGIN OF THE  
ANGLO-SAXON RACE.

The literature referred to in the article at page 51, on our subject, relates exclusively to the *history* of the Israelitish nation. We find that after the destruction of the kingdom of Israel, the historical information as to the subsequent fate of this people is of the scantiest and most meagre kind, but such as it is their later history will be hereafter more particularly referred to. We have, however, in the Bible some remarkable prophecies, and if these be intelligently read and considered, they will throw a flood of light on the subject and will materially guide us in our search for the lost people, and will teach us under what circumstances we may expect to find them.

Many persons when reading in the Old Testament the prophecies relating to Judah and Israel, get dreadfully confused owing to their failing to discriminate properly between the two houses. It must be admitted that there is some difficulty at first in avoiding this confusion, as the reader is very apt to imagine that Judah means Judah and Benjamin, including the priests and Levites

resident amongst them, and that Israel means the ten tribes that revolted under Jeroboam. Readers are also very likely to consider that passages which follow each other in the prophetic books in regular order, as in our Bibles, must necessarily refer to the same events, especially if the same names occur. This, however, is not always the case, and the best way of steering clear of such errors is to bear constantly in mind that, although the several parts of each of the prophetic writings, as contained in our Bibles, are apparently strung together in a certain sort of consecutive order, they all, in fact, consist of detached fragments written or spoken by their authors on different occasions many years (in some cases) intervening between the writing of these detached fragments which have not necessarily any connection with each other. The division of the scriptures into chapters and verses is a comparatively modern innovation, and frequently will be found to have been very imperfectly done; we must not therefore allow this arrangement of the scriptures to warp our minds. In some cases the division of the subject is sufficiently apparent, as, for instance, in Isaiah we find prophecies addressed to distinct nationalities by name, such as Moab, Edom, Babylon, &c., but frequently, in other parts of Isaiah and also in the prophecies of Jeremiah and Ezekiel, the bearing of the prophecies is by no means obvious, and the subject is not rendered any clearer by the notion that usually prevails in the mind of the reader, that the ten tribes having been carried away by Shalmanezar and placed in the cities of the Medes (as mentioned in the sacred narrative), were quietly disposed of, and therefore demand no further attention on our part.

We are now gradually waking up to the feeling that our preconceived notions, and the generally accepted opinions on this subject are not exactly correct, and we now discover that although God determined to punish the Israelites (the ten tribes) for their wickedness, and to this end allowed them to be carried away into captivity and dispersed among the nations, He has never said they should be destroyed, but only that they should be dispersed and lost for a time, after which they shall be gathered from all nations and from the "Isles of the Sea," and shall be restored to their own land. When this is to happen we have no means of judging, but there are many persons who think they can discern in the signs of the times that this consummation is now approaching.

In reference to the prophets Jeremiah, Ezekiel and Daniel, the reader is reminded that these holy men were contemporaries, and each apparently had his own sphere of usefulness appointed for him. Daniel, who was a scion of the royal house of David, was carried away to Babylon, where his example (enhanced, doubtless, by his high position at court), and his constant prayers and exhortations, had a powerful influence

on his exiled countrymen. As Daniel lived throughout the seventy years' captivity of Judah and was in high authority, he doubtless was mainly instrumental in keeping the Jews from relapsing into idolatry. Ezekiel, who belonged to the sacerdotal race, was carried away to Babylon with Daniel, but was subsequently removed to some place on the river Chebar, a part of the country where a portion of the ten tribes were located. It is but reasonable, therefore, to suppose, as no doubt was the case, that several of Ezekiel's prophecies were directed to the ten tribes, while others were specially directed to the Jews, or Judah and Benjamin. The same may be said of the prophecies of Jeremiah, who was also of the sacerdotal race. He was not carried away to Babylon, but was left at Jerusalem to minister to the remnant of the Jews that remained in that city until its final destruction. Each of these great prophets, it will be seen, had his separate task and sphere of usefulness assigned to him, and upon examination it will be found that many of the prophecies of Ezekiel and Jeremiah relate exclusively to the ten tribes, and not to the Jews.

On a future occasion, I may, perhaps, direct more particular attention to some of these texts referring to the House of Israel. In the meantime, I will proceed with the matter in hand—namely, a further notice of the historical literature bearing on the subject, and written since the time of Christ. Scraps of useful information will be found scattered through the works of the old fathers, Jerome, Eusebius, and others, and also in various ecclesiastical histories. Mocheim throws a great deal of light on the ancient Nestorian Christians, of whom mention has already been made in former articles, in which it was shown that they traced their descent from the ancient Israelites. It was also stated that descendants of the tribe of Dan are to be found in the southern parts of Arabia, also in Afghanistan and Northern India. Numerous colonies of people, professing the Jewish religion, are to be found dotted along the coast of Northern Africa, and also far in the interior of that continent, even as far as Timbuctoo; but to what tribe they belong does not appear, although their origin may doubtless be ascertained and traced, if diligently inquired into. Readers desirous of further and more detailed information as to the Nestorians and the other points above alluded to, are referred to Dr. Asahel Grant's "Nestorians," and Dr. Woolf's "Narrative of a Mission to Bokhara." Neither of these writers, however, attempt to show any connection of the Anglo-Saxon race with the ancient Israelites—in fact, such an idea does not appear to have occurred to them, although various scraps of information contained in their works throw much light on the subject of the dispersion of the descendants of the ten tribes. Dr. Woolf, in particular, demonstrating (at any rate, to his own satisfaction) that these lost Israelites are widely spread over Southern Asia, while Dr. Grant contents himself with showing that his friends, the Nestorians, belong to the stock of Israel.

W. E. N., 766.

SECRETS.—We have heard of a secret which was so big that it required all the women in the town to keep it; and then they could not do so without the help of their husbands.

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF  
BENGAL.

The Quarterly Communication of the District Grand Lodge of Bengal was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Calcutta, on Wednesday, 27th December, 1871. Present: R.W. Bros. Hugh David Sandeman, District G.M., and W. J. Judge, as Dep. Dist. G.M.; W. Bros. J. R. Roberts, P.D.D.G.M.; F. Powell, as D.S.G.W.; W. B. Farr, D.J.G.W.; D. J. Zemin, D.G.R.; Capt. W. G. Murray, D.G. Sec.; I. L. Taylor, D.S.G.D.; W. G. Amos, as D.G.J.D.; W. O. Allender, D.G. D.C.; W. E. Jellicoe, as D.G.A.D.C.; W. B. Mactavish, as D.G.S.B; C. Compton, D.G.O.; R. Harvey, as D.G.P.; W. H. Macgowan and T. Carritt, D.G. Stewards; Bro. G. Alexander, D.G. Tyler; the W.M.'s and Wardens of the various lodges, and several visiting brethren.

The minutes of the previous Quarterly Communication were confirmed.

The R.W.D.G.M. then addressed the brethren as follows: W. Brethren, I am glad again to be able to give a very satisfactory report of the progress of Freemasonry in the Province. Our lodges are all working well, and I hope soon to be able to announce the opening of a new lodge at Roorkee under the auspices of Bro. Capt. R. G. Birch and other Masons, who have selected for it the name of the Beauchamp Lodge. We have just passed the time when the annual election of rulers takes place. From all that I hear in Calcutta and from the provinces, the selections have been generally well made, and are such as to induce a belief that the coming year will be one of prosperity and progress to the Craft. I trust that in all cases the members of lodges will rally firmly round their new Masters, and thus show their own fitness to rule in their turn, by a cheerful obedience to the Masters of their own nomination. The usual reports of Committees will be submitted to you during the evening. The suggestions of the Finance Committee appear to be sound, and their recommendation that our Hall shall not be let out for meetings of lodges working under other Constitutions is one that I hope will be adopted. Any opposite course might prove to be in time exceedingly inconvenient, and I think it will be found to be most conducive to the foreign lodges themselves, as well as to our own body, that our meetings should not be held in the same place. The report of the Sub-Committee of the Fund of Benevolence again shows our inability to meet all applications for relief, owing to a want of funds. This of course is to be regretted, but it is unavoidable, and would be equally, so I fear, even had we a much larger amount of money at our disposal for the purposes of charity. I adhere to the opinion which I expressed on a former occasion, that the names of persons relieved should be given in the reports of the Committee of this Fund, as is done in England. To move the adoption of a report relating to grants of money, without the means of finding whether we approve of the details, seems to me to be, at least, a vote in the dark; but I have no desire to press my views on this point, believing that they are not concurred in by many influential members of District Grand Lodge, who think it inadvisable to parade, as it were, the recipients of our small bounty by a publication of their names. The report of the Bengal Masonic Association shows, I am grieved to find, a falling off in subscriptions, and I would wish to invite the attention of Masters of lodges to this excellent charity. Since the date of the report, I learn that a handsome donation of

500 rupees has been received from the proceeds of a fancy fair held by Freemasons at Mussoorie for the benefit of the Association, a praiseworthy example which might be followed advantageously by others. I would invite the special attention of Masters of lodges to a circular lately received from the Grand Secretary in London, calling attention to a previous circular issued in 1859, on the subject of spurious lodges, and to the penalties imposed by Grand Lodge upon any lodges under their jurisdiction which may give a Masonic reception to any brethren connected with such spurious and illegal bodies. I would wish again to notice the existence in Calcutta of a Masonic publication styled the "Masonic Herald," edited by Bro. Burroughs. The publication does not receive that amount of support which one might reasonably expect in a large district like Bengal, and I would be glad to see it patronized to a greater extent.

The report of the Committee of General Purposes was read and adopted, and the report of the Sub-Committee of the Fund of Benevolence was ordered to stand over till the next Quarterly Communication.

The D.G. Secretary read the following report from the Bengal Masonic Association:—

"At a General Meeting of Subscribers to the Bengal Masonic Association held in pursuance of the provisions of the 10th By-Law at the Freemasons' Hall, No. 55, Bentinck-street, on Wednesday, the 6th December, 1871, at four o'clock in the afternoon, Hugh D. Sandeman, Esq., in the chair.

"1. The proceedings of the General Meeting held on the 7th of July last were read and confirmed.

"2. The accounts from the 1st July, 1871, to the 30th November, 1871, showing a balance of Rupees 14,500 in Government securities, and Rs. 2845-4-1 in cash, were examined and passed.

"3. The President laid on the table an abstract of the cash transactions of the Association during the past half-year, with balance-sheet, showing a sum of Rs. 1332-11-10 available for expenditure during the year ending 30th November 1872.

"4. The President in addressing the meeting noticed that the amount of invested capital belonging to the Association was Rs. 14,500, in 4 per cent. paper, in addition to which they held a cash balance of Rs. 2845-4-1. The donations received during the year amounted to Rs. 3111. He regretted to report a falling off in the amount of subscriptions as compared with those of the previous year, Rs. 912 having been received in 1870, and Rs. 688 only during 1871, the result being that whereas at the close of 1870 a sum of Rs. 1357-7-8 was available for expenditure during 1871, there was now a sum of Rs. 1332-11-10 only available for expenditure in 1872. Three children were now receiving the benefits of the fund. The cost of their education had been during the twelve months just lapsed a little over Rs. 900, or say Rs. 300 for each child, and it was now for the meeting to decide whether it would be safe to admit a fourth child to the benefits of the Association.

"5. Read applications for admission to the benefits of the Association, of the following children:—Kathleen Williamson Hoff, aged 13 years; Juliet Margery Williamson Hoff, aged 8 years. After some discussion it was determined to postpone the question of admitting another child to the benefits of the fund till the half-yearly meeting in June next.

"6. An unanimous vote of thanks was accorded to the Hon. Secretary for his valuable services to the Association.

"7. After the usual vote of thanks to the Chair, the meeting separated.

"W. B. FARR, HUGH SANDEMAN,  
Secretary. President."

The District Grand Master then appointed the officers of the District Grand Lodge for the year 1872. He took the opportunity of

thanking the officers of the past year for their general services, and for the support which they had given him during their tenure of office, and further expressed a hope that he might continue to receive the benefit of their future advice and counsel. He thought it advisable, as in previous years, to bestow some rewards upon deserving Masons in the Mofussil, who frequently had great difficulties to contend with in their endeavours to promote the interests of the Order, and who, by holding office in Grand Lodge, would necessarily be led to take a still deeper interest in matters connected with the Craft, and he had endeavoured, to the best of his ability, to apportion the remainder of the appointments fairly among the town lodges, selecting brethren whose real worth and personal merit he believed to be acknowledged and respected by their fellows.

The District Grand Lodge was then announced to be composed as follows:—

John Pitt Kennedy, P.M. 109	...	Dep. G.M.
W. B. Farr, P.M. 486 & 825	...	S.G.W.
I. L. Taylor, P.M. 392 & 1374	...	J.G.W.
Rev. F. W. Robberds, B.A., 109, 1106	...	G. Chaplain.
Demetrius J. Zemin, P.M. 229	...	G. Reg.
Capt. W. G. Murray, P.M. 109 & 639	...	G. Sec.
W. O. Allender, P.M. 67 & 232	...	S.G.D.
Capt. M. Clementi, P.M. 1066	...	J.G.D.
J. P. H. Walker, C.E., P.M. 1106	...	G.S.W.
G. J. Scott, P.M. 218	...	G.D.C.
J. H. Clarke, W.M. 639, P.M. 391	...	Asst. G.D.C.
S. Delpratt, M.D., P.M. 1352	...	G.S.B.
C. H. Compton, 218	...	G. Org.
Andrew Forsyth, P.M. 1210	...	G. Purst.
R. C. Sterndale, J.W. 109		
I. Blackburn, J.W. 218		
J. A. Ferris, M.D., P.S.W. 218		G. Stewards.
A. Le Franc, S.W. 229		
P. Melville, P.J.W. 218		
W. Hay, P.J.W. 825		
Geo. Alexander	...	G. Tyler.

W. Bro. J. H. Linton was unanimously re-elected District Grand Treasurer; and Bro. Amos was reappointed Custodian of the Hall for the ensuing year.

A letter from the District Grand Secretary of the Punjab was read, forwarding a cheque for Rs. 150, the donation voted by the Punjab District Grand Lodge at their Communication of the 23rd October, 1871, to the Masonic Fund of Benevolence in this district; and a vote of thanks to the District Grand Lodge of the Punjab was carried with acclamation.

A collection was then made for the Fund of Benevolence, and the amount announced to be Rs. 180.

There being no further business to be brought forward, the District Grand Lodge was closed in due form.

## PROV. GRAND LODGE OF DEVON.

A special meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Devonshire will be held at the Huyshe Masonic Hall, Princess-street, Princess-square, Plymouth, on Thursday next, 22nd instant, at one o'clock p.m., for the purpose of presenting a congratulatory address to her Majesty the Queen and the Prince and Princess of Wales, on the happy recovery of his Royal Highness from his late severe and dangerous illness.

At this meeting will be taken into consideration the following proposition to be submitted by the P.D. Prov. G.M., Bro. W. Denis Moore:—"That the Province of Devon avail itself of the occasion of the restoration of the Exeter Cathedral to record the happy restoration to health of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales by presenting to the Cathedral a window, designed to commemorate that auspicious event."

### PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF DERBYSHIRE.

A meeting of the Prov. Grand Lodge of Derbyshire was lately held at the Assembly Rooms, Derby, for the purpose of adopting addresses of congratulation on the happy recovery of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales from his severe and dangerous illness.

The Marquis of Hartington, *M.P.*, Prov. Grand Master, telegraphed to express his deep regret at not being able to be present, consequently the chair was taken by Bro. H. C. Okeover, *D.P.G.M.*

There was a very large attendance of brethren.

### CONSECRATION OF SKELMERSDALE LODGE, No. 1380.

A highly-significant evidence of the progress of Freemasonry in the West Lancashire province was given on the 31st ult., by the consecration of the Skelmersdale Lodge, No. 1380, which took place at the Blundell Arms Hotel, Great Crosby, near Liverpool, under the most promising and auspicious circumstances. Not only was there a large gathering of the brethren, but an unusually large muster of those who have held the highest office in Craft Masonry gave additional *éclat* to the opening of a lodge which promises to become one of the most popular and successful in this division. About eighty brethren, chiefly from Liverpool, assembled at the "Arms," and amongst the purpled were the following: Bros. the Right Hon. Lord Skelmersdale, *R.W.P.G.S.W. of England, D.P.G.M. of West Lancashire*, and *P.M. 32*; T. Wilson, *P.J.G.W.*; J. F. Goggin, *P.G.C.*; H. S. Alpass, *P.G. Sec.*; J. Mawdsley, *P.P.G. Sec.*; T. Armstrong, *P.G.T.*; J. Hamer, *P.P.G.T.*; T. Wylie, *P.G. Reg.*; A. C. Mott, *P.P.S.G.D.*; G. Broadbridge, *P.G.D.C.*; J. Skeaf, *P.G. Org.*; G. de la Perelle, *P.G.S.*; T. Armstrong, *P.G.T.*; F. Stevenson, *P.G.S.B. Cheshire*; S. E. Ibbs, *P.P.G.S.B.*; Rev. H. G. Vernon, *M.A., P.P.G.C.*; T. Platt, *P.P.J.G.D. Cheshire*; H. S. Danvers, *P.G.S.*; P. Ball, *P.G.T.*; Rev. P. Hains, *C. Caledonian (204) Manchester*. Fermor-Hesketh, *M.P., R.W.P.G.M.*, was expected, but an unavoidable engagement prevented him from being present for the purpose of performing the consecration ceremony.

The brethren assembled in the lodge room shortly after two o'clock, when the Craft lodge was opened by Bro. Mott, as *W.M.*, assisted by Bros. Kearne, as *S.W.*, J. W. Baker, as *J.W.*, and G. de la Perelle as *I.G.* After the brethren of the new lodge had been properly marshalled, the lodge was opened in the three degrees, after which the usual formalities previous to the consecration were gone through. The *P.G.C.* (Bro. Goggin) then delivered an oration of the most impressive and appropriate character, which was succeeded by Bro. Skeaf's admirably-arranged anthem "Behold how good," sung with the most striking effect by Bros. Armstrong, Haswell (203), J. Busfield (1299), and J. Jones, Bro. Skeaf being at the harmonium. The first part of the consecration prayer having been offered by the *P.G.C.*, the lodge was uncovered, and the corn, wine, and oil were carried according to ancient custom. After the second portion of the consecration prayer and another anthem by Bro. Skeaf, the deputy of the *P.G.M.* (Bro. Mott) constituted the lodge in ancient form. The whole of

the highly-imposing ceremony was performed in the most efficient manner by Bro. Mott, who next proceeded to the installation of the *W.M.-designate*, Bro. Lord Skelmersdale. After his lordship had been duly installed as *W.M.* of 1380, he invested the following officers: Bros. A. C. Mott, *P.M.*; G. Broadbridge, *S.W.*; G. de la Perelle, *J.W.*; R. Brown, *Sec.*; R. S. Williams, *Treas.*; J. A. Hambleton, *S.D.*; T. Mercer, *J.D.*; H. L. Richards, *Org.*; H. W. Harris, *I.G.*; and G. Ladmore, Tyler, *P.M.* 673.

The charges to the different officers were delivered with marked effectiveness, and before the principal business of the day had concluded five gentlemen were proposed for initiation and one for joining. A letter was read from the *R.W.P.G.M.*, expressing his great regret that, in consequence of another engagement, he was prevented from being present. As an evidence of the spirit which marks the opening of the Skelmersdale Lodge, it may be interesting to know that several brethren now connected with it have presented for its present and future use the three principal chairs, the lodge oil-cloth, silver square and compasses, salver, frame for the warrant, working tools in box, Bible, cushion, &c., and other donations are expected.

After the conclusion of the consecration and installation ceremonies, about forty of the brethren sat down to an excellent banquet provided by "nine host" of the Blundell Arms, under the presidency of the *W.M.*, Bro. Lord Skelmersdale. During the evening the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to with much heartiness. In an excellent speech Br Mawdsley proposed the health of the noble *W.M.*, who, in reply, thanked the brethren most heartily for their kindness. When their worthy *S.W.* (Bro. Broadbridge) wrote to him, asking that his (Lord Skelmersdale's) name should be given to the lodge, he thought it a great honour; but he considered it a still greater honour when he was asked to become the *W.M.* He assured the brethren that he would strive to do his duty to the Craft, and if he followed generally the example set by his father, grandfather, and uncle (Lord Derby), he was certain not to do wrong. His lordship concluded by thanking the numerous visitors for their attendance that day.

A pleasant gathering was greatly enlivened by the musical efforts of Bros. Armstrong, J. Jones, Busfield, and Haswell, Bro. J. Skeaf being the accompanist.

### ANNUAL BALL OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH LODGE, No. 1182.

The annual ball in connection with this lodge took place on the 6th instant, in the lodge-room, Wavertree Coffee House, in aid of the funds of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution. Upwards of 170 members and their friends were present. The ball was opened by the *W.M.*, Bro. Philip Richards Thorn and Mrs. Thorn, the dancing being kept up with great spirit until an early hour in the morning, Mr. Martin's excellent quadrille band being in attendance. The refreshments were supplied by the hostess, Mrs. Thomas Wright, on a most liberal scale, which gave entire satisfaction to all present. Amongst those present were Bros. Cookson, *I.P.M.*; Thornton, *P.M.*; Williams, *J.W.*; Edgington, *S.D.*; Jones and Martin, *Stewards*; Myers, *M.C.*; Brown, *Treas.*; and Bales, *Sec.* Also Bros. Larsen, *P.M.* 594; Doyle, *P.M.* 667; Jackson, *S.D.* 667; and McInnis, 401.

### CONSECRATION of the KENNINGTON LODGE, No. 1381.

Another lodge was added to the roll of transpontine lodges, on the 9th inst., at the Surrey Club House, Kennington Oval. Bro. James Brett, Past Grand Pursivant, having been appointed by the *M.W. Grand Master* to officiate as Consecrating and Installing Master, attended at the time and place above-mentioned, where a very large assemblage of brethren had gathered to witness the imposing ceremonies.

The lodge having been duly opened in the three degrees, the Consecrating Master addressed the brethren upon the nature of the meeting, after which Bro. R. Wentworth Little, *P.M.*, the Director of Ceremonies, stated the desire of the founders to be formed into a new lodge. Bro. Brett having signified his pleasure in complying with the request, proceeded with a splendid oration on the principles of the Institution, which was listened to with wrapt attention by the great assembly present, and greeted with enthusiastic applause at its conclusion. The musical brethren—who were Bros. G. T. Carter, *P.M.* 382, Baxter, and Theodore Distin, under the direction of Bro. E. Schuberth—then sang in superb style the anthem "Behold how good and joyful," Psalm 133, and the remainder of the ceremony was rendered in the same painstaking and perfect manner which distinguishes all Bro. Brett undertakes to perform in Freemasonry.

The *D.C.* then presented Bro. Edward J. Page, Past Grand Steward, for installation as the first *W.M.* of the lodge, and a Board of Installed Masters having been formed, Bro. Page was duly placed in the oriental chair. Upon the readmission of the brethren, and after the customary salutes, the *W.M.* invested Bros. W. Mann, *P.M.*, as *S.W.*; F. W. Koch, as *J.W.*; and the other officers, including Bro. Lemuel F. Littell as acting *P.M.* Bro. Brett then fluently and impressively delivered the several addresses, after which it was proposed, seconded, and carried unanimously, "That he, as the able Consecrating Master, and Bro. Little as his *D.C.*, be elected honorary members."

Both brethren returned thanks, and a large number of propositions for candidates and joining members were then read by the Secretary, Bro. St. John Ingram.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to a sumptuous banquet supplied by the Bros. Pope, purveyors to the Club, and who gave immense satisfaction. The genial *W.M.* presided, supported by his equally-genial Wardens, and good speeches, good songs, and happy faces were the order of the evening. We regret being unable to give the names of all present, but we noticed, besides those already mentioned, Bros. J. Coutts, *G.P.*; J. Boyd, *A.G.P.*; J. Thomas, *P.M.*; W. Stuart, *P.M.*; R. A. Wright, *P.M.*, *P.P.G.D.* Herts.; G. Pymm, *P.M.*; W. Platt, *P.M.*; T. Pulsford, *P.M.*; Drysdale, Gardner, Webb, and several brethren of the United Pilgrims' Lodge, No. 507, by whom the lodge was recommended.

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### CONSECRATION OF A CHAPTER AT NEWPORT.

The interesting ceremonial of consecration in the Royal Arch degree took place in this town on Tuesday last week. It was the birthday of "The Saint Woollo's Chapter" in connection with the Isca Lodge (683), which has, more especially during the last few years, under the fostering care of Masters, Past and Present, acquired a position in the van of a province which, from all points of the compass, is regarded most favourably not only on account of the numerical increase of the Craftsmen, but the judgment and discretion by which the selection of those seeking the advantages of an ancient and honourable institution has been characterised. It cannot be too extensively known that Masonry seeks not to proselytise—that Masons are absolutely prohibited, under penalties, from soliciting the "outer world" to join their Order, and that the Grand Lodge of England ever impresses on those under its authority the vast importance of selecting for participation in their privileges men of sound morals and of recognised social position. Hence the high character of the confraternity. Founded on the grand principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth, Masonry in not a "benefit society," in the ordinary sense of the term. These fundamental principles constantly in view, its influence is felt throughout the habitable globe. For the important ceremony, to which we have referred, the services of Companion Henry Muggeridge, First Grand Standard Bearer of England, were enlisted, who came expressly from London to consecrate the Chapter and to install the principals designate, viz., Comp. John Middleton, M.E.Z.; Comp. John Laybourne, H.; and Comp. Thomas Williams, J. The induction of officers was postponed until Wednesday, the 14th, when, by the bye, the banquet takes place at the Hostelry commonly known as "The King's Head," which, being freely translated into the Classics, straightway becomes "*Caput Regis*." At "*Caput Regis*," then, the Companions are invited to assemble, and that they will do so in force cannot be doubted for a moment. In the hands of Comp. Muggeridge the ritual, solemn and majestic as it is, was rendered peculiarly impressive by the elocutionary powers he displayed. His oration, after the usual preliminaries had been gone through, was in itself a Masonic gem, to which were added in graceful harmony, some of the poetic creations of Addison, Milton, Shakespere, Young, and Pope. We wish we could give it to our readers *in extenso*, but the rules of Craft Masonry forbid! Let us add that every part of this grand ceremonial evinced the efficiency in Masonic knowledge of the installing Companion; indeed the attention of the Chapter was wrapt as he expounded the beautiful points of the fourth degree. The occasion was rendered still more imposing by solemn music. Comp. Koelbel, bandmaster of the 94th Regiment, presided at the organ, and well he did his duty. The anthem (Stephens) was sung to the following words:—

Behold! how pleasant and how good  
For brethren such as we,  
Of the "Accepted" Brotherhood,  
To dwell in unity.

'Tis like the oil on Aaron's head,  
Which to his feet distils;  
Like Hermon's dew, so richly shed  
On Zion's sacred hills.

For there the Lord of Light and Love  
A blessing sent with power;  
Oh! may we all that blessing prove,  
E'en life for evermore.

On Friendship's altar rising here,  
Our hands now plighted be,  
To live in love with hearts sincere,  
In peace and unity.

The S.E., an officer of whom our non-masonic readers, of course, know nothing, but who exists, nevertheless, in every chapter, then presented the principals to the presiding-officer, who thereupon gave the first portion of the "Dedication Prayer," all the companions joining in the chant "So mote it be." The sanctus "Glory

be to Thee, O Lord" preceded the Invocation, which the presiding-officer delivered, all the companions turning to the east, and again came that beautiful chant "So mote it be."

Three P.Z.'s here stepped forward, carrying sumptuous vessels of silver containing corn, and wine, and oil, and perambulated the chapter, the organ pealing forth and the companions chanting—

"Glory be to God on high;  
Peace on Earth;  
Good-will toward men."

The Chaplain took the censer, and pronounced the comprehensive Masonic benediction, the solemnity being heightened by the excellent musical effect produced.

The second portion of the "Dedication Prayer" having been given, the presiding officer "dedicated" the chapter in due form, and "constituted" the same, the whole closing with the anthem (Haydn)—

The spacious firmament on high,  
With all the blue ethereal sky,  
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,  
Their great original proclaim.  
The unwearied sun, from day to day,  
Does his Creator's power display,  
And publishes to every land,  
The work of an Almighty hand.

What, though in solemn silence all,  
Move round this dark terrestrial ball,  
What though no real voice nor sound,  
Amid their radiant orbs be found;  
In reason's ear they all rejoice,  
And utter forth a glorious voice,  
For ever singing as they shine,  
The hand that made us is Divine.

The installation of the principals already named followed (Comp. Laybourne was absent owing to indisposition), and a number were proposed for exaltation, and as joining members.

A few of the companions afterwards dined together at the King's Head Hotel, where Comp. Muggeridge was the honoured guest.

Amongst the companions present at the Consecration we noticed:—Henry Muggeridge, P.G.S. Bearer; John Middleton, Z. designate; Thos. Williams, J. designate; W. Pickford, P.Z. 471; William Watkins, 471; Alfred Taylor, 471; Henry J. Gratte, J. 471; R. J. Chambers, P.N. 471; R. S. Roper, 471; R. B. Evans, 471; Henry Fletcher, 471; C. H. Oliver, Z. 471; Rev. Samuel Fox, H. 471; David Lloyd James, 471; F. Orders, 471; Henry Hellyer, P.Z., 471; Charles Rowe, 471; W. H. Wickey Homfray, 471; William Wade, 471; Egbert Horlick, 471; Benjamin Lawrence, P.S., 471; H. Koelbel, 563, Umballah; Samuel Coombes, P.Z. 471; W. Parfitt, 471.—*The Star of Gwent Times*.

### SCOTLAND.

#### KELSO.

On Friday evening, the 26th ult., the Tweed Lodge, No. 261, celebrated the festival of St. John the Evangelist by a grand torchlight procession and ball. It was intended to have had the demonstration on the eve of St. John, but, owing to the severe illness of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, it was delayed until Friday. The brethren met in the lodge-room at the Cross Keys Hotel, about six o'clock, when they formed themselves into processional order, two and two, and, headed by the Kelso Brass Band, and bearing aloft the flambeaus and insignia of the Order, proceeded up Roxburgh-street, to the old familiar tune of "The Merry Masons." After coming down Roxburgh-street, the procession proceeded along north side of Square, and down Horse Market, into Coal Market, and up Wood Market, passed along south side of Square, proceeded along Bridge-street to the Manse entrance gate, passing through and going up the avenue to the Rev. Bro. Smith's residence, and passing along by the grammar school, and by this route walking round the Old Abbey, where a halt was made, the band playing "Auld Lang Syne." The procession afterwards retraced their steps up Bridge-street, and walked twice round the Square, and at last went straight from the British Linen Company's bank to the lodge-

room. Notwithstanding the unpropitious weather (rain having fallen during the entire course of the procession), the street windows in the route were crowded with spectators, many of them coming great distances to witness the procession, and all of them evincing the greatest interest in the rather novel demonstration. It is nearly twenty-seven years since the last torch-light procession took place, and many of the inhabitants will remember the procession of Friday for many years to come. The principal office-bearers who took part in the demonstration on Friday were Bros. J. S. Macgregor, R.W.M. 261; the Proxy Master 70; P.M. 393 (E.C.), and P.G. Org. Northumberland; Steel, P.M. 261; and Gibson, R.W.M. 70. In the evening a supper and ball took place in the Hall, which was neatly decorated for the occasion with flowers and evergreens. The company were joined by several office-bearers and brethren from the St. David's Lodge, Berwick (E.C.) There was a large attendance, and dancing commenced about ten o'clock, to the strains of an excellent string band, and continued with unflagging interest up to twelve o'clock, when supper was served up and heartily partaken of. After a few songs, dancing was again resumed, and with country dances, quadrilles, schottisches, and polkas, the evening's enjoyment was kept up almost until "night's candles had burned out," and chanticleer proclaimed the dawn of morn.

#### MELROSE.

The annual festival of St. John the Evangelist was celebrated by Lodge St. John, on Wednesday, the 27th ult., within their own lodge-room, Melrose. The lodge being opened, the brethren proceeded to the election and installation of their office-bearers, when the result was as follows: Bros. Renton, R.W.M.; Middlesness, S.W.; Hart, J.W.; Wood, S.D.; Aikman, J.D.; Graham, P.M.; Hart, D.M.; Fairbairn, Sec.; Scott, Treas.; Sardine, Chap.; Scott, I.G.; and Ticket, Tyler. The lodge was then closed, and immediately thereafter ninety-four sat down to a sumptuous dinner. The usual torch-light procession was held in the evening, headed by an instrumental band, numbering upwards of twenty players. Everything passed off in the usual good old style.

#### DUNBLANE.

The annual festivals of St. John's Lodge of Freemasons, No. 9, Dunblane, were held on 27th December and 8th January last, and were very largely attended. The festivals were inaugurated by a torchlight procession on 27th Dec., which proved eminently successful. It was headed by Depute Master Gilbert Farie, Bridge of Allan, in the absence of the R.W. Master John Stirling, of Kippendavie, and started from the lodge-room in the Stirling Arms' Hotel, proceeded through the principal streets of the city, and was joined in by a larger number of brethren than has been known to walk in procession with it for the last fifty years. The inhabitants of Dunblane took an unusual interest in the spectacle, as they turned out to witness it almost to a man. After perambulating the town, the brethren returned to the hotel, where they formed a mystic arch, through which the Depute Master and his office-bearers passed.

A numerous-attended banquet followed, the chair being filled by the Depute Master, and the croupier being Bro. R. Philip. Toast, song, and sentiment followed the banquet, and at "high twelve" the brethren separated, much pleased with the reunion.

The turn-out on old St. John's night was also very large, but the crowning results of the efforts of the brethren connected with the lodge took place, under their auspices, in the Stirling Arms Hotel. About forty brethren and friends, with their wives and sweethearts, eighty in all, assembled on that occasion. The lodge was opened in due form by the Depute Master, in the absence of the R.W. Master. Immediately thereafter the lodge was closed to permit of the brethren proceeding with the assembly. After dancing till one a.m., they adjourned for supper—the Depute Master in the chair. The croupiers were



Bros. D. Irvine, R. Philip, and W. R. McGregor. The viands and liqueurs were unsurpassed for excellence, and were served up, as is customary for this establishment, in the very best style. The chairman said he was very much pleased, indeed, to preside over such a company of the youth and beauty of the country. He thanked the Committee in connection with the lodge for putting him in the honourable position which he held, and he hoped the remainder of the evening would be spent in the pleasant and social manner, and with as much harmony, as had characterized their proceedings up to that time. He did not intend, on the present occasion, to regard the meeting as a public one, which would require them to honour in due form the usual loyal and patriotic toasts. He wished to look upon them all as brothers and sisters assembled under their Masonic roof, and sitting at their social board, and, therefore, he would not intrude upon their time by proposing a toast of any kind. In order to allow the ladies—who, he hoped, would look upon the meeting as a family party—to enjoy the coolness of the fine dry sherry, and to eat some of the delicious fruit, he had resolved to ask them to sit for a little time before recommencing dancing, and to vary the proceedings by the singing of a few songs. (“Hear, hear,” and applause.)

A number of songs were then sung by different ladies and gentlemen of the company. The singers were frequently applauded. The dance was again engaged in with renewed energy, and was kept up with unabated zeal until an early hour on the following morning. The Depute Master ably acted as Master of Ceremonies, and Mr. Bowie, of the Highland Borderers, Stirling, conducted the music.

During the past year the lodge has added a large number of members to its ranks, between twenty and thirty having joined during the last few months. In no period of its history has the lodge been in so flourishing a condition as it is at present. Indeed, for some years previous to last year very few new members have been enrolled. We hope the prosperity of 1871 may prove a stimulus to the brethren to continue their efforts to add to their numbers.

#### STRANRAER KILWINNING LODGE.

The brethren of the mystic circle who, in bygone years, cultivated the acacia on the banks of Lochryan having generally passed away from Time's level, the mystic tree under whose shade they laboured has been suffered to droop, but fraters elsewhere will learn with pleasure that an effort is about to be made to cause it to burgeon afresh, and bring forth fair truth. A meeting of brethren was held in the house of a brother in Stranraer, on the evening of Tuesday last, when there was the necessary number of enlightened craftsmen present. No lodge was opened, however, but an “ancient from the West” produced the charter and seals of Stranraer Kilwinning Lodge, No. 208, and gave a clue to the minute book of the lodge, which will be produced on another occasion, and which is said to contain numerous facts illustrative of the past history of Masonry in the burgh. By a few strokes of the pen the old charter may be made as good as new, and the brethren resolved to take the necessary steps to have the lodge reposed in its proper position in connection with the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Meantime, it was resolved that no delay should be lost in resuming work, and the “light that never was on sea or shore” will, it is expected, gleam brightly in a proper locality in Stranraer next week. The tools of the old lodge, if not forthcoming, will be supplanted by others, and the ring of the gavel summoning the Craft to labour will again be heard within the precincts of a closely-tyled lodge. Brethren resident in Stranraer and its vicinity are solicited, by an advertisement in another column, to attend a meeting to be held here next week. Those who may be unsteady in their gait, and liable to stumble from want of exercise, are requested to bring their diplomas with them. In a couple of weeks, at most, candidates will be admitted across the tessellated border, and brought to light by an efficient R.W.M., and as many blocks await the

Master's mark, trade will be brisk till the occurrence of an event to which well-informed brethren are looking forward, and which it is expected will cause some little stir in the province.—*Galloway Advertiser*, Feb. 1.

#### I R E L A N D.

##### WATERFORD.

We have the pleasure of publishing the address presented by the brethren of Lodge No. 5, Waterford, to her Majesty and H.R.H. the Princess of Wales, on the happy recovery of the Heir-Apparent, with the touching reply that her Majesty has, through her Home Secretary, forwarded. It is very creditable to the Waterford Lodge to be amongst the first of the brethren in Ireland to express sympathy with the royal sufferer, who is himself the Patron of the Order in Ireland and an ornament to the brotherhood.

“Waterford, January 18, '72.

“To the Right Hon. the Home Secretary, London.

“Sir—I have the honour to forward by this day's post an address of sympathy for her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, and H.R.H. the Princess of Wales, from the Master, Wardens, and brethren of the Masonic Lodge, No. 5, Waterford, and shall be much obliged by your kindly taking an early opportunity of having it presented to her Most Gracious Majesty.—I have the honour to remain, your obedient servant,

“THOMAS SLEATOR, Hon. Sec.

“Masonic Lodge, No. 5, Waterford.”

“We the W.M., Wardens and brethren of Masonic Lodge, No. 5, Waterford, being in open lodge assembled, desire respectfully, and with true feelings of loyalty and devotion, common to all Freemasons of Ireland, to express to our Most Gracious Sovereign Queen Victoria, and H.R.H. the Princess of Wales, the heartfelt sympathy we had for them during the illness of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and we still sympathise with the Royal family. We at the same time congratulate them upon the daily improvement in the condition of H.R.H., and we fervently pray the Great Architect of the Universe to speedily restore to health our Prince and Patron.

“Signed in open lodge this 8th day of Jan., 1872.”

“F. MALCOMSON, W.M.

“T. SLEATOR, Hon. Sec.”

“Whitehall, 27th January, 1872.

“Sir,—I have had the honour to lay before the Queen the loyal and dutiful address of the Master, Wardens and brethren of Masonic Lodge, No. 5, Waterford, on the occasion of the illness of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. I have to inform you that her Majesty was pleased to receive the address very graciously. I am, sir, your obedient servant,

“H. A. BRUCE.

“Thomas Sleator, Esq., Secretary,

“Masonic Lodge, No. 5, Waterford.”

The members of Lodge 32 assembled at their rooms, Olave's Place, on Friday evening last week, to present Bro. W. S. Thompson with an address and P.M.'s jewel, he having signified his intention of resigning the office of W.M., being about to leave the city for Limerick.

A large number of brethren sat down to a sumptuous supper, amongst whom were visitors from Lodge 5.

The chair was taken by Bro. Sleator, P.M., H.K.T.

After the chair toasts were duly given and honoured, Bro. Sleator introduced the special business of the evening—bestowing a warm eulogium on Bro. Thompson, and on the working and appearance of the lodge under his presidency. He then read the following address:—

“To Bro. William S. Thompson, P.M., R.A., and Worshipful Master of Royal Shamrock Lodge, No. 32, Waterford.

“Dear Sir and Brother,—We, the Past Masters Wardens and brethren of Lodge 32 cannot permit you to leave this, your native city with

expressing our entire approbation of your conduct since you became a member of our lodge.

“Your having been elected to fill the chair of our lodge on three several occasions is a sufficient proof of the esteem and regard in which you are held by its members.

“We have much pleasure in presenting you with a P.M.'s jewel, not only as a token of our very great regard, but also that the members of other lodges may be made aware of the esteem in which you were held by the members of Lodge 32.

“We pray that the Great Architect of the Universe may have you in His holy keeping and grant you to be spared many years to your dear wife and family, and to promote the interests of our ancient and time-honoured Order.

“Signed on behalf of the members of Lodge 32.

“THOS. SLEATOR, P.M., H.K.T., Acting W.M.

ROBERT WHALLEY, sen., P.M., H.K.T.

H. McLEAN, P.M., R.A.

ROBERT WHALLEY, jun., P.M., H.K.T.

JOHN DAVIS, P.M., R.A., Hon. Sec.

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He then invested Bro. Thompson with the jewel on behalf of the lodge, amidst much enthusiasm. Several brethren spoke in the most affectionate and fraternal manner of their W.M.'s conduct since he first became a member of the lodge, particularly during the three sessions in which he presided as their Worshipful Master.

Bro. Thompson in accepting the address and jewel spoke as follows: It is unnecessary that I should occupy much time in saying how gratified and pleased I am at receiving such an especial mark of your esteem and favour, as well as for the valuable jewel that has accompanied it. I accept this too flattering address and jewel in the fraternal spirit in which you have presented them. They shall be carefully preserved as mementoes of the many unclouded and happy days we have wrought together—days never to be forgotten by me. I only regret that I am forced through leaving your city to resign the office of W.M., to which you had three several times by your unanimous votes elected me. I cannot part with you, however, without thanking you, officers and brethren, for the ready help I have ever received at your hands, and for the truly Masonic manner in which you have ever acquiesced in my decisions as your W.M. To my old and much esteemed friends, the P.M.'s who have been ever by my side, I return my warmest and most grateful thanks, praying that the Great Architect of the Universe may continue to bless 32. I again thank you one and all.

The remainder of the evening was spent in the most happy manner. Several capital songs and good recitations were given.

At a special meeting held on Thursday evening, it was unanimously resolved, “That as a further compliment, Bro. Thompson should continue to hold the office of W.M. to the end of the present term—even though prevented by absence from attending regularly.”

**SUDDEN DEATH.**—Bro. John Ashton, P.M. Lodge of Virtue, 152, member of the Jerusalem Encampment, and 32° Grand Council Ancient and Accepted Rite, fell dead in his own home, near Mottram, on Thursday se'nnight. He was greatly respected, and a genuine and good sound Mason.

THE Fifteen Sections will be worked at the Panmure Lodge of Instruction, No. 720, Balham Hotel, Balham, on Thursday, the 29th inst. The questions will be put by Bro. J. Stevens, P.M., P.Z., as W.M., and answered by Bro. J. Thomas, P.M., P.Z., P.G.D.C., the Hon. Preceptor. A large muster is expected.

“MORE than a year ago one of my children was attacked with bronchitis, and, after a long illness, was given up by all physician as ‘past cure.’ I was then induced to try your Vegetable Pain Killer, and from the time I began the use of it the child rapidly got better, and it is now strong and healthy.—JOHN WINSTANTLEY, 10, Whittle-st., L'pool, 1869.—To P. D. & Son.”

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J. T. S., P.M. AND R.A.—A P.M. is usually selected to respond for "The Visitors," in preference to a brother who has not passed the chair.

AN AMERICAN FREEMASON.—We have closed the discussion on the subject of rituals for the present, and regret, therefore, that we cannot insert your letter.

A LOOKER-ON.—There being no name or address appended to your communication, in accordance with our rules, it has been consigned to the waste-paper receptacle.

## The Freemason,

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## THE EARL OF MAYO.

THE assassination of the popular Viceroy of India is an event at once so startling and so horrible that the intelligence seems at first but the fantasy of a hideous dream. A career so splendid, a life so useful and honourable, to be thus suddenly quenched in blood; the mind can hardly realise it without an effort, although, unhappily, the news is but too fatally true. This terrible catastrophe will undoubtedly awaken the deepest sympathy wherever our tongue is spoken, not only on account of the fiendish nature of the deed, but because Lord Mayo was personally a most amiable and true-hearted man, whose death would be, under any circumstances, a calamity to any civilized community. In him the British nation is called upon to mourn the loss of one who was an honour to the name of Briton, and

who may now be said to have perished, like Nelson, in the discharge of a patriotic duty. We have at present but scanty details of the fearful act; but it is much to be feared that the cruel fanaticism which inspires many of the Mahomedan tribes of India has prompted the murder of the Viceroy. If this be so, the utmost vigilance should be exercised in our Eastern possessions, and, indeed, the recent assassination of Acting Chief Justice Norman ought to have placed the local authorities on their guard. By the telegram announcing Lord Mayo's fate, we learn that the murderer was a Mahometan convict, and that the miscreant stabbed his Excellency twice in the back. We confess to considerable astonishment, mingled with distrust, at the fact of a convict, in the first place, being so free in his movements as to be able to approach a personage like the Viceroy of India; and we are still more amazed to hear that such villains are allowed to carry knives or other deadly weapons. There must have been a laxity of discipline somewhere to have rendered the atrocious attack possible, and those who are to blame in the matter will not easily be absolved by the English nation.

The deceased nobleman was initiated into Freemasonry in a lodge in Ireland, and attained high honours in the Irish Craft. For many years he represented the Grand Lodge of Ireland at the Grand Lodge of England—a post which he vacated on his appointment to the Governor-Generalship of India, and in which he was succeeded by the popular Brother Colonel Francis Burdett, who is now also Provincial Grand Master for Middlesex. Lord Mayo joined the Skiddaw Lodge, No. 1002, at Cockermouth—the borough for which he sat in the House of Commons—on the 6th September, 1864; and we believe his respected name is borne on its roll up to the present time. Upon assuming the government of our vast Indian empire, the late Earl was requested by the brethren in India to accept the position of "Patron of Freemasonry," and he at once acceded to their wishes, ever afterwards continuing to evince a warm friendship for the Craft. The Order therefore loses in Lord Mayo a brother whose high character had—although in former days not unassailed by unscrupulous foes—nevertheless stood the test of time and truth, and few who remember twenty years back can forget the vile calumnies which were uttered by John Sadleir and his clique against our noble brother's honour. Freemasonry, especially, can ill afford his loss, but his memory will be green in all our hearts for many years to come, and the part which he bore in this amphitheatre of strife will be handed down as an example to future ages.

The Earl of Mayo, whose tragic end, in the very midst of the most honoured and honourable part of a long political career, is thus announced: was born in Dublin on the 21st February, 1822; and had, therefore, on the evening of his assassination reached to within a fortnight of the completion of his fiftieth year. He was the son

of Robert Bourke, fifth Earl of Mayo, in the peerage of Ireland, and his mother was the only daughter of the Hon. John Jocelyn, third son of the first Earl of Roden. The Earldom dates from 1785; but the Barony of Naas had been conferred on the family in 1776. The late Earl was educated at Trinity College, Dublin, where he took his degrees of B.A. in 1844, M.A. in 1851, and LL.D. in 1852. He married, in 1848, the third daughter of the first Lord Leconfield, and had four sons and two daughters; the eldest son, Lord Naas, who succeeds his father as the seventh Earl of Mayo, was born in 1851, and is now in his twenty-first year. The late Earl succeeded his father in the earldom in August, 1867. It was, therefore, not as Earl of Mayo, but as Lord Naas, to which title he succeeded when his father became Earl of Mayo in 1849, that he was best known in our political history. Like many young men of family and position who aspire to a political career, Lord Naas began his public life by the publication of a volume of foreign travels. His "Impressions of St. Petersburg and Moscow" were given to the world in 1845; but it was not till the general election of 1847 that he made his first appearance in political life. In that year he became the Conservative candidate for the county of Kildare, of which he was afterwards a magistrate and a deputy-lieutenant, and in which his family seat, Palmerston House, Naas, is situated. At this time he was only the Hon. Richard Southwell Bourke, and under that name made his first appearance in Parliament. His politics were those of the old school of Conservatism. He expressly contested the county as a Protectionist, and was returned by a considerable majority over the second Liberal candidate, Mr. J. A. O'Neill, though Lord Kildare, a Liberal, headed the poll. During the first two sessions of the new Parliament Mr. Bourke seems to have confined himself to a couple of questions on an Irish workhouse; his maiden speech was made on the 6th of February, 1849, in support of a motion by Sir George Grey for a continuance of the Act, passed in the previous July, for the suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act in Ireland. Speaking as an Irishman and an Irish county member, he expressed the regret with which he was compelled to confess that this suspension was needful. In 1849 he became Lord Naas, and began gradually to take an active part in the discussion of Irish questions. When the second and final overthrow of Lord John Russell's first administration took place in February, 1852, Lord Naas had already established a position in Irish discussions, and in Lord Derby's short-lived Administration of that year occupied the post of Chief Secretary for Ireland without a seat in the Cabinet. On his appointment to this office he did not offer himself for re-election in Kildare, where a Liberal was returned unopposed in his place; but Mr. John Boyd, the Liberal-Conservative member for Coleraine, conveniently accepting the Chiltern Hundreds at that time, Lord Naas was returned in his place without a poll. In July Lord Derby dissolved Parliament, and Lord Naas was again returned unopposed for Coleraine, his old seat for Kildare being still occupied by a Liberal. Lord Derby's Administration was overthrown by the new Parliament in December, on a vote on Mr. Disraeli's extraordinary Budget, and Lord Naas, of course, quitted the Irish Secretaryship, his short exercise of which had been chiefly distinguished in the House of Commons by his vigorous and successful opposition to Mr. Sharman Crawford's Tenant-right Bill. During the Administrations of Lord Aberdeen and Lord Palmerston, Lord Naas, of course, remained out of office. At the general election which followed on Lord Palmerston's penal dissolution of the House after the vote on the Canton massacre in 1857, Lord Naas sought a seat at Cockermouth, and, first under his courtesy title of Lord Naas and then as Earl of Mayo, was returned.

Lord Palmerston's triumph in 1857 was followed by the exhibition on his part of some of the intoxication of power, and early in the next year he was thrown out, and the second Derby Administration took the reins of Government. Lord Naas was, for the second time, appointed

Chief Secretary for Ireland, still without a seat in the Cabinet. This Administration also was short-lived, and during his year or so of office, Lord Naas not only vindicated the post he filled against Mr. Horsman's assertion that it was almost a sinecure, but endeavoured to show a good deal of activity, both in administration and legislation. He quitted office with the Ministry in 1859, and remained out of office during the second Palmerston Administration, which ended with Lord Palmerston's death in 1865, and the second Administration of Lord Russell, which came to a premature end in 1866. In that year Conservatism returned to power, and with it Lord Mayo, again as Secretary for Ireland, and now as a member of the Cabinet, who had meanwhile succeeded to his title. It was in this period of his official career that he especially distinguished himself by his celebrated declaration as to what he thought to be the true ecclesiastical policy for Ireland. Lord Lawrence's return from India gave an opportunity for taking Lord Mayo out of the political arena, and it was at once seized. The appointment was much discussed at the time, but Mr. Disraeli, in his hustings address to the Buckinghamshire electors on the 19th November, 1868, declared that he had been appointed for his sagacity, judgment, fine temper, and knowledge of men; and added, "I believe he will earn a reputation which his country will honour. He has before him a career which I believe he will, in the end, equal that of any of the Governors-General who have preceded him. We are glad to feel that in great degree this high eulogy has been justified. Lord Mayo expended under the pressure of great responsibilities. He had been known in Parliament as a large, genial Irishman, whose round open face was clear of guile, and who had rather blurted out with too great honesty some official secrets. He had been a tolerably active administrator, but had shown no great parts. Perhaps it is such able, conscientious, hard-working administrators India needs. Lord Mayo took the Department of Public Works under his especial care, and has, possibly, bestowed as much benefit on India as any former Viceroy. Over the whole of the peninsula he will be remembered and beloved. He has fallen in the prime of his life, in the fulness of his opportunities, and in the zenith of his fame, like a successful warrior on the field of battle—fallen at the post of duty, and will bequeath both his example and his memory to be a strength to his country."

### Original Correspondence.

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#### MASONIC BALLS.

(To the Editor of The Freemason.)

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—In your last issue I see it stated that, in consequence of a ball at Weston-super-Mare not being restricted to Masons, the Earl of Carnarvon, the P.G.M. of Somerset, refused his sanction to the brethren appearing in the clothing of the higher degrees. Surely, there must be some mistake in this. Lord Carnarvon is a Past Grand Master of the Mark, and one of the members of the Supreme Grand Council 33°; but as he has no jurisdiction in his capacity as P.G.M. over the higher degrees, I cannot conceive that his lordship should affect to exercise a jurisdiction where he has no Masonic authority to do so.

Yours fraternally,  
Feb. 7, 1872. A.E. 31°.

We have great pleasure in directing special attention to the advertisement on our front page, respecting the anniversary meeting of the Royal Arch Chapter of Improvement, on Thursday next, the 22nd inst., when a rare treat will be provided for R.A. Masons in the working of Comps. Brett, Boyd, and other well-skilled companions.

### THE "KEYSTONE" AND PENNSYLVANIA.

The *Keystone* has issued a sheet almanack for 1872, and distributed it to its numerous readers. As many of the subscribers to THE FREEMASON are interested in the progress of the Craft in the "Keystone State," we subjoin the list of officers for 1872 of the various Masonic bodies for that flourishing Masonic neighbourhood, and likewise the poem, entitled "The Masonic New Year," which we hope, though late, may not be unappreciated by the Fraternity in this country. W. J. HUGHAN.

#### Officers of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

R.W. Grand Master—Samuel C. Perkins.  
R.W. Deputy Grand Master—Alfred R. Potter.  
R.W. Senior Grand Warden—Robert Clark.  
R.W. Junior Grand Warden—James M. Porter.  
R.W. Grand Treasurer—Thomas Brown.  
R.W. Grand Secretary—John Thomson.

#### Officers of the Grand I.R.A. Chapter of Pennsylvania.

M.E. Grand High Priest—Chas. E. Meyer.  
M.E. Grand King—John Wilson, Jr.  
M.E. Grand Scribe—Andrew Robeno, Jr.  
M.E. Grand Treasurer—Thomas Brown.  
M.E. Grand Secretary—John Thomson.

#### Officers of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania.

R.E. Grand Commander—Sir Charles M. Howell, Lancaster.  
V.E. Dep. Grand Commander—Sir A. Miller (C), Easton.  
E. Grand Generalissimo—Sir Fitz-James Evans, York.  
E. Grand Captain-General—Sir Nathan Smith, Philadelphia.  
E. Grand Prelate—Rev. Sir R. H. Pattison, Phila.  
E. Grand Senior Warden—Sir Geter C. Shidle, Pittsburgh.  
E. Grand Junior Warden—Sir S. Grant Weidman, Lebanon.  
E. Grand Treasurer—Sir M. Richards Muckle, Philadelphia.  
\* E. Grand Recorder—Sir A. Creigh, Washington, Pa.

\* Resigned since. My esteemed friend Sir Charles E. Meyer, of 722, Arch-street, Philadelphia, is the Grand Recorder *pro tem*.

### THE MASONIC NEW YEAR.

BY THE EDITOR.

Out in the chill, December night,  
Out in the inky, ghostly air,  
Ominous spirits wing their flight,  
Hither, thither and everywhere.

Space is filled with their countless throng,  
Time seems waiting their movements grand;  
Angels are chanting a requiem song,  
While the Old Year's borne to the Spirit land.

The belfry tolls the midnight hour;  
The shadowless shapes seem bowed in gloom,  
As though their spirits could feel the power  
Of grief that gathers round the tomb.

But hark! far out from the realms of space,  
A whispering melody seems to steal,  
With more witching a tone, and faultless grace,  
Than Beethoven's genius did e'er reveal.

At first it trembles on the air,  
Then swells, with chorus grand and long,  
Until it echoes everywhere,  
"A New Year's born, a New Year's born!"

We sing the praise of this glad New Year,  
So rich with its wealth of days and hours;  
How we long to have its joys draw near!  
How we pant to pluck its summer flowers!

The Present, alone, is ever sad,  
The Future is always robed in blue;  
A promise, a hope, will make the heart glad,  
When the face wears the palest and gloomiest hue.

But how shall we spend these many days,  
When they come to be ours, one by one?  
How merit the lofty and generous praise—  
"Your hours were well spent, your deeds well done."

We practise an Ancient and Royal Art;  
We are gifted with light to the world unknown;  
We are called to act no humble part,  
But to be Masters all and ascend the throne!

To the East we each go for guiding Light,  
That our pathway through life may be clear as the day,  
That the sirens of evil, which work in the night,  
May ne'er blind us to duty, nor lead us astray.

The Ancient Craft has learned too well  
To measure the hours, as quick they flee,  
To yield to any siren's spell,  
Or to Passion's god to bow the knee.

We are wisely taught to portion the day—  
Eight hours for toil, in our round of care,  
Eight hours for sleep, and eight away  
For our brother's needs, and to God in prayer.

So let us portion this happy year—  
Now full of promise, now ours to spend—  
Let words that gladden and deeds that cheer,  
Our footsteps in every path attend.

Then shall we build in our hearts and lives,  
A glorious Temple to our Master above,  
Which shall last till Eternity's bright day arrives,  
And the world has become *all* a kingdom of Love.

### VALUABLE WORK on the ANCIENT CONSTITUTIONS of the FREEMASONS.

Bro. W. J. Hughan, of Truro, Cornwall, is now preparing for the press a work to be entitled, "The old Charges of British Freemasons." The celebrated manuscript belonging to the *time-immemorial* Lodge of Antiquity, of 1686, will be published, having been carefully transcribed especially for Bro. Hughan's work, and a *fac-simile* page will form the frontispiece. This MS. has not hitherto been published, and much interest centres in this document. Other MSS. will also be inserted, and a careful resumé of all the known MSS., or Constitutions, will form the first part of this important book.

The work, we understand, will be dedicated (by permission) to the Marquis of Ripon, K.G., M.W.G.M. As only a limited number will be issued, brethren should apply at once to the author for copies, which will be sold at *five shillings each*.

The following reply to the address from the Royal Alfred Lodge, No. 777, Guildford, has been received:—

"Sandringham, King's Lynn,  
February 7, 1872.

"General Sir William Knollys is desired by the Prince of Wales to return his sincere thanks to the Worshipful Master and members of the Royal Alfred Lodge for the kind sympathy they have expressed on the occasion of his recent illness, and for their congratulations on his recovery.

"R. Mason, Esq., W.M."

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales has sent a present of twenty pheasants, twenty partridges, and ten hares for the patients of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, of which he is President.

A sum of one hundred guineas was voted by acclamation by the Court of Common Council, on Thursday se'nnight, towards the expenses of the Livingstone Expedition.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—This medicine has resisted every test which time, prejudice, and vested interest could impose upon it, and it at length stands forth triumphant as the most reliable remedy for those derangements of the system so common at the change of seasons. When the functions of the skin are retarded, an occasional dose of Holloway's Pills will call on the liver and kidneys for greater activity, and compensate the system for diminished cutaneous action. As alteratives, tonics, and aperients, these Pills, have no equal. To every aged and delicate person, whose appetite is defective, digestion infirm, and tone of health low, this medicine will be a precious boon, conferring both strength and ease, with activity and cheerfulness.—[Advt.]

### THE NORTH-EASTERN MASONIC CHARITABLE ASSOCIATION.

We have received the second report of the above society, which we here insert for the information of our readers, as we did last year, and congratulate the members on the continued success of the Institution.

#### REPORT.

In presenting their second report, the Committee have again to congratulate the members upon the continued success of the Association.

During the past year there has been received £293 5s., being an increase of £23 15s. 6d over the previous one. This has enabled the Committee to submit for ballot 28 Life Governorships, which, with the 26 previously obtained, makes 54 in the two years, a result your Committee cannot but think eminently satisfactory, and in their opinion entirely unprecedented in the history of these associations.

Since its establishment, 14 members have chosen the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls; five, the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys; and 28, the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons; the remaining seven have not as yet decided.

At the Festivals holden during the past year, this Association was represented no less than fourteen times by its members, who served as Stewards from their various lodges, taking in lists with amounts varying from £24 3s. to over £100, thus again augmenting the funds of the three Institutions very considerably.

It is one of the most gratifying incidents in the working of this Association, to find that of the 54 members who have obtained Life Governorships, their arrears only amount to a very small sum, while during the past year two have paid up the amount required to redeem them, and, consequently, the receipts have been placed in their hands and their engagements cancelled.

Your Committee have again to regret the death of two members. The amount paid in by one of them was within a short time repaid to his widow, without deduction, and his share transferred; while in the other instance the amount has not yet been applied for.

Since the last report, numerous kindred associations have been established in various parts of the country, mainly owing, your Committee have reason to believe, to the success which has attended this Association, and they can but hope that the suggestion made in the first report, that brethren would join this, or aid in establishing others, may still be borne in mind, and that, before long, wherever a lodge is located there will be attached to it, as part of its organisation, an association similar to this, so that every member may have the opportunity of becoming a Life Governor of one at least of our noble Institutions.

Another good result arrived at through this Association has been the success which attended the efforts made during the past year in the election of candidates on the various Institutions, by being enabled to bring prominently before the members the claims of some of our less fortunate brethren, and the Committee venture to hope that as more members obtain their Life Governorships, still greater success may attend their efforts.

Your Committee have great pleasure in again acknowledging the invaluable services of the Hon. Secretary, Bro. James Terry, and they feel that much of the success of the Association is due to the attention and zeal evinced by him, and venture, further, to suggest that an opportunity may shortly present itself when the members can substantially record their appreciation of his services.

JOHN J. WILSON, President.  
JNO. BELLERBY, Vice-President.  
J. NEWTON, Treasurer.  
W. H. MAIN.  
D. FORBES.

London, 10th January, 1872.

THE BEST FIRST.—Turner's Tamarind Cough Emulsion for the Throat and Bronchia, 13½d. and 2/9 per bot.—All wholesale houses in London and Liverpool, and any respectable Chemist.—[Advt.]

### P o e t r y .

#### MASONIC SONG.

AIR—"For a' that, and a' that."

When heaven first formed this world o' light,  
The stars, and sun, and a' that :  
The glories bright o' day and night,  
The sky, and wave, and a' that ;  
For a' that, and a' that,  
The joys o' love and a' that,  
The social sweet was wanted yet,  
The crowning bliss to a' that !

Tho' Adam had a bonny wife,  
In Eden's bower, and a' that,  
The friend and brother charm o' life  
Was wanting still, for a' that.  
For a' that, and a' that,  
Existence, love, and a' that,  
Had still been but an infant's dream  
Without that friend, for a' that !

The diamond in the dusky mine,  
The morning star, and a' that,  
Less fairly glow and brightly shine  
Than Friendship's gem, for a' that.  
For a' that, and a' that,  
The satrap's crown, and a' that,  
Adorned not more the brows that wore  
Than Love, the soul, for a' that !

The jewel on a brother's breast  
Is rich and rare, and a' that,  
The man who serves his brother best  
More priceless is, for a' that.  
For a' that, and a' that,  
Who lays his wealth, and a' that,  
Upon the throne o' love alone,  
And Masonry, for a' that !

There stands a temple, proudly reared  
By Wisdom's hands, and a' that,  
The Mason's fane, by truth endeared,  
A mystic tower, I en' that.  
For a' that, and a' that,  
The pomp and pride, and a' that,  
The pyramids in dust shall fall  
Ere Masonry, for a' that !

W. BARRY KEANE.

Liverpool.

HULL.—In our report of the annual ball in connection with the Humber Lodge, No. 57, in our issue of the 3rd instant, we inadvertently omitted the name of Bro. H. E. Voigt as one of the Stewards, a circumstance which we regret, more especially when we remember how zealously he worked for the good of the undertaking. The following is a list of the officers for the present year : R. T. Vivian, W.M.; Wm. Tessyman, P.G. Sup. of Works, I.P.M.; James Walker, S.W.; Jonathan West, J.W.; David Middlemist, Chap.; John Fountain, P.P.G.S.B., Treas.; J. L. Seaton, P.M., P.J.P.G.W., Treasurer of the Benevolent and Pension Fund; William Banks Stay, M.D., P.M., P.S.P.G.D., Treasurer of the Improvement Sinking Fund; W. D. Keyworth, P.M., P.P.G. Sup. of Works, Treas. and Almoner of the Poor Fund; J. P. Backwell, Sec.; M. Haberland, Lecture Master; Henry Preston, S.D.; Richard Boggett, J.D.; John Hudson, Dir. of Cers.; J. W. Stephenson, Org.; George Haigh, Richard Hicks, W. H. Wellstead, H. T. Hall, R. V. Knowles, and J. Hindson, Stewards; Edward Kidd, Inner Guard; W. Bernard, Librarian; W. Johnson, P.G.T., Tyler; and Thos. Crier, Assistant Tyler. It may not be generally known that this lodge is one of the largest in the kingdom, the list of members for St. John's Day, 1871, showing a number of 242, to which may be added many members who have since been initiated. To this lodge there are also attached Benevolent and Pension and Poor funds, which are often the means of conferring great blessings upon our poor, old or infirm brethren. The building, too, we believe has few inferiors, not so much on account of the exterior, but for the comfort and thorough Masonic completeness within.

### Reports of Masonic Meetings.

[With a view to increase the circulation, and consequently the usefulness, of THE FREEMASON, it is suggested that Lodges, &c., desiring reports to appear in the paper, should take a certain number of copies in proportion to the space required for the report.]

#### THE CRAFT.

##### METROPOLITAN.

*Egyptian Lodge, No. 27.*—The installation meeting of this old and flourishing lodge was held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on the 1st instant, when the chair was taken by Bro. T. Sheppard, W.M., who was supported by Bros. J. Palmer, S.W.; T. F. Harrison, J.W.; H. G. Buss, P.M., Sec.; C. Atkins, S.D.; S. R. Lambie, J.D.; J. Green, as I.G.; John Savage, P.G.D., honorary member; J. Coutts, G.P.; W. H. Libbis, C. P. Payne, D. G. Berri, and Hoare, P.M.'s; Shepherd, Org.; and about forty other members. The visitors, about thirty-six in number, comprised Bros. John Hervey, G. Sec.; John Boyd, Asst. G. Purs.; Jos. Smith and James Brett, P.G.P.'s; William Watson, P.G. Steward; J. Terry, P.G.S.B. Herts.; H. M. Levy and E. P. Albert, P.M.'s 188; R. W. Little, P.G. Sec. Middlesex; G. Stacey, P.G. Reg. Berks.; J. Sherrard, P.M. 401; W. Bourne (P.M., S.W.), J. Summers, G. Penny, W. Bartley, R. W. Paget, J. Arnold, J. Verity, G. Griffith, T. F. Cheek, and C. W. Roberts, 1348; T. W. Pulsford, P.M. 1158; F. Burdett, 140; Major Finney, W.M. 1361; R. J. Hopkins, 87; T. L. Fox, P.M. 19; T. E. Pardy, P.M. 861; W. Mackey, W.M. 861; T. Bartlett, P.M. 831; J. A. Garrett, W.M. 704; W. Dodd, P.M. 1194; A. A. Pendlebury, P.M. 1056; and Jesse Owens, J.W. 1366. The minutes of the previous meeting, and the report of the Audit Committee having been read and confirmed, ballots were taken for several candidates, all of which proved favourable. Bro. Scott was raised and Mr. Goddard initiated, after which Bro. John Savage, P.G.D., who has for many years performed the duty of installing the Masters of the old Egyptian Lodge, took the chair and proceeded to instal Bro. John Palmer into the chair of K.S.—a ceremony which he performed in a deeply-impressive and eloquent style. The following brethren were then invested as officers for the ensuing year: Bros. Harrison, S.W.; Atkins, J.W.; Todd, P.M., Treas.; Buss, P.M., Sec.; Lambie, S.D.; Green, J.D.; Tyerman, I.G.; Hales, D.C.; Payne, P.M., W. Steward; Shepherd, Org.; Riley and Gullock, Tylers. Great regret at Bro. Todd's absence through ill health was expressed by all present. The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to banquet in the large hall, no less than eighty brethren sitting down to table. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were heartily given and received, especial enthusiasm being evinced when the national song, "God bless the Prince of Wales" was sung by the musical brethren. Our space will not permit us to insert the many able speeches made by the W.M., the Grand Officers, P.M.'s, visitors, and other brethren; but there is one toast which we cannot pass over—namely, "The Health of the worthy Secretary, Bro. H. G. Buss"—a proposition which was accompanied by the presentation of a splendid gold chain and locket, value about thirty guineas, in recognition of the many services rendered by Bro. Buss to the lodge during a long series of years.—Bro. Savage, P.G. Deacon, having been deputed to present this handsome gift, said it gave him the greatest pleasure to be the medium of tendering to Bro. Buss, on behalf of the lodge, a tribute of the respect in which he was held by all the members. He (Bro. Savage) had known the Egyptian Lodge for a considerable period—in fact, he had first entered Grand Lodge as a Warden thereof; and during that time he had also known Bro. Buss, whose services were about to be so properly and so gratefully acknowledged by the brethren. (Cheers.) After some further graceful allusions to the happy occasion, Bro. Savage concluded by placing around the neck of the esteemed Secretary the chain voted to him by the lodge; and Bro. Buss, in responding to the toast of his health, returned thanks in warm and energetic language for the beautiful gift he had received, and resumed his seat amidst great applause. The old reputation of the "mummies" for hospitality was fully sustained at this meeting, and every visitor left with good wishes for the prosperity of the lodge, and a hope that he might again be invited to a similar happy gathering at a future installation.

*Lodge of Regularity, No. 91.*—The meeting of this lodge held on the 8th inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, was of unusual interest, as besides the two ceremonies of passing and raising, the brethren met for the installation of their W.M. for the coming



year, Bro. L. J. Frost. The installation, as well as the two other ceremonies, were admirably carried out by Bro. Radcliffe, a member of the lodge, and one of the best working Masons in the Craft. The lodge being duly closed, the brethren adjourned to the banquet, which was excellently served in Mr. Francatelli's best style. After the cloth was removed, the usual toasts were proposed in short but appropriate terms by the W.M., who this year also serves as Grand Steward, and who on proposing the health of the Prince of Wales, took occasion to refer to the gratifying manner in which the few remarks he had made in the last Grand Lodge relating to Danish Masonry (the W.M. being himself a Dane) had been received. The visitors present were Bros. Binckes, Webster, Beal, Sutro, Peebles, McCabe, Averillo, and Sairle Clark, and as the W.M. expressed his inability to make a choice who was to return thanks to the Visitors' toast, he requested each of the visitors to speak for himself, which led to a series of amusing and characteristic speeches. The proceedings were enlivened by some excellent music under the direction of Mr. Nelson Henry, of the Stella Glee Union. The soloists were Miss McDonnell, and Messrs. Henry White and Nelson Henry. Bro. Beecroft, P.G.O., a member of the lodge also charmed the brethren by his masterly execution on the piano. The brethren separated about eleven, after having spent a most agreeable evening.

*The Lodge of Asaph, No. 1319.*—This lodge held its regular monthly at Freemasons' Hall, on the 5th inst. The business of the meeting was the passing of Bros. Hutchins and Hodges, and raising Bros. F. Pritchard and Kaufmann. Both ceremonies were impressively performed by the W.M., Bro. Charles Coote. Propositions were taken for Messrs. J. Ratcliffe (Professor of Music), Henry Lazarus (do.), and G. R. Egerton (do.), for initiation, and for joining members the names of Bros. Ambrose Austin, concert agent, and Henry Nicholson, Professor of Music, were submitted. There were present: Bros. C. Coote, P.M., W.M.; E. J. Jones, P.M., I.P.M.; J. M. Chamberlin, P.M., S.W.; James Weaver, P.M., P.G.O. Middlesex, J.W.; E. C. Frewin, S.D.; C. S. Jykell, J.D.; W. A. Tinney, I.G.; H. J. Tinney, Org.; W. H. Stephens, D.C.; J. Boatwright, T. Edgar, C. Harper (jun.), W. Montague, G. Horton, J. M. Ball, H. Synders, W. A. Easton, J. Egerton, J. Baker, E. Terry, J. Strachan, W. Graves, L. Silberberg, E. Swanborough, G. A. Compton, E. H. Reynolds, and J. Gilbert, Tyler. Visitors: Bros. Strachan, G. Pritchard, F. Pritchard, C. Kaufmann, and J. Coppey. The lodge was closed with solemn prayer.

## PROVINCIAL.

*BOLTON.—Anchor and Hope Lodge, No. 37.*—The usual monthly meeting of this lodge was held at the Freemasons' Hall, on Monday, the 5th inst., when there were present: Bros. R. W. Knowles, W.M.; W. H. Wright, P.M., P. Prov. G.W.; T. H. Winder, Prov. G. Purs.; James Pilkington, S.W.; W. Slater, J.W.; John Sharples, Treas.; G. P. Brockbank, P.M., Sec.; J. Walker, S.D.; Horrocks, J.D.; Freeman, I.G.; Brown, Rutter, and Crowther, Stewards; Robinson, Newton, and Harwood, P.M.'s; James Mayon, Rev. F. Brindley, and E. Ainsworth; and the following visitors: Bros. the Rev. Philip Haines, 204, and Ainsworth, 1024. After other business had been transacted, Bro. the Rev. Frederick Brindley was raised to the degree of M.M., and Bro. E. Ainsworth passed to the degree of F.C., both ceremonies being performed by Bro. Robert Harwood, P.M. Three candidates for initiation were proposed, and the lodge was then closed.

*SOUTHEND.—The Priory Lodge, No. 1000.*—The annual meeting of this flourishing lodge for the installation of Bro. Samuel Cox, of Shoeburyness, the W.M.-elect for the ensuing year, took place at the lodge-room in the Middleton Hotel, Southend, on Tuesday, the 30th ult., the ceremony of installation being very ably performed by W. Bro. William Pissey, P.M. 160, P.P.J.G.W. Essex. The W.M. appointed his officers as follows: Bros. J. A. Wardell, S.W.; J. R. Hemman, J.W.; Frederick Wood, P.M., P.P.S.G.W., re-elected Treas.; W. Smith Cox, P.M., P.P.G. Sword-bearer, re-appointed Sec.; Rev. T. W. Herbert, P.M., P.P.G. Chap. Worcestershire, re-appointed Chaplain; Albert Lucking, S.D.; E. E. Phillips, J.D.; H. Rowley, P.M., P.P.S.G.D., Dir. of Cers.; W. Frost and W. J. Chignell, Stewards; W. Chaplin, I.G.; B. Notley, P.M., Tyler. At the close of the business, the brethren, about thirty in number, sat down to an excellent banquet, provided by Mrs. Cantor, of the Middleton Hotel. The following Provincial Grand Officers (past and present), P.M.'s, and visitors, were present: W. Bros. Frederick Wood, P.M., P.P.S.G.W.; Rev. F. B. Shepherd, P.M. 276, P.P.S.G.W.; Wm. Pissey, P.M. 160, P.P.J.G.W.; Rev. T. W. Herbert, P.M., P.P.G. Chap. Worcestershire; Henry Rowley, P.M., P.P.S.G.D.; W.

Smith Cox, P.M., P.P.G. Sword-bearer; J. Brazier, P.M. 160; James Cantor, I.P.M.; Jones, P.M.; Bros. A. Veley, S.W. 276; T. Smee, J.W. 276; H. Landfield, W.M. 1343; and Bond, 1343. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, and during the evening some excellent songs were given.

*CHESHIRE.—Oakwood Lodge, No. 1126.*—This lodge held its St. John's Festival at the Stock Dove Inn, Romiley, near Marple, on Thursday, the 1st instant. The lodge was opened in due form at four o'clock, when the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed, and the ballot taken for Bro. Frank R. Dickson as joining member, which was declared unanimous in his favour. The lodge was then opened in the second degree, when Bro. Henry Howard, P.P.G.J.D., presented Bro. James H. Hartley, W.M.-elect, for installation. The ceremony was performed in a most pleasing and effective manner by Bro. John Beresford, P.M. 104. The following brethren were appointed by the new W.M. to the respective offices: Joseph Hartley, I.P.M.; John Wood, P.G.R. Eng., S.W.; Frank R. Dickson, J.W.; Thomas Smith, M.D., Treas.; Henry Howard, P.P.G.J.D., Sec.; Joseph Buckley, S.D.; John H. Patten, J.D.; John Haughton, I.G.; and Richard Wilkinson, Tyler. The lodge was closed a little before six o'clock, when the brethren adjourned to a most excellent banquet, and the evening was spent in peace, love, and harmony. Amongst the visitors and brethren present we noticed Bros. S. W. Wilkinson, P.M. 322, P.P.G.D.C.; John Swindells, P.M. 323, P.G. Tyler Cheshire; William Sykes, P.M. 104; Thomas Drinkwater, W.M. 1166; John Beach, W.M. 361; Frederick Drinkwater, P.M. 361; and Robert Taylor, P.M. 287.

*HINDPOOL.—Hindpool Lodge, No. 1225.*—The brethren of this lodge were very much gratified on the occasion of an emergency meeting, on the 1st inst., at hearing a lecture on the 1st tracing-board, delivered by Bro. George Cornfield, P.M. The attendance was numerous, as the W.M., in the circular calling the lodge, exhorted the brethren not to neglect the opportunity, which the lecture provides, for an insight into Masonic formula, symbols, and sentiment; and which, in his lodge, he observed it had hitherto been difficult to find time for, through the numerous admissions which had taken place for a long time past. The lecturer commanded the attention of his hearers in a marked manner, the result of which was that the lodge passed the following highly complimentary resolution, moved by Bro. Worrall, P.M., and seconded by Bro. Davies: "That the best thanks of the lodge is due to Bro. Cornfield, P.M., for the pleasure which the lecture on the first tracing-board has afforded, its efficient manner of delivery, and the instructive tendency which its application exhibits at the hands of Bro. Cornfield." The only other business of the evening was the raising of Bro. Ashlumer, of Newbarns, which was done by the W.M., Bro. Ounandz, in his customary effective manner.

*HAMPTON, MIDDLESEX.—Burdett Lodge, No. 1293.*—The second anniversary meeting of this flourishing lodge was held at the Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court, on the 27th ultimo, and was very numerous attended. The chair was occupied by the W.M., Bro. R. Wentworth Little, P.M., Prov. G. Secretary, and in the course of the evening he initiated three gentlemen into the Order, viz., Messrs. Coalbank, Bindoff, and Evans. The lodge was then opened in the second degree, when the W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. John Hervey, G. Secretary, who had kindly consented to instal the W.M.-elect, Bro. Kenyon, as he had previously installed the two first Masters, Bros. Col. Burdett and Little. It is needless to add that the ceremony was performed to perfection, and the Installing Master received the special thanks of Bro. Kenyon and the lodge for his ready compliance with their wishes, and for the great ability with which he had conducted the work. The officers were then invested as follows: Bros. R. W. Little, I.P.M., and Treas.; Major H. W. Palmer, Prov. G. Steward, S.W. (by proxy); D. R. Still, J.W.; Rev. D. Shaboe, Prov. G.C., Chap.; G. Kenning, Prov. G.D., Sec.; Captain A. B. Donnthorne, S.D.; H. Phythian, J.D.; T. H. Wiles, I.G.; J. Weaver, Org.; S. Rosenthal, D.C.; H. G. Buss, Prov. G. Treas., Wine Steward; and F. Keily, Collecting Steward. The sum of £5 was then voted to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, also five guineas for a jewel to the retiring Master, and several propositions having been received, the lodge was closed, and the brethren sat down to an excellent banquet. The new W. Master proved himself to be the right man in the right place by the geniality of his demeanour, and the hearty manner in which he proposed the several toasts, which were responded to in the following order: "The Grand Officers," by Bros. Hervey, G. Sec., and R. W. Stewart, J.G. Deacon; "The R.W. Prov. Grand

Master," Colonel Burdett; "The Provincial Grand Officers," Bro. Little, Prov. G. Sec., with whose name it was specially coupled; "The Initiates," Bro. Evans, a ready and pleasing speaker; "The Visitors," Bros. J. Coutts (G. Purs.), Boyd (A.G. Purs.), F. Binckes (P.G. Steward), &c.; "The Officers," Bro. Still, J.W.; and, of course, the W.M.'s health was given in the usual order, the proposer being Bro. Hervey, who spoke in high terms of Bro. Kenyon's good qualities. The Tyler's toast was then announced, and the proceedings of this pleasant reunion terminated. We regret not having a full list of the brethren present, but besides the officers they comprised, as already indicated, Bros. Col. Burdett, Hervey, Stewart, Coutts, and Boyd, Grand Officers; F. Binckes and E. Baxter, P.G. Stewards England; J. Self (M.D.), D. R. Adams, R. Boncey, and W. H. Hubbard, P.M.'s; Major E. H. Finney, and E. H. Finney, jun.

*ALDERSHOT.—Aldershot Camp Lodge, No. 1331.*—The regular monthly meeting of this lodge was held in the lodge-room, Royal Hotel, on 1st Feb. The chair of K.S. was occupied by the W.M., Bro. John Fenn, who was supported by the following officers: Bros. C. Carnegie, G. Purs. Hants., I.P.M.; Captain Richardson, R.E., S.W.; A. McKenzie, J.W.; J. Laverty, S.D.; R. Bennett, J.D.; R. White, Sec.; F. Anderson, I.G.; U. Lucas, Tyler. There was a strong muster of the brethren, and among the visitors was Bro. Warne, Panmure Lodge, No. 723, who presided ably at the harmonium. The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed. Sergt.-major Silk, a candidate for initiation, being in attendance, was introduced and initiated, the W.M. performing the ceremony and giving the charge in a style which portends well for his term of office. Bro. Captain Richardson presented the working tools in his usual impressive manner. Bros. J. Battersby and J. Lynch, 2nd Dragoon Guards, and G. Holmes, 7th Hussars, were then balloted for and unanimously accepted as joining members. The questions appertaining to the first degree were put by the W.M. for the information of the newly-initiated. Bro. S. Eve, P.G.S.W. Hants., was requested to represent the Aldershot Camp Lodge on the Provincial Charity Committee. Corp. Russell, Royal Engineers, was proposed as a candidate for initiation. Some other business having been transacted, the lodge was closed with solemn prayer about 8.30 p.m.

## ROYAL ARCH.

## METROPOLITAN.

*Mount Lebanon Chapter, No. 73.*—The regular meeting was held at the Bridge House Hotel, on Tuesday, the 30th ult., Comp. T. J. Sabine, Z., presided. The candidates for exaltation did not attend. The elections resulted unanimously in favour of Comps. J. Trickett, C.E., as Z.; M. A. Loewenstark, H.; J. T. Moss, J.; A. D. Loewenstark, P.Z., Treas.; F. Walters, P.Z., S.E.; W. Roebuck, C.E., S.N.; E. Harris, P.S.; W. Y. Laing, Janitor. A five-guinea P.Z.'s jewel was voted to the M.E.Z., Comp. T. J. Sabine. The chapter was closed, no banquet following. There were no visitors.

*Caveac Chapter, No. 176.*—At the Guildhall Tavern, on Tuesday, the 6th inst., the convocation was holden. The chapter was opened by Comps. Pemble Browne, M.E.Z.; M. Scott, H.; and P. A. Nairne, P.Z., as J. The companions were then admitted, and the minutes were read and confirmed. The conclave of Installed Principals was formed, when Comp. Frederick Walters, P.Z. and Treas., in a correct and able manner, installed Comp. R. S. Foreman, S.E., as the J., he having been abroad on the installation night. The conclave was then closed, and the companions were readmitted. The regular business having been disposed of, the chapter was closed, when banquet and dessert followed, the regular toasts being given and received. No visitors were present.

## PROVINCIAL.

*GREAT YARMOUTH.—Chapter of Friendship, No. 100.*—At the quarterly meeting of this chapter, held on December 11th, it was proposed by Comp. Batty, and seconded by Comp. Wright, "That this chapter hereby gives expression to its sincere attachment to the throne and heartfelt sympathy with her Majesty the Queen, the Princess of Wales, and all the Royal Family, under their present severe domestic trial and anxiety; and that the companions of this chapter fervently join in humble prayers to Almighty God that He will, in His great mercy, spare to the nation the valuable life of Past Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales." The following acknowledgements have since been received:—

"Sandringham Rectory,  
Kings Lynn, 28th Dec., 1871.

"Brother Companion,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of the condolence of the chapter meeting 100, Friendship, of Great Yarmouth, expressing its sincere attachment to the throne, and heartfelt sympathy with her Majesty the Queen, the Princess of Wales, and all the Royal family, under their present severe domestic trial and anxiety. I will duly convey the same to Bro. Francis Knollys, Private Secretary to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, who will place it before our Past Grand Master when he is able to receive such marks of attachment from the Masonic Body, of which he is one of its noblest jewels.

"Believe me to be, Brother Companion,  
"Faternally yours,

"WILLIAM LAKE ONSLOW, P.G.C.

"Brother and Companion  
A. Hanlon, Scribe E."

"Whitehall, 8th January, 1872.

"Sir,—I have had the honour to lay before the Queen the loyal and dutiful address of the Chapter 100, Friendship, Great Yarmouth, on the occasion of the illness of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and I beg to inform you that her Majesty was pleased to receive the same very graciously.

"I am, Sir, your obedient servant,  
"H. W. BRUCE.

"A. Hanlon, Esq., Scribe,  
Chapter 100, Friendship, Great Yarmouth."

LIVERPOOL.—*Walton Chapter, No. 1086.*—The regular meeting of this chapter was held at the Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, on Friday, the 2nd Feb. There were present the following companions: John Lunt, M.E.Z.; T. Chesworth, H.; Josh. C. Lunt, J.; William Sephton, Scribe E.; William Archer, P.Z., Past P.G.S., Treas.; J. P. McArthur, P.S. Visitors: Comps. J. W. Baker, M.E.Z. 241; and W. V. Kearne, P.Z. 241. The chapter was opened by the Principals, when the rest of the companions were admitted. After the minutes of the previous chapter were read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for Bro. C. McEwen, of Lodge 1086, who was duly elected; being present, he was exalted to the sublime degree of R.A.M. by the M.E.Z. in a very perfect manner. The lectures were afterwards given by the Principals. The chapter was then closed.

#### FOREIGN.

VALPARAISO, CHILI.—*King Cyrus Chapter.*—The following companions were installed as officers of the chapter for the ensuing Masonic year, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 12th: F. B. Shanklin, M.E. High Priest; W. Walker, E. King; A. E. Brower, E. Scribe; George Green, Captain of the Host; Robert Massponan, P. Soj.; J. Katy, Royal Arch Captain; W. H. Nugent, M. 3 Veil; J. R. Bennett, M. 2 Veil; F. C. Brown, M. 1 Veil; R. A. Claude, Treas.; F. P. Briggs, Sec.; and W. Williams, Guard. This chapter works under charter from the General Grand Chapter of the U.S.A., and confers the degrees of Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, and Royal Arch.

#### MARK MASONRY.

##### PROVINCIAL.

LEICESTER.—*Forster Lodge, No. 19.*—The regular bi-monthly meeting was held at the Masonic Hall, Leicester, on Wednesday, the 24th January, when there were present: Bros. Charles Johnson, W.M.; A. M. Duff, I.P.M.; William Weare, S.W.; G. Toller, jun., 18°; S.O.; Clement Stretton, Treas.; W. Sculthorpe, Sec.; Richardson, J.O.; L. L. Attwood, S.D.; Hall, Santer, Statham, Sargeant, &c. Letters of apology for absence were read from the Rev. Dr. Haycroft, M.O., and G. Chaplain of England, and the other officers not present. A resolution was passed, voting a sum of two guineas towards the fund in recognition of the services to Mark Masonry of the Rev. George Raymond Portal, Grand Master of England, on his retirement. The elections for the ensuing year were then proceeded with, when Bro. S. S. Partridge, 18°, J.W., was unanimously elected W.M. Bros. Worthington and Dr. Clifton were then balloted for and unanimously elected, and Bro. Dr. Clifton, being present, was advanced. Bro. Stretton was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Bembridge Tyler. The lodge was then closed, and the usual refreshments proceeded with, followed by toasts and harmony.

#### ORDERS OF CHIVALRY.

##### KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

##### PROVINCIAL.

IPSWICH.—*Prudence Encampment, No. 75.*—This encampment met at the Masonic Hall, Ipswich, for the purpose of installing the E.C.-elect, Sir Kt.

Emra Holmes, 2nd G. Capt. of the Lines of England, Post Prov. G. Almoner of Northumberland, Prov. G. Reg. of Suffolk and Cambridge. The impressive ceremonial was conducted by Sir Kt. John Pitcher, P.E.C., Past Prov. G. Capt. Suffolk and Cambridge, assisted by Sir Kt. Dr. Mills. The E.C. then installed the following Sir Knights as his officers for the ensuing year: J. Franks, Prelate; G. S. Golding, 1st Capt.; Dr. Beaumont, R.V., 2nd Capt.; G. S. Findley, P.E.C., Reg.; J. Pitcher, P.E.C., Treas.; P. Cornell, Almoner; Capt. Terry, 60th Rifles, Expert; S. B. King, 1st Standard-bearer; A. J. Barber, 2nd Standard-bearer; Capt. Hales, 27th Inniskillings, 1st Herald; Capt. Ormsby, 2nd Herald; A. J. Barber, P.G.O., Org.; and George Spalding, Equerry. A loyal address, sent down for that purpose by the Grand Chancellor of the Order, Sir Patrick Colquhoun, Q.C., LL.D., was signed by the companions present, congratulating her Majesty and the Prince and Princess of Wales on the recovery of his Royal Highness from his late dangerous illness. The address, which will be magnificently illuminated on vellum, and signed by the whole of the members of this distinguished Order, numbering some 4,000 in England and Wales, will be presented at an early date. Letters were received from Sir Kts. Capt. Philips, P.G.C. Suffolk and Cambridge; Vigne, P.P.G.C. Dorsetshire; J. M. P. Montagu, D.P.G.C. Dorsetshire; Sir Patrick Colquhoun, G. Chancellor; Rev. R. N. Sanderson, D.P.G.C. Suffolk and Cambridge; &c., expressing great regret at their inability to attend on the occasion. The E.C. was instructed to make the necessary inquiries as to working the Order of Malta, which the encampment, under its charter, is empowered to give, and to report at the next meeting as to the expense attending the same. At the banquet which succeeded the usual loyal toasts were given, that of "The Prince of Wales" being received with especial fervour. In proposing "The P.G.C., Sir Kt. Philips," the E.C. dwelt upon his many knightly qualities and deserved popularity in the province. The toast was responded to with great cordiality by the Sir Knights present.

#### FOREIGN.

GIBRALTAR.—*Calpe Encampment, No. 60.*—One of the most successful meetings of this encampment took place on Thursday, the 11th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Gibraltar. The summonses notified that the business of the evening would be the installation of no less than four candidates. Punctually at the time appointed Comp. Hardy and Lonsdale (74th Highlanders), the Chevalier Marinucia (Italian Consul), and Hepper were in attendance, and having undergone the necessary preparation, were admitted into the encampment, and duly installed as Knights Templar. The worthy E.C., Sir Kt. Balfour Cockburn, presided, being most ably supported by Sir Kts. Carver as Prelate; Lyon Campbell as 1st Capt.; Andrews as 2nd Capt.; Richardson as Expert; and Haynes as Capt. of the Lines. After the ceremony of installation, the E.C. notified that his next duty was to proceed with the presentation of P.E.C.'s jewels to Sir Kts. Alton and Dantez. These jewels had been unanimously voted to them, and they had but recently arrived out from England. These distinguished knights having been placed before the E.C., marshalled by Sir Kt. Ellison, the senior knight of the encampment, and P.E.C. Sir Kt. Spry, a well-known member of the Plymouth Encampment, Sir Kt. Balfour Cockburn observed that it would be out of place and unbecoming on his part to say anything in eulogy of two knights whose good Masonic deeds and chivalrous conduct had for many years contributed so materially towards the welfare and prosperity of the Calpe Encampment. He trusted that the jewels which he had now the honour of placing on their breasts would be pleasing mementoes of this auspicious and gratifying ceremony for many, many years to come, and that they would be cherished and preserved by their children and children's children as tangible proofs of the honour and estimation in which their ancestors had been held. —Sir Kt. Alton returned thanks in that felicitous manner so peculiarly his own, and Sir Kt. Dantez also responded in suitable terms. So crowded a meeting as this had never been known, every member of the encampment being present.—Before closing, the E.C. expressed his regret at the changes which were about to take place in the garrison, and which would necessarily lead to the withdrawal from the encampment of very many knights. More especially he alluded to the officers of the 74th Highlanders, to whom the encampment was much indebted for their zealous and warm support, and he desired that an expression of sympathy and earnest wish for the future welfare and prosperity of these gallant knights should be recorded in the minute book, coupling the same with the name of Sir Kt. Capt. Lyon Campbell.—This was carried by acclamation, and Sir Kt. Lyon Campbell rose and begged, on behalf of himself and his brother officers, to thank the E.C. and Sir Knights for the kindly expression of their sentiments.

#### INSTRUCTION.

##### METROPOLITAN.

*Eastern Star Lodge, No. 95.*—A gathering of nearly sixty brethren took place at the above lodge, held at the Royal Hotel, Mile-end-road, on Monday, the 5th instant, to witness the working of the fifteen sections by brethren of the Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, under the able guidance of Bro. James Brett, P.M., P.Z., P.A.G.P. So large a concourse seldom assembles at a Lodge of Instruction, and proves the high esteem in which the eminent brother who presided is held. Taken as a whole, each one of the brethren did his duty with marked efficiency. A vote of thanks and honorary membership to Bro. Brett and the brethren who assisted him was carried with great applause, and a most delightful evening's proceedings terminated. The following brethren worked the sections: Bros. A. W. Stead, Robbins, J. Shaw, C. Nash, W. W. Smith, Annett, Stacey, G. Lemann, Mander, Hogard, and Ashby.

The following reports are crowded out: Craft Lodges 107, 279, 331, 448, 995, 1040, 1051, and 1085; and the Edinburgh Red Cross Conclave, No. 4.

#### METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS

For the Week ending Friday, February 23, 1872.

The Editor will be glad to have notice from Secretaries of lodges and chapters of any change in place or time of meeting.

##### SATURDAY, FEB. 17.

Lodge 715, Panmure, Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street.  
" 1297, West Kent, Forest Hill Hotel, Lewisham.  
" 1329, Sphinx, Stirling Castle Tavern, Church-st., Camberwell.  
" 1364, Earl of Zeland, St. Thomas's Hall, Hackney.

##### MONDAY, FEB. 19.

Lodge 1, Grand Masters, Freemasons' Hall.  
" 8, British, Freemasons' Hall.  
" 21, Emulation, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.  
" 58, Felicity, London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street.  
" 185, Tranquillity, Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street.  
" 720, Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.  
" 862, Whittington, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.  
" 901, City of London, Guildhall Coffee House.  
" 907, Royal Albert, Freemasons' Hall.  
" 1159, Marquis of Dalhousie, Freemasons' Hall.  
" 1201, Eclectic, Freemasons' Hall.  
Sincerity Lodge of Instruction (174), Railway Tavern, Fenchurch-street Station, at 7.  
Strong Man Lodge of Instruction (45), Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 8; Bro. James Terry, Preceptor.  
Camden Lodge of Instruction (704), Adelaide Tavern, Haverstock-hill, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.  
Eastern Star Lodge of Instruction (95), Royal Hotel, Mile-end-road, at 7.30; Bro. E. Gotheil, Preceptor.  
British Oak Lodge of Instruction, Bank of Friendship Tavern, Mile End, at 7 for 8.  
St. James' Union Lodge of Instruction (180), Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street (opposite Pantheon), Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. J. R. Stacey, Preceptor.  
Wellington Lodge of Instruction, White Swan Tavern, Deptford, at 8; Bro. C. G. Willey, P.M. 1155, Preceptor.  
St. John of Wapping Lodge of Instruction (1306), Gun Tavern, High-street, Wapping, at 7; Bro. T. Mortlock, Preceptor.

##### TUESDAY, FEB. 20.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 3.  
Lodge 30, United Mariners, George III., Aldermanbury.  
" 73, Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.  
" 95, Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.  
" 162, Cadogan, Freemasons' Hall.  
" 165, Honour and Generosity, London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street.  
" 194, St Paul's, Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street.  
" 435, Salisbury, 71, Dean-street, Soho.  
Chap. 11, Enoch, Freemasons' Hall.  
" 19, Mount Sinai, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.  
" 186, Industry, Freemasons' Hall.  
Metropolitan Chapter of Instruction, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7; Comp. Brett, Preceptor.  
Domestic Lodge of Instruction, Palmerston Tav., Grosvenor-park, Camberwell, at 7.30.  
Faith Lodge of Instruction, Artillery Arms, Rochester-row, at 8; Bro. C. A. Cottebrune, Preceptor.  
Yarborough Lodge of Instruction, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8; Bro. Isaac Saqui, Preceptor.  
T. A. Adams, Preceptor.  
Prince Fredk. William Lodge of Instruction (753) Knights of St. John's Tavern, St. John's-wood; Bro. F. G. Baker, Preceptor.  
Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, King Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.30; Bro. John Saunders, Preceptor.  
Sydney Lodge of Instruction (829), Cambridge Hotel, Upper Norwood, at 7.30.  
Ben Jonson Lodge of Instruction, Ben Jonson, Goodman's-yard, at 8.

Florence Nightingale Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, William-street, Woolwich, at 7.30.  
Prosperity Lodge of Instruction, Gladstone Tavern, Bishopsgate-st. Within, at 7.30; Bro. Bolton (W.M. 1227), Preceptor.  
St. Marylebone Lodge of Instruction (1305), British Stores Tavern, New-street, St. John's Wood, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21.

General Committee of Grand Lodge, and Lodge of Benevolence, at 6 precisely.  
Lodge 140, St George's, Trafalgar Hotel, Greenwich.  
,, 174, Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street.  
,, 190, Oak, Freemasons' Hall.  
,, 700, Nelson, Masonic Hall, Woolwich.  
,, 969, Maybury, Freemasons' Hall.  
,, 1044, New Wandsworth, Spread Eagle Tav., New Wandsworth.  
,, 1150, Buckingham and Chandos, Freemasons' Hall.  
,, 1349, Friars, Cheshire Cheese, Crutched Friars.  
,, 1365, Clapton, White Hart Hotel, Clapton.  
Chap. 217, Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street.  
Pythagorean Lodge of Instruction (79), Prince of Orange, Greenwich, at 8; J. Robt. Nash, Preceptor.  
United Strength Lodge of Instruction (228), the Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales' Road, Kentish Town, at 8; Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor.  
Israel Lodge of Instruction, Rising Sun Tavern, Globe-road, at 7.30; Bro. Isaac Saqui, Preceptor.  
New Concord Lodge of Instruction, Rosemary Branch Tavern, Hoxton, at 8.  
Confidence Lodge of Instruction, Railway Tav., London-street, City, at 7½.  
Royal Union Lodge of Instruction, Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street, Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. Peckham Lodge of Instruction, Maismore Arms, Park-road, Peckham; Bro. David Rose, Preceptor.  
Temperance in the East Lodge of Instruction, George the Fourth, Catherine-street, Poplar.  
Stanhope Lodge of Instruction, Thicket Hotel, Anerley, at 7.30 p.m.; Bro. H. W. Lindus, Preceptor.

THURSDAY, FEB. 22.

Lodge 34, Mount Moriah, Freemasons' Hall.  
,, 60, Peace and Harmony, London Tav., Bishopsgate-street.  
,, 65, Prosperity, Guildhall Coffee House, Gresham-street.  
,, 66, Grenadiers, Freemasons' Hall.  
,, 99, Shakespeare, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-st.  
,, 858, South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Fulham.  
The R.A. Chapter of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, Companion James Brett, Preceptor. Festival (see advertisement).  
Fidelity Lodge of Instruction (3), Goat and Compasses, Euston-road, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.  
Panmure Lodge of Instruction (720), Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7; Bro. John Thomas, Preceptor.  
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