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#### Craft Masonry.

CAMDEN LODGE (No. 704).—We regret to announce that the above lodge has sustained a sad loss in the death of the I.P.M., the highly esteemed and deeply regretted Bro. William Swatton, whose dissolution took place on Tuesday, the 12th inst., at Margate, whither he had gone in the vain hope of recovering his failing health. The lamented brother was initiated in the Camden Lodge in November, 1865 was appointed to office in July, 1868, and in May, 1872, was by the unanimous vote of the brethren elected to the Master's chair, upon his retirement from which in July last he was presented with a very handsome jewel as a token of respect and esteem, for during his year of office, and in fact throughout the whole of his career his kindness and urbanity were such as not only to endear him to every member of the lodge, but also to all with whom he was brought into contact. He was indeed a brother who felt and practised the highest and noblest principles of the Craft. His remains were interred at the Tower Hamlets Cemetery, Bow, on Monday, the 18th inst., in the presence of a numerous assemblage of mourning relations and friends, his lodge being represented by the following brethren:—Bros.
J. N. Frost, P.M.; W. Meadway, P.M. and Sec.; Bro. G. A. Garratt, P.M.; W. Morrill, J.W.; and E. G. Morris. A special service was performed in the chapel in the most impressive manner by the Rev. Bro. D. Shaboe, M.A., Past Provincial Grand Chaplain of Suffolk and Middlesex, P.M. and Chaplain of Lodge Unity No. 183. P.Z. of the Yarborough Chapter, &c., during which, by the foresight of Bro. Garratt, P.M., and the kindness of the Reverend Chaplain, the coffin was surmounted by the traditional sprig of acacia, which, with the scroll, provided by the reverend brother, was interred with the ternains in their final resting place.

WAVERTREE. - Duke of Edinburgh Lodge (No. 1182) .- The brethren connected with this Popular suburban lodge gathered in strong force at the Wavertree Coffee House, Wavertree, on Wednesday afternoon, the 20th inst., the principal business being the installation of Bro. J. W. Williams, the W.M. elect, and the investiture of officers. During the past year the prosperity of the lodge has been fully maintained, no fewer than 30 having been 'nitiated; and as the working and general harmony of "The Duke of Edinburgh" have been maintained with Masonic zeal and true fraternal feeling, there has been nothing to detract from its position as one of the most successful local lodges. Consecrated No. 1182 has steadily held its own amongst other lodges, and is now justly recognised a lead-ing body of members in Masonry. The brethren were summoned to begin their Masonr duties at two o'clock, and punctual to the hour Bro. W.

J. N. Edginton, J.W.; W. Brown, Treas.; J. G. Bales, Sec.; T. B. Myers, S.D.; R. Martin, jun., J.D.; J. C. Brew, I.G.; G. Scott, Org.; C. Llewellyn, S S.; J. Williams, J.S.; W. Crawford, Tyler; Bros. W. C. Wiggins, R. Mugford, A. Thomas, I. Jones, W. Thomason, C. Jones, G. Masker, H. Sawyer, S. Newbold, J. W. Abrahams, J. Jacobs, J. Hope, L. Barrow, T. F. Jones, J. Whitfield, T. Snelson, J. O. Milledge, T. Davis, W. E. Owens, J. Gilleson, J. Sale, J. T. Bullock, A Vaughan, J. Curlender, and others. The list of visitors included the names of Bros. the Rev. J. F. Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; the Rev. J. W. Lurton Burke, 369 (Clitheroe); Peter M. Larson, P.M., 594; B. B. Marson, P.M., 1356; E. Kyle, W.M., 673; R. Ing, P.M., 594; C. Humphries, S.W., 1013; Dr. J. V. Worthington, W.M., 220; J. Hamer, P.P.G. Treas.; S. E. Ibbs, P.P.G.S.B.; T. Bold, P.M., 260; P. Askew, 604; W. S. Corris, 1266; R. 369; P. Askew, 594; W. S. Corris, 1356; R. Chinoweth, 673; A. Woolrich, 1356; J. Keet, 1356, and others. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, the lodge was opened in the second degree, when Bros. Mugford and Hughes were duly passed by the W.M. The lodge was afterwards opened in the third degree, when Bro. Capt. Milledge was also efficiently raised to the sublime degree of a M.M. by the W.M. (Bro. Pughe). Not wearying in well-doing, Bro. Pughe next proceeded to instal Bro. J. W. Williams, as the W.M. of the Duke of Edinburgh Lodge, and the most effective manner in which he performed this impressive ceremonial, as well as the previous passing and raising, and the subsequent charges to the officers, reflected the highest credit upon his Masonic zeal, aptitude, and intelligence. The newly-installed W.M. invested the following as his office: for the ensuing year:—Bros. W. Pughe, I.P. I.; J. Edginton, S.W.; T. B. Myers, J.W.; V. Brown, Treas. (re-elected for the sixth time); J. G. Bales, Sec. (re-invested also for the sixth time); R. Martin, Jun., S.D.; J. Williams, J.D.; T. Davies, I.G.; G. Musker, S.; C. Llewellyn, S.; J. Thornton, P.M., M.C. On the motion of Bro. Thornton, seconded by Bro. Myers, Bro. G. Scott was unanimously reelected Organist. Bro. W. Crawford, on the motion of Bro. Jacobs, seconded by Bro. Myers, was also re-elected Tyler for the sixth time. At the conclusion of the installation, the newlychaired W.M. proceeded to initiate two candiprivileges and mysteries of the dates into Ch ancient fraternity, which he did in a most creditable and complete manner. The lodge was then closed according to established custom, and the brethren subsequently sat down to an excellent repast in the loage room, which was all the more enjoyable after the arduous duties of the afternoon. Owing to the fact that the room was required for a bowling club dinner, the brethren separated immediately after the repast, without any toasts being proposed, although the brethren displayed their loyalty by singing the national anthem. On the following day (Thursday) the annual pic-nic of the brethren of the Duke of Edinburgh Lodge was held at Mills' Great Eastern Pic-nic Hotel, New Ferry, which turned out an unqualified success and genuine that for the "outers." The weather was splended, the arrangements complete, and the general enjoyment unequalled. In respect to numbers, the Masonic pleasure gathering was the largest of the season. The first section of the party left the George's Landing stage at half-past twelve o'clock, and reinforcements arrived at New Ferry until the afternoon had far advanced. There were then upwards of 200 present on the grounds where the festival took place, among the principals being Bros. J. W. Williams, W.M. of the lodge, and the past and present officers:-Bros. Edgington, S.W.; S. B. Myers, J.W.; W. Brown, Treas.; J. C. Bales, Sec.; R. Martin, Brown, Treas.; J. C. Bales, Sec.; R. Martin, P.M. 45; A. R. Rumsey, 206; G. Ridge, jun., S.D.; J. Williams, J.D.; T. Davies, I.G.; 1194; and others. The minutes of two meet-G. Scott, Org.; G. Masker, S.; C. Llewellyn, S.; J. Thornton, P.M., M.C.; W. Woods, P.M.; S. Cookson, P.M.; and the following at two o'clock, and punctual to the hour Bro. W. Pughe, W.M., commenced the exceedingly heavy business of the afternoon, by opening the lodge, supported by the following past and present officers and members:—Bros. P. R. Thorn, P.M.; J. Thornton, P.M.; W. Woods, P.M.; S. Cookson, P.M.; J. Thornton, P.M.; W. Woods, P.M.; S. Cookson, P.M.; J. W. Williams, S.W.; S. Cookson, P.M.; J. Dawson, 673 and the following of the admission of Bros. 1. James, 66, W. 1.
Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, Goggin, P.G.C., W.M., 986; Rev. J. W. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, P.M. 157; E. Mall

1299; N. Green, 241; P. Askew, 594; &c. The amuusments provided for the large party were of the most varied and enjoyable character, chief amongst these being dancing, to the strains of Mills's New Ferry Band, croquet, bowls, &c., During the afternoon a number of donkey races were improvised by the brethren, and these were perhaps the most novel and entertaining of the whole programme. An excellent repast was provided for the company in the large hall of the grounds, and afterwards Bro. Williams, W.M., presented a very handsome P.M.'s jewel to Bro. W. Pughe, I.P.M., bearing the following inscription :- "Presented by the members of the Duke of Edinburgh Lodge, No. 1182, to Bro. W. Pughe, as a token of their esteem, being the first W.M. who was initiated therein."—Bro. Pughe, in the course of a pointed and excellent speech, acknowledged the presentation, and referred to the substantial benefits to be derived from the principles of Freemasonry. The ladies and brethren afterwards joined in the merry dance and other amusements, and the majority returned to Liverpool by the special boat at eleven o'clock.

Potter's Bar.—Acacia Lodge (No. 1309).— At the regular meeting of this lodge, held on Saturday, August the 23rd, at the Railway Hotel, Potter's Bar, there were present:—Bros. J. H. Butten, P. J. A.D.C., Middlesex, P.M.; F. Walters, P.G.S. Middlesex, P.M., Sec.; C. Horsley, P. Prov. G. Reg., Middlesex, P.M.; G. W. Schollar, S.W.; R. Limpus, P.G. Org., Middlesex, J.W.; C. A. Ferrier, S.D.; J. H. Webster, I.G.; W. J. Laing, P.M., Tyler; Collins, Capt. J. H. Dodd, Bryceson, J. Boyce, D'Arcy, and others. Visitor, R. Jennings, 907. The lodge was opened by Bro. J. H. Butten, P.G.A.D.C., Middlesex, I.P.M. The minutes of the lodge meeting, held on Saturday, July 26th, were read and unanimously confirmed. Ballots, taken separately, were unanimous in favour of the admission of the candidates for initiation at the September meeting. Bros. Capt. J. H. Dodd and Bryceson, were passed to the Fellow Craft's degree. Bro. Frederick Walters, P.G. Steward, Middlesex, P.M., and Secretary, took the chair. He raised Bro. R. Jennings, Koyal Albert Lodge, 907, to the third degree. He initiated Messrs. J. R. Boyce, and D'Arcy, into the mysteries and privileges of ancient Freemasonry. The work of all the degrees was done in a superior manner. One brother proposed as a joining member for September meeting. Three gentlemen proposed for initiation at the October meeting. Letters of apology were received from Bros. E. W. Richardson, W.M.; E. Sillifant, P. Prov. G.D., Middlesex, P.M., Treasurer, and C. H. Rushworth, J.D., excusing and regretting their absence, which was caused by circumstances beyond their own control, also from Bros. J. C. Parkinson, D.P.G.M., Middlesex, P.M.; and E. W Mackney, W.M. 134. Business being ended the lodge was closed until Saturday, September 27th Refreshment followed labour

Hampton.—Lebanon Lodge (No. 1326).—On Saturday, 16th August, the regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Red Lion Bro. William Hammond, P.M. 201, W.M., opened the lodge. He was supported by Bros. H A. Dubois, P.G. Steward, S.W.; J.W. Jackson, J.W.; S. Wickens, P.M., Treasurer; F. Walters, P.M., Prov. Grand Steward Middlesex, Sec.; J. C. Woodrow, P.M., as S.D.; J. Hayward, J.D.; C. W. Fox, I.G.; R. W. Williams, Organist; H. Potter. P.M., W.S.; E. Hopwood, P.M.; J. Hammond, P.M.; F. Jenson, W. Warhurst, J. James, J. R. Croft, G. S. Streeton, B. M. Dyer, R. Lawrance, John Thompson, R. Carne, H. Gloster, R. R. Millington, H. J. Green, J. Wallis, C. Horsley, P. Prov. G. Reg. Middlesex; E. W. Mackney, W.M. 134; W. Y. Laing, ings were read and unanimously confirmed. The ballots, taken separately, were unanimous in favour of the admission of Bros. T. James, 60, W. Y. Laing. P.M. 45; S. Hill, P.M. 157; E. Mallett, I.G. 141; G. Harrison, 820; and J. McNaughton,

initiation of Mr. W. Warhurst, and passing of Bies. J. R. Croft, and R. Carne. The Worshu ful Master feeling somewhat fatigued, resigned his seat as W.M. to his brother, Bro. John Hammond, P.M. 201, who proved his proficiency by the excellent manner in which he raised Bros. B. Meyer and G. S. Streeton to the third degree. The W.M. resumed the chair, and presided over the lodge or the remainder of the evening. He with his brother, did the work, in a superior manner, which was pleasant and agreeable to witness. They proved themselves to be worthy scions of the well known good working "fordan" Lodge, No. 201, which has numbered so many well known distinguished Masons amongst its Past Masters. The brethren unanimously recommended the Treasurer, Bro. S. Wickens, P.M., for office, and the W.M., Bro W. Hammond, for Stewardship in the Provincial Grand Lodge of Middlesex for 1874. A large number of joining members and candidates for initiation were proposed. A committee to revise bye-laws, also other business of the lodge was forn ed. The lodge was closed and declared aljourned until Thursday, September, 19th, 1873. Kefreshment followed labour.

TORQUAY .- Fordan Lodge (No. 1402) .- The brethren of Jordan Lodge, 1402, Torquay, met at the Masonic Hall, on the 21st, for the purpose of Installing as W.M. for the ensuing year, Bro. John Chapman, who was honoured on the occasion with the presence of the much esteemed Provincial Grand Master of Devon, Bro. Huyshe, and the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Metham. There was a numerous attendance of brethren from various parts of the country, and amongst those present were:—The Provincial Grand Master of Devon, Bro. the Rev. J. Huyshe; The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Bro. L. P. Metham; T. Perry, W.M., 1402; J. Chapman, S.W., 14c2; L. M. F. Sarre, Sec. 1402; P. Karkeck, S.D., 1402; M. G. Rice, Organist 1402; T. Morgan, I.G., 1492, C. Johns, Tyler, 1402; W. A. Goss, P.M.; R. H. Rae, P.M. and Secretary, 189, P.G.S.D.; J. Brown, P.M., 1099, P.P.G.P.; H. W. Hooper P.M., 1254, P.G.R.; John Way, P.M., 39, P.P.G. Treasurer; P. D. Michelmore, W.M., 1138; B. H. Pescott, W.M., 789; D. Watson, 328; C. Mutten, 1205; J. Dodge, J. Paul, W. Bradnee, and others. Bro. Perry, the W.M. for the past year, performed the impressive ceremony of installation, with very great efficiency and ability, whilst the charges were given to the W.M. elect and the Wardens by Bro. Rae, P.G.S.D., and this having been done, the Worshipful Master ap pointed his officers for the year ensuing, as follows:—Bro. Perry, I.P.M., Treasurer; Bro. J. Murray, S.W.; P. Karkeek J.W.; the Rev. J. P. Foster; Chaplain; L. M. Sarre, S.D., and Hon. Secretary; Morgan, J.D.; P. M. Harland, D.C.; W. A. Goss, A.D.C.; Rice, Organist; J. Dodge, Inner Guard; C. Johns. Tyler. A very interesting and pleasing feature in connection with the proceedings, was the presentation of a splendid Past Master's jewel, to Bro. Perry, by the Prov. Grand Master of Devon, on behalf of the lodge. This presentation was made as a recognition of the ability and the courtesy which Bro. Perry has at all times shown in the discharge of his many and difficult duties during his year of office—the first year of the lodge's existence, and in presenting the jewel the Prov. G.M. remarked that the worthy I.P.M. had strictly adhered to the duties which he took upon himself when he was first elected and had thoroughly conformed to all those regulations to which he at that time so cordially assented. By so doing he had gained for himself the esteem, the respect, and the love of his fellow Masons, and they could not shew this better than by presenting him with the beautiful jewel which he (Bro. Huyshe) had now the pleasure of handing to him. Aimidst The appearse the Prov. G. M. then pinned the p well on the meast of Bro. Perry, and the latter, in recurring thanks, as wed the beetleren that it his enout to govern the lodge had been feeble and oaking they had, at any rate, been hearty and sincere. It was a matter of the greatest grantement to min to be able to say that during his year of office they had never had one single word which could by any means be considered as approaching to unpleasantness—(hear, hear)

-but the whole business of the lodge had been conducted with the utmost good feeling and unanimity-(applause). The thanks of brethren were given to Bro. Goss for the gift of of a very handsome frame for the charter of incorporation of the lodge; the Prov. G.M., the D.P.G.M., and the visiting brethren were thanked for their presence, and the lodge was then closed in due form. At a later hour the brethren partook of an excellent banquet at the Queen's Hotel, under the presidency of the newly installed W.M., Bro. Chapman. After dinner the usual loyal and Masonic toasts followed. The health of the Prov.G.M. was most cordially drunk and the welcome with which he was always greeted amongst Masons in the province made the arduous office which he held a pleasure rather than a burthen to him. It certainly was a very laborious office, and in another week he should have to do that which, of all the duties he had to perform, was the most burdensome, viz., to appoint the officers for the Prov. Grand Lodge. But in this task he was ably assisted by the D.P.G.M. and others, and in all the appointments that he made he did his best to be thoroughly and strictly impartial—(hear, hear). But the brethren must recollect that while there were 44 lodges in the province, there were only eleven or twelve offices to be filled, and if they bore this in mind they would readily appreciate the extreme difficulty of the task which he had to perform. He could only say that the few honours which were at his disposal he always considered it his duty to give to those who worked hard and deserved them-(applause). Bro. Metham, D.P.G.M., briefly responded to the toast of his health, which was warmly received, and the Prov. Grand Master, in proposing the next toast said he attended Jordan Lodge that day with more than usual pleasure. He liked to see the Master of a lodge remember the solemn duties which he had to perform, and he liked to see those duties done as they ought to be done. He had seen that done to-day by their excellent I.P.M., Bro. Perry, who certainly performed the somewhat difficulty ceremony of installation in a way which he did not find excelled in any of the lodges of the country. Certainly he did not expect to see it done so well in a lodge so young as the Jordan Lodge, and he congratulated the brethren on having had such a Master during the past year. He also congratulated them on the excellent selection of W.M. for the ensuing year, which they had that day made, because one who had received such tuition and such education as had been given by the worthy brother who had just vacated the chair could not fail to fill the office with satisfaction to all concerned. Although the Jordan Lodge was so young, it had already shown itself to be a lodge conducted upon true and faithful Masonic principles. It had endeavoured to do its duty without allowing itself to be carried away by a wish to largely increase its numbers, irrespective of the quality of those who were introduced into the lodge, and he wished to impress upon all Masons that they should not seek to get anyone and everyone into their lodges. For himself, he should be exceedingly glad if the Grand Lodge would double the entrance fee; they would then have a very different class of men in the Order. It was really a bad principle to look simply to the filling of their books with numbers. If a man put a bad stone into a building it was by no means an easy thing to take it out again. But it must come out unless they wished to mar the beauty of the whole building, and how was the mistake to be remedied? Why, by never letting the stone go in-(hear, hear, and applause). Never let them put an evil stone into a building, and then they would raise and erect a temple fit and proper for habitation-(hear, hear). This was why they had raised their fee above that of every other lodge in the province, and he congratulated them very much upon having done so, because it was the way to keep them select. It might perhaps be said, in opposition to such a course as this, that Masonry was universal, and therefore ought not to be kept select, but he did not consider that there was anything in the argument. Masonry was universal, it was true, in its principles, but in its members it was select, and ought to be select—(hear, hear). The R.W. brother concluded by proposing, in complimentary merits.

terms, the health of the W.M.—(applause). The W.M., in returning thanks, said that the sole object which they had in view in starting the Jordan Lodge, was that of raising the standard of Freemasonry, and so far, he was happy to say, their efforts had been crowned with success. In the formation of a second lodge, it was quite natural that there would be opposition, and especially as the new lodge started with the intention of admitting a better element than the candidates indicated in the old one. In dealing with that opposition, in a true Masonic spirit, he was pleased to find that the exercise of that spirit had contributed towards the ultimate success of the undertaking, and now at the first anniver. sary of the lodge, they were honoured by the patronage of the most distinguished Masons in the province. He (the W.M.) wished to express the indebtedness of the lodge to the wise counsels and constant support of their R.W. Provincial Grand Master, who was an honorary member of the lodge, and had ever shown himself ready to second their efforts. After acknowledging the complimentary terms tendered by the Provincial Grand Master in proposing the toast, he (the W.M.) proceeded to give "The Health of the Immediate Past Master," who had acquitted himself so creditably during his year of office, and who had at its close so satisfactorily conducted the installation of his successor. The I.P.M., Bro. T. Perry, repled briefly, and in terms that manifested deep attachment to the lodge, and expressed his indebtedness to the W.M. for the manner he had proposed his health, and hoped that the future of the lodge would fully realize the anticipations of its founders. The W.M. then gave "The Health of the W.M., Officers, and Members of the Sister Lodge," W. Bro. D. Watson, I.P.M. 328, responded, thanking the W.M. of the Jordan Lodge for the fraternal spirit he had kindly manifested towards the lodge of which he was the Immediate Past Master, and intimated that as far as he was able he should try to get St. John's Lodge to reciprocate the senti-ments so kindly tendered. W. Bro. T. Perry ments so kindly tendered. then gave "The Health of the Visitors," which was responded to by Bros. P. D. Michelmore, W.M. No. 1238; R. H. Rae, P.G.S.D., Hon. Sec. No. 189; and D. Watson, I.P.M. 328. Bro. P. Q. Karkeet, J.W., expressed his wish to see the lodge take that position which would be calculated to improve the mental, as well as the moral standing of its members, and considered that the effort of those who had charge of the lodge should be to endeavour to secure this very desirable object. He was very glad that the lodge had by its bye laws strictly prohibited any refreshments at the meetings of the lodge, and trusted that the true principles of the Order would be faithfully carried out in the every-day life of the members. The Tyler's toast, given by Bro. C. Johns, in terms that indicated the spirit of Freemasonry, brought the meeting to a

#### Boyal Arch.

GLASGOW.—Thetis Chapter (No. 122).—This young but prosperous chapter met on Monday, 25th inst., for the nomination of officers for the ensuing year, when the following were unanimously elected. Comp. James Park, the founder of the Chapter was unanimously requested to again fill the chair of First Principal Z, which office he has held since the formation of the chapter. He acceded to their wishes and consented to hold the office for one more term. J. McDoughal, was appointed H.; J. H. Scatt, J.; Joseph Johnson, Scribe E.; Wm. Bassett, Scribe N.; and J. Gurn, T. A vote of thanks was presented to Comp. Clatworthy, for the efficient way in which he had performed the duties of Scribe E. for the past five years. Comps, William Basset, and J. D. Fleming, of Chap. 69, were then affiliated as members of the Thetis, and the Chapter was closed according to ancient form.

A Boon to Eveny Household,—Boots, with the celebrated wire-quilted soles, wearing twice as long as ordinary leather, for all ages; and children's boots with metallic tips, which never wear out at the toes, may be bad at most shee dealers. Insist on giving these a trial, and judge on their merits.

### Mark Masonry.

CARNARVON LODGE OF MARK MASTERS (No. 119).—The regular meeting of this lodge was held at the White Hart Hotel, Brislington, on Thursday, August the 21st. The lodge was opened by the W.M., Bro. W. A. Scott, at 5 o'clock. After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for Bro. J. B. Halford, as a joining member from the Amity Mark Lodge No. 132, also Bro. W. Tucker, W.M. Craft Lodge 103, Bro. John Summers, 326; Bro. E. Trood, 326; Bro. Dr. D. Bernard, 1296; Bro. H. W. Lane, 103; Bro. J. R. Shorland, 610; and Bro. E. Cook, S.D. 103, as candidates for advancement. The ballot being unanimous in every case, and five of the brethren being in attendance, and having signed the required declaration, they were severally introduced and advanced to the honourable degree of M.M.M.'s, with full ceremonial, in accordance with the new ritual. The brethren present expressed their great satisfaction at the introduction of the new ritual, and were advised by the W.M. to procure a copy each, so that by the next meeting they might be perfect in their part of the ceremony. There being no further business the lodge was closed in ancient form at 7.30. There were present:—Bros. W. A. Scott, P.M., Grand Steward, W.M.; Dr. S. Bryant, P.M., Grand Master Overseer, Treasurer; G. F. Tucker, N., R.A.M., Prov. G. Asst. Sec., S.W.; J. M. Hunt, J.W.,; A. G. Williams, Reg. of Marks; William Munro, Asst. Prov. G. Dir. of Cers., M.O.; Hearne, S.O.; Hunt, J.O.; J. A. Clark, Prov. G. Inspector of Works, J.D.; H. Amor, Prov. G. Deacon, S.D.; Birtwell, Secretary; J. B. Warren, Steward; Samuel Edwards, I.G.; J. Coles, Tyler; D. P. Belfield, Prov. G. Steward; James Jones, and others.

#### Meviews.

Bro. D. Murray Lyon's History of the Lodge of Edinburgh, No. 1.

For some months we have been expecting the advent of the most important contribution to Masonic literature of this eventful period in the Craft's history; now our hopes are realized, and there lies before us not only the handsomest, but also the most readable volume which has ever been published, respecting the "Rise and Progress of Freemasonry in Scotland." Containing as it does over 400 pages, printed most beautifully by Messrs. Blackwood and Sons, and profusely illustrated, the really splendid work by Bro. D. Murray Lyon cannot be done justice to, even in a carefully prepared review, and therefore we are anxious to induce our readers not to rest satisfied with the following brief notice of its varied contents, but to procure copies for themselves whilst they are obtainable. Published under the patronage of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, K.G. ("Patron of the Order" in Scotlant, and dedicated to the Right Hon. the Earl of Dalhousie, K.T., G.C.B. (P.G.M.), we should say that the author and publishers have obtained every influence requisite to ensure success; we predict a rapid sale of the volumes as yet unsubscribed for, and confidently anticipate one hearty and unanimous expression of approval of Bro. Lyon's labours by the fraternity and Masonic press of both hemispheres.

The portraits are so numerous and excellent, that it would almost be invidious to select any for particularization. To many, no doubt the full page engravings will form the chief attraction in the series, they are the Earl of Dalhousie (forming the frontispiece, by jecus, from a pnoto. graph), the Duke of Athol, John Whyte Crafts and Incorporations, are carefully traced Melville, Esq., Earl of Rosslyn, Earl of Hadding-ton, Earl of Zetland, and H.R.H. the Prince of to the Freemasons accurately weighted and Wales. There are more than fifty other por- considered indeed the complete manner in traits, engraved by our able Bro. Robert Paterson. which the early history of the Masonic lodges in forming an attractive gallery of living and de- Scotland is treated by our brother, is amply ceased Masonic celebrities, the like of which sofficient to enable one quite a stranger to their has not hitherto been produced. In fac-similes order to become generally familiar with the salithe work is especially rich, and certainly, whether cont points in their eventful history, and many of lodge for Leith and the Canongate, and thus

the publishers have offered us a rare combination of gems in art and antiquity.

Commencing with the beginning and concluding portions of the Schaw Statutes of 1598, and the oldest minute of the Lodge of Edinburgh, July, 1599, the artist pictures to us the exact appearance of these old records, and reproduces all the chief documents mentioned by the author including the "Letter of Jurisdiction to William St. Clair," of 1600 (in full), the very large " Letter of Jurisdiction to Sir William St. Clair of 1628. various commissions, seals, marks, portions of MS. charges, and lodge records from the sixteenth century. Apart altogether from the novelty of the foregoing, their value in assisting the studies of the literary members of the Craft cannot well be over estimated.

Having thus, by way of introduction, referred to what may be termed the ornamental part of the book, it is needful we should glance at the History itself.

No one familiar with Masonic literature for the last and present decades of this century, can fail to have been impressed with the voluminous, instructive, and most valuable character of Bro. D. Murray Lyon's contributions, and they at least will not wonder that his honorary and honourable connection with the Masonic press for many years has culminated in the production of the massive and well-written "History of the Lodge of Edinburgh," and the publication of a work, which will always be regarded as the chef d'œuvre of Masonic research and information.

Those who expect nothing more than an account of the lodge of Edinburgh will be most agreeably surprised on turning over the pages of the book to find a history of the several ancient lodges in Scotland, and, in fact, an epitomized narration of the progress of Freemasonry in North Britain for the last three centuries, including a sketch of the "hautes grades" and fanciful degrees which were so eagerly sought

after about a hundred years ago.

Brother Lyon disposes of the so-called "Hereditary Grand Mastership" of the St. Clairs, by demonstrating such a title to be wholly foreign to the text of the "Letters of Jurisdiction" of 1600 and 1628 (circa). The latter was mainly a confirmation of the older document, and both are silent as to the Grand Mastership. Hence, so far from affording corroboration of the appointment by James II. of William St. Clair, Earl of Orkney and Caithness, to the office of hereditary Grand Master (as Bro. W. A. Laurie claims), Bro. Lyon shows that "on the contrary, they furnish a pretty conclusive refutation of the statement.'

It would be strange indeed for a brother to be Grand Master of the Masons prior to his initiation, and yet such must have been the case with William St. Clair, if we receive the fable, for he was not accepted a member of the Lodge Cannongate Kilwinning until May 18, 1735, and on the 2nd of the following month was "advanced to the degree of Fellow Craft." Bro. Lyon establishes the important fact "that more than a year before the date at which St. Clair is alleged to have formally intimated his intention of resigning the Masonic protectorate, and several months prior to his admission into the Order, the creation of a Grand Mastership for Scotland had been mooted among the brethren." It should also be remembered, that whilst the first of these Letters of Jurisdiction purports to be drawn by the Deacons, Masters, and Freemen of the Scottish Masons, the second is the joint production of the "Masons and Hammermen within the king-dom of Scotland."

It is thus evident, as Bro. Hughan, the well known Masonic historiographer, has frequently observed, the office of "Grand Master was a creation of the Revivalists of A.D. 1717.

The Acts of the Scottish Parliament, anent the a weer to become generally familiar with the saliwe consider the admirable and faithful lithographs, their proceedings are so graphically described, gradually the monopoly enjoyed by the Lodge of by Ritchie, or the unique and curious originals, that the reader cannot fail to be interested and Edinburgh was gradually and surely underwined,

instructed as he proceeds with the perusal of the

The great feature in the work is its readable character. Dry accounts of lodge meetings, confused particulars as to the origin of lodges, and questionable statements as to the antiquity of certain offices, degrees, and ceremonies, are all touched by the "magic wand" of the historian, and changed into a compact, and harmomous narrative of the savings and doings of the early Craft, every evidence being fitted into its proper place, and the whole cemented together by a master mind and skilful Mason. The "Schaw Statutes" of 1598-9, and the MSS, of the "Atcheson-Haven" and "Edinburgh-Kilwinning," as also numerous other curious and valuable documents, are to be found in the volume, and what is more, every needful particular is furnished as to the period when such were granted, written or pro nulgated.

We have not been able to discover one event of importance in relation to Freemasonry in Scot'an I which has been omitted, but so far as our researches have gone we have found every special event which has occured during the mainly operative period of the Craft, and all the salient points in subsequent proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Scotland and its daughter lodges, to be faithfully pourtrayed by Bro. D. Murray Lyon, and described in such an efficient, accurate, and happy manner that we do not hesitate to style the author of such a work the "Masonic Historian of Scotland," a title he has earned for himself prior to the issue of the present volume.

The records of the Lodge of Edinburgh commence July 1599, and extend to six volumes, all of which are in excellent preservation. other lodge occupies so favourable a position in this respect, either in Scotland or the sister kingdoms of England and Ireland. The earliest authentic minute of a non-operative (or gentleman) being a member of a Mason-lodge is to be found in the records of this ancient lodge, viz. -John Boswell, Esq., 8th day of June, A.D.

1600.

On the 3rd day of July, 1634, the Right Hon. Lord Alexander, was "admittet followe off the Craft," and on the same day Sir Alexander Strachan, Bart, and Sir Anthony Alexander, were similarly distinguished. Several other speculatives are chronicled as being initiated a few years subsequently, and it is "worthy of remark that, with singularly few exceptions, the non-operatives who were admitted to Masonic Fellowship in the Lodges of Edinburgh and Kilwinning during the seventeenth century were persons of quality, the most distinguished of whom, as the natural result of its metropolitan position, being made in the former lodge.

General Alexander Hamilton was made a member of the Lodge of Edinburgh, May 20, 1640, and took part in the initiation of Quarter-Master-General Robert Moray, at Newcastle, in May, 1641, when that town was occupied by the Scottish army. This most singular admission of a Mason in a town in England, by members of the Lodge of Edinburgh, (and which initiation was subsequently acknowledged to be lawful by the brethren of the lodge) has entirely been overlooked by all those who preceded Bro. Lyon in scrutinising the ancient records, yet one of more value cannot be found in all the minutes. Sir Patrick Hume (afterwards Earl of Marchmount) joined the lodge on St. John's Day, 1667, the Right Hon. William Murray on June 24, 1670, and so also was Sir John Harper. On the 27th December, 1679, several brethren, for "taken upon them to passe and enter sevrall gentlemen without licence or commission from this place," were severale censured and made to suffer some of the penalties of transgression for a season. Up till the ear of the Revolution, in favour of William Prince of Orange, Bro. Lyon tells us the Lodge of Edinburgh seems to have been in undisturbed possession of the metropolis and its scaport as the field of its labours. In 1677 a number of Masons started the Canongate Lodge by representing themselves as "ane part" of the mother Kilwinning," which in reality they were not. In 1688 several Masons formed themselves into a

and prepared the way for the final overthrow of its exclusive jurisdiction by the "Journeymen in 1712. Not that its privileges were surrendered quietly, or without many severe struggles, but nothing could withstand the growing conviction that one lodge only for the city of Edinburgh was neither just nor desirable.

During the formation of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, which was in all probability a result of the visit of Dr. Desaguliers to that country, many very curious incidents are referred to by the historian, and as the time arrived when even the Grand Lodge itself was put on its trial, and a dissolution of that body was threatened, our readers will see that Bro. Lyon has no lack of stirring events to chronicle. We must not omit to mention that capital biographical sketches distinguished Freemasons are interspersed throughout the work, and are a most attractive addition to its contents, neither must we neglect to notice the excellent index which accompanies the volume, and increases its usefulness as a work of reference. Contrary to the desire of the author, but certainly in accordance with the wishes of the subscribers, a really good portrait of Bro. D. Murray Lyon heads the "contents," and only the life of that able brother is wanting to complete the book. We are glad to see his friend, Bro. William James Hughan, has supplied this desideratum in an appreciative and lengthy review of the history in question, to which we beg to refer our readers, and which we are likely to reprint.

We cannot conclude better than by recommending every Master of a lodge to introduce this grand work to his brethren, and every brother should seek to promote its sale.

Live Lights and Dead Lights: (Altar or Table?)
By Hargrave Jennings, author of "The Rosicrucians," &c. John Hodges, Strand, London.

Its contents are as follows :-

Introductory Chapter as to the Design and and purposes of the Book; Sunday in London; Sunday in Summer; Symbolic Meaning of the various Parts of a Church; A Ritualistic Church Outside; Ritualism inside a Church; Mysteries of the General Cross-Form; Theurgic Mysteries in the different Cross-Forms; The Outside of Westminster Abbey; The Inside of Westminster Abbey; Religious Confusion of the present time in England; Rationale of the Blessed Eucharist; An Altar for a Victim, or a Table for Company, The Work is handsomely bound, and its illustrations are exquisite in execution.

The Trustees' Guide. Cracroft's Investment Tracts: published by Edward Stanford, Charing Cross, price 1s.

This excellent and very cheap "Guide" is a synopsis of the ordinary powers of trustees in regard to investments, with practical directions and tables of securities, British, colonial, foreign, and miscellaneous. To investors this work will prove invaluable. It gives the amount of issue of every class of stocks and shares; the company, rates of interest, description of option, date when interest is payable, date of termination, and prices from 1868 to the present time. The legal portion has been superintended by counsel of high standing. Few books, probably if any, containing so great an amount of condensed and carefully digested fact, have been presented to a public at so reasonable a price.

Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of North Caro-

An excellent address, delivered by the Grand Master to the brethren, is herein contained. Page 252 commences with a list of s bordintaries and their addresses. It will no doubt be welcomed by members of the Craft.

Newspaper List for the United Kingdom. By W. J. Clarke, general advertising agent, 85, Gracecaurch Street, London.

We find an alphabetical list of London newspapers, days when issued, and also lists of will open his court on the 23rd of September.

newspapers published in the provinces, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, To all newspaper proprietors, agents, and others, this useful book will prove of great value.

The Bijou Crochet Book. By Madamoiselle Réné, London, Alfred B. Emanuel, 27, Somerford Grove, Stoke Newington, N.

To ladies this little work will prove very useful. The patterns given are beautiful in design, every stitch, loop and chain being explained. It promises to be highly attractive. We cordially wish it every success.

Skin Diseases: An enquiry into their parasitic origin, and connection with eye affections; also the fungoid or germ theory of cholera; by Jabez Hogg, Surgeon to the Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital, &c., London: Baillière, Tindall, and Cox.

The frontispiece shows: fungi taken on a glass slide exposed to a current air; algoid filaments growing in distilled water; healthy yeast-cells from sweet-wort, a little too dark in colour, and

too full of granular matter, &c.

The writer gives some able remarks on the aim of modern medicine; the rise and progress of a vegetable parasitic theory of disease, to which is added a table of diseases of supposed parasitic origin. Page 9 commences with:— the anatomical structure of the skin. The skin is composed of three layers, the epidermis or cuticle, the dermis or true skin, and the subcutaneous cellular tissue. It is largely supplied with bloodvessels, nerves, glands, and adipose tissue. Muscular fibres are found in the superficial layer of the dermis in close conection with the hairs of the body. In some of the lower animals, as the cat tribe, mouse, &c., these muscles are arranged in bands about the nose, and they serve to erect the hairs and convert them into sensitive tactile From page 20-90 it gives chapters on parastic diseases: the atmospherical conditions necessary for their production, botanical description of fungi and yeast plant, simplicity of structure of fungi and mildews; ravages occasioned by them in the vegetable and ani-mal kingdoms mode of destruction explained, various opinions on the nature of parastic diseases of the skin, porrigo, scululata, ringworm, description of disease, and treatment; cases examined under the microscope, opthalmia, pustular conjunctivitis, description of disease, overcrowding as a cause in government pauper schools and school hospitals; treatment; Mycetonia, fungus-foot disease of India, conclusion arrived at after a survey of parasitie diseases of the skin. &c. In the latter part of the book is given a chapter on cholera and other diseases, containing fungoid or organic germ; theory of cholera. The vital germ, and physical theories of disease explained, Dr. Tytler's, supposed discovery of the cause of cholera; Dr. Wallace, Dr. Mitchell, and other authors' fangus theories, &c. In concluding, the writer says-"So much remains to be done in this difficult inquiry, and so many doubtful points require clearing up before it can be truly said cholera or any other form of disease has its origin in a fungoid growth, that, if we are not more cautious, we shall find the cholera contagion what Borck has aptly described it to be—" the infusoria chaos of the intestines." He further remarks.—" if any one is determined to furnish a formula for cholcra, he may take bad air, bad water, sewer emanations, floating stinks, germs if you please, bad ventilation, with perhaps with a dozen or two more evils, which are all more or less concerned in orginating the disease." He shows that the prime occasion for its development is a mass of human beings aggregated together, either in ate lodges working under the jurisdiction of the towns in barracks, or in the country, into a suffici-Grand lodge of North Carolina. Pages 257 to ently limited area of mud, gravel, granice, large 388 give the returns from the subordinate and imposing structures, crowded courts, alleys, lodges, and page 398 a list of the Grand Secre- cellars, or attics, and the necessary conditions for cholera as well as other zymotic diseases are provided. Altogether it is one of the most complete works we ever saw on skin diseases. We heartily commend it to our readers' patronage.

The Revising Barrister for the City of London

### Masonic Tidings.

ST. JOHN'S GATE.—The following letter appears in the Clerkenwell News :- Sir, " rumour is being extensively circulated that this house is to be restored at the expense of the English Order of St. John, to whom it is stated it has been sold. The property was purchased of Mr. Wickens by a private gentleman, a client of our house, and not by the Order of St. John. That gentleman is a member of the English branch of the Order, and this may, in some measure account for the report; but though it is hoped that the Old Gate House may ultimately become the property of that body, it is intended for the present to keep it open as an oldfashioned tavern, under management which we hope will satisfy the numerous literary and other clubs which have for so many years been connected with the locality. As the statement that the house is about to be closed is likely to do the business considerable harm we shall be obliged by your finding room in your columns for this explanation of the real state of the matter .-We are, sir, yours, &c., Chapman and Turner."

CENTENARY OF THE GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE.—The Grand Orient of France has issued a circular to all its lodges, and to all Masons in correspondence with it, of its intention to celebrate the centenary of the establishment of the Grand Orient of France. The celebration will take the form of a sête and banquet, on the 27th September, during the session of the General Assembly. The Grand Orient invites all Masonic bodies in correspondence to send deputations, and relies upon a numerous attendance in reply to the invitation. The Grand Orient considers that the occasion of its centenary will afford the opportunity of a reunion of brethren of all rites, for the purpose of renewing the bonds which exist between the great Masonic family.

Several lodges in Paris are advocating a modification of the fees for the different degrees, so that the minimum may be as follow: First degree 25 francs; Second degree 20 francs; Third degree 15 francs.

In consequence of the alarming illness of the W.D. Prov. G.M., Bro. Capt. Bridges, the Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge, to have been held at Bath this month, is postponed until further notice.

The St. James's Lodge of Instruction, hitherto held at the Gregorian Arms Tavern, Jamaica-Road, Bermondsey, has been removed to Bro. George Wintle's, the New Tanners' Arms, Grange Road, Bermondsey.

The Session 1873-74 of the Stability Lodge of Instruction, will commence on Friday, the 5th of September, at 6 o'clock precisely, under the presidency of Bro. Henry Muggeridge, at the Guildhall Tavern, 33, Gresham-street, City, when we have no doubt there will be a numerous assemblage of brethren.

Mr. Alderman and Sheriff-Elect Whetham, has appointed Mr. Thomas Beard to act as his Under-Sheriff during his year of office.

Λ "life ship"—a little steamer—whose mission is to cruise up and down the Channel in all weathers, bringing succour to ships when approaching a lee shore from the windward side, was launched at Southampton yesterday. She is to be called the Peronelle.

A great trades demonstration was held in the Queen's Park, Edinburgh, on Saturday last, in favour of the repeal of the Criminal Law Amendment Act.

SERMONE,—The only guaranteed our for Toothache,—This extraordinary application, marvellous in its effects, gives immediate relief, without injuring the tooth, and forms a temporary stopping. 18, 13d, 19 post free 18, 3d. The Conserve Toorn Paste, for cleaning and improving the neeth, imparts a natural reduces to the gams, and gives buildancy to the enamel. Price 18, 6d. The Royal Destructe, prepared from a recipe as used by her Majesty, gives the teeth a pearl-like whiteness, and imparts a delicious tragrance to the breath. Price 18, 6d. Fold by all chemists and perfumers, and by the proprietors, Messus, Gamele, the old-established Dentists, 72, Ludgate-hill, and 50, Harley-street, Cavendish-square London.

#### THE DIVINE OMNIPRESENCE.

"Let us remember that wherever we are, and whatever we do, He is with us, and His all-sceing eye beholds us."—Masonic Charge.

The Sacred Symbol consecrates the Lodge,
And thoughts inspire which lift the heart
above.

Suggesting that 'tis holy ground we tread,
Where all is harmony—all peace and love.

We're there reminded of the truth sublime,

That He who all things made, now fills all
space;

In all things lives, and animates the whole, Ruling and guiding in every place.

Wheree'er we are, whate'er we say or do,
His eye beholds, for He is with us ever,
To check the evil, and to crown the good,
To strengthen and to aid each high en-

Oh, Lord omnipotent, as good as great,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be!
Let Thy good Spirit rule within our hearts,
That all our doings may be bless'd by Thee!

Then shall we ever in uprightness walk,
Our obligations ne'er forgotten be,
But so controlling us, in heart and life,
That all may learn from what in us they

There's nothing selfish in our mystic band,
There's nothing diffrence makes among
our kind,

Our brothers first, but only first, we aid,
That aid we'd give alike to all mankind.
'Tis thus we'd imitate our common Lord,
Whose sun shines forth on evil and on good,
Whose rain refreshes both unjust and just,
Though some, through life, His goodness
have withstood.

Oh, Lord Omnipotent, give us the grace
To do Thy will, as holy angels do,
That others seeing, in our steps may tread
And thus the reign of righteousness renew-

A CALIFORNIAN LANDOWNER. - Dr. Glenn, of Colusa County, owns a ranch which contains nearly 45,000 acres. It embraces a frontage of 18 miles on the Sacramento River, and extends back about five miles. It is enclosed and divided by 140 miles of fencing. One tenant, G. W. Hoog, rents and cultivates about 10,000 acres of the land, and the Gupton Brothers cultivate an equal portion. Some 15,000 acres are rented out to a number of farmers who work on a smaller scale. At the present time Hoog is engaged in cutting 7,000 acres of wheat and barley. The crop this year will yield about 20 bushels per acre of wheat. In favourable seasons the yield has been about 35 bushels. The yield of barley is considerably larger. The total crop will amount to nearly 180,000 bushels. He is thrashing his grain with one of Case's 48-inch cylinder thrashing machines, which is run by a 20 horse-power steam engine. To supply this machine requires six large headers and 18 header wagons, with require the labour of 110 horses and 50 men. The machine has thrashed five sacks of barley per minute, at which rate it has run for an hour and a half in succession. It has also thrashed 32 sacks of wheat in seven minutes. It will require about six weeks to thrash the entire crop. These are the operations of Hoog alone. Gupton Brothers have an equally large crop, and are driving business on about the same scale. smaller tenants are equally well employed.-Sacramento Union.

However High the Temperature, however impregnated with impurities, air, food, or heverages may be, no one need be helpless, he peloss, or powerless. Apathy, restlessness, headache, giddiness and parched skin, warm mankind that a feverish attack has begun, which reglect will intensify if the sufferer fail to resort early to Holloway's purifying and regulating pills or some such corrective medicine. Holloway's Pills meet all the disarrangements of the circulation and nervous centres with efficiency and safety, and through these patent auxiliaries they are competent to check advancing maladies and to conquer hreatened perils. Holloway's Medicine is particularly useful to people past their climateric age, when energies begin to wane, and various organs of the body become capricious in heir functions.—Adva.

A NOVEL EXPERIMENT.—The National Temperance League have successsfully made a novel experiment at the manœuvres on Dartmoor, and are about to repeat it at Cannock Chase. the sanction of the military authorities they opened a temperance commissariat for the benefit of the soldiers, and have worked it so well as to make up to some extent for the deficiencies of the Control Department. Commencing at five o'clock in the morning, they have all day long supplied hot coffee and tea, in addition to most things eatable and drinkable which savour not of alcohol. In other respects the "Temperance Camp" has offered far better accommodation to the soldiers than the ordinary canteen, the men being able not only to obtain stationery and stamps, but having a tent placed at their disposal for recreation, reading, and writing. The appears to have supplied about 100 gallons of coffee and four gallons of tea a-day in rd. cups, and at certain hours of the day demands upon its resources have been very severe-The experiment has been made under the direction of a Miss Robinson, assisted by an earnest and competent staff, and officers and men alike have largely and thankfully availed themselves of the advantages which it conferred, At considerable personal trouble, too, Miss Robinson has rushed in where the postal officials feared to tread, and has earned the gratitude of many a soldier's wife by sending to Plymouth for postoffice orders for the men, neither the camp postmaster nor the Postmaster-General, though memorialised on the subject, caring to make the necessary arrangements. Writing to the Scoretary of the League on August 14th, Miss Robinson says that on the previous Saturday she had sent in for forty orders, amounting to over £25, and adds, "Last year the soldiers' wives left behind in garrison suffered much from being unable to get remittances from their husbands, and the men as a rule take no money back, saying that they may as well spend it as lose it.' It is scarcely necessary to observe that the temperance caterers have seized every available opportunity of spreading the principles of the League, and as they started by securing in an eminently practical way the sympathies of the men, they have succeeded in making a very fair number of converts.—Times, 21st August, 1873

A Consumers' Strike,-In these days of high prices it is impossible to tell what form combination may take, and it is interesting to watch its development as it extends from one class to another, and is even snatched up as a weapon of defence in out-of-the-way places under pressure of emergency. It seems that at Builth, a Welsh watering place, the other day. the visitors, maddened by the exhorbitant charges of the local tradesmen, determined on a "strike' and accordingly convened a meeting on the public recreation ground of the place, where they discussed their grievances and decided on their plan of action. Bitter complaints were made of the high prices charged by shopkeepers and hotelkeepers, and it was ultimately resolved that unless the charge for butter was reduced nearly 50 per cent, and the price of ham brought down to that at which it could be obtained at Cardiff, they (the visitors) would totally abstain from the use of those articles of consumption The meeting was then adjourned, after a committee had been formed to wait upon the tradesmen and inform them of the determination that had been arrived at. There can be little doubt that this system of "striking" against the charge of certain articles which have hitherto been of daily use will in a short time become common, owing to the impossibility of meeting the exorbitant demands of retail dealers. People are beginning to find out that many of what are termed "necessaries" are in fact luxuries, which can be easily dispensed with without serious discomfort or The style of living has of late years become far too extravagant among all classes of society, and the present high prices will be not without their compensation, if they induce simpler habits than those which have done so much to demoralise both tradesmen and their customers. Fewer servants, fewer fires, less meat, less butter, less luxuries of every description will become the fashion, until demand and supply have reached an equilibrium.—Pall Mall Gazette.

PATENT AIR GAS .- A novelty is about to be introduced in Leeds in the shape of gas manufactured by a very simple process from air. The necessary apparatus consists of three connected parts. The first is a blower, set in motion by a wound-up weight, operating upon its axis by a cord passing over pulley sheaves. Through the motive power secured by the gradual pressure of the weight downwards, the fan revolves and forces a sufficient supply of air into what is called the generator. This is a cylinder charged with a chemical preparation known as gasogen, which gives off an inflammable vapour. By passing through this, common air acquires illuminating qualities, and is at once conducted, ready for use, into the "governor," a kind of meter used to regulate the pressure. It will thus be seen that no kind of fuel is used in the process, the only material requisite, in addition to the air supply, being the liquid gasogen. One of the main ingredients of this highly volatile pre-paration is spirits of petroleum. It is not explosive, and can be purchased at a cost of half-acrown per gallon. This quantity will make 500 cubic feet of air gas, which is said to be equal to twice that supply of coal gas, owing to its stronger light and slower combustion. Consustronger light and slower combustion. mers who may contemplate making their own gas by the new mode will want to know something about the apparatus. A machine to serve from 10 to 14 burners can be purchased for £15. and the prices for ordinary purposes range from this figure to £60 for an apparatus equal to the supply of from 5 to 125 burners.

Conservation of Wood.--The a plication of wood to the rough and trying purpose of street paying renders any inquiry into the means of assuring its preservation of great interest. At Toledo, Ohio, blocks were found to be, at the end of four or five years, entirely rotten; yet when the wood paving at the corner of King and Jordan-streets, Toronto, was taken up after some two or three years' wear, it was found to be practically as good as new. It had diminished only from one-sixteenth to one-eighth of an inch but, although the surface had thus been ground down, it was, by that very process, rendered almost as hard as iron. Toledo blocks had been coated with tar. The probability is that the latter had been thus treated while the wood was still green or moist, and that the superficial covering served to confine the moisture, and so to make the process of softening or rotting away all the easier. French and Belgian engineers have been lately giving some attention to this subject. An American newspaper, noticing their experiments, says -" Instances are mentioned one of the experimenters, M. Melsenns, in which prepared blocks, into the sinuosities of whose woody fibres the tarry preparation had penerated, after exposure to alternate steam baths and frosty weather, and to burial in wet or parshy soil, were perfectly sound and uninjured after 20 years' trial. A section of a piece of timber impregnated with far shows that the conserving substance has followed the lines of the longitudinal fibres, and often the microscope reveals the complete filling of the porcs, and every channel which might give entrance to deleterious agents is plugged by the far, which m many cases, is also found a perfect preserver of bolts, screws and nails." It is declared that by this process a railway sleeper may be made as sound and to last as long as an Egyptian mummy. It must be clear that no such results as these could be attained without a careful selection and preparation of the wood in the first instance. That appears to us to be the primary condition in all cases. Then it becomes a question what is the best preserver, regard being had to cheapness. Is it carbolic acid or tar, or what? The answer may most materially affect ie application ef an absolute n cossity to its adoption -- Taronto

The Prince of Wales will subscribe to the Cole testimonial. The Duke of Edinburgh puts his name down for  $\mathcal{L}_{25}$ , and Lord Ripon and the Duke of Bucchench each subscribe  $\mathcal{L}_{25}$ .

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THE UNITED ORDERS OF THE TEMPLE AND HOSPITAL AND THE PRESS.

By Bro. EMRA HOLMES.

The impertinent self-appointed mentor of the Prince of Wales must have had an attack of jaundice, or shall we coin a word, and call it "Templarphobia," when it published the article on the "Order of the Temple," now under review; but unfortunately, in venting its spleen on the august ceremonial which roused its ire--possibly because its representative was not invited to the f-ast—betrays what we can only describe as crass ignorance in commenting on the meeting.

The writer, it would recent, had recently read "Ivanhoe"—had probably witnessed the performance of "Reb rea"—and gathered the little

historical knowledge he possessed from the pages of Sir Walter Scott.

The joke is really too good—The Spectator quoting Sir Walter Scott as a reliable authority on matters antiquarian. Our would-be-clever contemporary, in speaking sarcastically of the officers present at the Convent General, in April, takes exception to the style "Most Eminent" as applied to the Grand Master, no doubt forgetting, or, might we say, more probably not knowing that that title was precisely what was used by the Knights of St. John, with whom the Knights Templar were amalgamated. If the author of the article in The Spectator will condescend to refer to Porter's History of the Knights of Malta\* he will find a letter thus headed:—

"Charles II., by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c."

"To the Most Eminent Prince, the Lord Nicholas Cottoner, Grand Master of the Order of Malta, our well-beloved cousin and friend, Greeting:

"Most Eminent Prince," &c., &c. The letter concludes, "we therefore amicably beseech your Eminence, &c.," and is signed, Your Highness's Cousin and Friend, Charles Rex."

A letter from Queen Anne to the Grand Master, in 1713, is couched in the following style:

"Anne, by the Grace of God, &c, to the Most Illustrious and Most High Prince, the Lord Raymond Perellos, Grand Master of the Order of Malta," and is signed "Your Highness's good Cousin and Friend, Anne R."

Emanuel Pinto, Grand Master (under whose sanction, it is said, the Malta Order was conferred on Freemasons), who died in 1773, was not content to be "Most Eminent" only, or "Illustrious," but claimed for his ambassadors at foreign courts the prerogatives of those who represented the monarchs of Europe, and for himself demanded the title of Most Eminent Highness, whereas his predecessors, Porter alleges, in a somewhat contradictory manner, had all been contented with that of Eminence.

It would thus appear that Most Eminent is by no means an inappropriate title for the Grand Master of the United Orders of Knights Templars, and Knights of St. John of Jerusalem.

Our contemporary is pleased to sneer at the Earl of Limerick, the Great Prior, and adds:—"It is only necessary to read Ivanhoe to learn that the chief of a Templar Convent was Preceptor, not Prior." We are very grateful for the information, but the Preceptor is the chief of our Convents or Encampments, and not the Prior, who, however, is the head af a priory of Malta.

Perhaps The Spectator will forgive us if we suggest that the Templar houses were not called convents at all, but preceptories, and that the author of Ivanhoe is the last man we should go to for correct antiquarian knowledge. If we remember right, in the very book The Spectator quotes, "Ivanhoe," Sir Walter Scott makes the courtiers address Richard I, as "your majesty," a title which was not used by the Kings of England for centuries afterwards.

We are quite ready to admit the truth of one

\* Vol. 2, p. 368.

statement of *The Spectator*, that the Duke of Manchester's Knights of Malta are not true Johanniter, and here for once *The Spectator* is right, as the Sacred Council at Rome, the Supreme body in the Order of St. John, repudiates the claims of the so-called Anglican langue.

By the way it is whispered that the Manchester Knights, or Anglican Langue, as they prefer to be called, are making strong efforts to secure, if they have not already purchased, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, erst the head quarters of the Knights of St. John.

It is said that Sir George Bowyer and the Roman Catholic Knights (but with how much truth we know not) have been equally desirous of getting possession, but remembering that the chief authorities at Rome refuse to acknowledge the legitimacy of the English langue, the mere holding of St. John's Gate will no more make the Duke's lieges real Johanniter than the possession of Temple Church makes the London barristers Knights Templar. Our contemporary in attempting to describe the Installation of the Prince of Wales as Grand Master is positively amusing in its mendacious impertinence, when it says that "having passed the precincts of the Temple of Willis's," as it describes, with infinite wit, the place of meeting, "than he was launched into the centre of a series of scenes of the most arrant tomfoolery, curiously variegated with maudlin piety." We have stated before that the account of the proceedings given in the Daily Telegraph was incorrect, but it was nevertheless fairly written, as most of its descriptive articles are. We cannot say so much for The Spectator. The whole tone of the article is splenetic and contemptible, and the ribald manner it adopts to spit its venom on the Order of the Temple is strongly suggestive of an old fable, often quoted, and often needing quotation.

Is it possible that the writer of the article is some canny Scot, who tries to decry what he, in his heart of hearts, only covets?

Is it because the Prince of Wales has shown so great an interest in the Convent General of the Order of the Temple, whose Statutes the Scotch repudiated before they had properly weighed the consequences of their conduct that this article was written?

Can it be the old story of "The Fox and the Grapes" revived for the benefit of a few malcontents?

The Spectator's logic is very fine.

At the commencement of the article under review, it ridicules the notion that the Masonic Knights are true descendants of the ancient Templars, apostrophises the shades of Hugh de Payen and Brian de Bois Gilbert, and talks of "the marvellous transmogrified resuscitation of knights all dust, and swords all rust."

At the conclusion it is vastly indignant that the heir to the throne, with the Queen's sanction should give away "trumpery titles and pinchbeck decorations," a graceful way of sneering at the Grand Cross conferred upon the Emperor of Germany, the King of Sweden, and a few other nobodies *The Spectator* does not choose to recognise, and then says that "real nobility and knighthood lose somewhat of their worth," while such things are allowed.

The Spectator concludes as follows:-

Granville recently  $\operatorname{Lord}$ was "When questioned by Lord Houghton in regard to the principle of permitting British subjects to wear foreign Orders, his reply was pitched in a very high key indeed. What would he say if he were questioned as to the propriety, or not to put too fine a point on it, the legality, of the Prince of Wales conferring not merely a foreign, but a Papal and Monastic Order at Willis's Rooms?"

If we are a Papal, Monastic, and Foreign Order we must be surely true Knights Templar, but then our sapient compeer speaks of us at the outset as only a sham.

If we are only imitation and Masonic Knights then the reference to the Monastic and Papal Order is simply nonsense, if we are true Knights Templar, under the Mastership of the heir to the throne and the express sanction of the Crown (the fountain of law and honour) the question of legality is as idle as it is intended to be mischievous.

The Spectator opens by attacking us as spurious, and concludes by admitting our right to our title, in order to denounce us as an illegal

Our contemporary is on the horns of a dilemma, and we leave it to find its way to the logical conclusion of a line of argument, which we readily admit, is unique of its kind.

#### NOBLE MASONIC THOUGHTS.

Above all, a personal fidelity, absolutely incorruptible, should be the characteristic of every Mason; and none should gain admission to your Temple who are not so organized and tempered that, whatever emergency may arise, and whatever temptation may assail them, there shall be no sacrifice of one jot or tittle of the faith they have plighted at your altars. There can be no divided fealty or devotion among us. I am one of those who demand of my Masonic brethren exactly what I propose to give them in return—a loyalty to my vows which no earthly influences can shatter or impair I demand that the moral standard of the ancient brotherhood shall be steadily advanced—raised higher and higher, and yet higher-until the golden period shall come again, when the simple name of Freemason shall be a guarantee of manhood, faithfulness, and integrity. Let us not be content with any halfway excellence. The genius of our Order demands all the perfection attainable, and in these respects, at least, humanity is capable of absolute perfection.

No man is so constituted that he cannot be true and faithful, and he who, possessing the faculty, will not exercise it, is unworthy material, to be cast out without compassion or delay. Let me admonish you again to look more to quality and less to quantity; and not to forget that in the character, not in the number, of your brethren, is to be found the strength, the influence, and the capacity of the brotherhood. I submit to you, in illustration of this view, the simple proposition that it would be better, infinitely better, that there should be but one hundred Masons in this vast Commonwealth, and each

serene and perfect confidence on the fidelity and truth of the other ninety-nine, than that there should be an hundred thousand, with the distrustful feeling that ten of them, in the hour of trial, might prove false. Let us know where we stand as Masons, and whether the solemn yows which we have uttered are to govern our actions, or whether they are hollow mockeries, imposing no higher duties than those we owed before they were uttered. Let us ascertain whether Masonry is a living reality, demanding some sacrifice as the occasion for it may arise, or a delusion and a sham-a child's rattle, to be toyed with at pleasure, and cast aside whenever a selfish interest may lead us away from the observance of its obligations.

I do not propose to be thus cheated and delu-I am earnest in my own devotion to its sublime teachings and principles. If there is one thing in our poor human nature which more than all others tends to redeem us-if there is one thing that makes me feel like bowing down to thank Almighty God for the poor gift of human life, it is this sense and capacity of fidelity to individuals with which he has endowed us. It is the strongest similitude of the divine, and I shall have strangely miscalculated if, in the summing up, the practice of this virtue is not suffered to cover a multitude of sins. I repeat, it is peculiar by the province and mission of our Fraternity to cultivate that virtue; nay Freemasonry demands it; and you cease to be Masons when you cease to practice it. And as it is the crowning glory of human character, so the vice which stands opposed to it,-treachery, infidelity, betrayal of the confidence and trust you have invited and received,—is the basest and most odious, the most universally detested and despised of all human depravities. Treachery, moreover, is never a solitary invader. It brings in its train an army of lesser evils, as if to conceal its own enormity by surrounding itself with gradations of infamy. As treason is the the highest crime known to the law of the land, so in the moral and social world, intidelity is the basest, the vilest of all vices. The one is the jewel which should always glitter resplendent in the Mason's crown; the other the hateful word which should find no place in his vocabulary. Next to that of husband and wife, parent or child, no merely human relation is so sacred as that of the Masonic Brotherhood. To be false in any of these connections is to sin against ourselves and descend to the lowest depths of shame and degradation. Yet, we must make the humiliating confession that Masons are sometimes false to one another, and that betrayals of confidence and trust among those who sustain that relation have been of far too frequent occurrence.

I would have you, as you can do if you will make an end of these humiliating and shameful occurences. I would imbue you with a nobler conception of the spirit and requirements of your fraternal obligations, with a more complete and unwavering devotion to your vow.

If you have been imposed upon by unworthy brethren, if you have been betrayed and wronged in the name of Freemasonry, on your own head the blame must rest, for you hold in your own hands the remedy for all these evils; and I

untarnished the lustre of the name you bear, be more diligent in the application of those remedies. If you are too cowardly to reject the doubtful or expel the unworthy-if you receive into your ranks the applicant of indifferent character, because your treasury is impoverished and your revenues are falling away, you have converted your trust into merchandise, and the fate of the ancient money-changers jought to fall, and will fall, upon your heads. Reduce you numbers, surrender your charters, let your lodges perish and seek Masonic association elsewhere, if need be, rather than degrade your profession and compromise the Fraternity by the acceptance of unworthy material. I caution you again against making Freemasonry too popular, too common, and too cheap. I renew the admonition more emphatically to-day, because you are again in the midst of a season of marked prosperity, than which nothing more imperils purity of character. The danger must grow with your growth. As you increase in numbers and apparent power and influence, the shrewd and designing, the selfish and the ambitious, will seek to ally themselves with you, not for the purpose of becoming serviceable to their fellow-men, but with the intent to make Freemasonry servicable to themselves. Let sleepless vigilance be the guardian at the portals of your Temples.

I am not setting up a degree of excellence unattainable, and I desire not to be misapprehended. Freemasonry does not demand perfection. I am painfully aware how soon my own expulsion would follow the establishment of such a test. It does not inhibit any rational enjoyment. That would be to subvert and destroy the social qualities, which it aims rather to cultivate and develope. But it does require, most imperatively, that every one of its votaries shall at least maintain the ground of respectability; and he who falls but a hair's-breadth below that requirement should be cast out without misgiving or regret. Regard your Lodge as a family, of which you are constituent portions, and let no one enter there whose conduct or character is such that you would be unwilling to admit him at your own fireside, or blush to present him t your own wives and daughters.

It is because you have departed from these rules of conduct and fallen below this standard of excellence, that you have become frigid and unsocial at your gatherings, and half the enjoyment of being Freemasons has become unattainable. You do not give the sojourning brother a cordial welcome, because your experience has taught you that some who bear that name are unworthy of your confidence and fellowship. But if you had been more careful in making Masons, you would have had no such experience and no such consequent distrust. I have often been pained at the neglect with which strangers have been received and treated in your lodges. I have seen them depart with more alacrity than they came, glad and relieved, apparently, to escape from a place where they had come expecting fraternal regard, and found only the form of politeness, mingled with evident suspicion and distrust. And though until more care is exercised in the election of candidates, and more energy is displayed in the discipline of those one of that hundred feel that he could repose in adjure you once more, if you would preserve already chosen, there will be occasional imposi-

tions; yet Masters of Lodges should know that whoever comes to them in the character of a Mason should receive that civility and attention, which the fraternal relation entitles him to anticipate, until, by some act of his own, he has forfeited his claim to your courtesy and hospitality .- Grand Master Leonidas E. Pratt, of California.

#### UNITED GRAND LODGE.

The following is the agenda of business to be transacted in Grand Lodge, on Wednesday, 3rd September, 1873:

I. The Minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 4th June for confirmation.

II. An Address of Condolence from the Grand Lodge of Scotland on the death of the Earl of Zetland, K.G., M.W. Past Grand Master, will be laid before Grand Lodge.

III. Report of the Lodge of Benevolence for the last quarter, in which are recommendations for the following grants, viz.—A brother of the Beaufort Lodge, No. 103, Bristol, £50; the widow of a brother of the Belvidere Lodge, No 503, Maidstone, £100; the widow of a brother of the Grove Lodge, No. 410, Ewell, £250; a brother of the Lodge of United Strengh, No.

228, London, £100.

IV. Report of the Board of General Purposes to the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and

Accepted Masons of England.

"The Board of General Purposes beg to submit a statement of the Grand Lodge Accounts at the last meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Friday, the 15th day of August instant, shewing a balance in the hands of the Grand Treasurer of £4,532 148 5d; and in the hands of the Grand Secretary, for petty cash, £75, and for servants' wages £88 19s. od. and avail themselves of the opportunity to congratulate the members of the Craft on the very satisfactory condition of the accounts.

(Signed) HORACE LLOYD. President.

V. Memorials from the Friendly Lodge No. 383, Montego Bay, for assistance to build a Masonic Hall.

VI. Proposed Motions :-

1. By Bro. Frederick Bigg, W.M., No. 1261 "That at least seven days' notice shall be given to the W.M. of a lodge before such lodge is posted as being in arrear of its subscription."

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2. By Bro. Benjamin Head, P.G.D. the sum of £80 be given from the fund of General Purposes. That the money be placed in the hands of the Secretary of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons to supply the inmates at Croydon with coals during the winter season.'

3. By Bro. William Smith, P.M. No. 33. "That in future the laws and regulations of

the Fund of Benevolence governing the Lodge of Benevolence be read once in every year previous to the Lodge entering on business at the meeting in the month of January, and that Article 17 of the laws and regulations of the Fund of Benevolence on the Book of Constitutions be

altered accordingly."

4. By Bro. William Smith, P.M. No. 33.

"That in future a room be set apart for the reception of Provincial Brethren on Quarterly Communications and other meetings of Grand

It is understood that the honour of knighthood will be conferred on Mr. Hawkshaw, F.R.S., the superintendent engineer of the Holyhead Breakwater, which was opened by the Prince of Wales on Tuesday.

WYCLIFFE AND TYNDALE.—It is intended to erect, in a suitable place in the centre of London statues to the memory of Wycliffe and Tyndale, in connection with their efforts to secure "a free and open Bible" for the people.

The sentence of death passed on Captain Jack and five other Modoc Indians has been approved of by President Grant, and they will be hanged on the 3rd of October.

MASONIC FETE.

A new feature in the interchange of courtesies amongst the brethren of the Craft has been introduced by Bro. John Sutcliffe, P.M., P. Prov. S.G.W. of Lincoln; who invited the Prov. Grand Officers, and the Worshipful Masters and Wardens of the province, with their wives, to a garden and croquet party, and banquet, at his residence, Stallingborough House, near Great Grimsby, on Thursday, the 14th inst. Sutcliffe is so well known in Masonic circles for his large-hearted charity, liberality and hospitality, that those who were honoured with invitations knew they would be entertained in right royal style, for none can do the host better than he, and in this were not disappointed.

Amongst those present were:-Bros. Major Smyth, D.Prov. G.M.; J. Fowler, Prov. S.G.W.; Daniel Ace, Prov. G.C.; W. G. Moore, Prov. G.R.; F. D. Marsden, Prov. G.S.; C. M. Nesbitt, P.G.T.; J. Hadfield, Prov. J.G.D.; A. Bates, Prov. G.D.C.; Cobbett Jackson, Prov. G.S.; M. Cook, Prov. G.S.; T. Slater, jun., Prov. G.S.; Geo. Nelson, Prov. G.S.; W. E. Howlett, W.M. 422; Gardner, S.W. 712; Goodhand, J.W. 712; Copeland, P.M. 792, P. Prov. S.G.D.; Broadhead, P.M. 792, S.D. 1294; W. Marshall, J.W. 792; R. Gough, Sec. 792; Jas. Robinson, D.C. 792; Wardole, Tyler 792; W. H. Radley, P.M. 838, P. Prov. J.G.W.; W. Poole, S.W. 838; John Allen, jun., Sec. 838; Henry Scales, Sec. 1232; Robbs, P.M. 1282; Pigott, S.W. 1282; H.H. Cave, J.W. 1282; C. L. Hett, Sec. 1282; Rev. C. K. Saunders, S.W. 1286; H. C. Chambers, J.W. 1286; A. A. Padley, Sec. 1286; F. Long, W.M. 1294, P. Prov. G.S. of W.; T. P. Cupiss, 1294, P.M. 792, Prov. S.G.W.; Walmsley, S.W. 1294; Jack Sutcliffe, J.W. 1294; Holland, Steward 1294; H. Garvey, 1294; Wardale, Tyler 1294; Dawson.

The follwing ladies were also present:—Mrs. W. G. Moore, Miss Howlett, Mrs. Ace, Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. Copeland, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Robinson, Miss Benett, Mrs. Robbs, Mrs. Pigott, Mrs. Long, Mrs. and Miss Cupiss, Mrs. Bates, Miss Garvey, Miss Harriet Garvey, Mrs. Dawson, Miss Dawson, Miss A. E. Dawson, Mrs. Jasse, Mrs. Sutcliffe, three sons, and five daughters.

On the arrival of the company they were received by Bro. Sutcliffe, Mrs. Sutcliffe and one of the Misses Sutcliffe in the drawing-room, and after the reception they entered the garden, where they were refreshed from a delicate spread of wines, claret cup, &c. provided al fresco, the other Misses Sutcliffe, assisted by Bro. Jack Sutcliffe, J.W. 1294, P. Prov. G. Steward; and Mr. Harry and Mr. James Sutcliffe, gracefully performing the honours.

The company then passed on to the croquet lawn, on which was an excellent quadrille band from Manchester, and the company soon appreciated the enlivening strains by entering into the

poetry of motion.

The day was charming for the occasion, and highly the company enjoyed it, which was enhanced by the urbanity of the worthy host and his lady, and the courteous attention of the Misses Sutcliffe and their brothers, who vied with each other, during the visit, to render the enjoyment and of each one complete. These pleasures were interrupted by the sound of the gong calling the company to the banquet, in a spacious and elegant marquee, ecected in an adjoining pasture. Great taste had been displayed in the decorations, and the tables, which were luxuriously provided with every delicacy of the season, were worthy the prescence of a prince. During the banquet the band played pleasing, but subdued airs. On the right of the host sat the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and Mrs. Sutcliffe, and Bro. F. Long and Mrs. Long, and on his left the Provincial Grand Chaplain and Mrs. Moore, and the Provincial Grand Registrar on his left the Provincial Grand Chaplain and Mrs. Moore, and the Provincial Grand Registrar and Mrs. Ace. After the loyal and other toasts had been given, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master proposed the health of Bro. Sutcliffe in eulogistic and deserving terms, alluding to the great aid which the Craft, its charities, and its schools had received by his advocacy, support, munificent and sympathetic charity; and to the founding of the St. Albans Lodge, No. 1294, of which he was its first Master, and to his being well known by the brethren in West Yorkshire

and Durham (of the latter province he was Past Provincial Senior Grand Deacon), and in particular to the benefit which his own province had derived from him; and he thanked Bro. Sutcliffe for the splendid compliment he had that day paid them. Bro. Sutcliffe feelingly responded, and said he was not only proud and happy to have such an assemblage around him, but he desired to promote unanimity and good feeling among the brethren of the province, and the interests of the Craft, and to shew the ladieshe would call them his sisters—that they could be admitted into something Masonic; if not to witness our secret mysteries and labour, to partake of and join with us in our refreshment after. He referred to the compliment paid him by the Provincial Grand Lodge in electing him Steward to represent the province at the next Festival of the Boy's Institution, and to the testimonial presented to him by the St. Albans Lodge, on the second year of his Mastership.

The Provincial Grand Chapter, in polite and complimentary terms, proposed the health of Mrs. Sutcliffe. On leaving the banquet the company returned to the lawn, where dancing was resumed, and continued until darkness com-

pelled retirement.

Thus passed a delightful afternoon, which will long remain in the memory of those present. It might without much impropriety, be added that the services of Bro. Sutcliffe during his Masonic career, and the substantial benefits he has conferred on the Craft, it is hoped, ere long be recognised by his elevation to an office in Grand Lodge.

In addition to those present Bro. Sutcliffe had several letters from brethren apoligizing for inability to attend from pre-engagements, or other unavoidable circumstances. When Bro. Sutcliffe was installed at West Hartlepool as W.M. of 1066, he then invited the Province of West Yorkshire and about 90 brethren responded. Bro Dr. Fearnley, D.P.G.M., assisted by a Board of 37 Installed Masters, did him the honour on that occasion to instal him.

It is gratifying to learn that Bro. Jack Sutcliffe received the following letter, accompanied by a very handsome biscuit canister:—

Boston, 21 Aug., 1873.'

"Dear Sir and Brother,-

We the undersigned brethren, who on the 14th inst., had the pleasure of accepting your father's Hospitality at a grand Masonic fete, (which will be treasured in our memory as a red letter day in our Masonic career,) think this a fitting opportunity of endeavouring to shew our high appreciation of his love of Masonry by beging your acceptance of the accompanying small present, as a souvenir on your approaching marriage, and we sincerely hope you and the lady of your choice may enjoy every earthly blessing and many years of great happiness.

With affectionate and paternal greetings, we subscribe ourselves your faithful brothers in

Masonry,
"W. Hepworth Radley, P.M., 838, PP.S.G.W. "COBBETT JACKSON, W.M., 272,

P.G. Steward. "Thos. SLATER, jr., W.M., 838, P.G. Steward.

" WM. POOLES, S.W., 838.

" JOHN ALLEN, jr., Sec., 838."

Bro. JACK SUTCLIFFE, Stallingboro' Hall.'

We doubt not the wish of Bro. Sutcliffe in bringing together the brethren of the province to form a better personal acquaintance with each other and establish freindships, will result in more frequent meetings beyond the pale of the lodge room and strengthen the cords of Masonic feeling both within and without the Craft.

# KENTUCKY MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME.

From the "proceedings," of the last annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, we extract the following account of an interesting incident. It is necessary to state that the session of Grand Lodge was held in a theatre:—

The Grand Master, having called the Grand Lodge from labour to refreshment, the drop curtain of the stage was raised, exhibiting the Orphan's Home, composed of fifty-eight children, clad in plain but neat attire, to the admiring gaze of the delegates. As soon as the applause had subsided, Past Grand Master E. S. Fitch, introduced the children as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren. It is my distinguished honour, and the highest gratification of my whole life, to present for your inspection to-day, this design drawn upon our trestle board, wrought out and developed in living reality-The Masonic Orphans' Home of the State of Kentucky. Mingling my hearty congratulations with those of the entire brotherhood over this commendable achievement, while contemplating the youthful charges now before us, and presenting them to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, as their foster mother, may we not exclaim, with an exulting pride, surpassing even that which fires the bosom of the old Roman Matron, when she presented her Gracchi children, "Here! here are our jewels!"

At the close of these remarks, the following Greeting Song, written for the occasion, was sung by the Orphans in a creditable manner, and with manifest emotion, awaking a kindred sympathy throughout the crowded hall.

GREETING SONG.

"Come, let us be joyful,—before us we see,
The friends of our fathers in sweet unity;
They've paused just a moment, our faces to view.
To inspect a design of Freemasonry true.

"Chorus-Happy greeting to all.

"We claim not the dear ties of kindred or birth,—

Our idols of clay lie entombed in the earth,— But we hail you, as brothers of that mystical band,

Who've embellished our Home with a generous hand.

Chorus—Happy greeting, &c.

"As friends, benefactors, as fathers indeed, The hope of the orphan in the hour of need, We know you have rallied, our sad lives to bless, To shield us from harm, and relieve our distress,

Chorus-Happy greeting, &c.

"Then, welcome, thrice welcome, we greet you to-day,

Assembl'd securely in Grand Lodge array!
And may each fond meeting, in future attest,
Your love for the home of the Orphan bereft.

Chorus-Happy greeting, &c."

This was followed by an introductory address by Grant Williams, a beneficiary of Montgomery Lodge, No. 23, Mt. Sterling, Kentucky.

Following this introductory, which was delivered in a clear and distinct voice, though tremulous with emotion, "Our Little Flower Girls" arranged in a semi-circular form on the stage, with bouquets of flowers in their hands, each one repeated a beautiful, poetical sentiment or appropriate text, suggested by her favourite flower, and then all united their voices in that charming little song, entitled,

"We are little sunbeams, shining and free."

Next in order was an original dialogue, on the character of the Home and Freemasonry generally, by Preston Brickey, a beneficiary from Fleming Lodge, No. 112, and David Stephenson, from Dycusburg Lodge, No. 232. This dialogue was rendered in a spirited manner, and was exceedingly interesting and humorous, but too lengthy for insertion.

"The entire home then sang the popular school song, "We are gay and happy."

"As soon as the applause was quieted, the following true biographical sketch was given, in a very impressive manner, by William Crane, a for his services."

beneficiary from Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 174, Lexington, Kentucky:

t74, Lexington, Kentucky:
"A boy there was, sent to our Home, And he was thought quite crazy,
With dogs and sheep inclined to roam, When not too mad or lazy.

"His silly pranks and wayward steps Awaken'd sad foreboding; He slighted all the best precepts, The car of mischief ever loading.

"No threat could daunt—no fright prevail, This erring boy to law recall; 'Till Love's sweet accents did prevail, And won his heart and rescued all.

"That boy so wayward, crazy, wild, Ne'er felt a mother's gentle hand; He was a slighted orphan child, 'Till gathered to this happy band.

"Before you now, you see that boy, Whose early life in blight began, Rejoicing with a heart-felt joy, That he may yet become a man.

"To you I owe what'er of bliss,
My future life may now enjoy,
To you the recompense is this—
You've sav'd a Mason's orphan boy."

The transition from this truly pathetic incident was happily made by the "Green River Salutation," an original poem by Mollie Coleman, beneficiary, from Pond River Lodge, No. 244, as follows

"In Grand Lodge array, before me I see
The ag'd and the honour'd, the hopeful and
young,

Engaged in rites of deep mystery, Which history has noted and poetry sung.

" A band so renow'd a presence so grand, May well daunt a novice like me. Yet pardon a word on behalf of the land

So famed for its *Leaf* and its *Freemasonry*.

"You've heard from our hills in the prelude of

Grant,

The 'blue-grass' has spoken through her

Elkhorn Crane;
And Smiley has echo'd her women's right

And Smiley has echo'd her women's rights rant

As the voice of the Jessamine plain.

Then may not a Muhlenburg Orphan be heard,
If only to remind you, 'tis surely enough
That this styling it over us is rather absurd,

As Green River folks are quite up to snuff. Then step to the front—tobacco-patch girls,

Sample bright tens of the Green River Stock, Let's give them a song—come brush back your curls,

And tell of the moral that's taught by the clock."

Suiting the action to the word, nine beautiful girls, from the Green River section of the State, advanced to the foot lights, and ranging themselves in line, under their leader, rendered the Clock song, in inimitable style.

After a cordial and earnest invitation from the Superintendent to all present to visit the home during their stay in the city, the exercises were closed by an appropriate song, and a benediction pronounced by the Grand Chaplain.

DEATH OF A PARIS JOURNALIST .- M. Darpenne de la Grangerie, a well-known contributor to Le Figaro and Le Gaulois, is dead. During the late war M. de la Grangerie orignated and organized the "Ambulances de la Presse," whose personnel consisted almost wholly of unpaid volunteers, and so successfully did M. de la Grangerie carry out his work that succour and food were always to be found at his field ambulances during the various sorties, even when others had exhausted their supplies. M. de la Grangerie was arrested by the Commune, and was fellow prisoner with the late Archbishop of Paris, whose fate he would certainly have shared but for the strong remonstrances of his fellowworkers in the ambulances, who intimated to the Commune that they would withdraw their attentions to the wounded if their Secrétaire-Général was not liberated. M. de la Grangerie received the decoration of the Legion of Honour

### Original Correspondence.

SPIRITUALISTS.

To the Editor of the Freemason.

Sir,

My attention has just been called to Mr. Carpenter's letter respecting your report of our entertainment at the Egyptian Hall. Your correspondent was in error when he stated that the £1000 challenge dodge of a spiritualist has not been accepted. Two challenges were sent to me, one for £250, to accomplish all that the Davenports did, and another for £1000, to produce spirit manifestations under the same conditions as mediums. Both these I at once accepted; for the first I proposed to obtain reports from three towns, Cheltenham, Bath, and Leeds, where I had seen the Davenports perform, and undertook to accomplish everything the reports stated that the brothers did, both in their cabinet and dark seances. This was not agreed to, but I was told I must accomplish something that was reported to have taken place in private; what that something was, I could not ascertain, consequently, I would not pledge myself to perform tricks I had never seen or heard of. For the second challenge, I undertook to produce spirit lights, spirit faces, rap and move tables, and suspend myself in mid-air in a private room, under the same circumstances as Home, viz; in total darkness. This was agreed to, if I would consent to be bound hand and foot, and allow myself to be held by a committee during the entire seance, and lights struck at three seconds notice. I would like to see the medium who could produce the manifestations under the same test, or, as seeing is generally objected to by mediums, I would give a good sum to feel him, and if I had as many thousands to spare as the challenger appears to have, I would readily stake one upon

I am having the whole of the correspondence respecting the challenges printed, and shall be pleased to furnish a copy to anyone who will send address.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN NEVIL MASKELYNE.

# THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE. To the Editor of The Freemason.

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Either your "devil" or my caligraphy is to blame for an error which appears in my letter inserted in your last issue.

For "unities" your printer has substituted "societies."

The unities of time, place, and action, are alike outraged by the assumptions of that section of the Masonic Templars who, unmindful of the axioms of Freemasonry, would forsooth be aristocratic and exclusive, who forgetful of the deadly feuds between the Templars and Hospitallers in the middle ages must needs now-a-days pretend to represent at once the Knights of the Temple and of the Hospital, who owing their right to the name of Masonic Templars to Freemasonry, and to Freemasonry alone, have discarded the prefix "Masonic," would fain forget their origin, and crying Excelsior! Excelsior! would kick over the ladder by which they have mounted. I protest against such outrages against common sense and propriety, and I trust the great body of the Masonic Templars will unite in restraining the follies of the few. For my part I have no ambition to imitate the jackdaw in peacock's feathers, and I am content to remain nothing better nor worse than Yours faithfully,

A Masonic Templar.

## BRITISH ARCHÆOLOGICAL ASSOCIA TION.

This association held its annual congress this year in Sheffield. The members assembled at Cutlers' Hall, where they were received by the Mayor of Sheffield and the members of the corporation. There were present his Grace the Duke of Norfolk (the president for the year), Lord Houghton, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Hills, Mr. Godwin, Mr. R. N. Philipps, and others.

The Mayor having spoken a few words of

welcome, the Town Clerk read an address embodying a formal expression of the good wishes of the townspeople towards the association.

The Duke of Norfolk, in receiving the address, said it was a great pleasure to the members of the association to be received in such a kind and cordial manner by the inhabitants, and to have the assurance that in making the researches they were about to commence into the former history of the town, they would have the sympathy and assistance of those living there.

The formal business over, the association proceeded to the parish church, where an inspection was made of the Shrewsbury monuments in what is called the Shrewsbury Chapel. These monuments are those of the Earls of Shrewsbury, who were the former lords of Hallam before the estate passed into the hands of the Norfolk family. A visit was next paid to the "Manor House," which was one of the prisons of Mary Queen of Scots, and which is being restored by the Duke of Norfolk into something like the condition in which it was when it was inhabited by that illfated queen.

The party were then driven to Broom Hall, the residence of Mr. R. N. Phillipps, for the purpose of inspecting the fine ancient timber of that house; and they received a hearty wel-The hall excited great interest, and the visitors willingly remained in the open air, on an elevated piece of ground, opposite to the gable, while Mr. Phillipps read a paper on "The Early Dwellings and Timbered Houses of England, illustrated by a reference to Broom Hall, near Sheffield.'

At the close of the reading the thanks of the association were accorded to Mr. Philipps, who entertained the Duke of Norfolk, Lord Houghton, and about a hundred ladies and gentlemen at luncheon.

In the evening the association assembled at the Cutlers' Hall, where the members were the guests of the Duke of Norfolk.

On Wednesday evening a conversazione was held, when a very numerous party assembled at the Cutlers' Hall, the great banqueting hall and other rooms being thrown open for the occasion. A collection of Roman, medieval, and other antiquities, lent by the Corporation of London. was exhibited, and greatly admired and appreciated, together with other objects of a similar character from private collections. An interesting paper on "Celts, and the Manufacture of Iron and Iron Implements by the Romans," was read also by Mr. R. N. Philipps, which was listened to and frequently applauded by a crowded and attentive audience; and a vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Planché, Somerset Herald, for a paper so full of information, and so appropriate to the locality where the congress was then A number of excursions were assembled. arranged for the week.

A STRAY ICEBERG.—A letter from a gentleman on board the United States steamer Juniata, at St. John's, Newfoundland, contains this paragraph:-"On the grd of July a large iceberg became stranded at the mouth of the harbour, and the captain wishing some of the officers to go out with him and see it, I gladly accepted the invitation, and as soon as our party was made up we started out in the steam launch As we approached the berg the air grew sensibly colder, and we found it necessary to slip on our overcoats. We ran alongside of it and measured it with our eye, which gave us 25ft. high, 18oft. broad, and 400ft. long, and as that portion below the surface bears the proportion of seven to one, we can calculate the depth or thickness of the berg to be 280ft., equal to 11,200,000 cubic feet or 286,225 tons. The berg was melting so rapidly that water was flowing from it in direction, preventing us from approaching very close to it, so we decided to go to a smaller one and cut some ice for our own consumption. We were very successful as we brought on board nearly half a ton. About five minutes after leaving the large berg we heard an explosion, and looking around saw that one end had burst off, and tilled an area of about 300ft, in length of the width of the berg; so we escaped an unpleasant dampness just in time.

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS. For the Week ending Friday, September 5, 1873.

The Editor will be glad to have notice from Secretaries of Lodges and Chapters of any change in place or time of

Saturday, August 30.

Lily Lodge of Instruction (820), Greyhound Hotel, Rich-

mond, Surrey, at 7.

Lodge of Instruction (1275), Marquis of Granby, New Cross-road, at 7; Bro. C. S. Dilley, Preceptor.

Monday, September 1.
Lodge 144, St. Luke's, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue.

1319, Asaph, Freemasons' Hall.

Mark Lodge 24, Mark 17 Mark 1999, 199

Mark Lodge 1, St. Mark's, Masons' Hall, Basinghall-st.
,, 139, Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.
Premier Red Cross Conclave, Freemasons' Tavern.

Strong Man Lodge of Instruction (45), Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's-gate, Clerkenwell, at 8; Bro. Beckett, Preceptor.

Sincerity Lodge of Instruction (174), Railway Tavern,

Fenchurch-street Station, at 7.

Camden Lodge of Instruction (704), Adelaide Tavern,
Haverstock-hill, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor. Eastern Star Lodge of Instruction (95), Royal Hotel, Mileend-road, at 7.30; Bro. E. Gottheil, Preceptor.

British Oak Lodge of Instruction, Bank of Friendship Tavern, Mile-end, at 7 for 8.

St. James's Union Lodge of Instruction (180), Horse and

Groom Tavern, Winsley-street (opposite the Pantheon),
Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. J. R. Stacey, Preceptor.
Wellington Lodge of Instruction, White Swan Tavern,
Deptford, at 8; Bro. C. G. Dilley, P.M. 1155,

Preceptor.

John of Wapping Lodge of Instruction (1306), Gun Tavern, High-street, Wapping, at 8; Bro. T. Mortlock.

West Kent Lodge of Improvement (1297), St. Saviour's College, Stansted-road, Forest-hill, at 7.30; Bro. H. W. Lindus, Preceptor.

Tuesday, September 2.

Colonial Board at 3. Lodge 1257, Grosvenor, Metropolitan Victoria Station Pimlico.

" 1259, Duke of Edinburgh, New Globe Tavern, Bowroad.

" 1261, Golden Rule, Masons' Hall, Basinghall-street. " 1397, Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley.

Chap. 169, Temperance, White Swan Tavern, Deptford. Metropolitan Chapter of Instruction, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7; Comp. Brett, Preceptor.

Domatic Lodge of Instruction, Palmerston Tay., Grosvenor-park, Camberwell, at 8; Bro. John Thomas, Preceptor.

Faith Lodge of Instruction, Refreshment Rooms, Victoria-st. (opposite Westminster Palace Hotel), at 8; Bro. C. A. Cottebrune, Preceptor.

Prince Fredk. William Lodge of Instruction (753), Knights of St. John Tavern, St. John's-wood; Bro. F. G. Baker, Preceptor.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, King Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.30; Bro. J. Saunders, Preceptor. Florance 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.

Marylebone Lodge of Instruction (1305), British Stores Tavern, New-street, St. John's Wood, at 8; Bro. T.

A. Adams, Preceptor. Constitutional Lodge of Instruction (55), Wheatsheaf Hotel, Hand-court, Holborn, at 7; Bro. J. R. Stacey

(P.M. 180), Preceptor. Wednesday, September 3. Quarterly Communication, of Grand Lodge at 6, for 7. Pythagorean Lodge of Instruction (79), Prince of Orange,

Greenwich, at 8; Bro. J. Robt. Nash, Preceptor. United Strength Lodge of Instruction (228), the Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales's-road, Kentish-town, at 8;

Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor. Israel Lodge of Instruction, Rising Sun Tavern, Globe-road at 7.30.

New Concord Lodge of Instruction, Rosemary Branch Tavern, Hoxton, at 8.

Confidence Lodge of Instruction, Railway Tay., Londonstreet, City, at 7.30.

Royal Union Lodge of Instruction, Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street, Oxford-street, at 8; Bio. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

Peckham Lodge of Instruction, Maismore Arms, Park-road, Peckham, at 8; 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.n.; Bro. H. W. Lindus, Preceptor. Fidelity Lodge of Instruction (3), Yorkshire Grey, London-

st., Tottenham Court-road, at 8; Bio. T. A. Adams,

Thursday, September 4. Lodge 822, Victoria Eitles, Freemasons' Itall.

" 1155, Excelsior, Sydney Arms, Lewisham-road.

". 1178, Perfect Ashlar, Gregorian Arms, Bermond ey. " 1351, St. Clements Danes, 265, Strand.

" 1360, Royal Arthur, Duke of Edinburgh Hotel, New Wimbledon.

Mark Lodge 144. Grosvenor, Caledonian Hetel, Finshury Lodge of Instruction, Johy Anglor, Tracero-Buth-street, City-road; Bro. Steam, Preceptor, United Marmers' Lodge of Instruction, Three Craues,

Mile-end-road, at 8; Bro. T. J. Barnes, Preceptor.

Whittington Lodge of Instruction (862), Crown Tavern, Holborn, at 8; Bro. Lewis Alexander, P.M. 188, Preceptor.

Doric Chapter of Instruction, Three Cranes Tavern, Mile-end-road, at 8; Comp. T. J. Barnes, Preceptor.

Ebury Lodge of Instruction, Bro. Palmer's, 12, Ponsonby. st., Millbank. Union Club of Instruction Windsor Castle, Victoria Station,

at 8 p.m. H. Ash, P.M. Instructor. Highate Lodge of Instruction (No. 1366), Bull and Gate, Kentish-town, Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor, at 8. Friday, September 5th. Lodge No. 1275, Star, Ship Flotel, Greenwich.

Panmure Lodge of Instruction (720), Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7.30; Bro. John Thomas, Preceptor.
Unions Emulation Lodge of Improvement for M.M.'s,

Freemasons' Hall, at 7.

Temperance Lodge of Instruction, Victoria Tav., Victoriaroad. Deptford, at 8.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instruction (1278), Approach
Tavern, Approach-road, Victoria-park, at 8; Bro. Geo.
W. Verry, Preceptor.

Clapton Lodge of Instruction, White Hart, Clapton, at 7.30;

Bro. John Saunders, Preceptor.
Royal Standard Lodge of Instruction (1298), the Castle Tavern, Holloway, at 8; Bro. W. F. Rogers, Precep-

Pythagorean Chapter of Instruction (No. 79), Prince of Orange, Greenwich-road, at 8; Comp. W. West Smith,

Westbourne Lodge of Instruction (733), Horse and Groom,

Winsley-street, Oxford-street, at 8.
Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-

street, at 7; Bro. Brett, Preceptor. United Pilgrims Lodge of Instruction, Antelope Tavern, Lorn-road, Brixton, at 7; Bro. J. Thomas, P.M.

James's Lodge of Instruction, New Tanners' Arms, Grange-road, Bermondsey, at 8; Bro. Howes, P.M.,

Preceptor. Duke of Edinburgh Lodge of Instruction, Silver Lion. Penny-fields, Poplar, at 7; Bro. D. S. Potts, Preceptor, Belgrave Lodge of Instruction, Duke of Wellington Hotel

Spring-gardens, Charing-cross; Bro. Pulsford, Precentor. Doric Lodge of Instruction, Three Cranes Tavern, Mileend-road, at 8.

Burgoyne Lodge of Instruction, Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales's-road, N.W., at 8.

St. Luke's Lodge of Instruction (144), Two Brewers, 33, Brompton-road, S.W Chigwell Lodge of Instruction, Bald-faced Stag Hotel,

Buckhurst-hill, at 8. High Cross Lodge of Instruction (724), Coach and Horses Tavern, High Road, Tottenham, at 8.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN LIVERPOOL, &c.

For the Week ending Saturday, Septemper 6, 1873.

Monday, September 1.
Lodge 613, Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport, at 6.45.
,, 1380, Skelmersdale, Blundellsands Hotel, Great
Crosby, at 6.
Chap. 605, De Tabley, Seacombe Hotel, Seacombe, at 6.
West Lancashire, Mark Lodge (No. 65), Masonic Temple,

Liverpool, at 6.

Everton Lodge of Instruction (823), Masonic Temple, Liver-

pool, at 7.30.

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Lodge 897, Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helen's, at 6.
., 986, Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston, at 4.
Chap. 203, St. John of Jerusalem, Masonie Temple, Liver-

pool, at 6. Merchants' Lodge of Instruction (241), Masonic Temple,

Liverpool, at 6. Downshire Lodge of Instruction (No. 594), 90, Duke-street;

Liverpool, at 7. Wednesday, September 3.

Lodge 86, Loyalty, Royal Hotel, Prescot, at 6.

... 580, Harmony, Wheatsheaf Inn. Ormskirk, at 5.
... 673, St. John's, 90, Oulke-street, Liverpool, at 6.30.
... 758, Ellesmere, Masonic Hall, Runcom, at 6.
... 1013, Royal Victoria, Masonic Temple, Liverpool,

at 6. ,, 1413, West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Orms-kirk, at 6. De Grey and Ripon Lodge of Instruction (1350), 140, North Hill-street, Toxteth-park, Liverpool, at 7-30.

Thursday, September 4.

Lodge 249, Mariners', Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6, ,, 425, Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester, at 4, ,, 1384, Equity, Sim's Cross Hotel, Widnes, at 6.

Chapter 758, Bridgewater, Masonic Hall, Runcorn, at 6.

Friday, September 5. Lodge 680, Sefton, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool, at 4, 30. 1264, Neptune, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN GLASGOW. For the week ending Saturday, September 6, 1873.

Monday, September 1. Lodge122, St. Mirren, St. Mirren's Hall, Paisley.

332, Union, Masonie Hall, 170, Buchanan-st. Chap. 119, Roslin, 25, Robertson-st.
Tuesday, September 2.

Lodge 32, St. John, 213, Buchanan-st.

73, Thistle and Rose, 170, Buchanan-st.
87, Thistle, 213, Buchanan-st.
177, St. James, Masonic Hall, Coatbridge.
213, Hamilton, Spalding H. Hamilton.
401, St. John, Freemasons' Ball, Motherwell.

" 437, Govandale, Portland Buildings, Govan.

Wednesday, September 3.
Lodge 4, Kilwinning, 170, Buchanan-st.
,, 117, St. Mary's, Freemasons' Hall, Partick.
,, 128, St. John, Shettlestone.

", 128, 5t. John, Shettiestone.

", 354, Caledonian Railway, 213, Buchanan-st.

", 166, St. John's, 29, Graham-street, Airdric.

Thursday, September 4.

Lodge 27, St. Mungo, 213, Buchanan-street.

", 36c, Commercial, 19, Croy-place.

", 465, St. Andrew's, Garngad Road.

" 370, Renfrew, High-street, Paisley.
Friday, September 5.
Lodge 275, Shamrock and Thistle, 22, Struthers-st.

,, 408, Clyde, 170 Buchanan-st. ,, 116, Royal Arch, Council Hall, Rutherglen. ,, 572, Thorntree, Thornliebank.

Saturday, September 6th.
Lodge 458, St. John's, Freemasons' Hall, Busby.

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