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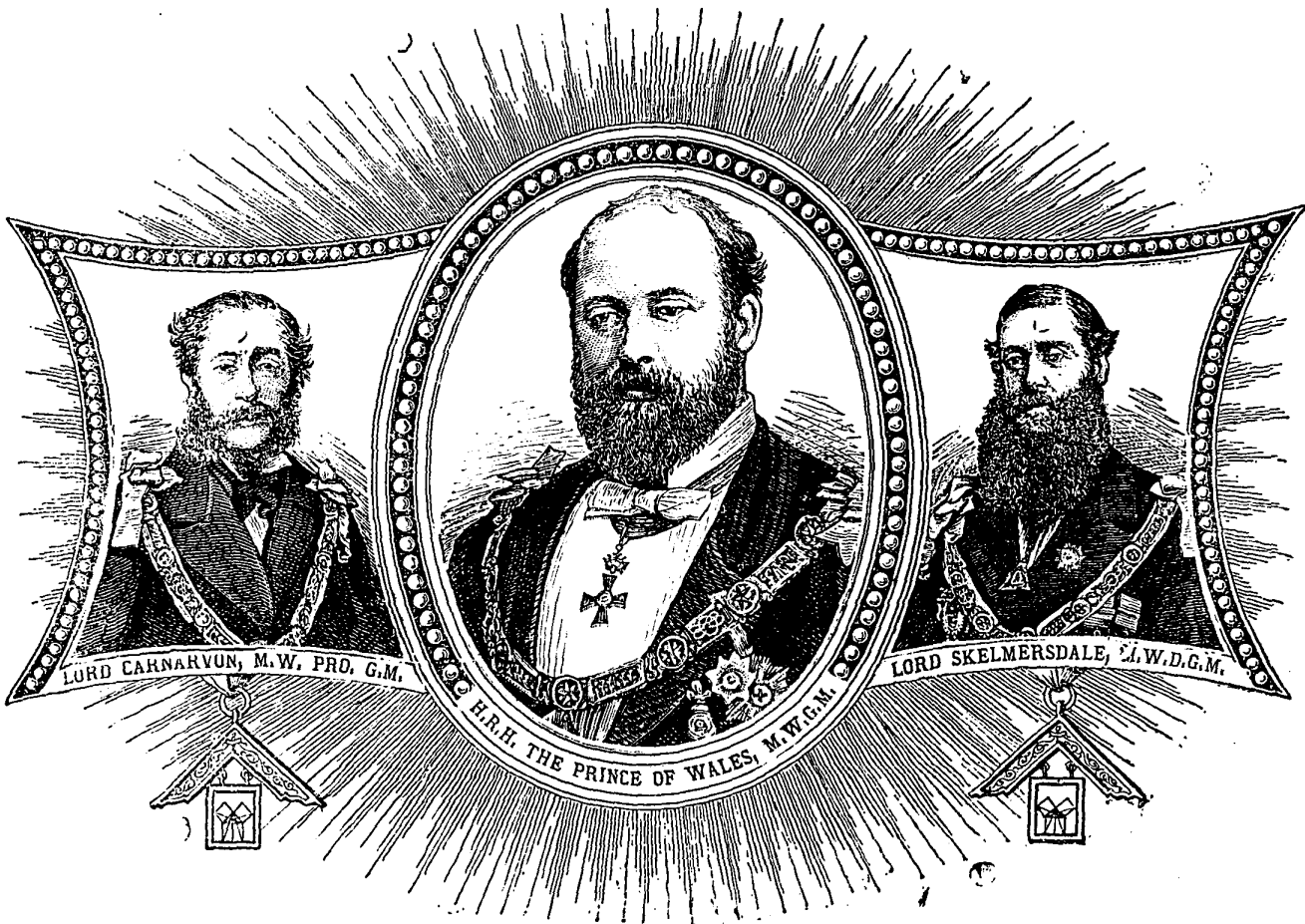
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## REPORTS OF MASONIC MEETINGS.

## Craft Masonry.

**RYE.**—Wellington Lodge (No. 341).—The usual monthly meeting was held at the Cinque Ports Arms Hotel, on Thursday, the 20th inst. Present: Bros. F. J. Rubie, W.M., in the chair; Wm. Dawes, I.P.M. and Hon. Sec., P.P.G.R., Sussex; J. N. Masters, P.M., S.W.; M. Hatch, J.W.; F. Fuller, P.M., Treas.; C. J. Hatcher, as S.D.; F. Milson, as J.D.; R. C. N. Davies, I.G.; C. Hatcher, Tyler, &c. The lodge having been duly opened, and a ballot having been taken with unanimous approval as the result, Mr. Wm. Cowtan was regularly and duly initiated into Freemasonry. The ceremony was very ably performed by the W.M.; the I.P.M. delivering the charge. The Hon. Sec. then by command of the W.M., read from the *Freemason* of 8th Dec. the report of the speech of the M.W. Pro. G.M. at the last Quarterly Court of Grand Lodge, on the recent action by Grand Orient of France. The brethren expressed their admiration at the clear explanation therein given of that action and the valuable advice as to their present conduct in the matter accompanying it, and hearty thanks were tendered to the W.M. for having caused it to be read. Some other business having been enacted, the lodge was duly closed.

**SOUTHAMPTON.**—The Peace and Harmony Lodge (No. 359) has elected Bro. W. H. Martin W.M., for the coming year and reelected P.M. J.R. Weston, Treasurer. The new Worshipful Master, Bro. G. J. Telling, of the Clausentum lodge, No. 1461, at Woolston, a suburb of Southampton, has been installed by the D.P.G.M. of Hants, and the Isle of Wight, (Bro. W. Hickman, P.M.), the charges at the respective chairs being impressively given by Bro. T. P. Payne, P.M. Bro. Tilling invested his officers as follows:—Bros. F. A. Rosoman, I.P.M.; Richard Rosoman, S.W.; Andrews, J.W.; Capt. Evans, Treas. Walter Bowyer, P.M., Sec.; Chapman, S.D.; James Methuen, J.D.; Walters P.M., D.C.; Robert Ekless, I.G.; and Vare, Tyler. Before the lodge was closed, a cordial vote of thanks for his attendance and valuable services was tendered to the D.P.G.M., who, in response, expressed the interest he felt in the work, and congratulated the lodge on the position it had already attained. The annual dinner, supplied by Bro. Dartnall, was subsequently held at Woolston College, the hall of which was very pleasingly decorated for the occasion, and was well attended. Many congratulations were exchanged on the progress of Masonry in the province and the excellent prospect of the lodge possessing a hall of its own at a not distant period.

**LIVERPOOL.**—Prince Arthur Lodge (No. 1570).—The annual celebration of the festival of St. John in connection with this lodge, took place on Tuesday afternoon, the 18th inst., at the Masons' Rooms, North Hill-street, Liverpool, where there was one of the largest and most influential gatherings seen for a long time to assist at the installation of Bro. Archibald Morrison, S.W., the W.M., elect, chosen to that position by the unanimous vote of the brethren. The meeting was called for 2.30, and punctual to the time, Bro. Thomas Goans, W.M., took the chair, and began business. There were no fewer than twenty-four installed Masters present, and these embraced about a dozen P.G. Lodge officers, past and present. The Tyler's book showed the following brethren were present, who are attached to the "Prince Arthur": Bros. H. S. Alpass, P.M., P.G. Sec.; S. E. Ibbes, P.P.G.S.B.; A. Morrison, S.W.; S. Hickins, J.W.; Robt Roberts, Secretary; H. Worthington, S.D.; R. Webster; J.D. Walter W. Thomas, I.G.; J. H. Davies, S.; J. Seeley, J. Wainwright, J. C. Jones, J. Webster, J. Lawson, W. P. Vines, T. Senar, J. Pye, J. Morgan, J. H. Carter, J. Parker, C. Cockcroft, J. Meddlcott, and T. Smitton. Amongst the numerous visitors present were: Bros. Duncan Ross, 823; (Everton Lodge); Rev. T. W. Richardson, W.M.; 1380; John E. Jackson, P.M. 667, P.G. Steward of West Lancashire; W. Pugh, S.W., W.M. elect P.M. 1182; J. W. Thurlay, P.P.G.J.D.; W. J. Chapman, W.M. 1609; L. Courtney, S.W. 1609; J. B. Mc Kenzie, J. W. 1609; H. Leslie, 1609; A. Woolrich, J.W. 1356; Treasurer 1609 Henry Eves, 667; R. P. France, I.P.M. 594; H. Firth, J.W. 667; E. Paull, Treasurer, 1356; J. Edgington, P.M. 1182; J. H. Gregory, Sec. 667; J. P. Rea, I.G. 1182; J. S. Houghton, S.W. 1182; J. Skeaf, P.G.O.; W. Woods, W.M. 1620; A. Winkup, P.M. 667; J. Hartley, 594; W. Avis, Org. 1299, I.P.M.; Arthur, P.M. 1086; W. Doyle, P.P.G.J.D.; Capt. J. F. Ainscow, 1393 and 370; J. Williams, W.M. 1182; J. W. Williams, S.W. 1356; F. Nickson, W.M. 1356; W. Peacock, 594; H. Burrows, W.M. 673; H. Jones, I.G. 1289; T. Holden, 1182; D.

Morris, 1182; John Lecomber, W.M. 594; J. D. Thomas 594; F. Boswell, J.W. 594; B. B. Marson, P.G.J.D.; W. M. Asher, 477; A. B. Fraser, 1473; P. Asken, 1356; F. Sutton, 1380; J. Hughes, 1675; E. Benedict, 820; J. G. Griffiths, 1393; and W. S. Tines, P.G.D.C. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. T. Evans, W.M., proceeded, in an excellent manner, to instal Bro. A. Morrison, as his successor in the chair of W.M., and the "hearty good wishes" of about a score of representatives from other lodges proved how popular the new occupant of the chair was. The newly installed W.M. then invested his officers as follows:—Bros. T. Evans, P.M. Treasurer; H. S. Alpass, P.M., P.G. Sec.; W. Lee, Dir. of Ceremonies; Samuel Hinkins, S.W.; Robert Roberts, J.W.; Henry Worthington, Secretary; Ralph Webster, S.D.; Walter W. Thomas, J.D.; Edward Jarvis, I.G.; John H. Davis, S.S.; and William P. Vine, J.S. Between fifty and sixty brethren, after business, banquetted in the lodge room under the presidency of Bro. A. Morrison, W.M., the catering being in the capable keeping of Bro. W. S. Vines, W.M. 1299, P.G.D.C. The ordinary loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to during the pleasant evening's proceedings. Not the least interesting of the items on the programme was the presentation of a chaste and valuable electro plated tea and coffee service to Bro. T. Evans, I.P.M., for the valuable services which he had rendered to the Prince Arthur Lodge in particular and Masonry in general. The presentation was made by Bro. Alpass, P.G. Sec., and suitably acknowledged by Bro. Evans. Songs and recitations were given during the evening by the various brethren.

**TWICKENHAM.**—Francis Burdett Lodge (No. 1503).—The last meeting of this provincial lodge was held at the Albany Hotel, on Wednesday, the 12th inst., when there were present amongst others Bros. S. H. Knaggs, W.M.; Court, S.W.; Taylor, J.W.; Tomlinson, P.P.G.D. of Norfolk, Treasurer; W. Wigginton, P.P.G.S. of Works, Middlesex, Secretary; W. H. Saunders, P.G. S. of Middlesex, I.P.M.; Vaughan, S.D.; Ashley, J.D.; Palmer, I.G.; Walls, P.G.O., Middlesex, D.C., (Freemason); Briggs, Steward; Ricknall, W.S.; Court, jun., Assistant Organist; C. Horsley, P.P.G.R. of Middlesex, and others. The minutes of the installation meeting in November last, having been read and confirmed, the W.M., assisted by his officers, passed Bro. Newton and initiated Mr. Rollard, both ceremonies being most ably and impressively performed. There being no other business before the lodge it was duly closed, and the brethren adjourned to a collation. The cloth having been removed, the W.M. gave the time-honoured preliminary Royal and Craft toasts, tersely but to the point. "The D.P.G.M. of Middlesex, and the rest of the P.G.O.'s Present and Past," was acknowledged in fitting terms by Bros. C. Horsley, W. Wigginton, and T. C. Walls. "The Health of the W.M." was proposed by the I.P.M., who congratulated Bro. Knaggs upon the excellent manner in which he had conducted the proceedings that day. In the course of his speech he also touched upon the great interest that the W.M. had always evinced in the welfare of the "Francis Burdett," and stated that he believed that his year of office would be as pleasurable to himself as it would be to every member of the lodge. This toast having been most warmly received, the W.M. made a modest reply, and immediately afterwards proposed "The Health of the Initiate," who briefly acknowledged the compliment paid him. "The Past Masters" was proposed in complimentary terms by the W.M., and responded to by Bros. Saunders and Wigginton. In introducing "The Officers" the W.M. spoke very highly of the important services rendered to the lodge by Bro. Wigginton as founder, Master and Secretary, and also of the great interest taken in the fortunes of No. 1503, by Bro. Tomlinson, in the dual capacity of founder and Treasurer. The other working officials were also entitled to every praise for the manner in which they had hitherto discharged their duties, and he trusted that their zeal would in due time be rewarded, by their being successively elected to occupy the proud position which hitherto held. This toast having been duly acknowledged, the brethren shortly afterwards separated, until the second Wednesday in February next.

## INSTRUCTION.

**WEST SMITHFIELD LODGE** (No. 1623).—The annual dinner of this flourishing lodge of instruction was held on the 17th inst., at the New Market Hotel, King-street, Snow Hill, E.C. Bro. W. T. Adams, W.M. 1623, presided, supported by the following brethren: Bros. G. H. Stephens, S.W.; H. J. Lardner, J.W.; W. Pennefather, P.M., Preceptor; E. Mallett, W.M. 141, acting Secretary, in the absence of Bro. F. Walters. The lodge was opened with prayer, and the minutes of last lodge meeting read and confirmed. Bro. G. H. Stephens being elected W.M. for the ensuing week, the lodge closed with prayer, and adjourned to the banquet room, where a splendid dinner was served by Bro. T. Butt, the host, in his best style. The usual loyal and Craft toasts followed the banquet, and were suitably honoured. The toasts of "The W.M.," "The Preceptor," and "The Acting Secretary," were received with great enthusiasm, and were responded to in a most happy manner by the W.M., T. W. Adams; W. Pennefather, Preceptor; and E. Mallett, acting Secretary. "The Visitors" was also greeted with hearty expressions of goodwill, and responded to by Bro. Larking and others. In answer to an appeal from the chair, the sum of over £4 was collected in aid of the lodge charitable fund. Having passed the evening in a manner which augurs well for the future of the lodge, the brethren separated, having enjoyed some excellent songs during the evening, which was thoroughly successful throughout. There were present besides those already named Bros. Pearson, Faija, Combie, Stevens, Butt, Howes, Davis,

Snow, Morrison, Stuart, Smythe, Fairbank, Adams, Callier, Delefos, Chapman, Barth, and Larking.

## Royal Arch.

**BARNSTAPLE.**—Chapter of Loyalty and Virtue (No. 251).—The fifty-seventh annual meeting of this old and flourishing chapter was held at the Masonic Hall, Queen Ann's-walk, on Wednesday, the 19th inst., for the purpose of electing officers for the year ensuing. The Principals' chairs were filled by Comps. Wm. Britton, Z.; J. T. Shapland, H.; and J. C. Oliver, J. The meeting was well attended, and after the usual preliminary business was transacted, the following were elected officers for the year ensuing:—Comps. J. T. Shapland, Z.; W. C. Oliver, H.; Jno. Brewer, J.; Wm. Britton, P.Z.; W. H. Toller, S.E.; E. Holmes, S.N.; T. Hancock, P.S.; Wm. Boyle, 1st A.S.; Wm. Young, 2nd A.S.; W. J. List, Treas.; Wm. Curtis, Reg.; O. J. Nicklin, S.W.B.; C. Whickham, St.B.; T. S. Herbert, M.C.; J. Edwards, Org.; R. P. Morrison, Steward; J. Hancock, Jan. Comp. Thomas Galway, of Chapter 46, Comber, C. Down, Ireland, was unanimously elected a joining member. Chapter was then closed, and the companions adjourned to, the Golden Lion Hotel, and partook of a splendid banquet got up by Mrs. Marsh, and a very pleasant evening was spent.

## Mark Masonry.

**MARYPORT.**—Whitwell Lodge (No. 151).—The ordinary monthly meeting of this flourishing lodge was held on Thursday evening, the 20th inst., in the Masonic Hall, Maryport. On account of business and other engagements, there was only a limited attendance, the W.M., Bro. T. Mandle, P.G.S.W., being absent at Liverpool. Amongst those present were Bros. J. Gardiner, P.M., P.G.M.O.; Jos. Nicholson, P.M. and Treasurer P.P.G.S.W.; J. H. Banks, J.W., P.G.I.G.; Jas. Quay, Sec.; J. W. Robinson, R.M.; E. G. Mitchell, S.D.; J. W. Thompson, J.D.; J. Smith, Org., P.P.G. Org.; W. T. Lamonby, P.G.A.D.C., as Chaplain (Freemason); J. Stoddart, and J. Harris, Tyler. There being a candidate to ballot for and advance, (Bro. John Melmore, Lodge of Perseverance, No. 371,) most of the officer's posts had to be doubled. After the lodge had been opened in form by Bro. Gardiner, P.M., the minutes of the preceding meeting were read and confirmed, after which the candidate was balloted for and approved, whereupon, Bro. J. H. Banks, J.W., ascended the dais, and performed the whole ceremony of advancement in first-class style. The lodge was then closed in form.

## Red Cross of Constantine.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—Naval and Military Conclave (No. 35).—This conclave, met on Monday, Dec. 17th. The conclave was opened by the P.M.S., John Harrison, at 6 p.m. The minutes of former conclave of Sept. 25th and emergency of Nov. 15th were adopted. The ballot was taken separately for Bros. Slaiter and Captain J. Andrews, Hants Volunteer Artillery, and proved unanimously in their favour. Bros. Slaiter being in attendance was entrusted, installed and proclaimed. The annual balance sheet was passed. Sir Kts. Dixon, Bick, Richardson, and Reed signed and received their G. Con. certificates. Sir Kt. Harrison the retiring M.P.S. expressed his acknowledgements to the officers and members for their attention to duties and punctual attendance during the past year. The Recorder presented Em. Sir Kt. G. A. Green Past K. to the presiding officer, to receive the honour of enthronement as M.P.S.; for the coming year; and he, having assented to the several questions contained in G. Statutes; Sir Kt. Adams was presented as Vy. elect for the purpose of consecration as Eusebius. All the Sir Kts. below the grade of Viceroy having retired, a college of Viceroy's was opened in ancient form, Sir Kt. Adams was entrusted, admitted and consecrated. The college was closed. All the Sir Kts. below the grade of M.P.S. having retired, a Senate of Sovereigns was opened in ample form, Sir Kt. Green was entrusted, introduced and enthroned. The senate was closed, and the members re-admitted, when the M.P.S. invested his officers: Sir Kt. C. G. Adams, Viceroy; A. Nance, Jr. Sen. Gen.; W. Tuck, Jun. Gen.; J. Lillywhite, H.P.; J. Clay, P.S., Treas.; A. R. Robinson, P.S., Rec.; R. Osborne, Prefect; W. C. Redward, Sub-Prefect; G. Watson, Org.; G. Reading, Sen. Aide; A. M. Dixon, Jun. Aide; J. W. Stroud, Herald; and G. Copus, Sentinel. The M.P.S. stated that he would present four collars in addition to those already in use, and possibly some future M.P.S. or companion would append the required jewels. Thanks were unanimously expressed for this gift. The Int. Gen. proposed that the chair should be endowed with £10 ros. in part payment of the required sum to render the M.P.S. for the time being a life governor or vice-patron of the Masonic Institution for Girls, and associate the act with the name of the respected retiring M.P.S., who at a considerable sacrifice of both time and money had frequently travelled long distances to fill his place in the conclave ever since his installation into the Order. This was also carried, when Sir Kt. Harrison acknowledged the pleasure it gave him to see this so enthusiastically approved, and most feelingly dilated upon this compliment, which he valued more highly than anything else possibly could be. The Dep. Int. Gen. then rose, and requested permission to introduce a motion which had been discussed in the Perm. Council of No. 35 with satisfaction, and which he was confident would receive the approval and support of the members, viz., "That the continuous services of their valued Recorder, Sir Kt. Robinson, P.S., was deserving of some substantial acknowledgment, he was an active founder, who was unremitting in his exertions in founding



the conclave, and had ever since worked continuously, sparing neither labour or expense in its behalf, and that it is our desire that his name should be respectfully submitted to the consideration of the G. Sov. for some mark of his favour. This was supported by Sir Kt. Harrison and the Int. Gen., and adopted. The Recorder in acknowledging the honour thus proposed for him, stated that he was confident from the first that the Order must flourish eventually in this division; that this flattering mark of their approbation was most pleasing to him, and he hoped still (if life be spared) to work in the future as much or more than in the past. Several brethren having been proposed for installation, the conclave was closed at eight, when the Sir Knights adjourned to the George Hotel, High-street, Portsmouth, where the Red Cross annual festival of Sir Knights and brethren was held, under the presidency of Em. and Pt. Sir Kt. G. A. Green, M.P.S., supported on the right by the Int. Gen. of Hants, Dr. Knott, and visiting brethren, and on his left by the Dep. Int. Gen. Sir W. J. Clark, Lillywhite, Robinson, Groom, Simister, Osborne, and others. Letters were received from the G. Sov. Col. Burdett, J.P., Rev. Canon Beckles, Int. Gen. Dorset, expressive of regret at compulsory absence. After the tables were cleared, the usual toasts were duly honoured, that of Int. Gen. Hants, being proposed by the M.P.S. in most felicitous terms, making special mention of the great accession of numbers since the division had been under his generalship. Dr. Knott in responding paid a high compliment to the labours of the Past and Present Officers, expressing his conviction that all and each Sir Knight endeavoured to keep in view the high character of our Knightly Order, but above all the grand principle of Charity, and for the information of these brethren present who were not of the Red Cross Order he would state that the conclave being free from debt, had, at his suggestion made a commencement by endowing the chair with ten guineas for the Girls' School, associating with the donation the name of Bro. Past Master Harrison, who in carrying out his duties had frequently travelled many miles and sacrificed much time and money in so doing. When he contrasted their feebleness some two years since, with their present strength and prospects, he failed properly to express his thankfulness to those brethren; who in spite of good natured criticism and sometimes something more severe than that: still held on the even tenor of their way, as Christian Masons; and were now receiving their reward in the acquisition of many P.M.'s. and past and present P.G. Officers to their standard; and, as their mission became known, the elite of Hampshire Masons would join:—still exercising a wise discretion in the admission of candidates; and thus maintain a real bond of brotherhood. In conclusion, he said this was, without exception, one of the happiest Masonic gatherings at which he had ever been present. This sentiment was cordially assented to by every Sir Knight and visitor present. The banquet by Mr. Kemp gave much satisfaction to all.

### Ancient and Accepted Rite.

**BOURNEMOUTH.**—Vigne Chapter Sovereign Prince Rose Croix, H.R.D.M.—The regular Advent meeting of this chapter was held on Wednesday, 19th December, at the Masonic Hall. After the chapter had been opened by Ill. Bro. S.G. Kirchhoffer, 30°, and certain formal business had been transacted, Bro. Kirchhoffer vacated his chair of office in favour of the Installing Officer, Ill. Bro. Emra Holmes, 31°, who thereupon inducted Ill. Bro. Kirchhoffer into the chair, and in doing so expressed the great pleasure it gave him to install his friend as M.W.S. of the Vigne Chapter. Bro. Kirchhoffer having been re-elected for a second term of office, in consequence of the efficient manner in which he had governed the chapter during the past year it was not necessary for him (Bro. Holmes) to perform the full ceremony of installation. He was glad, however, to take this opportunity of congratulating him on his re-appointment as it was an evidence of the good will of the brethren, and he hoped the chapter would prosper during his year of office. He would venture to remind the brethren of the great duty of obedience to the commands of the M.W.S., a duty especially inculcated in Freemasonry. He also would ask them to be careful in the selection of candidates for this office so that none but Masons of high social character should be admitted to this sublime degree. This he believed was the wish of the Supreme Council 33°. As they were doubtless aware the Rose Croix degree was the most widely diffused and probably the most ancient of any degree outside the Craft. It appeared under one form or another, in almost every known rite throughout the civilised world. It was formerly an appendant degree to the Order of the Temple and was given in Knight Templar Encaimements, and he the speaker knew of one chapter where they would not admit candidates who were not already Templars. They would understand by all this how interesting the degree was, and for his own part he thought that every man should be a Mason, every Christian should be Rose Croix, and every gentleman a Templar. Bro. Holmes concluded his remarks by wishing the M.W.S. every prosperity both during his year of office and through the years to come. The M.W.S., returned thanks and proposed a vote of thanks to Bro. Holmes for the instructive remarks he had made upon the degree. This was seconded by Bro. E. W. Rebbeck and carried unanimously. The M.W.S. then appointed his officers for the ensuing year; alms were collected, and the chapter was closed in ancient and solemn form.

Special Christmas Services will be held in St. Anne's Church, Soho, Westminster, on Fridays, December 28, 1877, January 4, 11, and 18, 1878, at eight o'clock, at which a selection from Bach's Christmas Oratorio will be sung, with orchestral accompaniment.

### WHO SHALL BE GREATEST?

This is a question of the highest importance, especially in a Masonic lodge, and just now it is propounded to us all. Another year has rolled away: we are approaching the festival of St. John's Day; and in all of our lodges each Freemason must answer the question we have placed at the head of this column. Let us see to it that it is answered aright, for an erroneous answer may bring the saddest consequences upon the Craft.

At the annual election of your lodge, you are called upon to determine not only who shall be greatest during the approaching Masonic year, but also, practically, who shall be greatest during the two succeeding years, for the Senior and Junior Wardens almost invariably are regularly advanced to the supreme station in the lodge. Certainly there are two questions of prime importance, namely, who shall be Master and who Junior Warden; and there are two other questions, of only less importance, as to who shall occupy the Treasurer's and the Secretary's stations, for absolute fidelity is required in the one, and unusual accuracy and business tact in the other. First as to the Master:

Character is the primary and absolute pre-requisite of a Worshipful Master; without it he is but a shadow, or worse. See to it, then, that your candidate stands well with the world, is unblemished morally, and is such a one as will enforce the precepts he utters by his example. One of the duties of the Master (if not delegated to a Chaplain) is to address the Great Architect of the Universe in prayer, and it ill becomes him who is not distinguished by sobriety in word and deed to stand between man and his Maker.

Intelligence is the secondary qualification—secondary only in order, however, not in importance, for how can a ruler govern without it? This word intelligence covers many requisites, such as knowledge of the work of the lodge, acquaintance with men and measures, information as to the origin and history of the fraternity, and aptness in instructing his subordinates and the brethren subject to his authority. We do not say that the Master must necessarily be a scholar and person of literary ability, although such qualifications will adorn the dignity of his station, and render the performance of its duties polished as well as instructive. Novices are to be taught the mysteries of Freemasonry, and all of the members are to be led by a way that they know not up to the stature, morally and intellectually, of Masonic manhood. Intelligence of no mean order is needed for the accomplishment of this work.

Ambition may be named as the third qualification—ambition to excel. There are twelve months in the year, and the duties of each succeeding month shall be increasingly well performed. The best of us are learners, including teachers themselves. He who cannot learn should not teach. When the first year rolls around, if a laudable ambition has been exhibited, and it is justified by results, a second term may and should reward the Master, and distinguish the lodge. We believe in second terms—when they are deserved. When character and intelligence are matched with ambition in the Master, the lodge cannot do better, or so well, as to retain him.

Bro. Oliver hit the nail upon the head when he said, in one aphorism: "An incompetent person in the chair of a lodge is like a hawk on the wing, from which all the inferior birds hasten to escape, and leave him the sole tenant of the sky. In the same manner, such a master will cause the lodge to be deserted by its best members, and to be left alone in his glory." Here we have a key to a mystery which we will unfold.

The ability or ignorance of the Master, as the case may be, will gauge the attendance at the lodge. Brethren will not go there for nothing; they will not dance attendance, and every time be sent empty away; and if the Master is incompetent, the number of non-affiliates will also be rapidly increased. It is indisputable that lodge meetings should be made interesting; and to do this the work must be well performed, or if there be no work, something that is legitimately Masonic must be improvised to take its place.

If a brother be ambitious, and intelligent, or seeking to be intelligent, he will be a "reading Mason." Every candidate for Masonic office should be of this class, now a growing, if not a large one. Freemasonry possesses vast literary treasures. Nearly four thousand volumes have been written upon it and its related branches. There is no dearth of intelligence, then, in books, if there be in men; and this intelligence is readily available to make a Craftsman wise. We have known of a young Mason, only six months after his initiation, elected to the Master's station. This was the fruit of character, industry and study. An easy and handy way of increasing one's knowledge is to take and read a Masonic newspaper. It will keep one not only abreast with the current news of the day, but also acquainted with the latest decisions in Masonic law, and with discussions relating to the leading principles of Freemasonry. In every jurisdiction the judicious voter might advantageously ask of each candidate, "Do you take and read a Masonic journal?" Lord Chancellor Bacon said, "Reading makes a full man," and we need full men, intellectually, in all of the chairs of the lodge. Brethren, everywhere, select the ablest and best members for office, and the Craft during the approaching year will largely prosper, the meetings will be fully attended, and "more light" will be dispensed in Freemasonry."—*Keystone*.

Students of chymistry will be interested by the following telegram from Professor Pictet, of Geneva, which was received yesterday by Professor Tyndall:—"Oxygene liquifi samedi par acides sulfuroux et carboniques combinés. Pression 320 atmosphères. Température 100deg. Centigrade de froid." Hitherto all attempts to liquify oxygen have failed."

**WESTMINSTER ABBEY.**—This week has been completed the window erected by the Dean to the memory of Lady Augusta Stanley above her grave in Henry VII.'s Chapel. It is executed by Messrs. Clayton and Bell in the style of the stained glass of the period of the building of the chapel. In the upper compartment the subjects are taken from the history of the Bruce family:—1. King Robert Bruce watching the spider—"Patience worketh experience, and experience hope;" 2. King Robert Bruce halting the army for the sake of a poor washerwoman—"Be pitiful, be courteous;" 3. King Robert Bruce bequeathing his heart to Douglas—"Keep that good thing committed to thee;" 4. Lord Elgin dying in India—"Faithful unto death: I give thee a crown of life;" 5. Robert Bruce guiding the Prince of Wales to Jerusalem—"I will be surety for him: of my hand require him." 6. Frederick Bruce's remains brought from America—"The path of the just is a shining light." In the lower compartment the subjects represent Lady Augusta Stanley in the six acts of mercy (Matt. xxv., 35, 36, 37) 1, feeding the hungry; 2, giving drink to the thirsty; 3, receiving the stranger; 4, clothing the poor; 5, visiting the sick; 6, delivering the prisoner. The heraldic emblems consist of the armorial bearings of the houses of Stanley and Bruce, with those of the Lycester and Oswald families. At the two sides are the armorial bearings of the House of Orleans (as represented in the tomb of the Duke of Montpensier) on the east side, and of the Worsley family (as represented on the grave of General Worsley) on the west. The vacant spaces are filled with the Royal insignia of Henry VII.'s Chapel from the Tudor dynasty—namely, the portcullis of the house of Beaufort (John of Gwent), the daisies of Margaret Richmond (mother of Henry VII.), the greyhound of the house of York, the fetterlock of the house York (Elizabeth of York), the dragon of Wales (Owen Tudor), the crown on the bush (the battle of Bosworth), the white and red rose (union of the houses of York and Lancaster). A window (also by Messrs. Clayton and Bell) has been completed in memory of the Ashantee war in St. Michael's Chapel, in the north transept, representing St. Michael in Heaven, and St. George and St. Maurice on earth.

**CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE.**—A popular authority, speaking of the Christmas waits, just near London as waiting for Cleopatra's Needle. Punch and his friend the public will doubtless be glad to hear that in all likelihood London will not have to wait very long. The law's delays are proverbial, and maritime law is no exception to the rule. Hence, when Mr. John Dixon's cylinder ship Cleopatra, with the obelisk on board, besides being wrecked in the Bay of Biscay, was caught in the meshes of a salvage suit, there were but too good grounds for fearing that the new and thorny questions sure to be raised by counsel in so peculiar a case might almost indefinitely detain her at Ferrol, so that none could tell when she might be looked for in the Thames. Happily, there are ways and means of smoothing over such difficulties, and, thanks to the good sense and right feeling of the litigating parties, these have been resorted to. Mr. Dixon has given bail in the Admiralty Court to the owners of the Fitzmaurice, the ship which picked up the Cleopatra after she had been cut adrift by the Olga, to meet such salvage as shall be ultimately awarded. Accordingly a week or two ago Captain Carter, the master of the floating needle-case, was sent out to Ferrol, with a picked English crew, to resume possession of his ship, and a telegram announcing his arrival has now reached Mr. Dixon's office. He reports himself and crew all well; he has inspected the Cleopatra, and found her in much better trim than might have been looked for considering what she has gone through. The necessary repairs can be completed, he says, in ten days. Mr. Dixon has already arranged with Mr. William Watkins for the hire of one of his powerful Channel tugs to fetch the Cleopatra from Ferrol. The contract is for £500, payment to be contingent on the obelisk ship's safely reaching her moorings in the Thames. Mr. Dixon has consulted some of the most experienced captains in the service of the Peninsular and Oriental Company, and they are agreed in the opinion that the season of the year presents no sufficient reason for the ship being kept at Ferrol. It has been decided to send a tug for her instead of simply engaging some merchant steamer to call for her, as the tug would be wholly at her service, could have no interest clashing with the speedy and safe arrival of the Cleopatra at her destination, and can wait, if need be, for what in nautical phrase is termed "a streak of fair weather" for the voyage. Across the Bay of Biscay the distance is 350 miles, and as much more may be reckoned to the Thames, and it is computed that, in favourable circumstances, the whole 700 miles could be traversed by one of Mr. Watkins' fine Channel tugs, with the Cleopatra in her wake, in five days.

**THE ST. PANCRAS GARDENS.**—The Special Committee appointed for the laying out of the old St. Pancras and St. Giles-in-the-Fields burying-grounds as gardens have reported to the Vestry that Lady Burdett-Coutts had evinced great interest in the affair by erecting a marble monument to the memory of John Walker, author of "Walker's Pronouncing Dictionary." They approved also of a very handsome design for a memorial sundial to be erected by her Ladyship to the memory of the illustrious dead lying in the grounds. This memorial will cost probably £3,000, and will be of a unique character and of lasting usefulness in recording the names of the many distinguished and other persons buried there. The committee reported further that the sum of £1000, presented by the Baroness, had been expended in the erection of a greenhouse, in accordance with the suggestion of her Ladyship. The report was approved on the motion of Mr. Westcott, the chairman of the committee.

Two Royal Academicians were elected the week before last—Mr. W. O. Orchardson and Mr. R. Norman Shaw, the architect.

## ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

The General Committee and subscribers to this Institution met on Thursday, at the Freemasons' Hall. Colonel Creton, V.P., in the chair. There were also present Bros. H. Browne, Thos. W. White, H. A. Dubois, S. Rawson, Griffiths Smith, Herbert Dickerts, John Boyd, H. Venn, R. B. Webster, H. Massey (*Freemason*), Peter De L. Long, H. Potter, R. W. Little (Secretary), and F. W. Hedges.

The brethren accepted five candidates for election in April and deferred one case for better reading, and one for further information.

The Committee declared vacancies for eighteen children at April election, for which there are 23 candidates.

Bro. Joshua Nunn's motion was adopted for increasing the salaries at the School as follows:—Miss Jarwood, (matron), from £100 to £125; Miss Davis, (head governess), from £140 to £160; Miss Curt, (teacher), from £65 to £75; Miss Redgrave, (teacher), from £45 to £50; Miss Triggs, (teacher), from £30 to £40; Miss Buck, (teacher), from £30 to £40; Miss Shepherd, (assistant matron), from £30 to £40; Miss Hutchinson, (teacher), from £20 to £25; Miss Flintoff, (teacher), from £6 to £20; Miss Groves, (pupil teacher), from £2 to £4; and Miss Barrow, £2 and clothing; making a total increase in the salaries of £112 from January 1st, 1878.

Notice of motion for next Quarterly Court was given for the purchase of a slip of land adjoining the school, and for building a wall from the new laundry down to the piece of ground just purchased.

Notice of motion from the Quarterly Court was also given by Bro. Raynham W. Stewart "That a committee be appointed to consider the system of education which is pursued in the school, with a view to ascertaining whether any improvement can be effected."

The Committee then adjourned.

**POST OFFICE FACILITIES.**—Mr. J. McIntosh, M.S.A., F.R.H.S., writes to the *Times* from 38, Langham-street:—"Having lately been over the General Post Offices of London, New York, and several large cities, it struck me, it would very greatly facilitate the sorting of letters in all post offices if each large town had a different coloured envelope, which could be picked out by the sorters immediately without examining the addresses; for instance—London, red; Edinburgh, yellow; Dublin, green; Paris, blue, and soon until the prison was exhausted. Envelopes might also be striped with one, two, or three broad or narrow lines. Envelopes of foreign countries with the national flag on the left-hand corner, or any bold device which would at once catch the sorter's eye, would be of great use."

**GEOGRAPHY MADE EASY.**—Some time ago the Lyons Geographical Society suggested an original means of vulgarising geographical knowledge. It proposed that the French railway companies should add to the names of their stations certain information of a geographical or statistical nature. A traveller passing along a line would thus learn something about the geographical position, the elevation above the sea level, the population, leading industries, and so on of the towns he passed. This suggestion has already been acted upon by the Southern and Eastern Railway Companies. The same society has proposed that a geographical pillar—*pierre géographique*—should be erected in every commune throughout France. The idea has met with the approbation of the French Academy, and a model pillar is to be erected at Lyons. We remember having seen a similar structure at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, close to the Schiller statue. The information it supplied was of the most miscellaneous character. There were barometers, aneroids, thermometers, and other meteorological instruments; maps of the town and environs; the bearings and distances of the capitals of Europe and the places of interest in the neighbourhood were given, as likewise information of special interest to visitors. This pillar we understood, was set up by a local improvement society.—*Athenaeum*.

**Electrical apparatus for lighting churches and other public buildings** are becoming general in the United States. Recently this method has been adopted for the street lamps. In Rhode Island 220 lamps, stretching over nine miles of streets, are now lighted in about 15 seconds.

**BRAZILIAN BUTTER.**—The *Medical Examiner* observes that there are four native modes of making butter in the Empire of Brazil. The first is by putting the milk in a common bowl and beating it with a spoon, as you would an egg. The second by pouring the milk into a bottle and shaking it till the butter appears, when it is removed by breaking off the top of the bottle, as bottles are valueless in that part of South America on account of the vast number imported with foreign fruits and liquors. The third, when the dairy is more extensive, is performed by filling a hide with the milk, which is lustily shaken by an athletic native at each end until butter is produced. The fourth, which is considered to indicate vast progress over any of the preceding methods, consists in dragging the hide or leathern vessel, filled with milk, on the ground after a galloping horse, until it is supposed the butter is formed. The milk is never strained and the butter never washed.

**HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.**—A Cure for Abscesses, Piles, Fistulas, and Sores.—The many satisfactory cures resulting from the use of this valuable Ointment in cases where patients have been suffering from these complaints, have induced many medical practitioners to introduce them into the hospitals and their private practice; and in many instances where the sufferer was considered incurable, Holloway's Ointment, in conjunction with his Pills, has healed the most desperate wounds. These medicaments are unequalled for the cure of scrofula and diseases of the skin. In all cutaneous affections incidental to children, from the simple red gum to the complicated scorbutic disease, Holloway's Ointment exercises a remarkably beneficial influence, cooling inflammation, relieving irritation, and giving ease to the impatient little sufferer.—*Advt.*

## Masonic and General Tidings.

We are happy to announce that H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, K.G., Senior Grand Warden, has graciously consented to preside at the 80th Anniversary Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

The installation of Bro. T. E. S. Jelley as W.M. of the Royal Clarence Lodge, Bruton, took place on Thursday week. The ceremony was performed by W. Bro. R. C. Else, V.W.D.P.G.M., of Somerset. There was a large attendance of Brethren.

Mr. Shaw, the manager of the South-Eastern Railway Company, has written to several of the local governing bodies, stating that the new line from Woolwich to London, via Greenwich, will be opened on Jan. 1.

In Scotland it seems that Christmas Day was observed with more than usual geniality. It is noted that year by year the tendency to keep the religious festival rather than New Year's Day shows an increase.

We learn with sincere sorrow of the death of Bro Richard Wolf, of Worcester. We hope to furnish our readers with an obituary of this distinguished Mason in our next.

The London *Freemason* has been enlarged from sixteen pages to twenty. This is a sign of prosperity which its publisher well deserves, for he makes an admirable Masonic paper.—*Masonic Review* (U.S.A.), Dec. 1877.

Her Majesty's Christmas bounty to the poor of the metropolis and its environs was distributed on Friday and Saturday week and on Monday, at the Almshouse Office, Scotland-yard, Whitehall.

On Monday afternoon the Prince of Wales and his sons were present at the annual distribution of beef to the poor people on the Sandringham estate. The recipients were nearly 200 in number.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to signify her Majesty's intention of conferring on Lord Lytton, Her Majesty's Viceroy and Governor-General of India, the honour of the Grand Cross of the Civil Division of the Order of the Bath.

Her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales attended the Special Advent Services at St. Anne's Church, Soho, Westminster, on Friday evening, the 22nd inst.

A Wolverhampton correspondent says that Lord Dudley and party, counting in all five guns, bagged three thousand head of game in three days ending last week. The battue took place in his lordship's well-stocked preserves at Baggesridge Woods, and Black Hills.

A branch of the Volunteer Sick-Bearers' Association has been started by the officers of the garrison and others at Woolwich. Many of the arsenal employees have promised to attend the classes and receive instruction in attending to injured persons, and the association are endeavouring to procure the attendance of as many railway servants as can be spared to attend.

**SEA SERPENTS.**—The gigantic whale captured in February last in the Gulf of Taranto, Italy, has been subjected to a critical examination by Professor Capellini, who, in a report lately published, states it as his opinion that the whale is of a species hitherto unknown to science, and he has named it *Balaena tarantina*, in allusion to the locality of its capture. This unlooked-for discovery of a new species of huge marine animal, taken in connection with the alleged appearance of another "monster" a short time later, and in the same neighbourhood, as vouched for by the officers of the Royal yacht Osborne, is regarded as a strong argument in favour of the existence of unknown huge marine living objects, such as are popularly indicated by the name of "sea serpents." The opinion is gaining ground in Italy that the sea serpent of the Royal yacht was some creature usually living at the bottom of the sea, but disturbed by submarine volcanic phenomena.

The other day a curious application was made by the owner of a picture, "The Raising of Lazarus," which had been sent to a dealer to be restored. When the upper paint or dirt had been removed a valuable portrait of a lady, by Lely, was discovered beneath, and the dealer threatened, unless a sum, in addition to the amount he had originally agreed to take, were given to him, to paint over the picture again with some indelible substance. The Master of the Rolls granted an interim injunction restraining the defendant from mutilating or destroying the picture, and also made an order for the inspection of the picture by the person serving the injunction.

**A FASTING GIRL.**—Martha White has died at Market Harborough, Leicestershire, under very peculiar circumstances. She had been ill five years and is popularly supposed to have taken no food for four years. She was at first attended by Mr. Francis, surgeon, and latterly by Dr. Grant, his successor, and has been kept alive by the injection of morphia into her system. The case has excited considerable interest among the medical profession. It is stated that a post-mortem examination fully satisfied the doctors who made it that no food had passed the stomach for a long time.

I have received a Post-office order for eight shillings from Nemo, Wakefield, for the poor children's dinner, to which reference was lately made in *Barrel Organ*. The amount seems to have been subscribed "by a few of the members of the Wakefield Lodge of Freemasons." Nemo remarks, that he sends the money direct to me, in order that I may know that the "Barrel Organ" made no uncertain sound in Wakefield. I am in debt, pleading to hear this, and hope that many other people will, during the next few days forward their mite to Messrs Ransomes, Bouverie, and Co., 1, Pall Mall East, to whom I have sent this eight shillings, in order that many poor children may have a substantial proof that it is Christmas.—*Truth*.

Bro. Raynham W. Stewart has given notice of motion for the next Quarterly Court of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, "That a committee be appointed to consider the system of education which is pursued in the school, with a view of ascertaining whether any improvement can be effected."

We are asked to state that on and after Friday next the Royal Standard Lodge of Instruction, No. 1208, will meet at the Alwyne Castle, (Bro. T. Meekham's), St. Paul's-road, Canonbury.

We understand that Mr. Henry Dymond, the *Morning Advertiser's* correspondent, lately returned from the seat of war is a candidate for initiation into Freemasonry.

The American lady pedestrian, Miss Bertha von Hillern, of Philadelphia, is going to attempt a walk of 150 miles in 50 hours.

"Belated Sisters" is the latest title for old maids across the Atlantic.

The General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls' on Thursday increased the salaries of the staff at the school by £112 a year.

**THE EMPRESS OF AUSTRIA.**—Her Majesty the Empress of Austria, accompanied by His Imperial Highness the Crown Prince Rodolphe of Austria, will arrive in London from the Continent on the 31st inst., and will stay for the night at Claridge's Hotel. Her Majesty intends to proceed immediately to Cottesbrook-park, in Northamptonshire, while the Crown Prince proposes to remain in London for the purpose of visiting the scientific institutions and studying industrial and commercial life here. His Imperial Highness will afterwards undertake a tour through the principal manufacturing districts. The Ministerial Councillor and Deputy Consul-General, Chevalier de Scherzer, the well-known author of the great work on the Novara Expedition, has been ordered by the Government to assist and attend the Prince during his stay in this country.

**TEMPLE BAR.**—A correspondent sends us the following verses, as likely to be of interest to the curious reader just at the present moment, when Temple Bar is in the course of demolition. They are said to have been published as far back as the year 1788; and it is to be hoped that the bad consequences which they predict as likely to follow on the removal of the Bar will not be realised:—

"If the Gate is pulled down, 'twixt the Court and the City,

"You'll blend in one mass prudent, worthless, and witty;

"If you league cit and lordling as brother and brother, "You'll break order's chain, and they'll war with each other.

"Like the Great Wall of China, it keeps out the Tartars

"From making irruptions where industry batters.

"Like Samson's wild locks, they'll fire your houses,

"And madden your spinsters, and cozen your spouses.

"They'll destroy in one sweep both the mart and the forum,

"Which your fathers held dear, and their fathers before them."—*Times*.

**"The Cosmopolitan Masonic Calendar and Diary"** for 1878. (George Kenning, 108, Fleet-street, and all booksellers.) This welcome companion of the Free and Elected Mason is too well known to require comment. It contains information connected with every lodge throughout the world. In pocket-book form, price 2s.—*Hornet*.

**SCHOOLS OF ART.**—At the distribution of the prizes to the students of the Manchester School of Art recently, Sir Henry Cole, C.B., remarked that genius was the gift of Heaven and could not be created by any school. One of the chief functions of Schools of Art was, in his opinion, to train workmen to reproduce works of art for the benefit of the public. The problem was to unite the artist and the workman—to gratify, not one person only, but millions; and this, he maintained, was being successfully done. He ridiculed the idea entertained by some artists that the reproduction by copyists of works of art was only mechanical and not artistic work, and said that for all the purposes for which fine art existed, a copy, if it was a thoroughly good one, and especially if, as often happened, it could not be distinguished from the original, was as valuable as the original for all practical purposes. Fine art as applied to industry had made great, and would make still greater, strides in this country, conducing enormously to the pleasure, the material prosperity, and the elevation of the people. He also strongly urged that the ratepayers of Manchester should get the corporation to undertake the work of forming and maintaining an art gallery for the city. It may be mentioned that at the next meeting of the City Council a motion will be brought forward for the appointment of a committee to consider what assistance the corporation can give to the scheme which the Committee of the School of Art have in hand.

**A SPURIOUS PICTURE.**—A curious action was dealt with by the Common Pleas Division lately. The plaintiff, a picture-dealer, having bought a picture bearing what was supposed to be the signature of Mr. J. R. Herbert, R.A., took it to that gentleman to ascertain whether it was genuine. Mr. Herbert not only pronounced it to be a forgery, "a mere daub," but refused to give it up unless the owner would undertake not to sell it again. Hence the action, which resulted in the order of the Court for the picture to be given up, or the payment of £10, the amount at which the jury had assessed its value. It is rather humiliating to reflect that with all our boast of culture, taste, and art-education, there are people who will gladly give £250 for a picture which bears some celebrated name, but that if that name turns out to be a forgery, the work itself, hitherto so highly prized, becomes in their estimation a "mere daub."

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## Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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## BIRTHS.

GALE.—On the 21st inst., at Cheltenham, the wife of C. F. Gale, Esq., of a daughter.

STANLEY-SMITH.—On the 20th inst., at Remington House, Powls-square, Brighton, Mrs. J. Stanley-Smith, of a son (still born).

## MARRIAGE.

CLUTTERBUCK—MORGAN.—On the 7th ult., at St. James's Anarkulke, Punjab, Capt. Thomas St. Quintin Clutterbuck, 29th Punjab Regt. Native Infantry, to Nellie, daughter of Col. W. D. Morgan, Commandant 32nd Punjab Pioneers.

## DEATHS.

FELLOWES.—On the 23rd inst., at Shotesham Park, Norfolk, Evelyn Marcella, daughter of R. Fellowes, Esq.

FILDES.—On the 25th inst., Philip Luke, son of Luke and Fanny Fildes, of Melbury-road, Holland Park, Kensington, W., aged one year.

GALLOWAY.—On the 22nd inst., at Hyde Park-square, Richard Hodgson Galloway, Esq., aged 68.

PAYTON.—On the 24th ult., at Mogadore, Morocco, Joseph Payton, aged 38.

SMITH.—On the 16th inst., at Mentone, Edmund Denman, Smith, Capt. 3rd Goorkha Regt., Bengal Army, aged 36.

STAPLES.—On the 23rd inst., at High-street, Fulham, Ellen Brice, wife of C. A. Staples, aged 61.

SUTCLIFFE.—On the 24th inst., at his residence, Stallings-boro' House, John Sutcliffe, R.W.P.G.M.M. of Lincolnshire, aged 65 years.

WOODFORD.—On the 23rd inst., at Ansford, Castle Cary, Somerset, George Augustus Woodforde, aged 76.

WOOF.—On the 15th inst., Richard Woof, Esq., F.S.A., aged 56.

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With this, our concluding *Freemason* for 1877, we think it well to call the attention of our readers to the Masonic events of the past twelve months, trusting that they may find some pleasant reminiscences, and some seasonable thoughts in this remarkable record of another twelve months of Masonic life, of Masonic labour. And though we leave 1877, as far as Anglo-Saxon Masonry is concerned, with every feeling of satisfaction and confidence, we feel bound to admit that in respect of many sections of Foreign Freemasonry, our voice is and must be a voice of reprobation, of warning, and of mistrust.

JANUARY witnessed, as most befitting the commencement of a new Masonic year of light and beneficence, the vote of £4,000 by the Grand Lodge—an especial Grand Lodge—to establish two lifeboats in perpetuation of the safe return of our Royal Grand Master from India, and to assuage in some fitting measure the often stormy waves of human destruction and human sorrow. In this month we also gladly note that New Year entertainments were given at the three great Metropolitan charitable Institutions, to the inmates, a goodly custom always to be carefully observed. We remember also that in January, the Starkie Lodge, No. 1634, was consecrated, and that the New Temple of St. John's Lodge, Antigua, 492, was dedicated. A grand Masonic ball in Liverpool was also given, which was marked by equal success, in aid of the Provincial Charity and the Provincial Grand Lodge of Glasgow, and by a numerous and pleasant meeting.

FEBRUARY. We had the usual meeting of the Grand Chapter of England, though no important business was transacted. In this month the festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution took place, over which Bro. H.R.H. Prince Leopold was to have presided, but was prevented by indisposition. His absence, though most deeply regretted on every account, was admirably filled up by our lamented Bro. the Earl of Shrewsbury. The noble sum of £12,900 in round numbers, was collected, much to the gratification of all supporters of that excellent Institution, and to the great credit of all concerned in the arrangement and management of that most admirable charity of our Order. We believe that since that time other lists have come in, making the amount £16,300 in round numbers. Bro. Sir George Elliot was appointed Provincial Grand Master for the Eastern Division of South Wales, and our respected Bro. R. W. Little, Deputy Prov. Grand Master for Middlesex; and Bro. David Murray Lyon announced himself as candidate for the vacant office of Grand Secretary for Scotland. We have to record in this month the happy consecration of the Aldersgate Lodge, 1657, under some striking circumstances, as well as the Wolsey Lodge, 1656. Bro. Walters, P.P.G.J.D. Middlesex, was presented in February, with a purse of £180, and a silver inkstand, value £20. February also witnessed the laying the foundation stone of a Masonic Hall at Bournemouth. We had also to announce that in February the first annual meeting of the Leeds Masonic Educational and Benevolent Institution was held.

MARCH, always a busy month for English Freemasons, beheld the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, when the previous grant of £4,000 was confirmed, and a picture of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M., by Bro. Louis Desanges, was presented to Grand Lodge by the Lodge of Friendship, and heartily accepted. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was unanimously confirmed and proclaimed Grand Master of English Freemasonry. Our worthy Bro. Samuel Tomkins was unanimously re-elected Grand Treasurer. At the Provincial Grand Chapter for Cornwall held this month, Bro. the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe was installed as Provincial Grand Superintendent. We had to note during this month the conse-

cration of the Stuart Lodge, 1632; of the Beaconsfield Lodge, 1662; of the Skelmersdale Lodge, 1658; of the Mizpah Lodge, 1671; as well as of the Croydon Mark Lodge, 198. In this month Bro. D. Murray Lyon was elected by a large majority, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. He is emphatically the right man in the right place, and will, we feel sure, gradually restore confidence and raise the prestige of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. In March also, the annual meeting of the Belfast Masonic Charity Fund, and Masonic Widows' Fund took place, as well as the first anniversary meeting of the Langthorne Masonic Charitable Association.

APRIL witnessed the Annual Festival of the English Grand Lodge, when their Royal Highnesses the Duke of Connaught and Prince Leopold were appointed the two Grand Wardens. Such an unusual coincidence of three Royal brethren high in office, reminded old Masons of olden days of Royal patronage and presence. In April the following consecrations of lodges took place, namely, of the Southern Cross Lodge, 1590, Africa; the Amatole Lodge, 1640; the Ancient Britons' Lodge, 1675; the Samson Lodge, 1661; the Adelphi Lodge, 1670; the Scarlet Mark Lodge, 184; and the Phoenix Chapter, 173. April which welcomed the meetings of the Provincial Grand Lodges of West Yorkshire, Warwickshire, Queensland, and the Provincial Grand Chapter of West Lancashire, also beheld the consecration of the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Monmouthshire. In this month Bro. Lord Leigh, amid a numerous assemblage, laid the foundation stone of the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre, at Stratford-upon-Avon, and a concert was given successfully in aid of the Upper Norwood Masonic Benevolent Fund. In May the Supreme Grand Chapter met, and we note also the assembly of the Provincial Grand Chapter of East Lancashire and Leicestershire. The Provincial Grand Lodges of Cumberland and Westmoreland also assembled, and Bro. Sir W. W. Burrell, Bart., M.P., was appointed P.G.M. of Sussex, Bro. M. J. Guest was installed Provincial G.M. of Dorsetshire, and Bro. W. J. Hammond, District G.M. of Jamaica. The Annual Festival of the Girls' School under the presidency of Lord Suffield took place, when the large amount of £9800, in round numbers, which sum has been since slightly increased, was collected. H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught presided in May at two meetings of the Masonic Orphan School, Dublin, with great kindness, and made a truly Masonic speech. During May the anniversary of the Stability Lodge of Instruction was held, and our esteemed Bro. Henry Muggeridge greatly lauded for his faithful Masonic labours. In this month the Exeter Masonic Hall was dedicated, and the following lodges were consecrated:—Mornington Lodge, 1672; Henry Muggeridge Lodge, 1679; while the two chapters, Felicity, 438, and Stratford, 464, were properly dedicated. The Centennial of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was duly and Masonically celebrated.

IN JUNE, at the meeting of the Grand Lodge, Bro. Lord Donoughmore made an able report as to the two life boats which the Life Boat Institution had agreed to establish for the £4,000 voted by Grand Lodge. During June H.R.H. Prince Leopold presided at the meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Oxfordshire, and Sir W. W. Burrell, Bart., M.P., was installed Prov. Grand Master of Sussex. Bro. Lord Suffield, P.G.M. for Norfolk, presided at the distribution of the prizes to the students in our Girls' School. June witnessed the consecration of the Newton Lodge, 1661; Tonbridge Lodge, 1678; Crusaders Lodge, 1677; Guelph Lodge, 1685; and the Hervey Lodge, 1692. The Annual Festival of the Boys' School was celebrated at the Alexandra Palace, our fair sisters gracing the festive board, when the goodly return of £13,200, in round numbers, was announced; this amount has reached since then, we understand, £13,500. Thus the year of grace and light 1877 beheld the unexampled sum of nearly £40,000 collected for our great Metropolitan Charities—all honour to our Craft. The whole returns for the charities for the close of 1877 are very promising. The Centenary Festival of



the Lodge of Peace, 149, was also kept in June.

JULY, a somewhat slack month in English Masonry, saw the foundation stone laid of the Masonic Hall, Launceston, Cornwall, by Bro. the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, P.G.M. There was also in this month the opening of the New Masonic Hall, Sheffield, before a numerous assembly of the brethren, and with great éclat.

In AUGUST we had to record the consecration of the Rothesay Lodge, 1687; the Caradoc Lodge, 1674; the Kingsland Lodge, 1693; and the United Strength Chapter, and the St. John's Chapter, at Timaru, New Zealand.

SEPTEMBER, which hailed the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, also beheld the consecration of the Evening Star Lodge, 1719, under most auspicious circumstances, as well as that of the Corbet Lodge, 1583; and the All Saint's Lodge, 1716. In this month Bro. Col. McLeod Moore delivered his annual address to the Grand Priory of Canada. But September is, and will be, a memorable one in the annals of Freemasonry, on account of the ill-omened proceedings and unmasonic resolution of the Grand Orient of France. A factitious and political agitation had caused the Grand Orient most needlessly and unseasonably to submit a certain "vœu" or wish, to the lodges of France. This was, that "belief in God and the immortality of the soul" should be struck out of the enactments of the Book of Constitutions. Had these hasty reformers proposed as with us, to separate the Charges from the Laws, we should not have found fault. But such was not the object of those who created and carried through this Masonic revolution. Indeed, it was openly admitted, that the object was to facilitate the admission of certain persons into French Freemasonry whom the present "formula" hindered or kept out. Hence it was clear that the great idea was to pave the way for the entrance either of the pure materialistic unbeliever, or some zealous disciple of Massol's "Morale Indépendante." The French Grand Orient, by unwisely yielding to this idle clamour and this political movement, has inflicted one of the greatest blows on Freemasonry which it has ever received.

In OCTOBER, the *Freemason* started an Indian Famine Fund, which was kindly supported by some lodges and brethren. October was a great month for the consecration of lodges, for it witnessed the following: New Buxton Lodge, 1688; New Finsbury Park Lodge, 1695; Wilbraham Lodge, 1713; The Albert Edward Lodge, 1714; Arthur John Brogden Lodge, 1715; Hartismere Lodge, 1663; and the Sub-Urban Lodge 1702; We had also to record the consecration of three Chapters: New Concord Chapter, 813; Skelmersdale Chapter, 1874; Islington Chapter, 1871. In October, we have also to note, the Masonic presentation to that worthy and distinguished Bro. Sir Watkin Williams Wynn, Bart and M.P.

In NOVEMBER, the consecration of the Kaiser-i-Hind Lodge took place, with every promise of a peaceful future, and the centenary of the York Lodge, No. 236, was held at York, before a distinguished company, and with every association of success. The York Lodge is, for various reasons, well known to Masonic Students, as one of the most historic lodges in England.

DECEMBER welcomed the meeting of Grand Lodge, when Lord Carnarvon, after a most able speech, referred to the mournful question of the Grand Orient of France, which was submitted to a select committee of eleven, and the subject will be fully discussed in March. French brethren, whose certificates date before September 13th, can still be admitted into our lodges. The words he spoke so well, and the cheers of the brethren, must have convinced our French brethren that they had no hope of sympathy in the smallest measure from the Grand Lodge of England, or any English brethren, and that, to use a familiar expression, they had not "a leg to stand upon." At the same Grand Lodge Bro. R. J. Simpson P.G.C., brought forward the question of the German Hebrews, as well as 300 petitions of English lodges, relating to the same subject. But Grand Lodge had clearly no right to interfere with the matter, though there was but one

opinion as to the unrighteous and unmasonic exclusion of the Hebrews. We shall hope that the German Grand Lodges may see their way to make their Masonry, as with us, Universal. During the last twelve months English Masonry has progressed in the most wondrous manner. Indeed, we must all of us somewhat fear, that in the creation of new lodges, and the admission of too many candidates we are somewhat overdoing it, and shall one day have to pay the penalty. We have raised in 1877 the largest sum ever given for our charities, but it is clear that if we progress in numbers at the rate we do, either we must increase our Metropolitan Charities, or set up provincial "Succursales," to use a French word, in fact, subsidiary institutions. We leave English Freemasonry on the whole in a very satisfactory state, and we bid farewell to 1877, and we look forward to 1878 with legitimate pride in our Order, and with every confidence in the onward and peaceful career of our good old Craft. We wish that we could say the same for foreign Freemasonry. We fear that a cloud is drawing over it, which may one day burst and do severe damage to our Order. The unwise proceedings in France, foolishly copied in Belgium, have greatly agitated continental Freemasonry, and have lighted a torch and thrown down a stumbling block, which seem to point to burning questions and serious obstacles. If any other Grand Lodges seriously support the revolutionary aims and acts of the Grand Orient of France, we fear that we shall witness much confusion and disorder in Foreign Freemasonry. Under the specious cry of toleration, some are hastily clamouring and lauding a great unwholesome "coup de change." If the example of the French Grand Orient is followed, we think that the future of continental Freemasonry is likely to be very gloomy. Indeed, such Godless teaching and unwise proceedings can only end in the downfall of Freemasonry. "Mole ruit suâ." There are, it would seem, ninety-five governing bodies in the world, and five independent lodges in Germany. This is an immense organization representing a large membership, though not so large as some writers unwisely put it. We should say according to the best calculations, that the number of Masons in the world may be approximately stated at 300,000. Is it too much to hope or to expect that this great body of Masons in the world will carefully adhere to our ancient landmarks, and avoid, with one consent, revolutionary changes and irreligious theories? The progress of the Craft in Canada and the United States is most wonderful. There is in that enormous continent a brotherhood of 700,000 Masons zealously upholding the tenets and working out the principles of true Freemasonry. We have not thought it needful to go here into detail on these matters, as the repetition of an "oft told tale" is apt to be very tedious to our readers. We might protract these columns and weary our kind friends by a reproduction of many events in continental and transatlantic Masonry but we confess that we cannot see the use of such a pre-Raphaelite sketch of a history well known to many. There are some little minds which never can be satisfied unless they have a meaningless repetition of dates, which are valueless, and facts which are without importance. We, therefore, always lean to a *via media*, and abhorring "pompous preludes," and avoiding monotonous imbecility, seek to lay before our good friends all, a short and sufficient resumé of our Masonic work in 1877.

1877 has seen many attacks, and not a few maledictions on our venerable brotherhood; but they all have fallen happily, harmlessly on our devoted heads. We heed them not, nor are we alarmed by menace or discomfited by anathema. On the contrary, we gain strength by all such puerile attempts at intimidation or censure, and we march on, our good old banner over our heads, borne aloft by stalwart arms and faithful hearts, the banner, let us remember always, of a religious, a loyal, a beneficent and a united Order, which bids defiance to every foe who seeks to bar its way or stop its progress. May all of good in the wise providence of T.G.A.O.T.U. attend our Universal Order in 1878. So mote it be!

Before we announce our general obituary for

1877, we wish once more to express our sense of the loss entailed by the Craft, in the premature removal from amongst us of our lamented Bro. the late Earl of Shrewsbury. His zeal and worth as a Mason will be acknowledged by all, while his geniality and kindly heart endeared him, not only to his province and the Craft, but to a large circle of attached friends, by whom he has been sincerely mourned, and by whom he will long remain a much "missed man."

We have had to record during the last twelve-months the lamented decease of Bros. Williams, W. H. Francis, J. Gundry, R.W. Prov. G.M. of Dorsetshire, W. Lane, W. R. Baker, Henry Matthews, Sir Donald Maclean, Rev. R. J. M. Vaughan, Quarter-Master Moon, Montague Scott, the Right Hon. Earl of Shrewsbury, Major Hamilton Ramsay, F. Pattison, Frank G. Gouley, F. Ellen, G. A. Bond, Lieut-Col. Pilsworth, C. J. Vigne, H. Newman, John Emmens, the Rt. Hon. G. Ward Hunt, Rev. H. V. Palmer, Moore, Beatty, W. Kibble, Rev. W. Lake Onslow, G.C., J. Thornton, R. J. Spiers, Dr. Whittle, Edward Harris, Superintendent James Mott, G. W. Wheeler, James Goodall, W. Purshon, Rev. W. Beeby, R. Dodson, J. S. Pullen, J. Redfern, M. Thomas, J. Thornton, W. Myatt, and W. P. Leleiohoku

#### THE CLOSING YEAR.

Before we meet our readers again, 1877 will have passed away, and 1878 will be with us? And though we keep back our special remarks on this subject until we are in 1878, we think it right to point out that this season of the year, while a happy period of rejoicing and domestic reunion, is not merely to be kept as a purely earthly rejoicing time, or degenerate into untoward Saturnalia. We want a little more at this time of the year than the mere love of the good things of this world. We live in an age of much brass and more hypocrisy. We have the "high moral line" and "extempore falutin" crammed down our throats "usque ad nauseam" by the Pecksniffs and Joseph Surfaces of the hour. Humbug and cant and "bottled moonshine" seem to be in high public favour just at this moment, and we make speeches and offer sentiments which do not represent our real principles, and are as unreal and deceptive as anything well can be. Hence we must not be surprised when we meet with day by day, abounding proofs of the hollowness of profession, of the insincerity of life. There are a great many would-be teachers of this or that, who like to hold forth, to hear themselves talk, and, as they think, to improve the occasion. They never, poor souls, can travel out of their own narrow, very narrow grooves, and so they lay down for us laws of morality, which are a ridiculous parody on all things true and sacred, and they indulge in flights of personality which are as undesirable as they are ludicrous. In the very midst of a mission of peace, of a Christmas sermonette, comes the barbed arrow and the unseemly taunt, and the reader, wearied with much petty meaningless malice, and ashamed of much unmasonic feeling, turns away disgustedly from words which are a discredit to the head and heart of the senile or juvenile writer. We want, we venture to say and to think, a little more charity—a little more brotherly feeling amongst us. Didactic essays are very fine and magnificent, profession is very beautiful, but we should like, we confess, practice rather than profession, acts rather than words. What is the use of talking of brotherly love, when we only seek how to wound another person's feelings? Where is the good of boasting of Christmas rejoicing, when we make a fellow creature uncomfortable by unkind words or pitiable personalities? So let us look matters clearly in the face, and let us get rid of fustian and frivolity, of peevishness and personality. The world is a very good world on the whole, despite man's "bassesse," if only we will use it and not abuse it. Let us therefore clear our brains of the "shoddy" which seems to fill them, and emancipate our minds from those hateful prejudices and those petty animosities which disgrace us as men, and discredit us as Masons. With the closing year let us rise above the conventional meanness and littleness of hu-



manity, and seek to show ourselves before our brethren and the world, Freemasons, indeed, as well in all humble sincerity, as in pretension and pompous assertion.

### CHRISTMAS AMONG THE POOR

We rejoice to note how wisely and how liberally Christmas is now observed in our metropolitan workhouses, and how very much is done so seasonably and so well to lighten the burden of penury and to cheer the spirits of the friendless. Each year, as it passes, serves to manifest how much philanthropy can do, when rightly directed and judiciously employed, to mitigate the trials and tedium of suffering humanity, and we, as Freemasons, are especially pleased when we read of such kindly sympathy manifested towards that large class, our English poor. We need not worry ourselves to-day with any of the recondite views which exist as regards the poor laws and their administration, their dark and their sunny side, but we can all feel great gratification at the thought that so much has been done at the festive and holy season of Christmas to afford a day's gratification to a very large and helpless portion of Her Majesty's subjects. We congratulate all concerned in the undoubted success of these benevolent and pleasant labours, altogether in accord with the memories and sympathies of the Christmas season.

### Original Correspondence.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for, or even as approving of the opinions expressed by our correspondents, but we wish, in a spirit of fair play to all, to permit—within certain necessary limits—free discussion.—Ed.]

#### THE GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND AND THE GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Each Freemason, I think, is obliged to work for the true benefit of the Craft, even if he must be aware, that his intentions will be misunderstood. This seems to be the case with my letter, published in the *Freemason*, page 542, which had no other purpose than to be a brotherly warning for my dear English brethren not to vote in Grand Lodge against the Grand Orient of France, without having studied the whole question thoroughly, free from passion and prejudice, and not to take any hasty action in dissolving the fraternal bonds which have till now united both Grand Lodges.

My highly esteemed friend and Bro. the Editor of the *Freemason* has, I may suppose, misunderstood the intention of my letter, which, because written in a foreign language, necessarily must be imperfect in form and thought, for he has in his critique of my letter (p. 548) only reviewed some weak parts, without taking into consideration the very substance, the only principal point of it, i.e., what I have said of the true meaning of the vote of the Grand Orient of France.

I am not so weak as to hold up my interpretation of sec. 31 of the Old Charges. It may be "unreasonable and childish," and that of the Editor be right. Well, I accept it, and I say with him—"No one ought to be so stupid as to be an Atheist, and if he is so stupid, he ought not to be a Freemason."

But may I ask, whether the Grand Orient of France has done anything contrary to this interpretation? I cannot find it so. The Craft says "no one ought to be so stupid as to be an Atheist, and if he is, he ought not to be a Freemason," but the Craft has, it a candidate knocks on the door for initiation, only to enquire after his moral mind and character, not after his faith and convictions, whatever they may be—after his doings, not after his meanings (opinions), after his conscious heart, not after his erroneous head. It is the duty of the Craft to enquire, whether the candidate is a free and honest, a virtuous and truth-loving man of good report, but the Craft never can and will be an inquisitorial jury on his convictions. The Masonic love bears all, tolerates all, but it does not approve all.

Freemasonry rejects Atheism as a false theory, but it cannot reject the Atheist, the bearer of an error. You yourself have said, that Freemasonry has "the purpose of humanitarian sympathy, relief and good will," that it is a cosmopolitan and uniting institution, which forbids every debate on religious topics. Has the Craft at any time promulgated, what is an Atheist? I know well, that there are men of high intellectual force and of cultivated mind, who profess to be Atheists. But are they indeed? I think, in quite the same manner, as there are many who profess to be Christians, without being so. Allow me, to say once more, the lodge is no inquisitorial jury, and Freemasons are no Popes.

I am sorry if I have said more than is necessary on Atheists and Atheism, the more so as the vote of the Grand Orient de France has nothing at all to do with the Atheistical question. Perhaps all brothers would much easier come to a common understanding if the bad word "Atheist,"—for many people as bad as the word "Freemason" for the Roman Catholic clergy—would not have been used in the discussion on the French vote, which is only a profession for liberty of conscience, not a vote against any religious faith. In this French vote I can see nothing which

leads to the destruction of true Freemasonry. But if the Grand Lodge of England should take a passionate vote against the Grand Orient de France, like the blinded Grand Lodge of Ireland, then this would result in most deplorable consequences in the destruction of the Craft. To prevent such a destruction I have written against "cruel agitation," which only can sow the seeds of discord, hatred, and contempt towards well-meaning, good and true brethren. Let us love one another, avoid all discussions on religious topics and uphold the Cosmopolitan character of Freemasonry, which is in no way altered by the vote of the Grand Orient de France.

Believe me, dear Sir and brother, yours fraternally,

J. G. FINDEL.

Leipzig, 17th December, 1877.

[We publish Bro. Findel's letter, as we like him to speak for himself, but we cannot agree with his arguments or accept his facts. He forgets much that has taken place which has opened our eyes, and startled us not a little. The exclusion of the Bible, followed by the erasure of belief in God, is to us a proof that it is, as indeed it is admitted to be, for the relief of tender consciences, those whom our Constitutions term "stupid Atheists," those who "live without God in the world," and are "Atheists." There is and can be no intolerance in acknowledging T.G.A.O.T.U., and we in England will never consort with those who reject this needful and cosmopolitan "formula" of Masonic belief. Whether this profession is in its right place or not in the French Constitutions is another question, but that is not now raised by the "destructive party" in the Grand Orient of France. In England, Bro. Findel may rest assured, there is but one opinion of the folly and the wickedness of the act, as well as the injury accruing to Freemasonry, and of the handle given to our bitter foes.—Ed.]

#### FREEMASONRY IN JAMAICA—A NEW THEORY.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

As the transactions of the Craft in any part of the world cannot be otherwise than interesting to the entire Masonic body, permit me to report, for the benefit of your readers, a new theory that has recently been broached in this country by a learned brother; and, as it has found favour with a great many, I doubt not that it will attract the attention of all the Masonic scholars of the Continent.

On the evening of the 15th of October last, I attended a Lodge of Instruction attached to the Glenlyon Lodge, of Kingston, Jamaica (to which I was specially invited) to hear a lecture on the "Inner Mysteries of Freemasonry," to be delivered by Bro. Herman John Burger, a Masonic student of more than thirty years. From the brother's well-known literary ability, a great Masonic treat was generally expected, and the brethren mustered in great force, there being present on the occasion no less than fifteen Past Masters of the several lodges in the city, and altogether between 140 and 150 Master Masons—for the lecture was delivered in the lodge opened on the centre. The lecture was what is called "extempore," that is to say, Bro. Burger referred to no book nor MS., but for over two hours and a quarter spoke fluently and kept us spell-bound with his pleasing oratory. But now to the subject.

Bro. Burger took for his text "Freemasonry is a peculiar system of morality," and proceeded to show that morality is a branch of philosophy which is divided into natural philosophy or physics, moral philosophy or ethics, and spiritual philosophy or metaphysics. Then he explained what natural philosophy comprehends, what moral, and what spiritual; and thereupon proceeded to show that the Entered Apprentice's Degree is a lesson in natural philosophy; the Fellow Craft's a lesson in moral philosophy; and the Master Mason's a lesson in spiritual philosophy.

To meet certain objections that might be urged against this theory, Brother Burger explained that the First Degree taught morality only in the charge, which is not always delivered, therefore not an essential part of the degree; and argued that although we have hitherto accepted the Second Degree as having for its peculiar objects of search the hidden mysteries of nature and science, nevertheless he contended that as late as 1750, the liberal arts and sciences formed part of an earlier teaching. But I should be doing Bro. Burger an injustice were I not to state that although he declares that the First Degree is a lesson in Philosophy, he went on to state that the three branches of philosophy are interwoven with each degree, only that one branch is always more prominent in the degree that belongs especially to it. After this Bro. Burger proceeded to discuss the Egyptian theory of Le Noir, the Sun worship theory of Carlile, the Sabæism theory of Fellows, the religious theory of Preston, and the Christian theory of Dr. Oliver, and showed how each, in the search after the key of the plan of Freemasonry, missed it. He next alluded to the loss which the Craft sustained in 1720 by the valuable MSS., particularly of one by Bro. Nicholas Stone, and he entered on the consideration of the subject, his opinion being that the MS. referred to did not contain a ritual, because it is not to be supposed that the scrupulous brethren who burnt it could have for one moment entertained the belief that the Grand Lodge would have published such in the Book of Constitutions; next that the MS. could not have been a code of rules, regulations or charges, because no harm could have befallen the Craft by its publication; but if the MS. was a treatise or lecture like his, that established the fact that Freemasonry is based on philosophy, it could well be understood how the brethren—those scrupulous brethren—dreaded lest the Grand Lodge might have in their zeal published it and laid the Craft open thereby to the odium theologium of the age; for philosophy was synonymous with infidel; as Bro. Burger stated even so late as the days of Voltaire, the word philosophy was used

to signify religion, as witness "the Philosophical Dictionary"—and he called attention to the fact that Dr. Oliver had to qualify the term philosophy for one of his works by naming it "The Theocratic Philosophy of Masonry." From all I have gathered Bro. Burger sets up the claim of having discovered the true key of the plan of ancient Freemasonry. Of course I have not attempted to give more than a rough outline of the Lecture, and I really believe that unless stenography had been employed it would have been difficult to take down the words as they fell from our learned Brother's lips, for I must not omit to mention that Bro. Burger has not only a fair command of language but keeps the attention quickened by the recital of most interesting tales and quotations from Greek and Rabbinical works, of which he seems to have a large stock. At the conclusion of the lecture Bro. Dr. Thomas Allen, the General Superintendent of the lunatic asylum of Jamaica, rose and proposed in most complimentary terms a vote of thanks to Bro. Burger for the great literary treat he had given the brethren present, stating at the same time, that although the lecture had exceeded two hours and a quarter in delivery, nevertheless it comprehended so wide a field of observation and so great a depth of learning (indeed the Doctor confessed that it went far beyond his depth), that on behalf of the brethren he felt great pleasure in thanking Bro. Burger. He proposed the thanks of the lodge for the lecture, and the vote of thanks having been duly seconded, the usual applause followed as carried, when Bro. Burger rose and thanked the brethren for their kind attention and good wishes, informing them that this was only the first of a series of the "Fundamental Philosophy of Freemasonry" that he had promised the Right Worshipful Bro. Dias to deliver for the benefit of the Glenlyon Lodge.

The Worshipful Bro. Dias then proposed Bro. Burger as an honorary member of the Glenlyon Lodge, which, having been immediately seconded, was carried unanimously, and this most instructive and interesting Lodge of Instruction was thereupon closed.

I understand that Bro. Burger intends to submit his theory to the Lodge of Emulation in London, with the view of obtaining an expression of opinion, to perhaps eventually in a revision of our ritual in several particulars.

Being a young Mason, of course I am not qualified to say, if this be Bro. Burger's object, whether it is possible or not; nevertheless I think the matter is worthy of consideration.

I remain, dear Sir and Brother, yours fraternally,

A YOUNG MASTER MASON.

[We have published our worthy correspondent's letter, as he will see, with some needful erasures, owing to our rules on the subject. Able and eloquent, as no doubt Bro. Burger's lecture is, it is not, it is right to remark, altogether a new or original theory, and we feel pretty sure that the Emulation Lodge will say that they prefer "quicquid non movetur." We think that there is great danger in philosophising too much in respect of the simple system of Freemasonry, and we prefer the older system of exposition, &c. We thank our correspondent for his communication.—Ed.]

#### APOLLO UNIVERSITY LODGE.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

As the question of membership of the University of Oxford being a "sine qua non" for admission to this lodge is called attention to by "357" in your paper of 22nd inst., allow me to inform you that during the five years when the Grand Registrar of England recently presided over the Province of Oxfordshire, the Bye-laws of this lodge were revised, and that, as they now stand, no one can become a member of the lodge (except as an honorary member), who is not at the time, or who has not been, a member of the University of Oxford. Further I may inform you, that with the exception of some of the founders of the lodge, and of one other brother, no non-University man has ever been a subscribing member of the lodge.

Yours fraternally,

HUGH H. RIACH, P.M.,  
Past Secretary of 357, and of Oxfordshire.

#### BRO. DESMONS OF PARIS.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Can any of your readers give me an account of this French brother? I have read his report, and despite its undoubted ability, there comes over one a sort of uncomfortable feeling that one has seen before similar specimens of special pleading and casuistry destructive to morality, to truth, and to religion. Had Pascal lived to read that too famous report, we might perhaps have had another edition of the "Provincial Letters."

I am, dear Sir and Brother, yours fraternally,

ANTI-JESUITISM.

#### THE GERMAN QUESTION AND KNIGHT TEMPLARS.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

I have read with pleasure Bro. Bent's letter in your paper of the 15th, and with reference to his query as to whether if he presented himself, being a Swedish Templar, at our encampments or preceptories he would be received, I can only say that I, for one, should be glad to welcome him as a member of the Order, and I feel sure he would have no difficulty in becoming affiliated to an English preceptory if he desires to join us. It is quite true that the Prince of Wales was made a Knight Templar in Sweden; but, if I mistake not, he was also installed in the Faith and Fidelity Immemorial Encampment in London, and became Eminent Commander prior to his installation as Grand Master of the United Orders of the Temple and Malta in England and Ireland. He wore the

Grand Cross of the Temple at the Albert Hall, for I saw it myself, but as to the ring I was not near enough to see it. Bro. Bent does not seem to know that the Ring of Profession is now supposed to be worn by all Knights Templar. Our Brother Kenning no doubt supplies it. The design appears in the Convent General Statutes. This ring should be worn on the index finger of the right hand as a perpetual symbol of union with the Order. It is always worn, I believe, by the Scotch Templars. I hope to see the day when all the Templar bodies in the world may be under one Grand Master.

Yours fraternally,  
AN ENGLISH KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE TEMPLE.

#### CONSECRATION OF THE WINDRUSH LODGE, No. 1703, WITNEY, OXON.

For some three months past, the consecration of this lodge has been held in abeyance owing to the indisposition of H.R.H. Prince Leopold, the Provincial Grand Master for Oxfordshire, who had expressed a great desire to be present at the inauguration of this, the first lodge which has been established since his appointment as Provincial Grand Master.

H.R.H. feeling unable to fix a day on account of his continued illness, conferred the honour of Consecrating Officer upon Bro. T. B. Brown, P.M. Marlborough Lodge, Woodstock, and expressed a wish to the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Bird, M.A., Magdalen College, Oxford, that the lodge should be consecrated forthwith.

Accordingly, Friday week, December 21st, was the day appointed for this interesting ceremony.

A large gathering of the fraternity took place in the Corn Exchange, every lodge in the province with one exception (Banbury) being represented. There were also brethren from the Silurian Lodge, No. 471; the Prince of Wales', 941; and the Cutswood, 592.

The brethren having entered the lodge-room in procession, Bro. Bird, D.P.G.M., after being saluted, took the chair, and having addressed the brethren on the object of the meeting, resigned it to Bro. Brown, who appointed Bro. H. Williams, P.M., as Senior Warden, and Bro. Buc, P.M. Apollo University Lodge, as Junior Warden.

The musical portion of the ceremony was effectively conducted by Bro. Owens, assisted by Bros. Halliwell, Crane, Rowley and Wentworth.

The Provincial Grand Chaplain being unavoidably absent the prayers were most impressively rendered by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

The ceremony of consecration was performed in Bro. Brown's usual masterly style. His delivery of the oration was admirable, and was listened to with profound interest and pleasure.

The consecration being ended, Bro. Jas. Long, Prov. G.S.D. was presented for Installation, and was approved of by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

He was then installed with the ancient formalities observed by the Craft.

The following brethren were invested as the officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. William Cluich, S.W.; Harry Robbins, J.W.; Rev. F. W. Macdonald, M.A., S.D.; W. Whadcoat, J.D.; G. Owens, I.G.; Jno. Coles, Secretary; J. Bayliss, Tyler.

After the investment of the officers the usual charges were delivered.

The W.M. proposed that the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, (Bro. Bird), and the Consecrating Officer (Bro. Brown), be elected honorary members of the lodge. This proposition was duly seconded, and carried unanimously.

Propositions for initiation were made, and the lodge was then closed in the accustomed manner, and the brethren adjourned to refreshment.

Between thirty and forty brethren sat down to an excellent and well served banquet, provided by Bro. Elms, the enterprising host of the Marlborough Arms Hotel.

After the banquet the W.M. gave the usual toasts, all of which were right loyally and Masonically honoured, the musical brethren contributing not a little to this part of the evening's programme.

The Tyler's toast having been given, the brethren, "happy to meet, sorry to part," gradually dispersed. Those who attended from Oxford were, through the kindness of Bro. Sir D. Gooch, provided with a special train to convey them to Oxford.

The *Adelphi* of Terence was performed the week before last, for the second and third time by the Westminster Boys on the well-appointed stage of the old Dormitory of St. Peter's College. Additional interest was imported to the performance on these occasions, from the fact that owing to the lamented decease of Lady Augusta Stanley, followed by the sad occurrence which resulted in the death of the youthful Captain of the School, Mr. Roger, no performance of any kind took place last year. The play has been carefully studied, and the performers evince something more than the average of talent, the Demica of Mr. Williams, the Micio of Mr. Bulkley, the Syrus of Mr. Robinson, and the Sostrata of Mr. Tepper, being especially noteworthy for their spirit and humour, and for the elocutionary qualities which they displayed. The prologue, spoken for the first time at the second performance on Tuesday last, referred as usual chiefly to the position of the school, and to other local and domestic matters. The theme of the prologue, in which all the *personages of the comedy reappear in modern costume*, is this year the vexed question of "The Endowment of Research," which is made to yield as much amusement as the subject seems to admit of. Crowded and distinguished audiences have assembled on each occasion to witness the performance.

"Our Boys" reached its 950th night on Friday, Bros. James and Thorne being as fresh as ever.

#### TESTIMONIAL TO BRO. GEORGE ABBOTT, P.M. 192.

On Tuesday the 18th inst., a very pleasant gathering took place at the Cannon-street Hotel, on the occasion of the presentation of a testimonial to Bro. George Abbott, station-master at Cannon-street Station of the South Eastern Railway. The chair was occupied by Bro. W. Hine Haycock, P.G.O., Devon, who, in proposing the toast (of the evening, said he had with great pleasure travelled some 200 miles in order to be present, and to say that which was strictly true with regard to the guest of the evening. Bro. Abbott despatched something like 700 trains and 30,000 passengers a-day from Cannon-street, and many of those present had been indebted to a considerable extent for their safety in travelling to and from the City during the last ten or twelve years, to the excellent arrangements of their friend. Bro. Abbott's course had been signally straight and undeviating throughout the thirty-two years of his service with the company, following up his successive steps by well-deserved yet patient advancement and progress, and he had always shown a kindly feeling towards those with whom he came in contact, and when the proposal for a testimonial was made, a great number of the passengers contributed to it, and not one who had been asked had declined. He had great pleasure in presenting Bro. Abbott with a cheque for £350, an album, and an illuminated address. Bro. Abbott, who, on rising to respond, was very heartily applauded, after thanking his friends for their kindness, contrasted the present work of the railway with that of some years since, some curious details being furnished in passing. Amongst the facts thus mentioned, reference was made to the Spa-road Station, where a few years ago trains only stopped when signalled to do so, and frequently two hours went by without the signal being given; whereas now, upwards of 9000 persons used that station daily. At one time it was thought a great deal of if a train was started every five minutes, but matters had so progressed that sometimes over sixty trains in an hour had been sent out from that one station. He thanked his friends very heartily for the testimonial so kindly given, and hoped still to merit their esteem and respect. "The Health of the Chairman" was proposed by Mr. Daly, after which Mr. J. T. Howie McEwan gave "The Executive Committee," Bro. Brackston Baker, P.G.D., gave "The Honorary Secretary," Mr. Clapton, C.C., and a hearty welcome was accorded to the visitors, coupled with the names of the Rev. J. Jackson, M.A., and Mr. Cobby, the station master at Sidmouth, who travelled up that day to do honour to a brother official. Mr. Jackson, in his reply, alluded to the fact that the former starting place for the north, "The Saracen's Head," was in his parish. During the evening some excellent singing was contributed by Mr. Colson Phillips, Mr. J. J. Burgess, and Bro. E. W. Mackney, all of whom gave their services in honour of the occasion. There were also present Bros. J. G. Rollins, J. S. ar, Abbott, Mr. H. Hughes, Mr. Alfred Lee, Bros. H. Dyer, Bates, and several others.

#### FREEMASONRY AND ROMAN CATHOLICISM.

The Buffalo Roman Catholic Union of November 22nd ult. contains the last of three communications from Bro. A. D. Hauverman, of Youngstown, N.Y., on Freemasonry, —a four-columned article, to which the *Union* gives a two columned reply. Bro. Hauverman's articles were excellent ones, but his logic and rhetoric were thrown away on the Roman Catholic Union. Still, some of its readers may have had their understandings enlightened by its clear and accurate statements, of which the following is one:

"A Roman Catholic becoming a Freemason does not substitute Masonry for the Church in matters of belief or disbelief, for belief in God and a resurrection to a future life are the sole creed a Mason is forced to have. Masonry, as we have before said, never teaches a system of faith, but leaves each one free to worship God as he may elect,—it says, like Pope, that,

'For miles of faith let zealous bigots fight,  
He can't be wrong whose life is in the right.'

The writer has passed through the ceremonials of the Order in conferring ten of its degrees, and knows that in none of them has he found anything which could in any way interfere with any man's politics or religion, and that all the precepts, charges, and symbols have been such as to deeply impress upon him the fact that,

'We have an immortal part within us,  
Which shall survive the grave, and which  
Shall never, never die.'

Herr Rholf is organizing an expedition for the exploration of the Sahara. He will be accompanied by a staff of scientific men, among others by Professor Zittel, of Munich. Tripoli will be the head-quarters of the expedition, and its first efforts will be directed to the exploration of the mysterious oases of Wajanga and Kufara to the south of Aujila, which has not hitherto been visited by any European traveller.—*Athenaeum*.

A statistical abstract relating to British India presented to parliament was recently issued. The area under British administration is 909,834 miles, with a population of 191,065,445. The Native States comprise 573,052 miles and a population of 48,233,978. Including the French and Portuguese possessions, the total area of all India is 1,484,150 square miles, with a population of 239,978,595. Of the 191,000,000 inhabitants of British India, the religious denominations are given as follows:—Hindoos, 139,343,820; Sikhs, 1,174,436; Mahomedans, 40,867,125; Buddhists and Jains, 2,832,851; Christians, 897,682; others 5,417,304; and "religion not known," 532,227.

#### Reviews.

"The Cosmopolitan Masonic Calendar for 1878." We are glad to note how greatly this carefully compiled calendar has been appreciated by foreign as well as by Anglo-Saxon Masons. We congratulate Bro. Kenning on his well-earned success.

"Almanack." Moses and Son.  
Very well got up, and very useful, neat and available.

"North of England Illustrated Annual." This excellent little annual is edited by our well-known Bro. G.M. Tweddell, and his equally able wife, Florence Cleveland. It is indeed a real cheap threepenny worth. We recommend all of our readers to help a deserving literary brother by ordering it of him, Rose Cottage Stokesley, Northallerton, Yorkshire. It is admirably illustrated and skilfully edited. Its tales are most amusing and we have laughed heartily, over its true Yorkshire Fun, over the poetry and prose. But the proper thing to do is to send at once an order for a copy to Bro. Tweddell with four postage stamps to the address above given, and we believe that all, especially Yorkshire brethren, will be thoroughly satisfied and highly amused. The annual is most useful, also, for memoranda and business engagements and deserves our Masonic support.

"The Christmas Number of the Freemason." We beg to commend this remarkable issue of a very prosperous paper to the notice of all who, not subscribers, happen by chance to read the paper at the clubs, or in the lodge, or in the library, or even at a bookstall. The Publisher will be very glad to receive the names of continuous subscribers.

"The Christmas Number of the Masonic Magazine." This has had a large sale, and seems highly appreciated by a friendly circle of old and new subscribers.

"The Scottish Freemason." Has a claim on all our good brethren across the border, for its well arranged matter, its good printing, and the ability with which it is conducted. It is a most valuable record of Scottish Freemasonry.

"The Masonic Advocate." Is a capitally conducted paper, and full of sensible remarks and sympathetic touches.

"Loomis's Musical and Masonic Journal." Is as far as we are aware, an unique miscellany, and is always welcomed by those who like two good things, "Music and Masonry."

#### Obituary.

##### BRO. JOHN SUTCLIFFE.

It is with sincere regret we announce the death of Bro. John Sutcliffe, of Gimsby, R.W. Grand Master of Mark Masons for the Province of Lincolnshire, which melancholy event took place on Monday last (Christmas eve). This sad and very unexpected news reached us late on Thursday night at the time of going to press, which prevents us from giving in the present number more than this very brief record of the irreparable loss that Freemasonry has sustained in the death of this most highly esteemed and popular brother.

##### BRO. ROBERT HERNIMAN, P.M. 261.

We find the following in the *Taunton Courier*.—"We have the melancholy duty of announcing the death of Bro. Robert Herniman, who for a long period carried on business in the town as timber merchant and builder. Lately, however, failing health obliged him to dispose of his business, but he was able up to the last to devote his interest to several concerns with which he was officially connected among others directorate of the College Green Hotel, Bristol. It is however, as a true and faithful Masonic brother that the writer of these lines has chiefly to regret his loss. Bro. Herniman was 'made' a Mason in the Taunton Lodge about forty years ago, and in 1840 he was honoured by being elected as Worshipful Master of 'Unanimity and Sincerity, 261.' As a Past Master he has been constant in his endeavours to promote the prosperity of his Lodge and of the Masonic body generally; and by his genial disposition and generous sympathies he won the universal respect and esteem of his brother Masons." Bro. Herniman was also a much esteemed member of the Royal Philanthropic Lodge, No. 291, Highbridge, and a P.Z. of the Taunton Chapter. He received many years since, at the hands of the late Provincial Grand Master of Somerset, Colonel Tynt, the collar of Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works, and more recently from Lord Carnarvon the appointment of Provincial Senior Grand Warden. Although far from well he attended the Provincial Grand Lodge at Taunton on the 26th ult.

The address in answer to the speech from the Throne will, we are informed, be moved in the House of Commons by Bro. the Hon. Wilbraham Egerton, M.P. for Mid-Cheshire, and seconded by Mr. Robert Tennant, M.P. for Leeds.

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS.—To pretend that you only go to a pantomime for the amusement of the children. To assert that Brighton is improved by the presence of the Boxing-day excursionists brought down to spend a happy day at the seaside for three-and-sixpence. That you have been in the habit of saying grace all these years in a really thankful spirit over Christmas turkey and plum pudding. —*Punch*.

## CIVIL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS' SOCIETY.

## VISIT TO THE SOUTH METROPOLITAN GAS WORKS.

The interest attached to this visit was enhanced by the fact that this is the first Gas Company that has paid 11 per cent. on its capital, which dividend was declared at the half-yearly meeting held on the 2nd October. The members assembled at the Gas Works Old Kent-road, and were courteously met by Mr. G. Livesey, the engineer to the company, and his brother, Mr. Frank Livesey, both gentlemen kindly showing them through the works, and explaining the apparatus and processes carried out on the establishment. The works, like many others of the kind, were started in a small way, on a narrow strip of land adjoining the canal, whereas the company have now an area of about thirty-five acres. Some idea of its importance may be gathered from the fact, that the district supplied with gas covers thirteen square miles, and requires 180 miles of street mains. Much interest was manifested in the gasholders and tanks—the largest holder, 180 feet diameter, with a capacity of 2,200,000 cubic feet—being constructed without any internal bracing or trussing, the cover or crown when empty being supported on a timber staging erected in the tank; but the most remarkable feature, and one showing the boldness and sound judgment of the engineer, was the tank 184 feet diameter and 47 feet deep, constructed entirely of concrete, without either brick lining or puddle-backing. This tank is, in all probability, destined to be the pioneer of many similar constructions; and has given the directors so much satisfaction, on account of the great saving due to this novel mode of constructing gas-holder tanks, that they unanimously voted the engineer, Mr. G. Livesey, a very handsome bonus, in addition to his salary. One of the chimney shafts at these works, constructed on a somewhat novel plan, was much admired by the visiting party. It is built with a five feet square and parallel flue from bottom to top, the shaft itself being of 14 in. brickwork with No. 8 buttresses 1 ft. 10 in. thick, projecting at ground line 2 ft. 4 in., and tapering up the shaft until they disappear into the 14 in. work within a few feet from the summit. The quantity of bricks used in the construction is about 80,000—the total height from ground line 108 ft., and its cost £530. It is gratifying to note that these visits are so much appreciated by the members and their friends. They form one of the most useful and instructive portions of the society's programme, and this association was the first to introduce these social and practical visits, which might with profit be followed by many provincial technical societies. The party, consisting of the president, Bro. R. M. Barcroft; hon. treasurer, W. C. Street; members of the council, Messrs. Burrell, Ellis, Hill, and Payne; also Messrs. Finlayson, Feeney, and upwards of two dozen members and friends, who unanimously passed a vote of thanks to the engineer and his brother, Mr. Frank Livesey, for the great trouble they were put to in explaining all the "modus operandi" of gas manufacture. The session of the institute for the reading and discussion of engineering and scientific papers commenced on the 20th of December; and, at the conclusion of each meeting, new members are proposed and balloted for admission.

The authorities of the Bethnal-green Museum have announced that the museum will be open free during the Christmas holidays, from Wednesday, December 26, to January 1 inclusive, Sunday excepted, from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. The unique collection of curiosities brought from India by his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales which proved very attractive while on view at the East-end Museum, is, we are informed, shortly to be removed to make way for an exhibition of an interesting industrial character, intended to include as specialties specimens of horological work from Clerkenwell and workmanship in furniture from Shoreditch. Colonel Lane-Fox's extensive collection of anthropological curiosities is still on view at the museum.

The Inventor of Ink has been deified by the Chinese, and is believed by the Celestials to keep a record of all the evil ends to which that useful fluid is adapted. Whenever a bad sentence, word, or joke is written, a black mark is scored against the author in the deity's books.

The competition for the Novello Scholarship was held at the National Training School for Music on Wednesday week last. The examiners were Mr. Joseph Barnby, Dr. Arthur Sullivan, principal of the school, Dr. Stainer, and Mr. Alberto Visetti. There were seven candidates. The Scholarship was awarded to James Farquharson Walen. At the same time Miss Charlotte E. Cobb was elected out of seven candidates to the vacant Scholarship of the Clothworkers' Company.

Mr. G. W. Martin is about to organize a Choral Society for the City of London. The members will consist mainly of those employed in the Great City houses. No way of indulging in the practice of really good music exists in the city. Excellent as the existing societies are—notably the City Glee Club—they are necessarily exclusive. The new society will, it is expected, begin with about 500 members. There will be an elementary class for the study of sight singing, and for those who have already acquired that art the usual opportunity will be given for practice of choral music of the highest class, and in due time a series of concerts will be given in aid of City charities.

The sketches and drawings of the late M. Gustave Brion, the French artist, were to be sold in Paris this week. The only finished picture of any importance among the collection in his Alsatian painting, "Le Reveil," which was exhibited at this year's Salon.

## METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS,

For the Week ending Friday, January, 4, 1878.

The Editor will be glad to receive notice from Secretaries of Craft Lodges, Royal Arch Chapters, Mark Lodges, Encampments, Conclaves, &c., of any change in place or day of meeting.

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Lily, Greyhound, Richmond.  
Manchester, 77, London-st., Fitzroy-sq.  
Star, Marquis of Granby, New Cross-rd.  
Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, S.W.  
Percy, 113, Southgate-road, N.

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 31.

Lodge 79, Pythagorean, Ship Hot., Greenwich.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Prince Leopold, Lord Stanley Tav., Kingsland.  
Strong Man, Old Rodney's Head, Old-st., E.  
Sincerity, Railway Tav., Fenchurch-st. Station.  
Camden, Stanhope Arms, Up. James-st., Camden Town.  
Tredegar, Royal Hot., Mile-end-road.  
St. James's Union, Union Tav., Air-st.  
Wellington, White Swan, Deptford.  
Perfect Ashlar, Victoria Tav., Lower-rd., Rotherhithe.  
Upper Norwood, White Hart Hot., Church-rd.  
Marquis of Ripon, Pembury Tav., Amherst-rd., Hackney.  
Loughborough, Warrior Hot., Brixton.  
West Smithfield, New Market Hot., West Smithfield.  
Leopold, Woolpack Tavern, Bermondsey-st.  
St. George's, Globe Tav., Greenwich.  
London Masonic Club, at 101, Queen Victoria-st. E.C.,  
2nd and 4th Monday every month, at 6 o'clock.

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 1.

Colonial Board at 3.

Lodge 9, Albion, F.M.H.  
" 101, Temple, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.  
" 172, Old Concord, F.M.H.  
" 765, St. James's, Bridge House Hot.  
" 1298, R. Standard, Wellington Club, Upper-st., N.  
" 1381, Kennington, Surrey Tav., Kennington Oval.  
" 1472, Henley, Three Crowns Hot., Woolwich.  
" 1668, Samson, F.M.H.  
" 1693, Kingsland, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N.  
Mark Lodge 1, St. Mark's, M.R., 1, 2, and 3, Little Britain.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Metropolitan, 269, Pentonville-rd.  
Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney.  
Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-road.  
Faith, 2, Westminster Chambers, Victoria-st.  
Prince Fredk. Wm., Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood.  
Dalhousie, King Edward, Triangle, Hackney.  
Prosperity, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st.  
Florence Nightingale, F.M.H., William-st., Woolwich.  
Constitutional, Bedford Hot., Southampton Bds. at 7.  
Israel, Rising Sun Tav., Globe Road.  
Royal Arthur, Prince's Head, York-road, Battersea.  
Beacontree, Red Lion, Leytonstone.  
Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tav., Rotherhithe.  
St. John of Wapping, Gun Hot., High-st., Wapping.  
Islington, 23, Gresham-st.  
Metropolitan Chapter, Jamaica Coffee Ho., Cornhill.  
Mount Edgcombe, 19, Jermyn-st., St. James's.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2.

Lodge 1585, Royal Commemoration, Putney.  
Chap. 55, Constitutional, Private Rooms, Leytonstone.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Confidence, Railway Tav., Railway-place, Fenchurch-st.  
Mt. Lebanon, Windsor Castle Tav., Southwark-bdg.-rd.  
Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich.  
New Concord, Rosemary Branch Tav., Hoxton.  
La Tolerance, Horse and Groom, Winsley-st., Oxford-st.  
Peckham, Maismore Arms, Park-road, Peckham.  
Stanhope, Thicket Hot., Anerley.  
Finsbury Park, Finsbury Park Tav., Seven Sisters-rd.  
Southwark, Southwark Park Tav., Southwark Park.  
Duke of Connaught, Havelock Tav., Dalston, E.  
United Strength, Grafton Arms, Kentish-town.  
Whittington, Black Bull Tav., Holborn, at 8.  
Lewis, King's Arms Hot., Wood Green.  
Royal Jubilee, 81, Long Acre.  
Langthorne, Swan Hot., Stratford.

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 3.

Lodge 45, Strong Man, M.H., Masons' Avenue.  
" 192, Lion and Lamb, Cannon-st. Hot.  
" 227, Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.  
" 231, St. Andrew's, F.M.H.  
" 538, La Tolerance, F.M.H.  
" 554, Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney.  
" 1360, Royal Arthur, Club, L.H. Wimbledon.  
" 1445, Prince Leopold, Lord Stanley Tav., E.  
Mark 199, Duke of Connaught, Havelock Tav., Queen-rd., E.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Union Waterloo, Chatham Arms, Thomas-st., Woolwich.  
Egyptian, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st.  
Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., W.  
Finsbury, Jolly Anglers' Tav., Bath-st., City-road.  
Temperance in the East, Catherine-st., Poplar.  
Ebury, 12, Ponsonby-st., Milbank.  
Highgate, Bull and Gate, Kentish-town.  
The Great City, M.H., Masons' Avenue.  
High Cross, Coach & Horses, High-road, Tottenham.  
Salisbury, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st.  
Southern Star, Crown Hot., Blackfriars-rd.  
Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-st., Oxford-st.  
Prince Frederick William Chapter, St. John's Wood.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 4.

Lodge 890, Hornsey, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.  
Chap. 3, Fidelity, (place of meeting not known.)

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Stability, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st.

Robert Burns, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st.  
Belgrave, Constitution, Bedford-st., Covent Garden.  
Unions Emulation (for M.M.'s), F.M.H.  
Temperance, Victoria Tav., Victoria-road, Deptford.  
Clapton, White Hart, Clapton.  
Metropolitan, Portugal Hot., Fleet-st., at 7.  
St. Marylebone, British Stores Tav., St. John's Wood.  
Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood.  
United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-road.  
St. James's, New Tanners' Arms, Grange-rd., Bermondsey.  
Duke of Edinburgh, Silver Lion, Penny-fields, Poplar.  
Doric, Earl Grey Tav., Mile-end-road.  
Burgoyne, Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales's-road, N.W.  
St. Luke's, White Hart, King's-rd., Chelsea.  
Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst-hill.  
Burdett Coutts, Approach Tav., Victoria Park.  
Royal Standard, The Castle, Holloway-rd.  
Ranelagh, Bell and Anchor, Hammersmith-rd.  
William Preston, Feathers Tav., Up. George-st., Edgware-rd.  
Hervey, 99, Fleet-street, at 8.  
Earl of Carnarvon, Mitre Ho., Goulborne-rd., Notting-hill.  
Pythagorean Chapter, Portland Ho., London-st., Greenwich.  
Sir Hugh Myddelton, 25, King Edward-st., Liverpool-rd., N.

## MASONIC MEETINGS IN WEST LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE.

For the Week ending Saturday, January 5, 1878.

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 31.

Lodge 148, Lights, M.R., Warrington.

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 1.

Lodge 673, St. John's, M.H., Liverpool.  
" 995, Furness, M.T., Ulverston.  
" 1476, Blackpool, Clifton Arms, Blackpool.  
Chap. 203, St. John of Jerusalem, M.H., Liverpool.  
Bootle L. of I., 146, Berry-st. Bootle.  
Merchants L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2.

Lodge 1013, Royal Victoria, M.H., Liverpool.  
" 1335, Lindsay, 20, King-st., Wigan.  
" 1354, Marquis of Lorne, M.R., Leigh.  
" 1620, Marlborough, Derby H., Liverpool.  
Mark Lodge 65, W. Lancashire, M.R., N. Hill-st., Liverpl.  
Downshire L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.  
De Grey and Ripon, do., M.H., Liverpool.

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 3.

Lodge 249, Mariners, M.H., Liverpool.  
" 1473, Bootle, A.R., Bootle.  
Chap. 758, Bridgewater, M.H., Runcorn.  
Harmonic L. of I., Adelphi Hot., Liverpool.  
Duke of Edinburgh, do., M.H., Liverpool.  
Alpass Encampment, M.H., Liverpool.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 4.

Lodge 680, Sefton, Adelphi Hct., Liverpool.  
" 1375, Architect, Didsbury Hot., Didsbury.  
" 1387, Chorlton, M.R., Chorlton-cum-Hardy.  
Hamer L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.

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