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#### ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

The General Committee of this Institution met on Saturday last at Freemasons' Hall. Bro. J. Joyce Murray occupied the chair, and there were also present Bros. S. Rawson, R. B. Webster, Donald M. Dewar, Henry Young, Dr. Morris (Head Master), W. H. Saunders, C. H. Webb, Arthur E. Gladwell, George J. Palmer, W. Moulder, W. H. Perryman, Richard Tyrrell, J. G. Chancellor, W. Roebuck, F. Adlard, Thomas Meggy, C. J. Perceval, W. F. C. Moutrie, F. Binckes (Sec.), and H. Massey (Freemason).

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes, three petitions were examined, and the candidates placed on the list for April election. Ibbs, one of the candidates on the list for next Monday's election, was withdrawn—thus leaving seventy-one candidates on the list.

The following notices of motion for the Quarterly Court next Monday were given:—

By Dr. Ramsay—the same motion as Bro. Tattershall's for the Girls' School—"That the House and Audit Committees be elected for three years, and that one third retire each year, but be eligible to be again placed on the Committees."

By Dr. RAMSAY—"That a candidate, before his petition is received, must produce a certificate from a clergyman in orders or a certificated schoolmaster that he can read and write English and work the four first rules in arithmetic;"

By Bro. H. C. LEVANDER—" That the Quarterly Courts of the Boys' School in January, April, July, and October be held on the same days as those of the Cirls' School, at four o'clock in the afternoon, to suit the convenience of the country brethren."

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Bro. C. J. PERCEVAL gave notice of motion for next General Committee for establishing technical education in such branches as printing, carpentering, &c., in the Boys' School. He thought that such branches, which were most useful to the boys, were not taught, while a higher and theoretical education was given.

The Rev. Dr. Morris (Head Master) would like to know what Bro. Perceval meant by a theoretical in distinction to a practical education. As to the higher classes, there were but few boys who came to them, and the majority were given a plain education. Very few learnt French and German, because it took a long time to get up to those classes.

Bro. PERCEVAL thought the brethren should look to what walk of life the children in the School came from, and what pursuit they would have to follow for a livelihood when they left the School. If he was wrong he was willing to submit to the opinion of the brethren; but he still thought that while the boys were getting a sound theoretical education they should also have a technical education.

The Committee then adjourned.

### CONSECRATION OF THE ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER AT GORLESTON.

A meeting of the Provincial Grand Chapter of Suffolk was held at St. Andrew's Hall, Gorleston, on Thursday, the 30th ult., for the purpose of consecrating the St. Andrew's Chapter. Among those present were Comps. the Rev. C. J. Martyn, P.G. Supt. Suffolk; W. Boby, P.G. H., Z. 225; W. Daking, acting P.G.J.; W. H. Lucia, P.G.S.E.; Wm. Wilmshurst, P.G.N.. SI; Fredk. Long, P.G.P.S., 376; J. W. B. Johnson, N. 100.; Jas. Bond, P.Z. 100, P.G.S. Norfolk; B. Gall, P.Z. SI; Wm. Dods, P.H. 100; E. P. Youell, Z. designate; J. J. Owles, 100; C. B. Hammond, 100; Thomas Grimwood, P.Z. 100; C. E. Bignold, P.G.H. Norfolk; R. W. Hubbard, N. 100; J. Tomlinson, P.Z. 1503; J. A. Fisk, 100; C. E. Bignold, P.G.H. Norfolk; R. W. Hubbard, Mitchell, 100; J. Hudspith, 100; John Hammond, 100; E. Bonfellow, P.Z. 100; Jas. M. Hervey, P.S. 376; Alex. Mitchell, 100; G. F. Crane, 100; Thos. Elliot, 100; N. Tracey, P.Z. 376; A Hanlon, P.Z. 100; E. Dorling, P.Z. 100; R. W.M. 4, acting as P.G.S.W.; and John Bannerman,

959; A. D. Bennett, 100; G. B. Mickleburgh, 266, Sydney; W. Osborn, 100; J. W. Bennett, and M. E. Sturge.

The Consecrating Officer was the Prov. G. Supt., Comp. the Rev. B. J. Martyn. At the commencement of the proceedings the reverend companion expressed his pleasure in complying with the request to consecrate and dedicate the St. Andrew's Chapter. Four years ago they met there to consecrate the St. Andrew's Lodge, and from the small beginning then made it had grown rapidly, and now flourished in a satisfactory manner. He heartily wished the new chapter success, and that it might ever flourish. The petition and charter having been read, the ceremony of consecration and dedication was performed according to ancient custom.

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The three Principals of the chapter were installed as follows: Comps. E. P. Youell, Z.; W. Dods, H.; and J. Tomlinson, J. The other officers were then elected and invested, viz., Comps. Bond, E.; Hudspith, N.; Crane, P.S.; and Holt, Janitor.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Prov. G. Supt., the Prov. G.S.E., Comp. Lucia; and to Comp. E. Dorling (who ably acted as M.C.) for their assistance, and the votes having been acknowledged, an adjournment was made to the Victoria Hotel, Great Yarmouth, where the banquet was held.

#### PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF WEST YORKSHIRE.

The annual meeting of the West Yorkshire Provincial Grand Lodge was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Halifax, on Wednesday week, under the banner of the Fearnley Lodge, No. 58, at which there was a very good attendance of the brethren. The Fearnley Lodge having been opened by the W.M. and officers, the P.G. officers were formed and entered the lodge room. Owing to domestic bereavement, the Prov. G.M. (Bro. John Wordsworth, of Morley), was unable to be present; the Provincial Grand Lodge was therefore under the rule of Bro. Perkinton, P.P.G.M.

The minutes of the previous half-yearly meeting having been confirmed, the acting Prov. G.M. then invested the following brethren as Provincial Grand Officers for the year:

year	:					
	Charles Letch Mason				Prov.	D.G.M.
,, ,	Joseph W. Monckma	ın			Prov.	S.G.W.
	John Barker, P. G. S				Prov.	J.G.W.
	Henry Berlon .				Prov.	G.M.O.
	Eli Pullan					G.S.O.
	Christopher Tate Rho					G.J.O.
	01 1 0 1					G. Chap.
	Frederick W. W. Boo					
	George Normanton, I					
	William Cooke, P.G.					G. Sec.
	Thomas Wainman Ho					S.G.D.
	Henry Shaw					J.G.D.
	John Edward Craven					
						G.I. of W.
	Y 1 KI 1 I					G.D. of C.
						G.A.D.C.
	Robert Craig					G. Sw. B.
						G. St. B.
						G. Org.
	John E. Darling				Prov. (	G.I.G.
,,	H. R. Waghorn, R. 1	Thomp	son, J.		Dear /	C Stude
,,	Wigglesworth Syke	es		3	L. LOA.	G. Stwds.
	John Greenwood .				Prov.	G. Tyler.
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at the next meeting, the Prov. Grand Lodge was duly closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banqueting room, where a pleasant evening was spent.

# GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.

At a meeting of the Grand Committee, held in Free-masons' Hall, Edinburgh, on Thursday, the 30th ult., the following brethren were nominated for office for the ensuing year, viz.:--

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Bro	o. Sir Michael Shaw S	stewart,	Bart.	M.W.G.M.M
,,	R. F. Shaw Stewart	G.S.W.		
,,	Rt. Hon. the Earl o	G. J.W.		
,,	D. M. Lyon			G. Secretary.
,,	D. Kinnear		,	G. Cashier.
٠,,	Rt. Hon. the Earl of	f Br <b>c</b> ada	albane	G.S.D.
,,	John Crombie			G.J.D.
,,	Andrew Kerr			G. Architect.
,,	D. C. Rait			G. Jeweller.
,,	George Fisher			G. Bible Br.
,,	Captain Hills			G. Dir. of C.
,,	H. Y. D. Copland			G. Swd. Br.
,,	Wm. Hamilton			G. D. of M.
,,	F. M'Gillvray			G. Marshal.

R.W.W. 73, acting as P.G.J.W. There were also present Bros. W. J. Easton, D.P.G.M.; J. Dalrymple Duncan, S.P.G.M.; J. T. Stewart, P.G.S.W.; J. M. Oliver, P.G.J.W.; W. H. Bickerton, P.G. Secretary; J. Morgan, P.G. Treas.; Jas. Booth, P.G.S.D.; Jas. Findlay, P.G.J.D.; John Harley, P.G. Jeweller; Jas. Balfour, P.G.J.O. of C.; Thos. Halket, P.G.D. of M.; Joseph Henry, P.G.S.B.; A. Holmes, P.G.I.G.; and a very large attendance of members of the P.G. Lodge and visitors. The Provincial Grand Lodge having been opened in full form the Provincial Grand Master informed the meeting that it was now his pleasant duty to name the brethren whom he had commissioned as office bearers of the Provincial Grand Lodge to assist him in conducting the labours of the lodge. As they were aware it was his prerogative to appoint these brethren, at the same time he sincerely hoped that the appointments he had made would meet with the approval of the members of the Provincial Grand Lodge and brethren in the province, in order that they might work harmoniously together, and raise the standard of Masonry in the province. He would now name Bros. W. J. Easton, D.P.G.M.; J. Dalrymple Duncan, S.P.G.M.; J. T. Stewart, P.G.S.W.; J. M. Oliver, P.G.J.W.; W. H. Bickerton, P.G. Secretary; Rev. Geo. S. Burns and the Rev. W. W. Tulloch, Chaplains. The brethren being unanimously accepted by the meeting, the Provincial Grand Master afterwards returned thanks for their kind support, also for the high honour they had recently conferred upon himself.

The newly-elected office-bearers were then duly installed, and received the highest honours.

A Board of Installed Masters was then formed, there being no less than thirty Installed Masters present, and the Degreee of Installed Master was conferred upon Bro. Wm. Pearce, P.G.M., and Bro. J. Banks, R.W.M. 103, Bro. T. Halket performing the ceremony in a most excellent manner. The newly-installed Masters having been saluted in full form, the Provincial Grand Lodge was closed.

#### DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF BRISBANE, S.C.

The regular Quarterly Communication was holden within the Masonic Hall, on Friday, the 30th July, at 7.45 p.m. Present: Bros. the Hon. John Douglas, C.M.G., R.W. D.G.M.; Thos. Mylne, R.W. Dep. D.G.M.; A. D. Campbell, R.W. Sub. D.G.M.; Walter Scott, W.D.G. S.W.; J. Pickering, W.D.G.J.W.; W. Bros. John M. Brydon, D.G. Sec.; W. McFarlane, D.G. Treas.; John G. M. Barnes, acting D.G. Chap.; and other officers and brethren.

The minutes of the previous communication having been read and confirmed, correspondence, in and out, was read, also the report of the opening of the St. John's, Davenport, Lodge, at Charters Towers, U.D., which passed off with

The district Grand Lodge Officers for the ensuing year

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The district Grand Lodge Officers for the ensuing year were nominated, elected, and installed as follows:—
(The commissions of the R.W.D.D.G.M., R.W.S.D.G.M., W.D.G.S.W., and W.D.G.J.W., were received.)

Bro. John M. Brydon, W.M. 455 D.G. Secretary.

W. McFarlane, 504 D.G. Secretary.

Rev. E. Griffith, 455 D.G. Chaplain.

W. Edds, W.M. 504 D.G.S.D.

P. Brown, 456 D.G. J.D.

Smollett, St. John's, Davenport D.G. Architect.

C. A. Brown, 435 D.G. Bible Br.

John G. W. Barnes, P.M. 455 D.G. Dir. of Cer.

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John G. W. Barnes, P.M. 455 D.G. Dir. of Mus.

J. Raymond, 455 D.G. Dir. of Mus.

J. Raymond, 455 D.G. Swd. Br.

J. Macgregor, 456

S. Grimes, 435; J. Archibald, St.

John's, Davenport, U.D., and

W. Davie, St. John's, Davenport

J. Smith, 504 D.G. Stewards.

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D.G. Tyler.

This lodge's quota to the Organ Fund was passed for payment; the annual visitations to subordinate lodges, arranged; and the balance sheet audited, received, and adopted. The lodge was congratulated on the state of the finances, the cash balance to credit, after providing for all liabilities, being £51.

The Communication was then adjourned at high twelve.

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## USE OF THE WORD "FREEMASON."

The Society of Antiquaries held an Heraldic Exhibition in 1863, at which was shown the charter incorporating several of the Trades of Gateshead, under the sign manual and palatine seal of John Cosin, Bishop of Durham, 24th April, 1671.

The first trade mentioned is that of the Freemasons, and' amongst the armoral shields with which it is decorated the following appears as belonging to them:

Sable, on a chevron between three towers Or, a pair of compasses open chevron-wise Azure. Crest, a tower Or, "The Lord is all ovr tryst."

The Corporation was empowered to have a Common Seal, which bears the Masons' Arms as its first quartering, and also their Crest.

This document passed from Mrs. Green, the widow of the Ins document passed from Mrs. Green, the widow of the last surviving Freemason, to Alderman Reveley, who presented it to W. rl. Brockett, Esq.

A more lengthened description is to be found in the "Herald and Genealogist," vol. 1, pp. 128-9.

### LICENSED VICTUALLERS' EXHIBITION

A series of exhibitions are now being held at the Agricultural Hall, Islington, for the purpose of bringing before the general public the industries of the country. One of the above series was opened on Friday, the 1st inst., under the title of National Trade Exhibition and Market. It was carried out for the purpose of showing the various machine. carried out for the purpose of shewing the various machinery, implements, and other appliances used by the Licensed Victuallers. There were some 300 exhibitors, and it was extremely gratifying to see the Craft so well represented.

Amongst other exhibitors we particularly noticed the

Bros. ROGERS and GUNN, Leadenhall-street, E.C. These brethren exhibit the Pure American Glucose. It perfects the fermentation and entirely prevents acidity in beer. It has been subjected to a searching analysis, and has come through its trial perfectly satisfactorily.

Messrs. Burrough's and Watts (Bro. Jas. Burrough's), Soho-square, W.

This firm have an excellent assortment of Billiard Tables, Cues, Balls, and all the necessaries requisite for the billiard player. One of the special features is their Champion Board, which secured the first prize medal at the Sydney Exhibition, 1879. We can only say the price is moderate and the article good.

Bro. J. DAVIS, 6, Kennington Park-road. Bro. Davis exhibits as a speciality his Royal Polytechnic Barometer. The "proof of the pudding is in the cating," which one glance at the 30 prize medals awarded him will

prove. Bro. SAMUEL GOODBY, Sen., Wolverhampton, Has an exhibit of Stock Dies for Gas Tubing, &c. This is really an ingenious affair, and well worthy the notice of

Bro. E. MARTIN, 30, Liverpool-street, E.C. "Go ahead" is the prominent sign of this brother's exhibit, and the variety of articles he has, as exhibiting the ingenuity of our American cousins, fully carries it out.

Bro. CHARLES OWEN, Old Kent-road. This brother shows "Sambrook's Excelsior Till." This brother shows "Sambrook's Excelsior Till." This really a remarkable piece of mechanism, designed and completed by a member of the trade for the trade. Bro. Owen also exhibits a unique instrument for detecting and rejecting spurious coin, giving change automatically if the money be good. It may be seen daily in operation in the Old Kent-road.

LAMPEN and THEEDAM (Bro. Lampen), of Wakefield. An Improved Self-Indicating Cistern exhibited by this firm has gained the approval of the trade. They also display the various tools used by maltsters.

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Bro. W. LINCOLNE, of Glasgow and London, Are again to the fore with Belting Syrup, Hoyte's Leather Belting, and other articles appertaining to the brewers' engineering trade.

Mosses and Mitchell (Bro. Giraud), Queen Victoria-st

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The old proverb has it "There's nothing like leather."
One viewing the stand of Bro. Giraud feels inclined to doubt its strict veracity. The Vulcanised Fibre shown by our worthy brother is intended as a substitute for leather, Rubber, Gutta Percha, &c., and, judging by the testimonials received by him from collieryowners, brewers, &c., it seems in every way to carry out the objects for which it was invented.

Bro. Charleswarth and Austre.

Bro. CHARLESWORTH and AUSTIN. Show a good assortment of Cigars, Tobaccos, &c.; their speciality being the "Old Chum" cigar.

Bro. C. J. CHIRNEY, Cloth Fair, West Smithfield. This brother displays a large and varied assortment of Table Linen, Glass Cloths, Billiard and Bagatelle Cloths, especially suitable to licensed victuallers—their speciality being Table Cloths and Napkins handsomely woven with Masonic emblems.

Bro. DAVID ROBERTS, Tottenham.

This brother's stand is immediately central, where he exhibits specimens of Brewers' Casks, Vats, Mash Tuns, &c., also a speciality in Ryley's Slotted Bottoms, as supplied to Barclay, Perkins and Co. An object of great interest is the collection of Photographic Views illustrating the various working departments of his establishment, namely, the Cooperage, Saw Mills, Vat Makers, Seasoning-house, Storehouses, and Coppersmiths. The collection also includes The Great Tun of Heidelberg.

Bro. JUBUL WEBB, Kensington. Bro. Webb has a first-class assortment of Cheeses and

Hams. As a speciality in Cheese he shows the celebrated Gorgonzola.

PHILLIPS and BROCK (Bro. Phillips), Stratford. This firm has an exhibit that is something of an innovation, namely, "The Pot Still Whiskey," the only spirit of that kind manufactured in London on the old pot still

CH. and A. PRIEUR (Bro. H. De Veer).

This firm exhibits French Champagnes and Brandies, which are noticeable for their pure qualities and moderate

Bro. HENRI GROS, Water-lane.

Bro. Gros introduces some excellent Brands of French Wines and Spirits. Specially noticeable is the tastefully Bros. WILCOCKS and STEWART, 23, Rood-lane.

This firm have a selection of choice old Cognac Brandies. ith considerable interest we noted living s Phylloxera Vastatrix—the deadly enemy of the vine.

A. A. WATT and Co. (Bro. Tyler.) This firm make an excellent show of the "Old Innishowen" Whiskey, which has been much admired.

RAY and SON (Bro. T. Adams). At the stand occupied by this well-known house is a large assortment of Mineral Waters. A special feature is a bottle termed the "External Opening Bottle."

WHIGHT, 143, Holborn Bars (Bro. Holt). The chief exhibit of this house is the new Musical Cabinett, dispensing entirely with keys and musical knowledge.

SERGELL and Co., 17, Philpot-lane (Bro. Mitchell). The stand here is occupied by the Gerolstein Water Company, stated to be the only natural mineral water, and is rapidly finding its way into public favour.

Bro. Stower and Co., of London and Liverpool. Lime Juice Syrup and Cordials—samples of which are shown at this stand—have met with great approval.

S. VAN RENEN and Co. (Bro. Marks). This firm introduce to notice the Red and White Cape Wines, which secured the highest award in the South African International Exhibition of 1877.

DAVIS and LITTLEWOOD (Bro. Davis). The space in the hall allotted to this firm is occupied by the Glencoe Whiskey, of glorious renown.

HALLY BURTON and Co. (Bro. T. H. Davis).

Special show of celebrated Australian Wines. Doubtless thirty years ago to obtain wines from Australia would have been thought a visionary scheme; to-day it is an accomplished fact.

W. HUDSON and Son (Bro. Hudson), Moorgate-street. In the portion of the hall set apart for the tasting stalls is the stand of W. Hudson and Son. The prestige of the firm, that stands deservedly high in the trade, will assuredly not suffer by the arrangements, well planned and equally well carried out. We note with interest the firm have issued day by day a "competitive list," showing the opinions of tasters with regard to the quality of the various wines, &c.

RITCHIE and Co., 23, St. Swithin's (Bro. W. W. Bird).
An exhibit that has excited a great deal of attention is
Ritchie and Co's Gas Lighting, Heating, and Ventilating Apparatus. Notice has been drawn in particular to the Measuring and Registering Tap shown by this brother. We venture to say, taking its ingenuity into consideration, it will become exceedingly well known in the trade.

GILLARD and Co., King Henry's Walk, N.

A special feature of this house is the Licensed Victualler Sauce, and it is worthy of remark that this enterprising firm devote a portion of the profits from the sale of this sauce to the much to be commended Benevolent Institutions of the

Bro. GEORGE EDWARDS, Kingsland-road and Minton-street, Hoxton.

Immediately on entering the building from the principal Immediately on entering the building from the principal entrance the attention is at once taken by the splendid stand of Bro. George Edwards. Th's is fitted up as a billiard saloon, and exhibits, amongst others, four really handsome billiard tables—two in oak and two in malogany. In addition to these he has a Russian bagatelle board and an elaborate marking cabinet. We were extremely pleased to notice that Bro. Edwards has made a great improvement in the manufacture of the Cushions and Beds. The Cushions have the double advantage of playing very fast, and do not get hard in any climate.

WM. WHITFIELD AND Co., 34, Commercial-street, E. (Bro. J. Mackenzie Bell.)

In the space allotted to this house, there is a very nice assortment of Corks, English and Foreign Cut, suitable for Licensed Victuallers and Mineral Water Manufacturers.

W. DEVEY AND SON, Mineing-lane (Bros. Lintott and Cox.)

Expressions of approval have been heard on all sides

from visitors who have had occasion to visit the tasting room of this firm, at the excellent arrangements made for their convenience, and the courteous attention of the members of the firm. It is to be hoped that an increased trade will reward the exertions of the firm in making their stand one of the principal features of the Brewers' Exhibition of

We cannot close our remarks on this Exhibition without tendering our thanks to Bro. John O'Connor, the Assistant Secretary of the Agricultural Hall Company, for his uniform courtesy throughout.

# Royal Arch.

YORK.—Eboracum Chapter (No. 1611).—The regular communication of this chapter was held on Tuesday, the 5th inst., the following companions being present: Comps. T. B. Whytehead, Z.; I. S. Cumberland, H.; I. Todd, P.Z., as J.; I. Kay, S.E.; G. Balmford, as S.N.; M. Millington, P.S.; J. T. Seller and A. T. B. Turner, Assistants; G. Simpson, Treas.; T. Humphries, W. Girling, and P. Pearson, Janitor. Bros. R. Walker and W. B. Dyson were exalted to the Supreme Degree by the M.E.Z., who also gave the Mystical Lecture, the Symbolical and Historical being most impressively delivered by the E.H. After the close of the chapter there was a pleasant social gathering, when, amongst others, the toasts of "The M.E.Z.," "The Eboracum Chapter," and "The Sister Chapter in York" were drank. YORK .- Eboracum Chapter (No. 1611) .- The

INSTRUCTION,
NORTH LONDON CHAPTER OF IMPROVEMENT (No. 1471).—This chapter held its PROVEMENT (No. 1471).—This chapter held its usual weekly meeting, after the summer recess, at the Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, on Thursday evening, the 23rd ult. There were present Comps. Brown, Z.; Hobbs, H.; Cusworth, J.; Halford, Treas.; Osborn, S.E.; Weston, S.N.; Pearcy, P.S.; J. L. Mather, Preceptor; C. Lorkin, Lockwood, Fysh, and others. The chapter having been declared opened for the purpose of improvement, the minutes of the previous convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaltation was then rehearsed, Comp. Lockwood acting as candidate. From the known ability of the Principals in Royal Arch Freemasonry, as might be expected, the ceremony was beautifully rendered, and was well appreciated by the companions present, who, n a marked manner, expressed themselves gratified with n a marked manner, expressed themselves gratified with he instruction they had received. Comp. Lockwood was elected a member. The Three Principals and other officers were unanimously elected for the ensuing meeting. The tchapter was then closed.

Bro. G. H. Smith, manager of the North Metropolitan Tramways Company, has returned to England after his visit to America, by the Britannic (White Star line, the vessel he sailed in on the passage out). Ero. Smith, has resumed his duties with renewed health and vigour, upon which he has been heartily congratulated.

The Architect of Saturday last contained a view of Magheramorne House, county Antrim, lately built for Bro. Sir J. M'Garel-Hogg, Bart, M.P. (Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works). REPORTS OF MASONIC MEETINGS.

# Craft Masonry.

FAITH LODGE (No. 141).—This old lodge resumed its labours after its long recess on Tuesday, the 28th ult., at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street. Among those present were Bros. G. Rumball, W.M.; Morrison, S.W.; T. C. Walls, P.P.G.S.B. Middx., S.D., acting J.W.; E. Hopwood, P.P.G.S.B. Middx., acting I.P.M.; Carter, P.M., Treasurer; W. Stuart, P.M., Secretary; Clark, J.D.; Titley, I.G.; Jordan, D.C.; Green, P.M.; and Cohham, P.M. Bro. Cant, 174, was a visitor.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the election of W.M. for the ensuing year took place, and resulted unanimously in favour of Bro. Morrison, S.W. The election of Treasurer followed, and it was unanimously in favour of Bro. Carter, who has held the office for twenty-one years. To mark their appreciation of the great services rendered by Bro. Carter during that long period the members of the Lodge of Faith intend to present their veteran Treasurer with a handsome and interesting testimonial, which will doubtless be dearly cherished by him, and handed down to his posterity as a treasured heirloom. Bro. Longstaffe was re-elected Tyler. Bros. Homes, Titley, Clark, Jordan, and McMullen were appointed Auditors, and Bros. Walls, Holland, Homes, Titley, Clark, and Catmur were re-elected members of the Committee of Benevolence.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, which was well served by Bro. Clemow and

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, which was well served by Bro. Clemow and assistants. Upon the removal of the cloth the W.M. assistants. Upon the removal of the cloth the W.M. stated that in consequence of a pressing engagement he was compelled to leave, and he had therefore requested Bro. Hopwood to occupy the chair for the remainder of the evening. The usual toasts having received full justice, "The Health of the W.W." was proposed in very flattering terms by Bro. Hopwood. "The Visitor" followed, and drew from Bro. Cant an exhaustive reply. In giving "The W.M. elect," the Chairman took occasion to dilate upon Bro. Morrison's long connection with the Lodge of Faith. He had been most indefatigable in his attendance, was an able worker, and qualified in all respects for the great honour that awaited him. Bro. Morrison having made a most modest reply, the proceedings terminated with the toast of "The Officers" coupled with the name of Bro. Stuart, Secretary, who duly acknowledged the compliment.

NEW CROSS LODGE (No. 1559).—An ordinary meeting of this lodge was held on Saturday, the 2nd inst., at the New Cross Public Hall, Lewisham High-road, there being present Bros. E. H. Thiellay, P.M. 73, P.G.S.B. Middx., W.M.; Ernest Smith, S.W.; W. Cropley, acting as J.W.; T. Grummant, S.D.; F. W. Cash, acting as J.D.; T. Metham, acting as I.G.; Church, Tyler; H. Keeble, P.M., Treas.; Walter Simmons, P.M., Sec.; Graham, Moss, Peverley, and others.

Lodge having been opened in the First Degree, Bros. G. J. Hendry and J. D. Graham were passed to the Degree of F.C., the Worshipful Master acquitting himself in a style which left nothing to be desired. Lodge having been resumed to the First Degree, considerable discussion ensued on a motion of Bro. Secretary to move the meeting place of the lodge for the better convenience of the brethren, and in the end a proposition, on the part of the S.W., to petition the M.W. Grand Master on the subject, was carried unanimously, and, all Masonic business being ended, the lodge was closed in due form. Bro. Ernest Smith, S.W., will represent No. 1559 at the next festivals of the Boys' and Girls' Schools. and Girls' Schools.

WEST SMITHFIELD LODGE (No. 1623).—
The installation meeting of the above lodge was held at the New Market Hotel, King-street, West Smithfield, on the 16th ult. The lodge was opened in due form by the W.M., Bro. J. Howes, and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed. Bro. Gasken was passed to the Second Degree. A ballot was then taken for Mr. Walter Smith, and proved unanimous, but that gentleman having communicated his inability to attend, his initiation was deferred until next meeting. The Auditor's report having been received, several minor matters were disposed of, and Bro. Pennefather was then presented for installation, the ceremony being ably performed by the retiring W.M. The new W.M. then proceeded to invest his officers as follows: Bro. J. Butt, S.W. (in the absence through illness of Bro. W. Malthouse); T. Mc C. Butt, J.W.; J. Howes, I.P.M., Treas.; Mallet, Sec.; H. J. Lardner, S.D.; G. H. Stephens, J.D.; W. Snow, I.G.; J. H. Howes, W.S.; W. Butt, D.C.; R. B. Greenwood, C.S.; and Roberts, Organist. WEST SMITHFIELD LODGE (No. 1623).-

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The members present not already mentioned were Bros. J. W. Adams, senior, P.M.; Silver, Kelly, Corke, Gaskin, King, Leggett, Rose, W. H. Milton, Renaut, Mackay, Walter, Wilkinson, and W. C. Smith. The visitors were Bros. Clay, 1216; Phillips, 1706; Coles, 169; Willis, 1326; Clarke, S.W. 1632; Webb, 1158; Black, S.D. 1273; Taylor, P.M. 917; Preistly, 907; Hunt, 79; Stevens, J.W. 1298; Mason, P.M. 1567, P.P.G.D. Middx.; and Robins, 1326.

Business being ended, the visitors rose and complimented the W.M., wishing him a successful year of office and their

the W.M., wishing him a successful year of office and their "Hearty good wishes." The W.M. thanked them for their kind expressions towards himself, and having closed the lodge, adjourned with the brethren to the banqueting the lodge, adjourned with the brethren to the banqueting hall to commemorate the evening by dining together; Bro. Butt catering in his usual style. The W.M. called the brethren to order and asked them to join with him in the toast of "The Queen and Craft." The same duly honoured, the W.M. then gave "His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, their Grand Master"—the toastbeing acknowledged in true Masonic spirit. The W.M. then proposed "The Pro G.M., Dep. G.M., and Grand Lodge Officers, Present and Past;" the toast receiving all honour. The L.P.M. proposed the next toast—that of "The W.M."—stating the pleasure he had in doing so, for they had for many years been workers together; in fact, he claimed Bro. Pennefather as one of his pupils; he had known him for a great number of years, and felt satisfied their W.M. would never disgrace them. He, therefore, hoped the brethren would rally round him, and make his year of office a pleasant and successful one. The L.P.M. trusted they would all unite in drinking to "The W.M." The toast being well

received, the W.M. rose and expressed the satisfaction and pleasure he felt for the way Bro. Howes had proposed his health, and the cordial manner in which it had been rehealth, and the cordial manner in which it had been received. His immediate successor had taught him the most of his Freemasonry; he had on many former occasions thanked him for the same, and did so again. He felt the honour the lodge had conferred on him in electing and installing him their Worshipful Master, and hoped when his year of office had terminated they would be satisfied with the way he had discharged his duties. There was one thing he would like to say to the brethren—he noped they would be as abstemious as they could, for he should like to send something up for the Charities during his year of office. The W.M. next proposed the toast of "The Visitors," stating the pleasure he felt at having so many around him. He considered it a happy omen to be so ably supported by visitors on his installation felt at having so many around him. He considered it a happy omen to be so ably supported by visitors on his installation night; he, therefore, hoped the members of the lodge would give the visitors an excellent "fire," which was done. Bro. Mason, P.P.G.S.D. of Middx., Collector of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, rose and responded for the visitors, and said the flattering remarks which had fallen from the W.M. was highly appreciated by them, and in his turn begged to thank the W.M. for himself and brother visitors, and trusted the hint for the Charities would not be forgotten by them. Bros. Taylor, P.M. 917, and Phillips, 1706, also responded to the visitors' toast. The W.M. then rose and proposed "The Officers," mentioning them all by seniority, and in rotation, asking them to always be at their post, so that the work of the lodge might not be done slovenly, for they had the reputation of being good workers, and he would like them, not to neglect any portion of their stoventy, for they had the reputation of being good workers, and he would like them, not to neglect any portion of their work, but to strive on to perfection, and not lose the good name they had carned. He regretted the absence of Bro. Malthouse, his S.W., and was sorry to say illness was the cause of it, but he hoped he would soon again be amongst them. He would ask the brethren to join him in drinking the officers' toast. The same having been honoured, most of the officers realiged stating their desire to serve the most of the officers replied, stating their desire to serve the lodge to the best of their ability. The toast of "The Lay Members" having been proposed and responded to, Bro. Smyth, who had again been elected Tyler, was summoned by the W.M., and proposed the next toast, which was responded to. Bro. Roberts then played a grand march, and the brethren separated. the brethren separated.

DUKE OF CORNWALL LODGE (No. 1839).

The installation meeting of this lodge was held on Thursday, the 30th ult., at Freemasons' Hall, W.C. There were present the following officers: Bros. J. W. Brooke, W.M.; W. A. Maloney, P.M.; T. C. Corpe, S.W., and W.M. elect; Dr. W. G. Bott, J.W.; J. W. Dewsnap, Treas.; G. F. Smith, jun., S.D.; A. Stokes, J.D.; Dr. J. C. Wilkins, I.G.; G. F. Smith, D.C.; and R. W. Goddard, Tyler. Members: V.W. Bro. Lieutenant-Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec.; W. Bro. Captain N. G. Philips, P.G.D.; Bros. H. Jenkins, H. Cattermole, H. Auerbach, W. Gaspey, Captain W. Furse, F. Ousadt, W. B. Marcus, A. H. Jakins, and A. Williams. Visitors: Bros. Dann, P.M. 72; Mitchell, P.M. 1558; Scott, P.M. 749; Sleap, P.M. 1558; Boehr, W.M. 1585; Mayhrick, W.M. elect 1706; Haly, J.W. 263; Sadler, 1670; Dr. Groves, 1589; Fowler, 1381; Hurst, 901; Stokes, 1558; Marcus, 158; Lodge was opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the regular meeting in April were read and confirmed, and also the minutes of the emergency meeting of June 26th. The auditors' report was received and adopted, and ordered to be entered on the minutes. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and Bro. Jenkins being a

or the regular meeting in April were read and confirmed, and also the minutes of the emergency meeting of June 26th. The auditors' report was received and adopted, and ordered to be entered on the minutes. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and Bro. Jenkins being a candidate for raising, gave proof of proliciency, and the lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and Bro. Jenkins raised to the Degree of M.M. The lodge being resumed to the Second Degree, Bro. T. C. Corpe, the W.M. elect, was presented to receive the benefit of installation, which ceremony was performed by the outgoing W.M., Bro. J. W. Brooke. After the customary salutes and announcements had been given in the Three Degrees, the officers for the year were appointed and invested as follows: Bros. J. W. Brooke, I.P.M., and Hon. Sec.; Dr. Bott, S.W.; G. F. Smith, jun., J.W.; J. W. Dewsnap, Treas., and I.G.; A. Wilkins, J.D.; G. F. Smith, sen., D.C.; Captain Furse, Steward; and Goddard, P.M., Tyler. At the conclusion of the ceremony the three addresses were delivered by Bro. Brooke, I.P.M. The W.M., Bro. Corpe, then presented a Past Master's jewel, of the value of £10 10s., to the I.P.M., and said: Bro. Brooke, on behalf of the brethren of the Duke of Cornwall Lodge, I present you with a Past Master's jewel, as a mark of respect and esteem, and in appreciation of the able manner in which you have performed your duties as first Worshipful Master, and I trust you will live many years to wear it, and that it will bring to your mind happy reminiscences of your association with the lodge as its founder and first W.M. Bro. Brooke, on receiving the jewel, thanked the W.M. and brethren for their kind and valuable gift, and said that, apart from its intrinsic value, which is considerable, he should ever appreciate it as being given as a mark of their esteem and regard, and trusted it would be handed down to should ever appreciate it as being given as a mark of their esteem and regard, and trusted it would be handed down to is children and his children's children to commemorate that auspicious occasion, and be not only a thing of beauty,

but a joy for ever.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned of After the removal of The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to a banquet, provided by Bro. Best. After the removal of the cloth, and the toasts of "The Queen and Craft" and "The M.W.G.M., H.R.H. the Prince of Wales," the W.M. gave the toast of "The Grand Officers," and with it coupled the names of our esteemed Grand Secretary, V. Wor. Bro. Col. S. H. Clothe and Wer. Bro. Col. S. H. coupled the names of our esteemed Grand Secretary, V. Wor. Bro. Col. S. H. Clerke, and Wor. Bro. Capt. N. G. Philips, P.G.D., and alluded to the honour they had done the lodge by accepting its honorary membership and in frequently attending its meetings. The Grand Secretary, in the course of his reply, expressed the pleasure it always gave him to attend the lodge, and the great interest he should always take in its welfare; and took occasion to refer to the able manner in which Bro. Brooke had discharged his duty as the first W.M., and particularly complimented him on his performance of the installation ceremony, and said that he must say to his face that in the whole course of said that he must say to his face that in the whole course of his experience he had never seen more perfect working. Bro . Capt. Philips also complimented Bro. Brooke on his wor king, and said he had with great pleasure accepted the invitation to the lodge, and regretted he had not been able hef ore to accept its hospitality, though he had frequently

attended its meetings, and that he felt great interest in the progress of the lodge. Bro. Brooke then proposed "The Health of the W.M., Bro. T. C. Corpe," and said that Health of the W.M., Bro. T. C. Corpe," and said that he had peculiar pleasure in doing so, inasmuch as Bro. Corpe was a personal friend of his; and he trusted that the friendship would be further cemented by his having initiated him that evening into the same Degree as himself, i.e., the Degree of an Installed Master. As the founder of the lodge, and thereby its father, and he might also say its mother, he had had some little anxiety as to his successor—an anxiety a mother would naturally feel in confiding the care of her offspring to another—but he was happy to say he had no cause for anxiety in Bro. Corpe, and he felt that the interests of the lodge would be quite safe in his keeping. Bro. Corpe had given them a taste of his quality that evening by the way in which he had invested his officers, and delivered the addresses, and which proved that the working of the lodge would be well and thoroughly done, and he asked the officers to extend to their new W.M. the same kind consideration and support they had always been and he asked the officers to extend to their new W.M. the same kind consideration and support they had always been good enough to accord to him, and concluded by asking them to drink his very good health, and wish him a happy and prosperous year of office. The Worshipful Master in reply, said he was afraid his inability as a speaker would not allow him to say all he ought or wished to say on that occasion, and he, therefore, had to ask their kind indulgence in listening to the few remarks he might be able to make. When he first became a Mason it had never entered into his mind-that he should ever arrive at the exalted position his mind that he should ever arrive at the exalted position it had pleased the brethren to place him in, and he confessed at once that, notwithstanding that exalted position, which ought to make him feel that to be the happiest and proudest moment of his life, he never felt his shortcoming more, or felt himself so small as he did in his present position more, or felt himself so small as he did in his present position. He could not help feeling that a more competent brother should be in his place. (No, no.) Having, however, served the office of S.W. in the lodge, which office he had been able to sustain through the kind instruction of his friend Bro. Dann, P.M. and Preceptor, to whom he should ever feel grateful, he now found himself the Master of that lodge, and the next question was, what sort of a Master he would make—that remained to be seen. He could only say the brethren had taken him for better or worse, and that he would try and do his best; he could say no more, and for the rest would trust to the kind indulgence of the brethren. He thanked them for the honour they had more, and for the rest would trust to the kind indugence of the brethren. He thanked them for the honour they had donehim in electing him to the office of W.M. The W.M. next proposed the toast of "The I.P.M. and Installing Officer, Bro. Brooke," and was sure the toast would be heartily received by the brethren. They had witnessed the impressive manner in which the Installing Officer had acquitted himself; it was impossible for the ceremony to have been better performed. In addition to this they had also to lear in mind the manner in which Bro Brooke had also to bear in mind the manner in which Bro. Brooke had performed his duties in the lodge during his year of office just terminated as its first W.M., and every brother office just terminated as its first W.AI., and every brother would admit that his success had been most complete. In all the Degrees, First, Second, and Third, and in the Traditional History, and also the Lecture on the Tracing Board, Bro. Brooke's working had been perfect, and finally, to crown all, he had installed his successor in office. All this went to show that the Masonic abilities of their I.P.M. were of the highest order, and he was sure that in his vacating the chair Bro. Brooke carried with him the good feelings and best wishes of the brethren. Bro. Brooke in retiring from the chair had by no means gone into obscurity; recings and best wishes of the brethren. Bro. Brooke in retiring from the chair had by no means gone into obscurity; he had gone into a sort of Upper House, where he might rest on his well-earned laurels, and there he would shine as a luminary, the light of which would pale the sickly star that had to follow him. (No, no.) Bro Brooke, in reply, thanked the W.M. for the kind, flattering, and generous terins in which he had been good enough to propose his health, and the brethren for the hearty and cordial manner in which they had responded to it. The meed of praise which had been bestowed upon him by the W.M. and their distinguished Bro. Lieut.-Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, had somewhat embarrassed him, and he felt he could not sufficiently thank them for their kindness; for although the proverb says "that out of the fulness of the heart the mouth speaketh," yet, with a very full heart indeed, he found it difficult to find words adequately to express all he would like to say, but assured them he was deeply sensible of their great kindness, the recollection of which would continue as long as life lasted, and which he flattered himself, he might take as an evidence that his efforts to promote the welfare of the lodge during its first year, had not been altogether unsuccessful. When he looked around and saw the magnificent company assembled there to celebrate the entry of the lodge on its second vear of exisbeen altogether unsuccessful. When he looked around and saw the magnificent company assembled there to celebrate the entry of the lodge on its second year of existence, he could not help feeling a certain amount of pride in having been instrumental in creating the lodge, and he trusted it might be taken as an omen of good for the future, and congratulated the brethren on the satisfactory progress the lodge had made. That result he attributed entirely to the cordial assistance he had received from all his officers, and in fact from every member of the lodge, and the harmonious manner in which all had worked toand the harmonious manner in which all had worked to gether. This state of things he trusted might long congether. This state of things he trusted might long continue, and hoped the officers appointed that evening would forgive him if he took that opportunity of urging upon them the absolute necessity of continuing to work unitedly together to attain that result; so that, in the words of the address they had heard in lodge, "having but one aim in view they might all assist in the grand design of being happy themselves and communicating happiness to others." In concluding he assured them that his time and services were always at their disposal, and that he should continue to take the same amount of interest in the future as he had done in the past. In reply to the toast of "The Visitors" Bro Europese W. M. 158 exist that it as he had done in the past. In reply to the toast of "The Visitors," Bro. Runacres, W.M. 1558, said that it gave him much pleasure to see his old friend Bro. Corpe in his present proud position. He had known him many years, and he was sure he would be a credit to the office the breather the pulse of the property of the pulse of the property of the pulse of the property of the pulse of the pul and he was sure he would be a credit to the office the brethren had elected him to, and he was certain the Duke of Cornwall Lodge had elected a Master who was thoroughly competent to do the work; and he congratulated the lodge on having two such efficient officers as the Past and Present W.M. Bro. Maybrick, W.M. elect of 1706, also replied, and expressed the great pleasure he felt in attending, he having been one of the signatories to the petition of the Duke of Cornwall Lodge to Grand Lodge for its warrant and he wished the lodge and the W.M. a happy competent to do the work; and he congratulated the lodge on having two such efficient officers as the Past and Present W.M. Bro. Maybrick, W.M. elect of 1706, also replied, and expressed the great pleasure he felt in attending, he having been one of the signatories to the petition of the Duke of Cornwall Lodge to Grand Lodge for its warrant, and he wished the lodge and the W.M. a happy and prosperous year. The toast of "The Treasurer and Secretary" was next proposed by the W.M., and responded to by each of those officers. The toast of "The Officers man (P.M. and Hon. Sec.) and confirmed. The ballot was

of the Lodge" was then given by the W.M., coupled with the name of Bro. Dr. Bolt, S.W., who, in reply, thanked the W.M. for the kind manner in which he had proposed the toast, and the brethren for the cordial reception they had accorded to it, and congratulated the W.M. on the distinguished position he had acquired in the lodge, and on behalf of himself and his brother officers wished him every happiness, and assured him that nothing would be wanting on their part to make him feel as happy and as proud as their I.P.M. must feel, who had just vacated the chair, and he would take that opportunity of thanking Bro. Brooke on behalf of the officers and members of the lodge for the uniform kindness they had always received at his hands during his year of office. The toasts were interspersed with a selection of songs and music, under the direction of Bro. G. F. Smith, jun., J.W., assisted by Bros. Smith, sen., Marcus, Long, and Chubb. The Tyler's toast brought a most successful evening to a close.

GATESHEAD-ON-TYNE.—Lodge of Industry (No. 48).—The regular monthly meeting of this old lodge was held at the rooms, No. 34, Denmark-street, on Monday, the 27th ult., when there was a goodly array of members and visitors present. The lodge was opened shortly after seven o'clock p.m. by the W.M., Bro. John Wood, assisted by the following officers: Bros. R. Whitfield, I.P.M.; M. Corbitt, as S.W.; E. Liddell, J.W.; W. Brewis Elsdon, Treas.; E. W. Middlemast, Sec.; John Page, as S.D.; A. Simpson, as J.D.; Thos. Dinning, as I.G.; Adamson Rhagg, S.S.; W. M., Pybus, J.S.; Robt. Ferry, Org.; and Joshua Curry, Tyler. The other members in attendance were Bros. M. Corbitt, P.M.; D. Sinclair, P.M.; J. Jensen. P.M.; John MacKay, W.M. 424; E. Shewbrooks, W.m. Leach, W.m. Towers, Joseph Ivison, Thos. Wilson, H. Simpson, Jas. T. Hedley, M. J. Wheatley, T. E. Brigham, W. Brown, R. Brason, Chas. Green, W.m. Dalrymple, and W.m. Richardson. Amongst the numerous visitors present were Bros. J. Braithwaite, W.M. 1427; R. C. Symonds, S.W. 1626; John Bolam, W.M. 1712; Thos. Dinning, J.S. 481; John Page, P.M. 406; Jos. Probert, P.M. 424; E. A. Gibson, 424; R. Wightman, J.W. 541; Thos. Prentice, S.W. 481; R. L. Armstrong, P.M. 406; E. J. Dean, P.M. 541; P. W. Thomson, I.G. 991; C. Read, S.S. 991; A. M. Balfour, 24; and others.

After the minutes of the last regular meeting had been read and confirmed, Bros. Thos. Wilson and Jos. Ivison were passed by the W.M. as Fellow Craftsmen. The working tools were explained by the S.W., and the charge was delivered by the W.M. The lodge was afterwards closed down to the First Degree, when a notice was read from the Prov. Grand Secretary, announcing that the installation of the Most Hon. the Marquis of Londonderry, K.P., would take place at Durham on Tuesday, the 12th October, at 1,30 p.m., when the R.W. Deputy Grand Master of England, the Earl of Lathom, will act as Installing Master. The "Hearty good wishes" of the visitors were tendered, and the lodge was duly closed at 8,30 by the W.M. There was a GATESHEAD-ON-TYNE.—Lodge of Indus-

p.m.

MANCHESTER.—Lodge of Integrity (No. 163).—The first monthly mecting after the vacation of the above lodge was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, on Wednesday the 30th ult. The following brethren were present: Bros. J.E. Williams, W.M.; Alfred Heald, S.W.; J. M. Sinclair, J.W.; Henry Walley, P.M., Treas.; W. D. Waddell, Sec.; Joseph Senior, S.D.; J. H. Greenwood, Org.; Benj. Williams, jun., I.G.; Murray Thompson and John Studd, Stwds.; J. Kirk, Tyler; J. W. P. Salmon, P.M., P.P.G.D. of C.; Wm. Rome, P.M.; H. H. Warburton, P.M.; Richard Neild, P.M.; W. Robinson, P.M.; Benj. Williams, P.M.; J. Wildgoose, P.M.; Jno. L. Goodwin, P.M.; J. Mackie, P.M.; Ed. Russell, A. H. Stott, Thos. Nowell, Wm. Siddeley, Jno. Quance, Matthew Owen, W. Duckworth, J. Armstrong, Andrew Muir, J. H. Wolfensberger, J. K. Taylor, W. Scott, R. S. McMillan, B. B. Dakeyne, T. Cowell, G. B. Kershaw, A. Hoffmarn, J. B. Sumner, Jas. Lowndes, and J. Foster. Visitors: Bros. Sydney Henson, P.M. 317; Hy. Pool, P.M. 44; C. D. Cheetham, 993; J. G. Elderton, 317; Alfred Lowe, 1387; T. H. Glendinning, P.M. 1055; D. Asgwith, 325, 1773; J. B. Seel, 1730; Jas. Laidlaw, P.M. 1375; W. S. Barker, 724; J. P. Lowndes, 1619; Thos, Guest, 204; and R. R. Lisenden, 317 (Freemason). The brethren assembled at six o'clock to tea, and at seven o'clock the lodge was duly opened, and the minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed. The ballot was afterwards taken for Mr. Lowenthall, who was elected and initiated into Freemasonry by the W.M. Bro. W. Scott was raised with all due rite and ceremony to the Sublime Degree of a M.M. by the W.M. Some slight alteration in the byelaws, was proposed, seconded, and carried. "Hearty good wishes" were expressed by the numerous visitors, and the lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 9.10.

At the social board the usual toasts were proposed and acceptaded and content of the sublime Degree of a M. M. Bro. W. Scott was raised.

At the social board the usual toasts were proposed and responded to, and our versatile Bro. J. H. Greenwood enlivened the proceedings with his vocal and instrumental talent. The brethren separated shortly before 11 o'clock.

WALSALL.—St. Matthew's Lodge (No. 539).

—A meeting of this lodge was held on Friday, the 1st inst., at the Dragon Hotel. Present: Bros. William J. Boys, W.M.; J. H. Smith, S.W.; J. H. Rowbotham, J.W.; J. Symons, P.M., P.P.G.S.B., Treas.; James Williams, Hon. Sec.; W. L. Armstrong, S.D.; Joseph Newman, D.C.; T. M. Humphries, P.M., P.P.G.S. of W., I.G. pro tem; William Davis, Tyler; James Rowley, P.M.; Hy. Farington, F. E. F. Bailey, William Parker, John Wright, Jabez Marshall, Geo. W. Bayley, A. D. Cozens, Fredk. Brown, and J. F. Crump. Visitors: Bros. W. E. Proctor, 526; and G. H. Cottam, 521. Two brethren were raised.

then taken for Mr. Herbert Cecil Moore, M.B. (brother of Dr. J. D. Moore, P.G.S.B. of Eng., &c.), and, proving unanimous, he was admitted to the lodge and duly initiated into the mysteries of the Craft by the Worshipful Master, into the mysteries of the Craft by the Worshipful Master, the ceremony being effectively gone through. The working tools were presented by the J.W. At a subsequent period of the evening Bro. Dr. Moore asked the lodge to accept a lithographed portrait of himself. The Worshipful Master, in accepting the gift on behalf of the lodge, referred in terms of well-deserved eulogy to Bro. Moore's successful Masonic career, and of his willingness at all times to give the brethren the benefit of his knowledge and experience, concluding with a wish that their worthy and distinguished brother might be spared to enjoy better broath distinguished brother might be spared to enjoy better health than he had of late. The sentiments expressed by Bro. Taylor were supported and endorsed by Bros. Sheriff, Helme, Longman, and Atkinson (281); Bro. Longman Helme, Longman, and Atkinson (281); Bro. Longman stating that the present satisfactory position of the Rowley Lodge was entirely due to Bro. Dr. Moore's exertions, the gift deriving additional signifiance from the fact that Bro. Moore's youngest brother had been initiated into the mysteries of the Craft that evening. Bro. Moore, in acknowledging the good wishes which had been expressed in his behalf, said the Rowley Lodge was his mother lodge, that he had belonged to it almost from its foundation, and was for many years its Secretary. His health of late had prevented his attending the lodge with that regularity he could wish; but if it pleased God to spare him, he would be willing to do again what he had already done for the cause of Masonry. The portrait, which is a capital likeness of the donor, has an appropriate gilt frame; the square and compasses appearing at the bottom and the arms of the Freemasons at the top of the frame. It was hung on the walls of the lodge room, which are already adorned with the portraits of many notables in the Craft. The cordial thanks of the lodge were accorded Bro. Moore for his gift. thanks of the lodge were accorded Bro. Moore for his gift. The proclamations were then made, cliciting "Hearty good wishes" from the visiting brethren, and some routine business having been transacted, the lodge was closed in harmony, love, and peace.

RIVERHEAD.—Amherst Lodge (No. 1223).—
A meeting of this lodge was held on Saturday, the 2nd inst., at the Amherst Arms. There were present Bros. Chas. J. Dodd, W.M.; John Webb, S.W.; Smalman Smith, J.W.; R. Durtnell, Treas.; J. H. Jewell, Sec.; T. J. Baker, S.D.; C. E. Birch, J.D.; C. Birch, D.C.; T. Weldon, I.G.; F. Dodd, Steward; Allison, Tyler; A. W. Duret, P.M.; E. J. Dodd, P.M.; P. Hanmer, J. I. Birch, R. Stevenson, J. Morgan, T. Thorpe, C. J. Craig, A. H. Lee, E. S. Strange, W. Harmer, W. Sparrowhawk, F. Crowest, and R. F. Langley. Visitors: Bros. E. F. Green, P.M. 475; T. L. Weldon, \$57 and 925; T. F. Blennerhasset, 466; R. Radcliffe Hall, 195; J. Mellor, 1019; and Robert Denham, 345.

The lodge having been opened, and the minutes of the last meeting confirmed, Bros. Richard Langley, Philip Hanmer, and Joseph Ithall Birch were raised; Bros. Frederick J. Crowest, Charles James Craig, Edwin Strange, William Harmer, William Sparrowhawk, and Alfred Herbert Lee were passed; Bro. J. Webb was elected W.M.; Bro. R. Durtnell was re-elected Treasurer. The bye-laws submitted by the Revision Committee were received and adopted. Bro. E. J. Dodd, P.M., gave the following notice of motion: "That the sum of five guineas be given from the lodge funds to the Royal Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons," which was carried. Two

following notice of motion: "That the sum of five guineas be given from the lodge funds to the Royal Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons," which was carried. Two new members were proposed. The brethren then adjourned to the banquet room, and a very rechirch. to the banquet room, and a very recherche banquet was provided in Host Waller's best style. The harmony of the evening was much enhanced by the excellent singing of Bros. Thorpe, Harmer, Weldon, and Radeliffe Hall.

MORECAMBE.—Morecambe Lodge (No. 1561) MORECAMBE.—Morecambe Lodge (No. 1561).

The monthly meeting of this lodge was held on the 1st inst. in the Masonic Hall, when there was a good attendance of members and visitors. The lodge having been opened in the First, and subsequently in the Second, Degree, Bro. the Rev. William Bannister was examined as to his proficiency as a F.C., and the lodge having been opened in the Third Degree, he was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason, the ceremony being efficiently performed by Bro. James Ellershaw, I.P.M. 1353, who also presented the working tools and delivered the customary charge. The lodge was then closed down to the First Degree, and a cordial vote of thanks accorded to Bro. Ellerstee. gree, and a cordial vote of thanks accorded to Bro. Eller-shaw for his services. The usual proclamations were then made, eliciting "Hearty good wishes" from the visiting brethren, and the lodge was closed in peace, love, and har-

LIVERPOOL.—Dramatic Lodge (No. 1609).— The annual installation meeting of the members of this LIVERPOOL.—Dramatic Lodge (No. 1609).—The annual installation meeting of the members of this lodge was held on Tuesday afternoon, the 28th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, where there was an exceedingly large and highly-influential gathering of brethren and visitors. The lodge, although of only some five years' standing, has had an exceedingly successful career, and from a numerical point of view is entitled to take high rank amongst the numerous lodges of the Province of West Lancashire, whilst its efficient and smooth working has earned for it a wide reputation in Masonic circles. Promptly at noon, the lodge was opened by Bro. J. B. MacKenzie, W.M., and he was officially and efficiently supported by Bros. Lindo Courtenay, I.P.M.; Joseph Bell, P.G., D., P.M.; W. W. Sandbrook, S.W.; John Atkinson, J.W.; A. Woolrich, Treas.; W. Savage, I.G.; H. P. Squire, S.S.; R. Burgess, Organist; J. Skeaf, P.G.O., Asst. Organist; and W. H. Ball, Tyler. The list of members present included the names of Bros. John Reay, E. A. Carrodus, T. L. Goedhart, Albert Gough, J. F. Rudersdorff, J. J. Monk, J. H. Greenwood, Dr. Whittle, O. W. Sanderson, R. Eyres, J. W. R. Brown, J. Keet, S.W. 1356; J. M. Boyd, J. E. Runmer, H. Round, P. Lowndes, W. Mears, J. Fineberg, C. Burby, C. Campion, T. S. Bailey, I. de Frece, R. Barnes, R. Williams, Berthold Striem, F. Duncanson, W. S. Cook, W. Heap, S.D. 594; R. Wylie, P.P.G.S.D.; A. E. Richardson, Sam Hague, H. S. Alpass, P.G. Sec.; A. Robertson, N. Green, P. Buck, S. Mattison, E. Graham, H. Holden, Webster Williams, J. Bayliss, R. Brown, P.M. 241 (Hon. Sec. of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution); Captain J. F. Ainscow, John Ballard, W. Johnson, Dr. F. G. Baker, C. H. Buchanan, R. Watterson, W. Adtion); Captain J. F. Ainscow, John Ballard, W. Johnson, Dr. F. G. Baker, C. H. Buchanan, R. Watterson, W. Addis, Ellis Brammall, jun., Dr. Pierce, W. T. Blamphin, and

The long list of distinguished visitors contained the signatures of Bros. S. J. Henochsberg, S.W. 1502; R. Young, P.M. 86 and 1384; W. Brackenbury, I.P.M. 673; T. Clark, P.G. Superintendent of Works; J. Salmon, P.P.G.C. East Lancashire; J. Beesley, P.M. 216; H. Hatch, W.M. 220; J. Birchall, 220; R. A. Davies, S.D. 1380; J. C. Bradshaw, 1242; W. J. Brown, 1242; J. Higson Johnston, P.M. 1350; E. King Ellison, 1350; W. Allan, Organist 220; R. B. Hughes, 1325; C. Titherley, W.M. 1330; Capt. W. J. Newman, P.G. Registrar; I. Jacobs, 1576; J. P. Bryan, 1035 and 203; M. Callaghan, J.D. 1303; S. Simmons, 1502; S. Spratly, P.P.G.S.D. Cheshire; C. D. Raymond, S23; Peter Ball, 249, P.G. Tyler; Stanhope Bull, P.G.S. of W. Cheshire; J. Houlding, P.G.S.; T. F. Hill, I.P.M. 220; Dr. R. H. D. Johnson, P.M. 104; T. H. Jackson, 1264; R. White, 241; W. Pughe, P.M. 1620; I. Leece, W.M. 1086; Rev. R. Pennington, P.M. 249; F. J. Hansley, 1086; Rev. R. Pennington, P.M. 249; F. J. Hansley, 1086; R. W. Burgess, P.M. and Treasurer 1325; J. F. Newell, P.G. S.W., P.M. 1035; (ex-Mayor of Bootle); Robert Casson, P.M. 905; W. B. Ackerley, P.G. J. W., P.M. 680; Thos. Hatton, J.W. 203; T. B. Brown, S.W., 786; H. Ashmore, P.M. 823 and 1325; D. Parry, 1086 and 1299; W. H. Quayle, 1325; A. Child, 1756; W. J. Roberts, 940; Dr. S. Kisch, 216; Dr. J. Kellett Smith, P.P.G. Registrar; R. Whitehead, 673; R. H. Evans, P.G.S.D.; R. Harley, 1473; A. Bucknall, Sec. 667; W. Forrester, 1035; J. Peters, P.P.G.S.W. North Wales and Shropshire; O. Roberts, W.M. 533; Thomas Salter, P.M. 241; Joseph Boyle, W.M. 823; Henry Vernon, 1242; J. Busfield, 216 and 1299, James Grierson, J.W. 1756; and Joseph Wood, 249, 1094, and 1675 (Freemason).

After the minutes bad been duly adopted the retiring W.M., Bro. MacKenzie, proceeded to initiate Messrs. Jas. field, 216 and 1299, James Grierson, J.W. 1756; and Joseph Wood, 249, 1094, and 1675 (Freemason).

After the ceremony of initiation Bro. MacKenzie was held by the brethren to make the presentation as a mark of the high est The long list of distinguished visitors contained the sig-

re-elected).

At the conclusion of the business portion of the proceedings the brethren sat down to a sumptuous banquet, satisfactorily provided by Bro. R. Russell, \$23. The newlychaired W.M., Bro. W. W. Sandbrook, presided, and he was supported by a very large gathering of distinguished brethren—the company altogether numbering about 120. The W.M. proposed the loyal toasts in felicitous terms, and the I.P.M. afterwards gave "The Health of the P. G.M., the D.G.M., and P.G. Officers," referring to the "equal measures" which the Earl of Lathom pursued in connection with his annual appointments. Bro. H. S. Alpass, in responding, alluded to the great success which had attended the establishment of the Liverpool Dramatic Lodge. It had been the means of initiating so many brethren that the lodge promised to become almost too large. In no lodge had he seen the various Degrees better given than in the Dramatic, and every Past Master would endorse his opinion that he had never seen a ceremony of At the conclusion of the business portion of the proceed given than in the Dramatic, and every Past Master would endorse his opinion that he had never seen a ceremony of installation more efficiently conducted than that which they had just witnessed. Bro. MacKenzie, the Immediate Past Master, had referred to the appointments which the Right Worshipful Prov. Grand Master had to make every year in filling the various offices in the Provincial Grand Lodge. The selection of officers had often proved a great difficulty to his lordship. He was sometimes informed that certain Worshipful Masters had passed through the chair, and given the Three Degrees very well. But that was not sufficient; something more than a good performance of the Three Degrees was necessary. Fortunately, this year the Prov. Grand Master had had special facilities for selecting his officers. In July there was held the festival of the Boys' his officers. In July there was held the festival of the Boys' school, at which the Prov. Grand Master of West Lanca-School, at which the Prov. Grand Master of West Lancashire took the chair. Independent of the Earl of Lathom being the Deputy Gvand Master of England, it was expected that every Prov. Grand Master of any important province should some time early in his tenure of office take the chair at the festival of the three Masonic Charities—the Annuitants', the Boys', and the Girls'. Their R.W. Prov. Grand Master had taken the chair at the Girls', the Annuitants', and this year at the festival of the Boys' School. He (Bro. Alpass) must say for himself, and on behalf of many of the brethren from that province who were present, that they were very anxious, seeing what had been contributed they were very anxious, seeing what had been contributed by other important provinces in England when their respective Prov. Grand Masters had taken the chair, that the Province of West Lancashire should show itself worthy of having so becomely a Massage the East of Lathauring. having so honourable a Mason as the Earl of Lathom at its head, and, upon the occasion of his lordship presiding at the Boys' Festival, evince to the Masonic world in an unmistakeable manner its approbation of him and loyally to him. Up to the morning of the festival he was very doubtful whether they would achieve success; but every one was delighted—and the Earl of Lathom expressed his great pleasure and satisfaction—to find that the province contributed the handsome sum of £2660. Taking what was contributed out of the Grand Lodge funds at something like £660, the various lodges of the province contributed about £2000 towards the festival, and this at a time when trade had been bad for two having so honourable a Mason as the Earl of Lathom at its

or three years, and every one had been obliged to look carefully after his expenditure. They would perceive that the Earl of Lathom had had little difficulty in selecting his Provincial Grand Officers this year, for he had only to observe the brethren who supported him as Stewards on the occasion of the festival, and accept that, as he was justified in doing, as a manifestation of their great interest in Masserve. observe the brethren who supported him as Stewards on the occasion of the festival, and accept that, as he was justified in doing, as a manifestation of their great interest in Masenry in general, and especially in its Charities. His lordship, therefore, distinguished and marked his approbation of those brethren as far as he could do by giving them office in the Provincial Grand Lodge. This occurrence, however, was not likely to happen again, for his lordship had now filled the chair at the three Charities. He (Bro. Alpass) trusted that those brethren who attended the festival of the Boys' School would testify to the excellent instruction and training which the boys received, and to their pleasing appearance. Whilst they should never forget or lose sight of their local charities, he hoped that in that province there would always be some surplus money to send up to London in support of the Boys' and Girls' Institutions. They would thereby show to the Masonic world that they were not selfish in their ideas, and that a wealthy province like that of West Lancashire did not intend to confine its sympathies solely to their own district. The Installing Master next proposed "The Worshipful Master," remarking that he considered it the toast of the evening. In Bro. Sandbrook, the Dramatic Lodge possessed a Master who would maintain the dignity of the chair, and conduct the working of the lodge a befitting manner. It had afforded him (Bro. MacKenzie) great parasure to install Bro. Sandbrook as his successor in his present proud position—the highest which it was in the power of any Mason to bestow upon a brother. He was quite certain that at the end of his year of office the new W.M. would give a good account of the stewardship with which he had been entrusted. The officers of the Dramatic had worked well together, and the lodge had consequently led an harmonious existence. Their one aim and object had been the promotion of the happiness and prosperity of the lodge. He entrusted the Their one aim and object had been the promotion of the happiness and prosperity of the lodge. He entrusted the warrant of the lodge into the hands of Bro. Sandbrook in the full assurance that it would thereby lose none of its lustre, but that he would hand it down to his successor as pure and unsulfied as he now received it. The teast having warrant of the lodge into the hands of Bro. Sandbrook in the full assurance that it would thereby lose none of its lustre, but that he would hand it down to his successor as pure and unsullied as he now received it. The toast having been drunk with Masonic honours, the W.M. thanked the brethren for the cordial manner in which his health had been received. He would try to deserve the high encomiums which had been passed upon him by the Installing Master by discharging the duties connected with his office to the best of his ability. However, he had a far more pleasant task to perform than that of speaking about himself, and that was to propose "The Health of the Installing Master." He was sure that every brother who had witnessed the installation ceremony could have formed but one opinion, and that an excellent one. He could pay their. Immediate Past Master no greater compliment than by saying that he had performed the duties of installation in the same perfect and masterly manner with which he had always conducted the working of the lodge as W.M. The Chairman, addressing the Immediate Past Masters, proceeded: As a memento of your year's Mastership of the Dramatic Lodge, in recognition of the valuable services that you have rendered to the lodge, and as a token of the great esteem in which you are held by every brother connected with it, I have the extreme felicity and gratification of now presenting you with this testimonial. It consists of an illuminated address, a marble timepiece with accompanying bronzes, a suite of jewellery for your good lady, Mrs. MacKenzie, and a diamond ring for yourself. I am sure, Installing Master, if you only experience one half the pleasure in receiving this testimonial as we, the brethren, have in giving it, then you will be pleased indeed. I can only say that I trust you will have a long, happy, and prosperous life, and that you will continue to devote your services to the Dramatic Lodge in the future as you have done in the past. The Junior Warder read the address, which ran as together with your numerous valuable services rendered so heartily and spontaneously during a period of many years to our ancient and honourable Craft, have greatly endeared you to many friends, and we take this opportunity of showing our appreciation of your sterling merits by asking your acceptance of the accompanying marble timepiece, bronze ornaments, and diamond ring, as a slight token of our respect for you, and as a memento of the many happy days spent with us in the lodge; and at the same time we desire Mrs. Mackenzie's acceptance of a diamond suite, wishing you both many years of happiness; and we trust that when it shall please the Great Architect of the Universe to call you from this sublunary abode, it may be verse to call you from this sublunary abode, it may be to join Him in that Grand Lodge above.—Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool, 28th September, 1880." The Immediate Past Master, in acknowledging the presentations. The Immediate Past Master, in acknowledging the presentation, said there were certain occasions upon which one could not express all that he felt, and they would believe that he was honest in saying that it was impossible for him to adequately express his thanks. As he had formerly said, in entering upon the duties of the chair of that very well-known lodge he realised at once all its difficulties, and tried to face them as every Worshipful Master ought to do. He resolved to try to overcome any little unpleasantnesses which might arise, and to preserve the harmony of the He resolved to try to overcome any little unpleasantnesses which might arise, and to preserve the harmony of the lodge, which was of course at all times the backbone of Freemasonry. They would excuse him saying that he thought he had succeeded to some extent in preserving the position of the Dramatic Lodge as one which ought to be recognised in the Province of West Lancashire. But his efforts, he could assure them, would have been of little avail if he had not had the hearty support, the sympathy, and cordial co-operation of every officer under him, as well as of every brother connected with the lodge. That encouragement he had had, and he now most earnestly and cordially recognised it, and thanked them for it. As to the performance of his duties, they had been pleased to say that they had been executed in a manner which had given some satisfaction at least. If he had failed in any

respect it had not been from any want of desire, but simply from a want of ability to rise to the necessity of the occasion. In thanking them for the magnificent present which they had given him that evening, in addition to that which was voted by the lodge, he had to say that if anything would induce him to still further seek the prosperity. thing would induce him to still further seek the prosperity and welfare of the Dramatic Lodge it would be the fact that they had so generously, so munificently, recognised the little services which he had performed during the past year. That day was almost the anniversary of his ninetenth birthday in Freemasonry, and he was sure they would be pleased, as he was proud, to know that it was exactly the anniversary of his marriage with a woman who would be pleased, as he was proud, to know that it was exactly the anniversary of his marriage with a woman who had been to him a helpmate, and whom they had been so generous as to recognise in connection with the honour which they had paid to him that evening. He assured the brethren that that was perhaps the most valuable element in the presentation that they had made. Those who were married men knew how much of their time was taken up with Freemasonry, and when they found one at home who sympathised with that which had pure and true charity at heart, and who strove all in her power to forward what they considered the noblest system of morality on the face of the earth, he was quite sure that they would agree with him when he said that the presentation to his wife was perhaps of more value to him than the other sections of their very handsome presentation, valuable though those were. He thanked them sincerely for having recognised in an overabundant way his very feeble efforts in connection with the Dramatic Lodge. They would quite believe him when he stated that if in the future he could still more show his attachment to a lodge which lay very near his heart, as it did with every brother connected with it, he would earnestly strive to do so. He cordially thanked every brother who had subscribed to the testimonal, and trusted that throughout the whole of his Masonic career he would never be guilty of a single act which would cast the slightest who had subscribed to the testimonal, and trusted that throughout the whole of his Masonic career he would never be guilty of a single act which would cast the slightest shadow upon an Order which he considered the brightest and best in this sublunary abode. Bro. Bell proposed "The Masonic Charities," and, in doing so, placed in the hands of the W.M. fifteen votes for the Boys' School, which he said had been purchased with a sum of money which had been entrusted to him when he attended the festival in London as Steward a few months ago. Part of the money was received from a performance given by members of the lodge, and the remainder subscribed for by brethren individually. The toast was acknowledged by Bro. Brown; "The Newly-Initiated" by Bro. Marples, in an excellent speech; "The Officers" by Bro. Savage, J.W. (in the absence of the S.W.), his remarks indicating great promise for the coming year; "The Visitors" by Bro. Thomas Salter, I.P.M. 241. A pleasant musical and dramatic programme was rendered during the evening by Bros. Webster Williams, Busfield, Richardson, Forrester, Greenwood, Hargreaves Gill ("Fairy Bells"), Child, Hatton, Ellis Brammall, Ewart, Saunders, Burgess, and Skeaf, the two last-named brethren efficiently acting as accompanists. accompanists.

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YORK. — Eboracum Lodge (No. 1611). — An emergency meeting of this lodge was held on Monday, the 27th ult., for the purpose of auditing the accounts and other matters. Amongst those present were Bros. C. G. Padel, W.M.; T. B. Whytehead, P.M.; J. S. Cumberland, P.M.; G. Balmford, P.M.; J. T. Seller, S.W.; G. Simpson, J.W.; M. Millington, W. York; T. Humphries, J. E. Wilkinson, H. Jackson, Clark, Thorpe, Turner, and others. A lodge of instruction was opened, the S.W. presiding, after which the Treasurer, Bro. G. Balmford, P.M., produced the balance-sheet for the past year, which was regarded as extremely satisfactory. After the lodge was closed Bro. T. B. Whytehead, in proposing "Success to the Eboracum Lodge," coupled with it "The Health of the Treasurer," and said he regarded the conditions of the lodge funds as remarkably good, when they considered what had been done for the Charities, the expense that had been incurred last year at the holding of the Provincial Grand Lodge in York, and the entertainment two years ago of the American Masons. It was manifest that without these extraordinary expenses they might, instead of simply paying their way, have had a large sum in hand, but he regarded the credit of the lodge as far above accumulated monies, and he was glad to know that their reputation was world-wide, and of the highest order as a lodge. Bro. J. S. Cumberland, P.M., gave some very interesting information as to the working of the Craft in London, with illustrations of the various renderings of the ritual, and said that amongst all the lodges he had visited he had not seen better work than within their own walls. A very happy evening was spent. happy evening was spent.

TEDDINGTON.—Sir Charles Bright Lodge (No. 1793).—The members of this lodge mustered strongly on the 25th ult. at the Masonic Hall. Among those in attendance were Bros. R. W. Forge, W.M.; J. Piller, S.W.; T. Walls, P.P.G.S.B. Middx., J.W.; C. R. Fitt, Sec.; H. W. Linton, S.D.; T. Goodchild, J.D.; C. Stevens, I.G.; B. Muller, Org.; J. W. Baldwin, P.P.G.P. Middx. (hon. member), acting I.P.M.; and J. Gilbert, Tyler. The visitors were Bros. E. Hopwood, P.P.G.S.B. Middx.; Oldridge, S.W. 1638; Sams, J.W. 1638; Cox, 41 (Ireland); and Beard, 946. land); and Beard, 946.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the W.M., with the assistance of his officers, raised Bros. Warner and Griffin, the ceremony being ably performed. The ballot was then taken upon behalf of Messrs. E. Blanchard and T. R. Bains, and it proving to be unanimous, the first-named gentleman, who was in attendance, was initiated by the W.M. into Craft mysteries in a manner that left little to be desired. The ballot was also taken successfully for W. Bro. E. Hopwood, P.P.G. S.B. Middx., as a joining brother. Several communications asso taken successfully for W. Bro, F. Hopwood, P.P.G. S.B. Milds., as a joining brother. Several communications from absent brethren having been read, and several minor matters having been discussed, the lodge was duly closed, and the brethren adjourned to the Clarence Hotel, wherean excellent banquet awaited them.

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Upon the removal of the cloth, the customary preliminary toasts were done full justice to. W. Bro. Hopwood acknowledged "The Health of the Provincial Grand Oflicers."

"The W.M." followed—the toast was fluently proposed by W. Bro. Baldwin. In the course of his remarks, he congratulated the lodge upon possessing a W.M. who, although but a very young Mason, was enabled to do such justice to the beautiful ceremonial of the Order. The toast having

been warmly rec<sup>ci</sup>ved, the W.M. made a brief and modest reply. the Initiate" came next in order. reply.

This important toast was responded to in pertinent terms by Bro. Blanchard. "The Visitors" was acknowledged at length by Bro. Oldridge and others. "The Officers" was coupled with the name of Bro. Piller, S.W., who suitably replied. The Tyler's toast, at a late hour, terminated the proceedings. proceedings.

# Ancient and Primitibe Bite.

A dispensation was granted by the Sovereign Sanctuary 33°, for Great Britain and Ireland, on the 9th August, 1876, to a number of brethren in Scotland to found a chapter, &c., of this Rite, but difficulties of various kinds intervening, to a number of breather in Scotland to found a chapter, act, of this Rite, but difficulties of various kinds intervening, nothing was apparently done until the present year, when the Glasgow members of the Rite bestirred thmselves and applied for a warrant for a new chapter for the Valley of Glasgow, to be called the Sphynx Rose Croix Chapter, No. S. This warrant was duly issued on the 4th ult., and is noteworthy as being the first issued for a chapter of the Rite established in Scotland. The first office bearers are Bros. Stephen Roberton, M.W.; Thomas M. Campbell, P.M.W.; John M'Innes, Ill. Knt., S.W.; J. M'Innes, Ill. Knt., J.W.; Wm Ferguson, R. Knt., Orator; D. Chambers, R. Knt., rehivist; John M'Nair, Knt. Capt. of Guard, &c. The Degrees conferred in the chapter are from 4° to 11°, Rose Croix, and on the establishment of a senate and council respectively, to which the members will be entitled in due course, the remaining Degrees of the Rite 12° to 30° will be worked. As some confusion exists in the minds of many brethren as to what Degrees are now in existence and what obsolete, it may be as well to mention that when the Apoient and Primitive Rite was founded in France in the what obsolcte, it may be as well to mention that when the Ancient and Primitive Rite was founded in France in the what obsolete, it may be as well to mention that when the Ancient and Primitive Rite was founded in France in the early part of the present century by the incorporation of a number of pre-existing Rites, such as the Ancient Chapter of Clermont, 1728; Rite of the Illuminati of Avignon, 1760; the Order of African Architects, 1767; Philosophic Scotch Rite, 1776; Rite of the Philadelphes of Narbonne, 1779; and others since merged into one or other of the existing Rites under other names—it consisted of 90° divided into three series, and subdivided into seven sections. These were ultimately for satisfactory reasons reduced to 30° of science divided as before; the remaining three, 31°, 32°, 33°, being official grades. Owing, however, to the prominence given by the Ancient and Primitive Rite to the Council, or, as they are commonly called, Egyptian Degrees, the Chapter and Senate Degrees were still further condensed—thus, the 11° A. and P. is identical with the 18° A. and A.S., the 18° A. and P. with the 30° A. and A. S., and the 20° A. and P. with the 33° and last Degree of the A. and A.S. Rite; the remaining Degrees of the A. and P. being as before stated, the Council (or Egyptian) Degrees, 21—30, and the three official grades, 30°, 31°, 32°. 30, 31, 32.

### Freland.

A representative meeting of the brethren of Lodges Nos. 87 and 414 was held in the new Masonic Hall, Bushmills, Belfast, on Wednesday evening week, for the purpose of making arrangements to have the new hall vested in trustees, and worked by a board of management, &c. together with the steps to be taken in order to meet the existing debt on the building, which, notwithstanding the already paid-in subscriptions, still leaves a margin of about £90 to be dealt with. After business had been gone through Bro. M'lleav proposed the following resolution, which at Loo to be dealt with. After business had been gone through, Bro. M'Hroy proposed the following resolution, which, at the dedication service held last week, had been overlooked: "That we, the members of Lodges Nos. 87 and 414, tender our hearty thanks to our Chairman of Committee, Bro. W. A. Traill, C.E., for his voluntary assistance in connection with the erection of the Bushmills Masonic Hall, and that we feel deeply indebted for the personal exertions used on our behalf, even amidst the press of professional duties, and which have tended so very materially to make our late on our behalf, even amidst the press of professional duties, and which have tended so very materially to make our late ceremonial and dedication service a success. We also feel that the least we can do is to return our warmest acknowledgment for his generous liberality." The resolution having been passed unanimously, Bro. Traill, C.E., the presiding Chairman on the occasion, addressed the brethren; and in a few appropriate remarks thanked them for their kind appreciation of his services, and wished them all success in their new hall. The meeting shortly afterwards separated. separated.

## Masonic Dotes and Queries.

CURIOUS OLD BOOKS

There is a very rare Hermetic work, published in 1678, at Rotterdam, called "Non Philosophiae Occultae," by Magister Claude Germain, of Paris. It is purely alchemiraiser Claude German, of Faris. It is purely alchemical. The writer does not refer to the Rosicrucians. There is also a curious tract called "Destillatoria Curiosa," published at Berlin 1674, with which are bound up in one little volume, "Non-Entia Chemica," and "Medulla Chimie," both of 1682. There is no reference in any of these to the "Fratres Rosere Crucis."

It will be remembered by some of our readers that there is at the end of the Alnwick MS. Constitutions a fragment of two Latin lines relative to the Liberal Arts. In a little work of "Carminum Proverbialum," Proverbial Verses, published at London in 1618, we find them thus given in full: "Gram Loquitur, Dia vera docet, Rhet verba colorat, Mus, canit, ar numerat, Geo ponderat, Ast colit Astra." They are, no doubt, much older, and are, probably, of Monastic origin, as they are of mediaval "jingle."

MASONIC STUDENT.

ARMS OF PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGES.

T. F. enquires as to the Arms of Provincial Grand Lodges. This is a question which I should be glad to hear competent authority upon, and probably Bro. Sir Albert Wood can tell us all about it. I have always maintained that the Arms of the Provincial Grand Master for the time being must constitute the Arms of the Provincial Grand Lodge, since that body depends upon him, and ceases to exist with the demise of its head. So far as I have noticed, most Provincial Grand Lodges adopt the Arms of the Grand Lodge upon their official documents.

T. B. WHYTEHEAD.

## Reviews.

THE CANADIAN CRAFTSMAN. Bro. J. B. FRAZER,
Editor and Proprietor, Port Hope, Ontario.
This well conducted Masonic magazine is always worth
reading, and pursues the "even tenour of its way," with
much success and marked ability.

A CATALOGUE OF MASONIC WORKS. Gustav Wolf, of Kossling's Book Store, 42, Nurnberger Strasse, Leipsic, has just published a catalogue, No. 5, which contains 522 Masonic, Hermetic, and Templar works. Some of them are rare, many most interesting, and we wish to commend the catalogue to all who understand German. It can be obtained through Williams and Norgate, 14, Henrietta-street, Covent-garden, W.C.

A VOLUME OF SERMONS. By ERHARD SCHULTZ. Vienna, 1870, and sold by Aug. Siegel, 110, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
Owing to those "Laws of the Medes and Persians" which dominate the editorial columns of the Freemason we cannot review a volume of non-Masonic sermons. But this we may say. This little volume is expressed in pithy and elegant German, and is very pleasant and profitable reading for all who understand the German language. Many of the writer's ideas are very Masonic, but we do not know that he is a Freemason.

A CATALOGUE OF INTERESTING AND VALU-ABLE BOOKS. Pickering and Co., 196, Piccadilly. W. Pickering and Co. have put out for October a very striking catalogue of Books which they have, both "interesting and valuable." We quite endorse their epithets and recommend the catalogue to book collectors and "Bibliomaniacs" amongst us.

FRENCH CATALOGUE. Williams and Norgate, 14,
Henrietta-street, Covent-garden, W.C.
Many people are often at a loss to find good honest
"Reading." We beg to commend to their notice a French
catalogue originally published in 1875, by Williams and
Norgate, which gives the names of an admirable collection
of French works on history, voyages, and travels, novels
and tales, poetry, the drama, French classics, and works
in general literature. It is well worthy a perusal by those
who want for the young or for themselves sound and safe
French Literature.

PRIL TO AUGUST: Artless Verses. By EDWARD GROSVENOR. T. H. Roberts & Co., 42 and 43, Essex-street, Strand, W.C.

These are truly artless verses, but are not without their merit, and may please and touch where others more pretentious may utterly fail. We think there is promise of "better poetic things."

POETICAL MAGAZINE. Edited by LEONARD LLOYD.

Wm. Poole, 12a, Paternoster Row. This magazine, the fifth number of the eighth volume, is This magazine, the fifth number of the eighth volume, is before us, and we can conceive is of great utility to nascent poets, and has put forth from time to time in its career, which we have favourably noticed, some notable verses. In this present there is a good deal which may be termed poetry, and which is worth reading. To one piece we, however, take exception, as we cannot make it out—it is both mystical and metaphysical, and yet unnatural all at the same time. It took our fancy when first we scanned it, and being deceived by it we think it right to express the "bitterness of our heart" at such a sentimental "fraud." It is called "The Day After the Ball."

"I still hear the cornet and violin playing;
The air of that waltz will ring in my head.
I've sighed half the morning, and fondled for hours
This poor little rosebud, crumpled and dead."

The first verse is well enough, and appeals to the memories many young men. But here begin our difficulties: "Yet after the ball, when I asked for this flower,

You wore in your bosom, you threw it away; We stooped both together so close that I trembled We stooped both together so close that I trembled As a lock of your hair on my face did play."
We do not like the "position" what Clough calls the "juxta position," and the last line is lame. But still here is this couple "stooping down," one trying to pick up the rosebud, the other seeking to prevent him. And now listen to this strange metamorphosis of this interesting "juxta position:"

"I turned.—'twas a moment to haunt me for ever—
And oh! 'twere an agony ever to miss;
Your soft eyes met mine, and their meaning was written
In passionate language deep in a kiss."
He "turned," "stooping down." A young lady tells us
"the effort was impossible and superhuman," but that we
leave. Who can explain the second line? or the third? or
the fourth? They are wrapt in mystery. And now listen
to the climax: to the climax:

"A step on the landing—we start—now are sitting
Demurely as rooks on a bough in the day:

Demurely as rooks on a bough in the day:

'Tis your Aunt looking for you, she looks at me sternly,
And, like a sweet sacrifice, bears you away.'

They "stoop," "he turns," "she turns," presumably,
and then they "start," and are "sitting" demurely—where
How? There is a happy confusion, which probably
arose from the nature of the "situation," better to be
guessed at than explained. Now, we were taken in by this
little contribution, and we hope the writer will take our
criticism in good part. He may see the meaning of his
own words, we confess we do not. Still we wish all prosperity to the "Poetical Magazine" as it is a good idea
per se, well worked out, and though the work of the Editor
must be heavy and unenviable, he clearly conducts the must be heavy and unenviable, he clearly conducts the magazine with ability, judgment, and good taste.

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

# ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION

FOR BOYS, Wood Green, London, N. OFFICE, 6, FREEMASONS' HALL, W.C.

Patron: HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN. President:

H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES, K.G., M.W.G.M.

A Quarterly General Court of the Governors and Subscribers will be held in the Large Hall of the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on Monday, the 11th day of October, 1880, for the Transaction of October, 1880, for the October, tion of the Ordinary Business of the Institution.

To consider the following notices of motion:-

By Bro F. W. Ramsay, M.D.—Alteration of Rules XXXVI. and XLVII.—1. "That the members of the House and Audit Committees be elected for three years, and that one-third of the number retire annually, but shall be eligible for re-election. "

Alteration of Bye-Law LXI .: --

2. "That every Candidate for admission to the School shall previously to nomination present a Certificate that he can read, write, and work the first four rules of arithmetic, signed by a Clergyman in orders or a Certificated Schoolmaster."

By Bro. H. C. Levander:-

"That for the convenience of Brethren, especially those from the Provinces, attending the elections of Candidates for the two Masonic Educational Institutions, the Quarterly Courts of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys be held on the Second Saturday in January, April, July, and October, instead of the following Monday, as at present, and that Law XXIX. be altered accordingly."

To elect Sixteen Boys from an approved list of Seventy-three Candidates, as by the voting papers, reduced to Seventy-one by the withdrawal of No. 23, Robert Legh Ibbs, and No. 34, George Arthur Thomas.

The Chair will be taken at Twelve o'clock at noon precisely. The Rallot for the election of Boys will open at one o'clock (or earlier, should the general business of the Court be concluded before that time) and will close at three By order,

2nd October, 1880.

FREDERICK BINCKES, V.P. (P.G. Steward), Secretary.

The 83rd Anniversary Festival will be held on the last Wednesday in June next. The names of Brethren willing to serve as Stewards will be most gratefully received.

### SECOND APPLICATION.

# ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION

FOR BOYS.
O(TOBER ELECTION, 1880.

The favour of your VOTES and INTEREST is carnestly solicited on behalf of

STEPHEN DARCY CAREY, aged Nine Years, Son of the late Bro. Stephen Carey, who was initiated in the City of London Lodge, No. 901, on the 20th January, 1868, and remained a full Subscribing Member until his death, which took place on the 26th July, 1879, after a long illness, which prevented him making any provision for his Widow and Six Children, who are left totally unprovided for.

for.
The case is strongly recommended, and Proxies will be thankfully received by the Widow, Mrs. M. A. Carey, 43, Devonshire Road, Seven Sisters Road, Holloway, N.

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The vast accession to the ranks of the Order during the past few years, and the increasing interest manifested in its doings, has given the Freemason a position and influence which few journals can lay claim to, and the proprietor can assert with confidence that announcements appearing in its columns challenge the attention of a very large and influential body of readers.

Advertisements for the current week's issue are received up to six o'clock on Wednesday evening.

## Co Correspondents.

BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED.

"Huil Packet," "Cornish Telegraph," "Croydou Guardian," "Allen's Indian Mail," "Sunday Times,"
"The Broad Arrow," "Liberal Freemason," "Der Long Islaender," "Keystone," "The Watchman," "Hebrew Leader," "New York Dispatch," "Orient Amtliches Organ Der Johannis-Grossloge Von Ungarn," "Die Bauhütte," "The Pew," "The Freemason's Monthly," "The Egyptian Gazeite."

#### NOTICE.

The Cosmopolitan Masonic Diary and Pocket Book for 1881 is preparing for publication on the 1st of November. To ensure accuracy a form for filling up has been sent to every lodge, and those Secretaries who have not yet made their returns will greatly oblige the Publisher by doing so at their earliest possible convenience.

The Freemason Office, 198, Fleet-street.

# THE FREEMASON.

Saturday, Oct. 9, 1880.

Ir will be seen that our distinguished Bro. the LORD MAYOR intends to give a Masonic dinner on the 25th October, which will be honoured by the presence of H.R.H. the GRAND MASTER, and we shall hope to be able to give later a few more details of the gathering. It will be a notable one in the annals of Metropolitan Masonry.

WE congratulate all our readers and the subscribers to the Charities on the increase of twenty-five girls of the number to be elected to-day (Saturday) into the Girls' School. It is a subject of great rejoicing to all friends to the Girls' School to note how every thing has tended to confirm the wise view of the situation taken by the House Committee and our distinguished Bro. the GRAND TREASURER, how admirable and seasonable have been their proposals and arrangements, and how entirely approved by the overwhelming majority of the subscribers to the Schools. We have reason to believe that the acquisition of the property has given the Girls' School an independent position, and a "locale" unmatched by any existing similar Institution, and we are assured that all the recent alterations, so carefully and judiciously made, will tend in a remarkable manner to the sanitary, educational, and utilitarian development of our " unique " and most admirably-managed Institution.

A good deal has been said about the "London "Charity Masonic Association," which, we think, deserves a passing notice in our hebdomadal pages. It has been termed a "clique" and a "cabal," a "secret Committee," and an "irre-"sponsible caucus;" it has been accused in the same breath of partiality, favouritism, weakness, and uselessness all at once and all combined. And yet, we venture to think, no more useful, needed, or practical Association ever was contemplated or founded in our good metropolis. When it first sprung into existence, owing to the admirable organization and sensible proceedings of the Provincial Charity Committees, and the great scattering of metropolitan votes, many of the "London cases," however good, or pressing, or distressing, were clearly and evidently "going to the wall," were from the very nature of things "left out in the cold." It could not be helped; so it was, and so it would have continued to be, had not the London Charity Masonic Association "come to the rescue" and put forward two sensible and straightforward and thoroughly Masonic "Canons" of action, and work, and duty: 1. London votes, "cateris paribus," should go to good London cases. 2. It is the work of this Association to help those who cannot help themselves, to take up thoroughly good London cases, and to assist those who have the lowest chance of success, and are almost, humanly speaking, without friends to aid them in the hard struggle—a struggle becoming harder, be it noted carefully, at each succeeding election. It used to make many of our hearts grieve to read of cases coming up four, five, or six times, and polling at the close sixty or seventy votes. The effect of the work of the London Masonic Charity Association has already been most marked. It has concentrated London votes on London cases, partly through itself, and partly through others acting independently, and at the last election nearly seven-ninths of the London votes were given to London cases, the provinces obtaining the rest. To

recent election, "Had it not been for this Society my boy would never have had a chance." It is a great mistake to suppose that any "Committee," or "cabal," or "clique," or "caucus" controls the selection of candidates. Every member of the Association by the laws has a vote and voice at the meetings for selection of candidates, and indeed, the whole Association is the Committee, and there is no secret or separate Committee, except the Sub-Committee appointed by all the members, year by year, to conduct the elections. To many of our readers who are members of the Association it is needless to point out the care and scrutiny which are given to all cases, and how it is always sought to give the preference to the most friendless and helpless. We have no doubt from what we hear, that at the next elections the operations of the Society will be as successful as on the last occasion, and we make bold say, that if any of our good brethren or kind readers have no case of their own which can commend itself to their own strong feelings of interest or duty, they cannot do better than send their votes to Bro. TISLEY, the Secretary, No. 1., Clifford's Inn, Fleet-street, E.C.

What an immense store of Masonic archæology yet awaits overhauling by the Masonic student. To use the words of one of not the least distinguished of modern students, "We are just at the portals of Masonic history after all." And so it is; despite all that has been done and written of late years, not only are we still on the "threshold of enquiry," but we may have to modify many of our views, and not a few of our conclusions. The Guild theory has a great influence on present writers, but the Guild theory has always had its weak point, which its warmest supportors in this country have never ignored. OLIVER's old theory of "Primæval Religion" is now again to the fore with many, especially what may be termed the "Pyramidical School," and the connection of Freemasonry with the ancient "Mysteries" has yet to be again carefully worked over. What Hermeticism has had to do with Freemasonry, or Freemasonry with Hermeticism, is a subject of no little importance and great breadth, which cannot any longer be safely ignored or "pooh-poohed," and, therefore, in the best interests of Masonic criticism and investigation to-day, we are quite open to conviction on this or that point, and shall not be astonished if in the onward flow of years we have to modify essentially many dogmatic declarations, countless hasty assumptions. Still we can argue in good faith and genial temperament, and avoid what, alas, is a sort of Masonic weakness in us all alike, a tendency at once to leave the calmer pathway of peace, passionless archaeology for the more vehement sympathies of preconceived views and cherished vanities.

As if to show how much yet remains to be done in considering the past history of Freemasonry, and educing from conflicting statements and dubious traditions the real and veritable history of Freemasonry, we may note, that in the "Antiquary" for October, in an article on "Stonehenge," signed "Brinsley Nicholson, M.D.," find these words: "I would suggest that even the "Druids divided into grades; their places, speak-" ing in Masonic fashion, might be lodges, Avebury " of a lower and more general grade, Stonehenge " of the more select and higher, if not the highest." We presume from these words that Mr. NICHOLSON is a member of our Order.

WE call attention elsewhere to that "rara avis," an Irish report, for the purpose of expressing our regret at the continued indifference-even hostility -which some good folks in Ireland display to the Masonic press. The consequence is that unauthorized reports "find themselves" "more Hibernico," in the columns of non-Masonic, Roman Catholic, Ultramontane, nay, and Fenian newspapers. Surely it would be better, for every reason and on every ground, if correct reports of things Masonic use the words of a successful "mother" at a appeared in Masonic journals.

IT seems from a letter elsewhere that the case of Bro. Steward has a sympathetic friend. To say the truth, though personally we have all respect for Bro. STEWARD, we cannot sympathize with him or his complaints. We hold that the lodge did its duty, and that any laxity just now in this respect may, in Lancashire especially, be very detrimental to Freemasonry. The suggestion of a "carte" of identity, though ingenious and æsthetic, is, we apprehend, open to several objections, both as a "mal-user" and as a means of still more heartless frauds on charitable brethren No, the safe way, the only proper course, is to adhere to our laws, and the directions and recommendations of our own Grand Lodge. If the Grand Secretary's circular alluded to was attended to by all the lodges we should, we think, have little to complain of.

#### THE STATUS OF GRAND OFFICERS, &c.

A discussion has arisen "Who are the proper persons to respond for the toast 'The rest of the Grand Officers?'" for that was the origin of the whole controversy. Two most contradictory views have been put before us. One is, that the Grand Officer senior in rank is the proper person; the other is, "the senior actual and invested Officer of Grand Lodge present." Under the first category come all Provincial and District G. Masters; in the alternative case, the actual present senior Officer of Grand Lodge would respond. Before we commence the discussion, (to which this paper is a humble contribution), we must clear the ground away a little. ground away a little.

ground away a little.

1. In the first place we must bear in mind that we are dealing with a subject which is not touched by the Book of Constitutions. The Constitutions do not concern themselves with the "social circle." They only refer to proceedings in Grand Lodge, Provincial Grand Lodges, District Grand Lodges, private lodges, and public processions, proceedings, consecrations, and funerals. The Masonic "club life" is beyond the range of the Constitutions altogether, they are limited to the lodge life, and purely Masonic ceremonial. jurisprudence, and work.

altogether, they are limited to the lodge life, and purely Masonic ceremonial, jurisprudence, and work.

Therefore, all that we can really deal with are the "comity and courtesy" of Masonic sociality. We cannot lay down any law, neither can any "hard and fast line" be enforced; neither could it be, by Masonic authority. But, as a matter of fact, the customs of the social circle go hand-in-hand with our constitutional arrangements, and what is laid down in the Book of Constitutions is also the law of the "festive gathering."

2. And then, in the second place, undoubtedly the "onus probandi" rests upon those who say that "all is not according to Cocker," and wish to assert new claims, or to alter existing usages. I say it advisedly—since 1825 the rule has been to observe, rightly or wrongly, the present arrangement alike in Masonic ceremonial and at the social board, to a great extent universally. I have attended the rule has been to observe, rightly or wrongly, the present arrangement alike in Masonic ceremonial and at the social board, to a great extent universally. I have attended gatherings, "great and many," in the time of the Duke of Sussex, Lord Zetland, Lord Ripon, and our present Royal Grand Master, and have known but few departures from this rule, except at the Grand Festival. For instance, over and over again, in the presence of some most distinguished brethren—like Bro. Havers and others—has Lord Zetland coupled the name of Bro. Hall, P.G.M. for Cambridgeshire, with the toast of "The Grand Officers," No doubt examples may be cited of Grand Officers for the year returning thanks, but they were the exception, and to may mind prove the rule, "It is wrong," say Bros. "Bayard," "Reviresco," "A Puzzled Student," and others; but how is it wrong? Why is it wrong? If it indeed be wrong, the sooner it is authoritatively decided the better. But, despite much that has been advanced, and more that has been suggested, it still is, according to my view, "quod est demonstrandum." It appears to me that the rank and position of the Prov. and District Grand Masters are clear and precise, (despite a little haze here and there perhaps), in the Book of Constitutions. They form an integral position of the Grand Lodge of England, and are seventh in number and position of precedence. In the absence of the G. Master, Pro G. Master, Past G. Masters, Past Pro G. Masters, the D.G.M., Past D.G.M.'s, they preside over the Grand Lodge as the "Grand Officer, or Past Grand Officer next in rank and seniority," though one or two consequences and questions arise out of this very law. For instance, it has been said, that by the use of the disjunctive "or" it is meant that you are to "exhaust" actual Grand Officers, But that suggestion is met by the law that when the Grand Wardens are present no one else can take their places, and we must, therefore, I think, understand the law to mean that the are present no one else can take their places, and we must, therefore, I think, understand the law to mean that the therefore, I think, understand the law to mean that the Senior Grand Officer or Past Grand Officers present, the Prov. and District Grand Masters being Grand Officers in that sense, are those to whom this section refers. Otherwise, to push the argument to an absurdity, a Grand Pursuivant might take precedence of a Prov. or District Grand Master. It is said that there is a difference between a Grand Officer and an officer of Grand Lodge, (invested in Grand Lodge), and so there is in one sense, but that difference is not recognized by the Book of Constitutions, which undoubtedly considers the Provincial and District Grand Masters, whether as representatives of the Grand Master or as "Grand Master's Officers." as has been said Grand Masters, whether as representatives of the Grand Master or as: 'Grand Master's Officers,' as has been said, Grand Officers, in the sense to claim rightly precedence at all meetings of Grand Lodge, and 'ranking' in the order as set forth, pp. 16 and 17, in all assemblies of the Order. It must lead to inevitable and undesirable confusion if at our meetings it is a question whether the Provincial and District Grand Master or the senior Officer of Grand Lodge is to return thanks, and we shall probably have to interpolate another toast, 'Provincial and District Grand Masters,' Officers of Grand Lodge.

Officers of Grand Lodge.
But another question comes in here which must be noted. The precedence of Grand Officers, Present and Past, is not a little complicated, in that, for instance, Past Grand Wardens and Past Grand Chaplains take precedence even of the actual Grand Treasurer, and Past Grand Treasurers take precedence even of the Carol Past Grand Treasurers. take precedence of the Grand Registrar, the President of

the Board of General Purposes, the Grand Secretary, &c., &c. It appears to me that after all the whole question resolves itself into this, can you disassociate Provincial and District Grand Masters from their actual position in Grand Lodge, in any matter relating to Freemasonry? If you cannot, which I hold you cannot, then, to all intents and purposes they are entitled by the "comity of Masonic social customs," to the same actual and relative rank which the Book of Constitutions awards them.

Here I pause. I have spoken, I hope, clearly and freely, but with no offence to any one, though we should not need such apologies in a Masonic discussion.

Since I wrote the above I have been informed on very

high authority that there is a decision of the Board of General Purposes in Bro. Evans's time, declaring Prov. and District Grand Masters not officers of Grand Lodge. W.

## Original Correspondence.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for, or even 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.]

FREEMASONRY IN WORCESTERSHIRE.

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To the Editor of the Freemason.

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Allow me to supplement your article on "Freemasonry in Worcestershire." in your issue of the 25th ult., with a few facts omitted. The writer of the article gives the rise of Freemasonry in Kidderminster in 1824, when Hope and Charity, No. 377, commenced its labours. Such is not the asset Preemasonry existed here many uses seemed to the control of the and Charity, No. 377, commenced its labours. Such is not the case; Freemasonry existed here many years previous to that date. I have in my possession a book of bye-laws of a lodge held at the Raven Inn, High-street, Kidderminster, dated 1772, with the names of the members, their contributions and expenditure. The title page runs "In the year of Masonry, 5771, the most noble Prince John, Duke and Marquis of Atholl, Marquis and Earl of Jullibardine, Earl of Strathtay and Strathardle, Viscount of Ballquider, Glenalmond, and Glenlyon, Lord Murray, Belveny, and Gask, Heritable Captain and Constable of the Castle and Constabulary of Kincleaven, one of the sixteen Peers of Scotland, Knight of the most Noble and most Antient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons,

Order of the Thistie, and Grand Master of the most Antient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, LAURENCE DERMOTT, Esq. D.G.M. WILLIAM CLARKE, Esq., S.G.W. JOHN CHRISTIAN, Esq., J.G.W. WILLIAM DICKEY, Esq., G. Sec.

These bye-laws printed by order of the Grand Lodge."
On the opposite page "Rules and Orders, which are to be punctually observed and kept by the most Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, according to the old Constitutions-granted by His Royal Highness Prince Edwin of York in the year of our Lord Nine Hundred and Twenty-Six, and in the year of Masonry Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Six. In order to prevent all feuds, controversies, illegal arguments, or debates, which might in any sort disturb or make void the true intent and meaning of this our unanimous conjunction, we, the Master, Wardens, Deacons, and Secretary, together with the rest of the members of our Lodge, No. 178 (by and with the approbation and consent of the

the true intent and meaning of this our unanimous conjunction, we, the Master, Wardens, Deacons, and Secretary, together with the rest of the members of our Lodge, No. 178 (by and with the approbation and consent of the Grand Lodge), have thought proper to subscribe and establish the following rules:—1. That a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons aforesaid shall be held at the Raven Inn, in the Bourough of Kidderminster, upon the third Tuesday in each kalender month," &c. At the end of the byelaws (twenty-six in number) follows, "London, 10th November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and Two, and in the year of Masonry Five Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and Two.

"By order, "WM. DICKEY, G. Sec."
Then follow the signatures of H. Bradley, M. H. Perrin, S.W.; Jas. Warner, J.W.; Wm. Banks, S. and J.; the entries of receipts and expenses are up to December 27th, 1815. The list of members contains many well-known Kidderminster names, such as the Perrins, Woodwards, Newcombs, Gowers, Watsons, Bradleys, Pardoes, and others; two direct descendants of these "Antients" are now among our Past Masters, viz.: Bros. E. Perrin and B. Woodward. When this lodge ceased to exist I have no proof, but it was followed by the Faithful, No. 680—a copy of the seal which was given me by an old Mason years ago I enclose. I knew some of the Past Masters of this lodge; they are now "dead and turned to clay," and I have before me (as I write) three certificates of deceased members of this lodge, one admitted as a joining member in 1821, having been made in Ireland, the other two bearing date of initiation 1822 granted in 1823—this I should think is sufficient proof of the existence of the Faithful. Now Hope and Charity appears on the Masonic horizon; its charter was granted in 1821, and during that year it had two Masters, viz., James Heaton and Wm. Regan. Samuel Gibson followed in 1825; this same S. Gibson's endorsement is on one of the certificates of the Faithful. Now Hope and Charity was an offshoot of 680; the o

ADMISSION OF VISITORS.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Touching this vexed question, and after full Touching this vexed question, and after full consideration of all the correspondence thereanent, it appears probable that the majority of your readers will be under the impression that Bro. J. E. Steward, W.M. 336, however much we must all the steward, W.M. 336, however much we must admire adhesion to lawfully constituted authority, really had but scant

courtesy extended to him on the occasion to which he refers.

Nevertheless, the "two sides to a question" principle may be peculiarly applicable to the case before us, and the production of the certificate be considered a sine quá non by some of the Craft, whilst "satisfactory proof or voucher" would suffice for others. would suffice for others.

To meet the wishes of the former it would be absolutely in that and in his circular.

necessary for a brother intending to visit lodges, during a provincial tour or a temporary sojourn in the country, to have his certificate always about his person, and very frequently such a necessity would cause great inconvenience and frequent risk of loss of the all-important document.

Could not the requirements of both parties be met by the

Could not the requirements of both parties be met by the general adoption of a very ingenious arrangement which numerous brethren of my acquaintance have found in all respects satisfactory for the purpose of introduction and voucher when visiting lodges wherein they had no acquaintance who could speak on their behalf? I allude to the combined photograph of person and certificate, registered, I believe, but, at any rate, published, by Bro. W. Shury Marshall, of 40, Charing Cross. The "carte" of the brother and the photograph of his certificate, with signature, are enclosed in a small leather case, bearing, in gilt letters, the name and Masonic titles of the owner; and together form a very much stronger voucher of identity than even the production of the original certificate could afford. For a certificate might be presented by one to whom it had never been granted, but who could, nevertheless, if required, make a very fair imitation of the marginal signature; whilst the difficulty of successful misrepresentation could not be overcome when likeness, handwriting, and fac simile of the Grand Lodge parchment united to promote detection.

mote detection.

I recommend these "cartes," &c., to the notice of those who desire to have with them at all times an effective and inexpensive means of indentifying themselves with the Craft, and satisfying the lodges they may visit that they are not covans.

Yours faithfully and frategrally

are not covans.
Yours faithfully and fraternally,
JAMES STEVENS, P.M., P.Z.
[We are afraid that the "cartes" would have a twofold application, and might be used for bad purposes. We confess that we do not see how a lodge can be properly said to exhibit "scant courtesy" when it simply obeys a "circular" from the Grand Master.—ED. F.M.]

THE LATE GRAND SECRETARY.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,-Dear Sir and Brother,—

I have already announced in your columns that a record of the Masonic life of my dear uncle, Bro. John Hervey, is in course of preparation by me. As I have the additional advantage of being able to consult his private authentic papers, it is to be hoped that when completed it will possess considerable interest for a large number of his surviving friends and brethren, and perhaps serve to show these whose well are now precision. surving riends and brettren, and perhaps serve to snow those who are now pursuing their respective Masonic careers what the life of a true Mason should be. But any further documents or copies of documents will materially increase the value of my records of a Masonic life, and if Bro. H. Godfrey, P.M. S2, will oblige me with a copy of the letter to which he refers in your issue of the 2nd inst., I shall be greatly indebted to him. May I take this opportunity of pointing out to my many friends heathers and I shall be greatly indebted to him. May I take this opportunity of pointing out to my many friends, brethen, and correspondents that I am now writing from my new residence, and that the labour of removing and re-arranging a large library has prevented the acknowledgment of anything except the most pressing matters?

I remain, dear Sir and Brother, yours sincerely and fraternally, KENNETH R. H. MACKENZIE, IX°. Clyde House, Wellington-road, Hounslow, Middlesex, October 4th.

Copy of a letter "re" Red Apron Lodges, written by the late G. Secretary, Bro. Hervey, to Bro. Henry Godfrey, W.M. S2, May 2nd, 1877:— Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.

Dear Sir and Brother,-

Dear Sir and Brother,—
Your note of the 12th ult. was a short one, but to reply to it perfectly would require more time than I have had, or have ever, to devote to it.

In the year 1728, twelve Stewards were appointed who bore the expenses of the Grand Festival, with the privilege of appointing their successors, and it frequently occurred that no volunteers to fill the office could be obtained, and brethren served more than once, twice, or thrice.

In 1731, the Grand Stewards' Lodge was established, to which none were eligible to be admitted members but such

which none were eligible to be admitted members but such as had served as Grand Stewards.

In 1770, a resolution was come to, that none should be appointed to office in Grand Lodge who had not served as and Stewards.

After the union of the two Grand Lodges in 1814, the number of Grand Stewards was increased to eighteen, and then I imagine the privilege of nomination was accorded to the same number of lodges, but this I cannot say for certain, and it would take more time to investigate than

the enquiry is worth.

The privilege was accorded by the Grand Master, under the sanction of Grand Lodge, and has continued until the

The privilege appears to be restricted to the same lodges, The privilege appears to be restricted to the same lodges, excepting as it is forfeited as laid down in the Constitutions.

The number of lodges possessing the privilege you will find in the Grand Lodge Calendar, p. 76. Present or Past Grand Stewards alone have the right of joining the Grand Stewards' Lodge, the regulations of which you will find at p. 44, Book of Constitutions.

Yours fraternally,

Bro Hame Calena W.M. So Cheltenkov F.Y. G.S.

Yours fraternally, IOHN HERVEY, G.S. Bro. Henry Godfrey, W.M. 82, Cheltenham.

THE UN-MASONIC TRIAL.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother.—

I feel constrained to write a line to ask if enough publicity has not been given to the late trial of Voigt v. I revor, and others. It is not discussed, in my humble opinion, in any thing approaching a Masonic spirit, and I cannot help feeling that such of the outer world as may read your paper will have but a sorry opinion of us, and certainly will not exclaim, except in bitter irony, "How these Masons love one another!"

For myself, I would give to no fund to assist either: both

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For myself, I would give to no fund to assist either; both have grievously erred (Masonically).

Bro. Trevor admits going on after he had paid some £So in costs, Bro. Voigt must have paid as much, but he was willing to let it drop, but Bro. Trevor wanted his costs back. If that was not so, why have compelled Bro. Voigt to go on. The action, if both had been willing to pay his own costs, would have been abandoned. Bro. Voigt was willing, why not Bro. Trevor? I think he was wrong both in that and in his circular.

With regard to blackballing of purpose prepense gentle-men who, so far as we know, are "fit and proper persons to be made Masons," because some one else has done something to cause you annoyance seems to me like poisoning a neighbour's cat or dog for a like reason. The whole affair, ab initio, is in very bad form, and I do not think either deserves the sympathy or support of the Craft.

Yours faithfully and fraternally.

and October.

A. P. P. G. R. LONDON MASONIC CHARITY ASSOCIATION.

Dear Bro. Kenning,—

A material alteration having lately been made in the constitution of the Association, viz., doing away with an elected Committee. I enclose a copy of the new byelaws, and hope you will be able to find room for the m in

your valuable paper.
Yours truly and fraternally,
1, Clifford's Inn, E.C.,
6th October. A. TISLEY.

1.—NAME AND OBJECT OF ASSOCIATION.

That this Association shall be called "The London Masonic Charity Association," and that the object of this Association shall be, by adopting the principle of combination and accumulation of voting papers to further the interests of the candidates in the London district, to interchange votes with other bodies and brethen, and generally to votes with other bodies and brethren, and generally to support the London Masonic Charities.

2.—MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

All brethren members of London lodges (not disqualified by the Book of Constitutions), and all Vice-Patrons, Vice-Presidents, Life-Governors, and Life and Annual Subscribers to the London Masonic Charities, voting in the London district, shall be eligible as members of this Association

-Election of Members

All candidates for the membership of this Association, after having been proposed and seconded by two members, may be elected at the earliest subsequent meeting.

4.—Subscriptions of Members.

Each member of the Association shall pay 5s. entrance fee, and 5s. annual subscription, which shall be due May 1st, each year, or shall be entitled to commute all payments by one sum of £2 2s., which shall constitute him a Life

Member.

5.—OFFICERS.

There shall be a Chairman, two Vice-Chairmen, two Secretaries, a Treasurer, and two Auditors elected at the annual general meeting of the Association. All members of the Association being Vice-Patrons or Vice-Presidents of either of the three Masonic Charities, or Present or Past Grand Officers, or Present or Past Provincial Grand Officers, or Present or Past Grand Stewards, shall be Vice-Chairmen ex-officio.

6.—MEETINGS OF ASSOCIATION.

The annual general meeting of the Association shall

The annual general meeting of the Association shall be convened by the Chairman in the month of June, and a special general meeting shall be called at any time by the Chairman on the requisition of seven members. As all members of the Association form the Committee, the Chairman (or in his absence the Vice-Chairman) shall have the power of calling Committee meetings whenever

7.—ORDER OF BUSINESS AT MEETINGS OF THE
COMMITTEE,
One of the main objects of the Association being the election of deserving candidates in the London district for the London Charities, and who are now very often unsuc-cessful in their application, the order of business at meetcessful in their application, the order of business at meetings of the Committee shall be as follows:—The minutes of the last Committee having been read and confirmed, and any needful business on the agenda paper disposed of, the Secretary shall read out the names and cases as printed in the voting paper of the London Masonic Charity or Charities to be considered, and such candidates as a majority of those present may deem the most deserving shall be declared by the Chairman the candidates to be supported by the Association. The Chairman for the time being has power to place on the agenda paper such business as he considers needful to be discussed, and the order in which it is to be taken. The election of members will always follow the confirmation of the minutes.

S.—RECOMMENDATION OF CANDIDATES.

S.—RECOMMENDATION OF CANDIDATES. Any brother may recommend the case of a Candidate to the consideration of the Committee, and the Committee may receive the statement of any brother or member of the Committee in favour of any particular case. The Committee when needful is empowered to adjourn any case for further consideration. for further consideration.

The Committee shall have power to appoint Sub-Committees to attend the elections, or enquire into any particular case, which Sub-Committees shall, however, report to the Committee, and their reports shall be read with the minutes of the Committee.

10.—INTERCHANGE OF VOTES It shall be lawful for the Committee or Sub-Committee appointed to attend the election, if they think proper, to interchange votes in respect of the Masonic Charities for the election of candidates.

The accounts of the Association shall be audited by the two Auditors of the Association annually. The balance-sheet, being audited, shall be read at the annual meeting, and a copy of it sent to every member of the Association. 12.—Expenses.

All needful and proper expenses incurred by the Secre-ries or Sub-Committees shall be defrayed by vote of Committee.

13.-VOTING PAPERS.

All voting papers placed at the disposal of the Committee shall be left in the hands of the Secretaries, to be registered and be disposed of subsequently as the Committee or Sub-Committee shall decide.

Notice of the proposed and precise alteration in these bye-laws must appear in the circular convening the meeting to consider it, when, if carried, the alteration shall take of the proposed and precise alteration shall sales of the proposed and precise and precise the proposed and precise are precised as a second proposed and precise are precised as a second proposed and precise are precised as a second precise as a second precise are precised as a second precise as a second precis take effect from such meeting.

Old Matured Wines and Spirits.—J. E. Shann & Co., Wine Merchants (Experts and Valuers), 2, Albert Mansions, Victoria-street, London, S.W. Price lists on application.—[Advr.]

# Literary, Art, and Antiquarian Notes.

The Vienna Society of Arts have forwarded to us the fourth and fifth folios of the series of etchings executed in honour of the silver wedding of the Emperor and Empress of Austria. The reproductions from the original designs contained in the last two folios, although hardly as satisfactory as those of the first set, maintain the high standard of the publication.

THE LATE PRINCE IMPERIAL.—Major Harold Malet's sketch representing the carrying of the body of the Prince Imperial, and from which M. Protais painted his picture for the Queen, has been accepted by the Empress

A volume of Burns' Poems, transcribed entirely by the poet's own hand, has been presented to the Committee of the Burns' monument at Ayr. The little book was given by Burns, in 1787, to Mrs. General Stewart, of Afton, grandmother of the present donor, and contains a poem specially composed on the loss of Mrs. Stewart's only son, besides the entire manuscript of "Tam o' Shanter."

Sonnets.-We hear that Messrs. G. Bell and SONNETS.—We hear that Messrs. G. Bell and Sons have in hand a "Selection of English Sonnets by Living Writers," edited and arranged by Mr. S. Waddington, to which is added an appendix note on "The Sonnet: its History and Composition." Mr. D. G. Rossetti, Mr. Matthew Arnold, and Archbishop Trench will be largely represented in the volume; and it will also contain sonnets by Mr. Tennyson, Cardinal Newman, Mr. Swinburne, Lord Hanmer, Mrs. Fanny Kemble, Earl Lytton, Mr. E. W. Gosse, Mr. Austin Dobson, Mr. A. Lang, Miss Christina Rossetti, and about forty other authors.—Academy.

The Paris Comédie Française will keep its bi-The Paris Comédie Prançaise will keep its bicentenary on the 21st inst., when there will be a week's
special representations of the masterpieces of Corneille,
Racine, and Molière. The chief feature, however, will be
the revival of "L'Impromptu de Versailles," which Molière
wrote to defend himself from the attacks of the bigots,
bourgeois, and others whom he had so bitterly satirised in
his previous works. After the first performance of this
piece at Versailles in October, 1663, Louis XIV. increased
Molière's pension. Molière's pension.

School of Art Wood-carving.—We are requested to state that free studentships in both the day classes and the evening classes of the School of Art Wood-carving at the Royal Albert Hall, Kensington, are at present vacant. These studentships are maintained out of the funds provided by the City and Guilds of London Institute for the Advancement of Technical Education. Forms of application and prespectuses of the school may be obtained by a tion and prospectuses of the school may be obtained by a letter addressed to the Secretary, School of Art Wood-carving, Royal Albert Hall, Kensington, S.W.

EXHIBITION OF STRAY PORTRAITS.—A suggestion for an exhibition of portraits of unknown origin has been submitted to the South Kensington Science and Art Department, and the department has promised to give due consideration to what it terms a "useful suggestion." The number of such works of high artistic merit obscurely scattered throughout the kingdom is enormous, and it is thought that bringing them under public notice would lead to the identification of many historical celebrities.

The Roman Villa at Sandown, Isle of Wight, is The Roman Villa at Sandown, Isle of Wight, is fast being disinterred, eleven chambers having now been discovered. The chief room unearthed is nearly forty feet long, and is divided by solid masonry piers, the west end being nineteen feet wide, and the east lifteen feet, while the walls are between three and four feet high, the usual measurement of ancient Roman domestic architecture. Remains of an eighteen-inch dado are still visible, ornamented in fresco with scroll patterns of pink, grey, and white, while a plaster fillet runs round the base of the room. The tesselated floor is the most elaborate yet discovered in Great Britain, and represents Perseus and Andromeda, the Four Seasons, and Medusa with her snaky locks, besides pastoral groups, Tritons, and sea-monsters.

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On Tuesday week the Lord Provost of Edinburgh presented silver medals and sums of money to three police constables and four firemen, in acknowledgment of their exertions in saving life at a fire in Earl Grey-street, on the 3rd of August last. Among those rescued on the occasion were an invalid and his wife, each about 75 years of age. The police constables, named Jas. Martin, Thos. Mitchell, and Henry Christie, were each presented with a silver medal and £5, while the firemen, James Chessar, Henry Kegie, John Dyce, and Thomas Graham, received a medal and £1 each. The money was supplied from the surplus fire fund of the Town Council.

## Masonic and General Tidings.

ALL SAINTS' LODGE, No. 1716.—The report of the installation meeting of this lodge is in type, and will

Bro. the Right Hon. the Marquis of Hartington, P.G.M. Derbyshire, arrived in Aberdeen on Monday after-noon, and after a short stay proceeded to Balmoral on a visit to Her Majesty.

Among coming musical events, we note that Madame Worrell has announced her annual concert for Thursday, the 21st inst. It will be given at the Angell Town Institution, Brixton, and the names of upwards of seventeen well-known artistes, vocal and instrumental, appear on the programme. Madame Worrell is favourably known to the London public as a vocalist, and we trust that the Craft, to whom Bry Worsell is conveil hours will help to make to whom Bro. Worrell is so well known, will help to make this talented lady's concert a great success.

The installation of Principals in St. Thomas's Chapter, No. 142, will take place next Saturday, the 16th inst., at the Cannon-street Hotel. The companions will meet at four o'clock and open the chapter, after which the meet at four o'clock and open the chapter, after which the exaltation, for which there are four candidates, will be proceeded with. The installations will follow. After the investment of the other officers of the chapter, a P.Z. jewel will be presented to Comp. G. A. Rooks, who on that day leaves the First Principal's chair. Comp. J. W. Lambert, H., is the M.E.Z. elect; Comp. C. F. Hogard, J., the H. elect; and Comp. W. Beattie, S.E., the J. elect. This chapter's meetings are among the most agreeable of the Order.

A harvest festival service will be held at the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate, to-morrow (Sunday), when Bro. Sir Francis W. Truscott, Lord Mayor, will attend in the morning, accompanied by the Alderman of the Ward, Bro. Knight, and the under Sheriffs.

A Quarterly General Court of the Governors and Subscribers of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls will be held in the hall of the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-street, this day (Saturday), at twelve o'clock. The election of forty-two girls into the School by ballot from a list of fifty-four approved candidates will commence at one o'clock and close at three o'clock precisely.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED RITE.—A meeting of the Supreme Council Thirty-Third Degree, will be held at 33, Golden-square, on Tuesday next, at 4.45 p.m.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of West Lancashire was held at Chorley, on Wednesday, the 6th inst. It was one of the largest gatherings ever witnessed in Lancashire, upwards of 500 brethren being present, representing no fewer than eighty-one lodges. We shall give a full report

PROVINCE OF CORNWALL.—In the report by Bro. W. J. Hughan (P.G.D.), as Manager of the Votes for the "Central Masonic Charities" on behalf of the Profor the "Central Masonic Charities" on behalf of the Pro-vince of Cornwall (page 432), the amounts are wrongly given. Bro. Hughan has obtained a total in value of £3500 from the Masonic Institutions, and during the same period has been the medium of raising as Steward about £2000 on behalf of the Masonic Institutions. The cost to the pro-vince during the whole of the twelve years has not been a £10 note, so those who so oppose the "Voting Charities" on the grounds of expense will do well to note this fact. Bro. Sevenous Smith (of the Royal Polytechnic)

Bro. Seymour Smith (of the Royal Polytechnic) Bro. Seymour Smith (of the Royal Polytechnic) also announces his annual benefit concert on Saturday, the 17th inst., at the City of London College, 52, Leadenhall-street. An influential list of Stewards appears on the programme, and a long array of names eminent as vocalists and instrumentalists. All who know Bro. Seymour Smith (and what London concert-goer does not?) will be quite sure that the programme will be an attractive one, and while a place is found for music of the highest class the popular element will not be wanting. Bro. Seymour Smith's genial presence is always welcomed at Masonic gatherings, and we hope the brethren to whom he has afforded so much genuine pleasure will remember that they can all help to genuine pleasure will remember that they can all help to make the forthcoming concert a real "benefit."

make the forthcoming concert a real "benefit."
The forthcoming Masonic Banquet at the Mansion House promises to be in every sense a magnificent gathering. The Lord Mayor has called to his aid Bros. Sir Albert Woods (Garter King at Arms), Sir John Monekton, President of the Board of General Purposes, and the Grand Secretary, Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, and although from the nature of things it will be quite impossible that the invitations can reach a tithe of the Craft, who, by virtue of their Masonic rank and social position, would be fairly entitled to receive them, it will, nevertheless, be a representative gathering, and worthy of the host and

be a representative gathering, and worthy of the host and his guests. What can we say more.

The Incorportated Law Society held its annual The Incorportated Law Society held its annual provincial meeting at Sheffield, on Wednesday and Thursday, the 6th and 7th inst. Our well-known and esteemed Bro. Clabon is the president for the year, and delivered the opening address, the subject of which was "Lawyers; their Duties, and their Rights." That the address was an able one, no one who has any knowledge of Bro. Clabon, will doubt. In the course of his address he said that "a practice of forty-three years of a varied kind in the country, and in London, had impressed him with the belief that solicitors occupied a high position among their fellow men." Bro. Clabon, himself, is an excellent example of a body of men, who, notwithstanding the exceptions which, as our worthy brother said, were few, and only proved the rule, are of high honour and honesty, who unselfishly did their duty to those for whom they acted. Papers by other members were read, and a cordial vote of thanks was given to the president for his address.

Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill.—We have

LADBROKE HALL, NOTTING HILL.—We have been favoured by Bro. Linscott with a private view of his new hall and buildings now completed by him at great outlay in the Ladbroke Grove-road. The hall for Masonic purposes is admirably adapted for Craft or Chapter meet-

purposes is admirably adapted for Craft or Chapter meetings, and the large hall, newly decorated and enlarged to nearly twice its former dimensions, is, without exception, the best of its kind in the western suburbs of London. We cordially recommend brethren in that direction to visit Bro. Linscott's establishment, where they will find their comfort studied and such appliances as are seldom to be met with apart from our City centres. The series of balls under the West-end Amicable Assemblies Company are fixed fortnightly from the 3th inst. to May 3rd, 1881, both inclusive (admission by tickets only, to be obtained of Bro. Linscott and the Stewards), and the series of Saturday Concerts, under the management of Signor Gounet, will well repay a visit. Everything has been most carefully and tastefully completed, and we heartily wish Bro. Linscott success in his spirited undertaking.

his spirited undertaking.
P.G. FESTIVAL OF CORNWALL.—Amongst the P.G. FESTIVAL OF CORNWALL.—Amongst the list of Stewards appointed we are pleased to see the name of Bro. John Jose, of Melingey, P.M. of Phœnix and W.M. of Tregullow lodges. Bro. Jose has long been known by thebrethren of Truro, Falmouth, and other lodges in West Cornwall as one of the most perfect and instructive workers of the Three Degrees. Although initiated long since in the Phœnix lodge he was obliged to make a business journey to the important mining property and works in Bolivia, South America, of which he is director and principal owner. Before he had received any office in his lodge, but since his return his real and love for the Craft soon won for him Before he had received any office in his lodge, but since his return his zeal and love for the Craft soon won for him the honours of office. As a joining member of No. 1006 his fame had preceded him so much that, in his absence, he was unanimously elected as W.M. for the current year. Bro. Jose's beautiful seat of Melingey abuts on the grounds of Carclew, the seat of Col. Tremayne, being but a gunshot from Perran station. We feel very confident, should any brother, as a tourist in Cornwall, call there, he would find a truly fraternal welcome and resting, place. find a truly fraternal welcome and resting place.

Constitutions of the Ancient Fraternity of Free Constitutions of the Ancient Praternity of Precand Accepted Masons, containing the Charges, Regulations, E.A. Song, &c. A copy should be in the possession of every brother. It may be obtained for 2s. at the office of the Freemason, or will be sent post-free to any part of the United Kingdom on receipt of twenty-five penny stamps. Address, Publisher, 198, Fleet-street.—[ADVT.] Bro. F. J. Macaulay, the present secretary of the South-Western Railway Company, has been appointed to succeed Mr. F. Clarke as secretary of the Guarantee Fund Association.

GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.—It will, we feel assured, be gratifying to the Craft at home and abroad to know that, in compliance with the unanimous and earnest request of the Grand Committee, Sir Michael Shaw Stewart has consented to allow himself to be nominated for reelection to the Grand Mastership.—Glasgow Herald.

We are informed that it is the intention of the Rt. Hon, the Earl of Carnarvon, M.W. Pro G.M., to spend the forthcoming winter season in the more genial climate of the Island of Madeira, and he will probably leave England for Funchal at the end of the present month.

The herring harvest off the Tyne this season has been very fruitful. Since July unwards of 1000 lasts, or

been very fruitful. Since July upwards of 4000 lasts, or 40,000,000 fish, weighing 6000 tons, were landed at North Shields alone. The fishing was best during August, when 2251 lasts, or 22,510,000 fish, weighing 3377 tons, were brought in. This year's take shows an increase over last facility foot terms representing 4000 fish. Prices have

brought in. This year's take shows an increase over last of quite 600 tons, representing 4,000,000 fish. Prices have not been remunerative, however. The average per hundred is fixed at 1s. 6d., whereas last year it was fully 3s.

The annual Court of Governors of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution was held (immediately after the Provincial Lodge business) at the National School, Chorley, on Wednesday evening, the 6th inst., at twelve o'clock in the forenoon, to receive and determine the several recommendations of the General Committee, and for the transaction of the general business of mittee, and for the transaction of the general business of

Bro. the Rt. Hon. Lord Jersey presided at the Middleton-Stoney harvest home festival on the 30th ult. The dinner, to which about 120 workers sat down, was served in the cricket pavilion in Middeton Park. After served in the cricket pavilion in Middeton Park. After dinner the Earl of Jersey congratulated the company on the bountiful harvest, which had been well secured by the aid of the labourers, between whom and the employers there was, he was glad to say, a good feeling. The plentiful harvest would add to the prosperity of the country, the labourers included, and he hoped they would practise habits of carefulness, thrift, and economy, and thus permanently benefit themselves. In the afternoon the wives and children were entertained at a tea. In the evening there was public worship at the parish church, which is in the park. This is the first harvest festival on record in the village.

Bro. James Willing's new drama, founded on the popular novel "Delilah," was produced at the Park Theatre on Thursday last.

#### METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS For the Week ending Friday, October 15, 1880.

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, day, or month of meeting.

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Quarterly Gen. Coart and Election Girls' School, F.M.H., 12. Logge 776, Cavesce, Album Tav., Aldersgatesd. 11. Logge 777, Logge 777, Logge 777, Logge 777, Logge 777, Cavesce, Album Tav., Aldersgatesd. 11. Logge 777, Logge

Guelph, Oliver Twist, Church-rd., Leyton.
Crusaders, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15.
Lodge 975, Rose of Denmark, Greyhound H., Richmonder, 1704, Anchor, Holborn Viaduct Hot.
Mark 104, Macdonald, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st., 176, Era, Bridge House Hot.
Rose Croix 10, Invicta, M.H., 33, Golden-sq., W.
Lodges of Instruction.
Robert Burns, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.
Belgrave, Harp Tav., Jermyn-st., W., at 8.
Unions Emulation (for M.M.'s), F.M.H., at 7.
Temperance, Victoria Tav., Victoria-rd., Deptford, at 8.
Metropolitan (Victoria), Portugal Hot., Fleet-st., at 7.
St. Marylebone, British Stores Tav., St. John's Wood.
Westbourne, Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood, at 8.
United Pilgrims, S.M.H., Camberwell New-rd., 7.30.
St. James's, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-rd., S.E., at 8.
Duke of Edinburgh, Silver Lion, Penny-fields, Poplar, at 7.
Doric, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 8.
Burgoyne, The Red Cap, Camden Town, N.W., at 8.
St. Luke's, White Hart, King's-rd., Chelsea, 7.30.
Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst-hill, at 8.
Royal Standard, The Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-rd., N., at 8.
Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith-rd., at 8.
William Preston, Feathers Tav., Up. George-st., Edgware-rd.
Earl of Carnarvon, Mitre Hot., Golborne-rd., Notting-hill.
Pythagorean Chapter, Portland Hot., London-st., Greenwich.
St. George's, Globe Tav., Greenwich, at 8.
Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 7.30.
Wandsworth, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 7.30.
Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hot., Wandsworth, at 7.
Clapton, White Hart Tav., Clapton, at 7.30.
Stability, Masons' Hall Tav., Masons' Avenue, at 6.

#### MASONIC MEETINGS IN WEST LANCASHIR AND CHESHIRE.

For the Week ending Saturday, October 16, 1880. MONDAY, OCTOBER 11.

Lodge 314, Peace and Unity, M.R., Preston.

,, 613, Unity, M.H., Southport.
,, 721, Independence, Eastgate-row, Chester.
,, 1021, Hartington, Custom House-bdgs., Barrow.
,, 1350, Fermor Hesketh, M.H., Liverpool.
,, 1398, Baldwin Castle, Dalton-in-Furness.
,, 1496, Trafford, Alexandra Hot., Moss-side.
Mark 165, Egerton, Bedford House, Rock Ferry.
Walton Conclave, Skelmersdale H., Liverpool.
Derby L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12.

Lodge 241, Merchants, M.H., Liverpool.
, 897, Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helen's.
, 986, Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston.
1250, Gilbert Greenhall, M.H., Warrington.
, 1256, Fidelity, Bull Hot., Poulton-le-Fylde.
713, Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walton.
Chap. 537, Zion, M.R., Birkenhead.
613, Bridson, M.H., Southport.
Stanley L. of 1., 114, Great Homer-st., Liverpool.
Prince Arthur L. of I., N. Hill-st., Liverpool.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13.

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Lodge S6, Loyalty, Crown Hot., Prescot.
281, Fortitude, Athenaum, Lancaster.
484, Faith, Gerard's Arms, Ashton-in-Makerfield.
580, Harmony, Wheatsheaf, Ormskirk.
758, Ellesmere, M.H., Runcorn.
1094, Temple, M.H., Liverpool.
1356, De Grey and Ripon, M.H., N. Hill-st.,
Liverpool.
1387, Chorlton, M.R., Chorlton-cum-Hardy.
1547, Liverpool, M.H., Liverpool.
Chap. 673, St. John's, M.H., Liverpool.
1344, Victoria, Cross Keys, Eccles.
Mark 158, Rose and Thistle, M.H., Wigan.
Neptune L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.
THURSDAY. OCTOBER 14.

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Lodge 216, Harmonic, Adelphi Hot., Liverpool.
333, Royal Preston, Royal Hot., Preston.
477, Mersey, M.R., Birkenhead.
786, Croxteth United Service, M.H., Liverpool.
950, Hesketh, Royal Hot., Fleetwood:
1032, Townley Parker, Howard's Arms Hot, Whittle-le-Woods.
1035, Prince of Wales, M.H., Kirkdale.
1070, Starkie, Black Horse, Kirkham.
1182, Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool.
1213, Bridgewater, Cross Keys, Eccles.
1384, Equity, Alford Chambers, Widnes.
1576, Dee, Royal Hot., Parkgate.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15.

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# Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

BIRTHS.

PAIBA.—On the 2nd inst., at Kynance Lodge, 10, Warrington-gardens, Maida-vale, W., the wife of Mr. David Paiba, of a son.

SANDERS.—On the 2nd inst., at the Vicarage, Betchworth, the wife of the Rev. C. E. Saunders, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

MARKHAGES.

KEY—BEALE.—On the 4th inst., at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, by the Rev. R. Isherwood, Joseph Harris Key, of St. Mary's county, Maryland, United States, to Cora, daughter of the late Mr. Robert Bedle, of Washington (D.C.), United States.

WILKINS—TURNER.—On the 4th inst., at St. Matthew's, Oakley-square, by the Rev. A. L. Bean, Frank Wilkins, of 32, Fulham-road, S.W., to Harriett, daughter of Mr. Robert Turner, of Pinner, Middlesex.

DEATHS.

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GUEST.—On the 3rd inst., at the Warren, Moseley, Mr. John Guest, late Registrar of the Birmingham County Court, aged 70 years.

PONDER.—On the 30th ult., at Broadwater House, Brixton, Constance, wife of J. E. Ponder, daughter of the late W. W. Gardner, formerly of Stamford-hill, and granddaughter of R. C. Woolloton, of Brixton, aged 29 years.

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