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WE understand that the coming elections will present some very curious features, and that the voting power developed is not only greatly on the increase, but threatens almost to become unmanageable. The boys and widows seem to be, from what we hear, in greatest demand; then come the old men, and lastly the girls. We think that there must be some great change in the inherent gallantry of Freemasons to allow such a state of things to come about. But voting arrangements are always dry, matter-of-fact realities, and are neither affected by sentiment nor controlled by personal considerations. From what we are informed, we are led to believe that the number of votes polled at all the elections will be unprecedentedly large.

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THE announcement of the proposal to elect all the twenty-eight girls has come on the Craft with equal pleasure and surprise. It is a resolution which all will support and none cavil at. Perhaps it is a pity that such intention was not made public earlier, as many arrangements have been made in respect to the election, with which the other elections are mixed up, and we fear a good deal of confusion and uncertainty, doubt and debate may arise. What the effect, for instance, of the non-polling may have on engagements to pay girls votes on Saturday, must, we think, remain a matter of considerable doubt. It is no secret that the Provincial Charity Organizations and others alike, as Committees and individuals, have, to aid each others cases, entered into a mutual compact to pay, or repay, a certain number of votes on Saturday next, when proposals as regards the Boys' and the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution voting are also in progress. But all these friendly negotiations are necessarily stopped "in limine" by the non-polling, in all human probability, on Saturday next. What then is the status of the various parties? How are the respective interests affected? are questions which must employ the heads and tongues of our numerous Masonic Solons. The best solution of all such doubts and queries would be an authoritative declaration by our able Bro. the GRAND REGISTRAR, for instance, to which all would defer, and by "c o m m u n i c o n s e n s u" all would be guided.

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A QUERY elsewhere, in reference to the subject of the Girls' School election, deserves consideration, and will, we think, produce a reply, at any rate, in the room.

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OUR readers will note in another column an agreeable proof of the good international feeling happily existing between American and English Freemasons, by the interesting paragraph relating to our worthy Bro. Dr. USHER, and the admirable Masonic feeling shown on both sides.

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A CORRESPONDENT, who signs himself "ALIAVIS," seems to wish to call attention to some blots, as he thinks, in our charity work, but wisely, we think, abstains from doing so this week. Next week we shall hope to receive and print his communication, and doubt not that it will be worthy of note and perusal. We would, however, beg to remind "ALIAVIS" that it is very easy to find fault with existing arrangements, though very difficult to make better ones.

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WE have often heard, all of us, of the old proverb, "Pouring oil on troubled waters," and those of us who have had much to do with human life in its various phases and developments must have been often ready to exclaim, as they have journeyed onwards through trials and troubles, and difficulties and cross-purposes, "Blessed are the peacemakers." Nothing in life is so detestable as the "Marplot;" as the being who repeats tittle-tattle; relates the idle utterances of unguarded moments; hands on those winged words

which say so much and mean more. Still, as of old, the mischief-maker creates lasting animosities, and the whisperer separateth chief friends; and many a lodge is suffering just now from that most unruly member—"the tongue." Curiously enough, according to the *Graphic*, a Mr. JOHN SHIELDS, of Perth, has, by pumping oil for forty minutes in a stormy sea at Peterhead, made the proverb strictly and materially true.

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WE are astonished, we confess, to find our esteemed Bro. JOHN SIMONS, of New York, claiming the paternity of the public installation meetings. In our humble opinion, it is a very rickety and unhealthy bantling, and will sooner or later come to grief. In England we do not even profess to understand such a "modus agendi;" and we of the *Freemason* entirely agree with our excellent contemporary, the *Keystone*, on the subject.

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Bro. Lieut. Col. SOMERVILLE BURNEY, P.G.D., is said to have made an eloquent speech about the universality of Freemasonry at the last meeting of the lodge of Antiquity, when in the social circle; and we quite agree with our distinguished brother that it is a very wonderful and striking fact, explain it as you will, illustrate it as you may, go where you will Freemasonry is, and its universality is alike, not only its great rise, but its prevailing distinction. How far Freemasonry is indigenous or introduced is the "Crux" which has baffled the researches of students and the labours of the historian. Masons marks are found everywhere; we believe in every land; and if we are to assume that such marks point to a Cosmopolitan Building Society, or Sodality of Masons, it is very difficult to avoid the conclusion to which such a presumption might seem to lead us. But even now we are not quite certain what the marks really are, and above all, what they point to. As a rule, they are alphabetical; that is, the earliest form of the literals of the country where they are found; but they are also numerals; and as, in addition to these alphabetical marks, such as the early Greek, Phœnician, Coptic, Etruscan, Semitic, Latin, we have symbolical figures and Hermetic signs common to all countries, the difficulty of adequately explaining them is materially increased. It is said that at Herculaneum and Pompeii, for instance, the marks assume that square form which has been afterwards adopted as the Hermetic and Alchemical alphabet, and later still as a Masonic cypher. Amid this general doubt and grave uncertainty, so far, it appears to us, that it is unsafe to lay down dogmatically that we can fairly derive any clear argument from Masons' marks. We cannot, however, afford to ignore them altogether.

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THE Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race has now become one of the events of the year, and some think that it may be said to begin the London season. Oxford has again been successful, and the race took place amid fine weather, vast crowds, and much pleasurable excitement. Oxford seems to have had it all its own way, and Cambridge was under-boated and over-rowed. We trust that the race will long continue to flourish, inasmuch as it affords a day's agreeable amusement and festive sociality to old and young. To say, as some papers do, that the crews find the crowds and noise rather trying and antagonistic to good rowing is simply absurd affectation. There is more genuine "row" after successful "bumps" on the Isis and the Cam than there ever is on good Father Thames.

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JUST now our fair friends seem to be agitated with the serious announcement of a radical change in dress, and the mystical announcement of the "divided petticoat." On enquiry we find that this is a proposal for a resuscitated "Bloomerism," neither more nor less; and whether it has aristocratic patronage or not, we feel sure that it may be safely left to the good sense and better taste of the female part of our creation. As Freemasons, we have entire confidence in them.

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WE are always pleased to light upon a bit of genuine sentiment. In an American exchange we find the following, which we think worthy of note and perusal: "Age is but a relative term, after all. The liquor fresh from the still is sold as 'prime old stuff, twenty years old, sir;' venerable fowl are but chickens at the market-house; antique furniture is made to order; eggs that have been in the shop a month and more are fresh laid; the men who painted the 'old masters' which adorn your wall walk briskly about the

streets; and the unmarried woman whose memory runs back into the early years of the century, is young and charming. Yes, age is but a relative matter." Such words are very consoling to some of us old boys.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

The General Committee of this Institution met on Saturday last, at Freemasons' Hall, Bro. Raynham W. Stewart, P.G.D., in the chair. There were also present: Bros. F. W. Ramsay, M.D., S. Rosenthal, G. P. Britten, L. Ruf, George Motion, Joyce Murray, Don. M. Dewar, W. Maple, C. G. Rushworth, John L. Mather, A. J. Duff Filer, Fredk. Adlard, Arthur E. Gladwell, F. H. Webb, and F. Binckes, Secretary.

One petition was received and the candidate placed on the list for October election.

An outfit of £5 was granted to a former pupil of the Institution.

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

By J. S. CUMBERLAND, "That the day of election for the Boys' School be altered to Friday instead of Monday, as at present, except when the Friday falls on Good Friday, then on Thursday; and that the rules of the Institution be altered accordingly."

By R. W. STEWART, "That the House and Building Committee be authorised to purchase the remaining four plots of land opposite the Institution at Wood Green, comprising nearly half an acre, at a price not exceeding £650."

The Committee then adjourned.

CONSECRATION OF A ROSE CROIX CHAPTER AT LEICESTER.

The consecration of the St. Margaret's Chapter, No. 92, the youngest on the roll of Rose Croix Chapters under the authority of the Supreme Council, 33°, took place, under distinguished auspices, at the Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester, on Tuesday, the 28th ult.

The illustrious brethren and Ex. and P. members of the Order assembled in goodly numbers in the spacious chapter-room, and at half-past three o'clock received the illustrious and distinguished members of the Supreme Council, 33°, when the M. Ill. Lieut.-Grand Commander, Bro. Captain N. G. Philips, 33°, assumed the seat of the M.P. Sovereign G.C., and Ill. Bro. Hugh David Sandeman, Grand Sec. Gen., 33°, filled the chair of P.M.P. S.G.C.; Ill. Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, S.G.I.G., 33°, as H. Prelate; Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister, 33°, I.G.N. Dist., as First G.; Ill. Bro. C. A. Newham, 32°, as Second G.; Ill. Bro. Charles Fendelow, 33°, I.G.W.C. Dist., as G. Marshal; and Ex. and P. C. J. McBride, as Captain of the Guard.

There were also present—

Ill. Bros. F. Campion, 30°, P.M.W.S.; S. S. Partridge, 30°; J. T. Thorp, 30°; T. Worthington, 30°; Ex. and P. Bros. C. G. Wragge, M.W.S.; J. S. Cumberland, P.M.W.S.; M. Vowles, P.M.W.S.; T. Howkins, P.M.W.S.; Rev. A. A. Bagshawe, H.P.; Wm. Randall, H.P.; C. B. Truman, 1st G.; J. Wigglesworth, Org.; R. Ingram, G.M.; W. L. Ball, R.; R. S. Taylor, H. J. Atkins, S. Wood, F. J. Baines, C. A. Spencer, W. C. Crofts, H. Deane, W. Hanger, W. A. Fielding, J. H. Thompson, and others.

The acting M.P.S.G. Commander then proceeded to open a Supreme Council Chapter Rose Croix, in ancient form, after which the ballot was taken for the fourteen candidates as enumerated on the circular convening the convocation, which proving unanimous, the following eleven brethren, who were in attendance, were then duly perfected, and impressively received into the Order (Ill. Bro. H. D. Sandeman, 33°, in the chair as M.W.S., and Ill. Bro. C. Fendelow, 33°, acting as Raphael) viz.: R.W. Bro. Wm. Kelly, P. Prov. G.M., and Prov. G. Supt. Leicestershire and Rutland; W. Bros. Thomas Wright, Joseph Young, W. W. Wartnaby, Richd. Taylor, S. Cleaver, Dr. Wm. Hammond, M. J. Walker, W. J. Freer, W. A. F. Hall, and T. G. Charlesworth.

At 4.30 p.m. the M. Ill. Bro. Capt. N. G. Philips, assuming the seat of the M.P.S.G.C., proceeded to consecrate the St. Margaret's Chapter, Rose Croix, 92, and having addressed the assembled Illustrious and Perfected Brethren present, called upon the Ill. Bro. C. Fendelow, 33°, as acting Grand Marshal, to read the warrant granted by the Supreme Council 33° to the petition which had been signed by Bros. S. S. Partridge, 30°; T. Worthington, 30°; J. T. Thorp, 30°; F. J. Baines, 18°; Clement Stretton, 18°; C. A. Spencer, 18°; W. L. Ball, 18°; and W. A. Fielding, 18°.

After the completion of the ceremony of consecration, Ill. Bro. H. D. Sandeman, G. Sec., G. 33°, proceeded to install the M.W.S. designate, viz., Ill. Bro. Samuel Steads Partridge, 30°, P.P.S.G.W., Prov. G. Sec. Leicestershire and Rutland, the installation ceremony being admirably worked by the Grand Secretary-General, 33°.

The Treasurer and Equeries of the chapter having been duly elected, the following brethren were appointed as the officers of the chapter by the newly-installed M.W.S., with appropriate addresses to each: Ex. and P. Bro. the Rev. S. J. W. Sanders, M.A. (*in absentia*), H. Prelate; Ill. Bro. John T. Thorp, 30°, 1st G.; Ill. Bro. Thos. Worthington, 30°, 2nd G.; Ex. and P. Bro. W. L. Ball, G. Marshal; Ex. and P. Bro. W. A. Fielding, Raphael; Ex. and P. Bro. F. J. Baines, Treasurer; Ex. and P. Bro. Joseph Young, Recorder; Ex. and P. Bro. W. C. Crofts, M. of C.; Ex. and P. Bro. J. H. Thompson, C. of Guard; Ex. and P. Bro. M. J. Walker, Steward; and Bros. T. Dunn and J. Tanser, Equeries.

Votes of thanks and honorary membership of the chapter were subsequently passed with acclamation to the presiding officers of Supreme Council, 33°, and those illustrious members who had assisted in the ceremony of consecrating the chapter, viz., M. Ill. Bro. Captain N. G. Philips, 33°; Ill. Bros. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, 33°; Hugh D. Sandeman, 33°; C. Fendelow, 33°; C. J. Banister, 33°; and C. A. Newham, 32°.

The Lieutenant Grand Commander acknowledged the compliment.

A committee was appointed to frame bye-laws for the chapter, and a nomination for future "perfection" having been submitted, the chapter was subsequently closed in accordance with the ancient usage of the Rite.

The Illustrious and Excellent and Perfect Brethren then adjourned to a commemoration banquet, under the presidency of the M.W.S., at which thirty members and visitors sat down, many having had to leave prior to the banquet to enable them to reach their distant homes the same night. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. In responding to that part of the toast list which referred to the Supreme Council 33°, the M. Illustrious Lieut.-G. Commander, Capt. N. G. Philips, said, that although the Supreme Council consisted of nine members, yet they were but one in purpose, and concluded an eloquent speech by referring to the support given by the Ancient and Accepted Rite to each of the three Masonic Charities, the amount contributed by which annually reached three figures.

The Ill. Bro. SHADWELL H. CLERKE expressed the great satisfaction it had given him on this, the anniversary of his birthday, to be present in assisting in the consecration of a New Rose Croix Chapter; and Ill. Bro. H. D. SANDEMAN stated the pleasure he felt, as Grand Secretary General, to add one more chapter to the roll, especially as during the past year no less than four Rose Croix Chapters had already sprung into existence. The Illustrious Brother concluded an interesting speech with some very pertinent and valuable remarks relative to the mistaken opinions some brethren occasionally formed (without the slightest foundation) on certain portions of the ceremonies of the Rite; and which remarks were warmly supported by the Rev. A. A. Bagshawe, H. Prelate of St. Mary's Rose Croix Chapter.

Ill. Bro. C. FENDELOW, 33°, who had been called upon by the M.W.S. to respond to the toast of his health, as Inspector General of the Western Central District, said that it was seldom a new chapter started under such auspicious circumstances; indeed, during his experience of over twenty-five years, he did not remember one which bid so fair to become a strong and influential chapter of the Ancient and Accepted Rite, and he strongly exhorted the members to be earnest and careful in the selection of those whom they admitted into the Order. Before taking his seat, the Illustrious Brother proposed "The Health of the Members of the Thirty-second, Thirty-first, and Thirtieth Degrees."

Ill. Bros. J. T. THORP, 30°, and THOS. WORTHINGTON, 30°, briefly responded.

The M. Ill. Lieut.-Grand Commander, Captain N. G. Philips, in proposing "The Health of the M.W.S.," congratulated the chapter upon having the Ill. Bro. Partridge as their head, as he quite believed him to be "the right man in the right place."

The M.W.S. replied by acknowledging the very hearty manner with which the toast had been proposed and received, and stated that he considered it a very great compliment indeed to be elected to fill the chair of the chapter during the first year of its existence; the more especially as the future of the chapter appeared to bid fair to become so prosperous and influential. The Illustrious Brother concluded by proposing "The Health of the Visiting Brethren from a Distance," many of whom had travelled from far distant provinces to be present on that interesting occasion; and he begged to associate with that toast the names of Ill. Bro. Banister (Inspector General of the Northern District), and Ex. and P. Bros. the Rev. A. A. Bagshawe, J. S. Cumberland, and C. J. McBride.

Ill. Bro. BANISTER expressed the pleasure it had afforded him to come from the "Great North," or what was sometimes known as the "Dark Corner" of England, although the light of Masonry there was as bright as ever it was in the east, west or south.

Bros. the Rev. A. A. BAGSHAWE, C. J. MCBRIDE, and J. S. CUMBERLAND respectively acknowledged the hearty welcome they had received from the chapter, the last mentioned brother expressing the wish that a catalogue of the books, jewels, and antiquities (in which the rooms at Golden-square were so rich) might some day be published by the Supreme Council.

The Ill. Bro. H. D. SANDEMAN, 33°, in giving the toast of "The Eleven Newly-Perfected Members," expressed his gratification at seeing so many, and such good men, admitted into the Order that day, and he hoped he might not bring the blush to the face of Ex. and P. Bro. Young if he referred to him in particular as one to whom much of the success of the chapter was to be ascribed. The Ill. Brother went on to say that he had come down from London on the previous day to make all necessary and needful arrangements for the ceremonies, but found, to his surprise, that everything being anticipated there was nothing for him to do; indeed, instead of being a candidate for perfection, Bro. Young's experience of the arrangements for successfully carrying out the ceremonies could not have been more complete had he been a member of the Order of many years' standing, and in appointing that brother to the office of Recorder the chapter was happy in its selection.

The RECORDER, in responding, stated the pleasure he felt in being permitted to reply to this toast, although in the presence of such distinguished brethren he could only do so with considerable diffidence. The Ex. and P. brother then gave a chief review of the gradual development by time of Saint Margaret's Rose Croix Chapter, and alluded to the origin of the name of its patron saint. The frequent and valuable information he had received from the Ill. Bro. Fendelow, 33°, and the felicity it had afforded him, in being a humble instrument in bringing about such a happy consummation of events, as the formation of a Rose Croix Chapter in this ancient borough; and, referring to the future, stated that in the language of Homer:

"It is by mutual confidence, mutual aid,
That great deeds are done, and great advances made."

This would, no doubt, be the wish of every officer and member of Saint Margaret's Chapter in particular.

The toast of "The Health of the Officers of the Chapter" was kindly given by the M.W.S., and duly acknowledged in appropriate terms by Ill. Bro. J. T. Thorp, 30°, First G., after which the company separated, apparently well satisfied with the result of this the first meeting of St. Margaret's Rose Croix Chapter.

CHESHIRE EDUCATIONAL MASONIC INSTITUTION.

The annual Court of the Governors of the above Institution was held at Crewe, on the 29th ult., present: Bros. John Wood, P.G.S.W. in the chair; Lord De Tabley, R.W.P.G.M.; Hy. Bulley, Jas. Salmon, Rev. J. L. Newill James, C. J. Howard, Ed. Friend, G. W. Latham, F. G. Parker, Rev. R. Hodgson, R. Beales, H. J. Lloyd, W. M. Lightfoot, J. Jackson, jun., Peter Wadsworth, J. P. Platt, Hon. Treas., and J. K. Stevenson, Hon. Sec.

MASONIC BALL.

A grand Masonic soiree and ball was held on Friday, the 31st ult., at the Hull Public Rooms, under the auspices of the De La Pole Lodge, No. 1005. The re-union was well attended by the members of the Craft and their fair friends, and was, in every respect, a gratifying success.

FREEMASONRY IN NEW YORK.

Our special attraction to the city of New York in February last, was to attend the Grand Reception, given by Palestine Commandery, No. 18, of Knights Templars, on the evening of the 15th, at the Academy of Music and Nilsson Hall, concerning which we have heretofore spoken.

During our recent short trip to the city of New York, we had the pleasure of meeting a few of the brethren "whose well-known fame hath spread both far and wide for deeds of" Masonic and knightly courtesy. Our interview with Bro. Albert P. Moriarty, Assistant Gr. Sec. Gen. of the Supreme Council, N.J., confirms the opinion that he is the right man for the place, and every one who has ever heard of Bro. John W. Simons, must also know that somehow or other, he has learned the secret of perpetual youth.

GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The regular Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was held in Corinthian Hall, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, on the 1st ult., R.W. Grand Master, Bro. the Hon. Samuel B. Dick, presiding. A very large number of District Deputy Grand Masters, and members from all parts of the jurisdiction were present, besides many visitors, completely filling the Corinthian Hall.

The Committees on Finance, Landmarks, Appeals, Masonic Temple, &c., rendered their reports, all of which proved that the Fraternity in this jurisdiction is in a highly prosperous condition.

A memorial on the Masonic life and services of the late Past Grand Master, Bro. Alfred R. Potter, was read by Past Grand Master, Bro. Samuel C. Perkins, and ordered to be entered upon the minutes.

The GRAND MASTER announced that the various sub-committees having charge of the arrangements for the Sesqui-Centennial celebration of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, on St. John the Baptist's day, June 24th, 1882, were actively at work, and that as soon as the details were duly arranged, the Grand Secretary will officially inform the lodges thereof. The Grand Master gave a brief outline of the celebration as follows: The Craft will form at eight o'clock on the morning of June 24th, on Broad-street, south of the Public Buildings.

It is a fact known to the brethren that the Craft dedicate their Masonic temples to Freemasonry, Virtue and Science, and Universal Benevolence. This last is no unmeaning phrase, as was proved at this communication of the Right Worshipful Lodge of Pennsylvania, when the sum of 300 dollars was appropriated out of the funds of the Grand Lodge for the relief of the Jewish refugees from Russia, lately arrived in this city, and the like sum of 300 dollars for the relief of the sufferers by the late fire and explosion at Chester, Pa.

PUNCTUALITY.

Amongst the little things that do great harm to our Fraternity is "want of punctuality." We could all name lodges in which the Worshipful Master generally made his appearance in great haste, breathless, excited, from half to three-quarters of an hour late. What is the result? The officers and brethren noticing the habits of their Master soon fall into similar ways, and the brethren being summoned at seven seldom put in an appearance till after eight.

How annoyed we have seen visiting brethren and felt ourselves at waiting in a cold ante-room forty or fifty minutes before anybody but the Tyler made his appearance. It is thorough misery, and very seldom will a visitor return to a lodge in which he has been so treated. Now when it is so easy to be "on time," and when the effect is so pernicious, no brother has the right to keep others waiting, and thus delay the business and work of the lodge.

The habit of punctuality is one that should be cultivated by every person, but it should be especially so by the Freemason. In olden times lodges were in the habit, it is said, of fining members who came late, and it would not be much out of the way if the plan were adopted in some lodges at the present time that we could name.

him to wait upon him at a certain hour? Oh, no! But, yet, he has the impudence to allow a number of gentlemen to "suck their thumbs" at the lodge-room for an hour or so, while he, perchance in his slippers and dressing-gown, is puffing away at his cigar at home.

All business men that have ever succeeded in life have been men of the most precise and punctual habits. Punctuality is as necessary in Masonry as it is in business, and no brother will succeed in life or in Masonry who is negligent regarding it. The want of it is the sure forerunner of slovenly and careless habits, and tends to produce a callousness with regard to the wishes of others that is sure to denote the selfish man.

"Little drops of water, little grains of sand, Make the mighty ocean and the beautiful land." Yes, it is the little grains of sand and the little drops of water that prove the turning point in our life's career, in our life's history. The want of punctuality may appear a very "weeny little thing."

Let brethren, therefore, cultivate punctuality in all the affairs of everyday life. Every man's time, if he likes to occupy it, is worth something, and the loss of time is oftentimes a pecuniary and a mental intellectual loss consequently every brother should so arrange his time that he would be able to keep his engagements.

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PATRONESS:—HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS OF WALES.

THE NINETY-FOURTH ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL

of this Institution will be held AT FREEMASONS' TAVERN, GREAT QUEEN ST., LONDON, W.C., ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 10th, 1882, under the Presidency of H.R.H. THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, K.G., &c., P.G.W.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS: THE RT. HON. THE LORD LEIGH, Trustee, R.W. Prov. Grand Master for Warwickshire.

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Brethren willing to act as Stewards are urgently needed, and will greatly oblige by forwarding their names as early as possible to the Secretary, who will gladly give any information required.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Sec. Office, 5, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, London, W.C.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

WOOD GREEN, LONDON, N.

Patron: HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN. President: HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS 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, FREEMASONS' TAVERN, Lincoln's Inn-fields, London, on MONDAY, the 10th APRIL, 1882, for the transaction of the ordinary business of the Institution.

To elect a Treasurer for the year ensuing. To elect, as Members of the General Committee, Twelve Life or Annual Subscribers.

To consider the following Notices of Motion: 1. By W. Bro. J. S. CUMBERLAND, L.G., Charity Representative of the Province of N. and E. Yorkshire: "That the Day of Election for the Boys' School be altered to Friday instead of Monday, as at present, except when the Friday falls upon Good Friday, then on Thursday; and that the Rules of the Institution be altered accordingly."

2. By W. Bro. R. W. STEWART, V.P., P.G.D.: "That the House and Building Committee be authorised to purchase the remaining four plots of land opposite the Institution at Wood Green, comprising nearly half an acre, at a price not exceeding £650."

To elect 15 Boys from a list of 67 Candidates, as approved, reduced to 66 by the withdrawal of No. 60 on the list, Beaumont, George Frederick.

The Chair will be taken at Twelve o'clock, noon, precisely.

The Ballot for the Election of Candidates will open at one o'clock (or as soon as the general business of the Court shall have terminated) and will close at three o'clock precisely.

By order, FREDERICK BINCKES, (P.G. Std.) V. Pat., Secretary. Offices, 6, Freemasons' Hall, W.C., April 1, 1882.

The Eighty-fourth Anniversary Festival will be held in June next, the Right Hon the LORD MAYOR, W. Bro. John Whittaker Ellis, Alderman, P.G. Steward; W.M. Grand Masters' Lodge, No. 1, in the chair.

The names of Brethren willing to act as Stewards will be gratefully received. Full particulars on application to the Secretary, as above.

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VOTES FOR GIRLS' AND BOYS' SCHOOLS ELECTION.

A Brother in want of some Votes, both for the Girls' and Boys' Schools Elections, would be glad to meet or correspond with any brother or brethren having any such votes to lend. Apply P.M.M., forthwith, Freemason Office, 16, Great Queen-street, W.C.

MAY ELECTION, 1882.

TO the GOVERNORS and SUBSCRIBERS of the ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION FOR AGED FREEMASONS AND WIDOWS OF FREEMASONS.

The favour of your Votes and Interest is earnestly solicited on behalf of

ROBERT WATTS, P.M. 201, P.Z. 185.

Applicant was initiated in the Jordan Lodge, No. 201 (then 237), in 1853, was W.M. in 1858, and continued a subscribing member until 1876 (nearly twenty-three years). He is a Life Governor of the three Masonic Charities, and has served as Steward for each of them. In consequence of ill-health and the termination of the lease of his premises in 1875, followed by heavy pecuniary losses, he was compelled to relinquish his business as a plate-chest maker. He is now seventy-two years of age, and together with his wife, is entirely dependent on his daughter, who has a small annuity barely sufficient for her own support.

- The case is strongly recommended by— * Bro. C. A. COTTEBRUNE, P.G.P., P.M. 733, 957, 1257; P.Z. and S.E. 177; 29, Dean-street, Soho. * " F. B. DAVAGE, P.M. 167, 201; P.Z. 185; 220, High Holborn. * " W. HAMMOND, P.M. 201, 1325, 1512, 1656; P.Z. 197, 1326, 1423; Hampton, Middlesex. * " B. J. JEFFERY, 1196, P.M. 201; British Museum. * " G. LAMBERT, P.G.S.B.; P.M. 198, 504; P.Z. 7, 21; Vice Patron; 12, Coventry-street, W. * " J. MANDER, P.M. 1201; P.Z. 185, 1201; 25, Old Compton-street, Soho. * " C. G. PAYN, P.M. 201; 5, Myddleton-street, Clerkenwell. * " J. PEARSON, P.M. 196; P.Z. 196; N. Ch. 11; 141, High-street, Notting-hill-gate, W. * " T. H. PULSFORD, P.M. 1158; 62, Whitecomb-street, Leicester-square. * " DICK RADCLYFFE, P.G.A.D.C., Berks and Bucks; P.M. 742; J.W. 209. * " J. ROBINSON, P.M. 201; P.Z. 185; Mashor'-lodge, 4, Southey-road, New Wimbledon, S.W. * " P. ROBINSON, P.M. 201; St. Leonards. * " W. SPEARING, Hampton-lodge, New Hampton, Middlesex. * " E. SPOONER, P.M. 201, 1044, 1420; P.Z. 22; New Wandsworth.

Proxies will be thankfully received by those marked *.

MAY ELECTION, 1882.

TO the PATRONS, GOVERNORS, AND SUBSCRIBERS OF THE ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION FOR AGED FREEMASONS.

The favour of your Votes and Interest is most earnestly solicited on behalf of

BRO. WILLIAM HENRY HUBBARD, P.M., P.Z., P.P. Sup. W., Middx., &c. (now in his sixty-second year.)

The present appeal, reluctantly made, arises in consequence of the continued want of employment experienced by the applicant in his business as a Land and General Surveyor, or in other remunerative work within his capacity; failing health, defective eyesight, and the pressure of a most distressing and abiding domestic calamity. He has been a Member of the Craft for upwards of twenty-six years, having been initiated in October, 1855, and has since taken an active interest in its affairs. Is a Life Governor of the Institution, and acted as a Steward at the Festival in January, 1865. Was W.M. of the Phoenix Lodge, No. 173, in 1864-5, and served upon the Board of General Purposes for that year. Became M.E.Z. of Chapter No. 975 in 1867-8. Assisted in the formation of the New Province of Middlesex in 1872-3, and was one of the Founders of the Burdett Lodge, No. 1293.

The case is strongly recommended by the following Brethren:—

- The Right Worshipful Bro. Col. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., J.P., P.S.G.W., Prov. G.M. Middx., Dep. G.L. Ireland, &c., &c., Ancaster House, Richmond, Surrey. The W. Bro. H. C. Levander, 32, J.G.D., G.S.B. (R.A.), Prov. G.S. Middx., V.-Pres. &c., &c., North Villas, Camden-sq., N.W. The W. Bro. T. Fenn, P.G.D., &c., V.-Pat., 6, Princes-st., Buk., E.C. The W. Bro. Jabez Hogg, P.G.D., &c., 1, Bedford-square, W.C. The W. Bro. E. J. Barron, P.G.D., &c., 55, Lincoln's Inn-fields, W.C. The W. Bro. Raynham W. Stewart, P.G.D., D.P.G.M. Middx., 1871-2, &c., &c., 11, Abchurch-lane, E.C. The W. Bro. George Lambert (P.S.A.), 32, G.S.B., P.I.G.W. Herts, Vice-Patron, &c., 12, Coventry-street, W. The W. Bro. Dr. W. R. Woodman, P.G.S.B., Ford House, Exeter. The W. Bro. Thomas Cubitt, P.G.P., V.-Pres., &c., 9, Marriott-road, Tollington Park, N. The W. Bro. John M. Stedwell, P.G.S., P.P.G.W. Middx., &c., Vice-President, 7, Chepstow Villas, Twickenham, S.W. The W. Bro. J. Brett, P.G.P., &c., &c., 4, Sidney-rd., Homerton, E. The W. Bro. G. Kenning, P.G.D. Middx., V.-Pat., Upper Sydenham. The W. Bro. the Rev. Dr. P. H. Ernest Brette, P.M., P.Z., P. Prov. G. Chap. Middx., Christ's Hospital, Newgate-street, E.C. Bro. R. C. Driver, P.M. and Sec. 162, &c., 4, Whitehall, S.W. Bro. H. M. Gordon, P.M. 1293, The Courtyard, Eltham, Kent. Bro. W. G. Kentish, W.M. 1293, 11, Idol-lane, Gt. Tower-street, E.C. Bro. J. W. Sanders, S.W. 1293, Upton House, Gloucester-road, Upper Teddington, S.W. Bro. J. Andrews, W.M. 173, 25, Ludgate-hill, E.C. Bro. F. W. Allen, P.M. 173, Ave Maria-lane, City. Bro. J. Finch, P.M. and Treas. 173, 17, Duke-street, Grosvenor-sq. By whom Proxies will be thankfully received, as also by the Applicant, WILLIAM HENRY HUBBARD, 6, Bushey Park Villas, Hampton Wick, Kingston-on-Thames.

N.B.—Boys', Girls', and Widows' Votes are also acceptable, as they can be exchanged for Men's Votes.

MASONIC GIRLS' SCHOOL ELECTION.

Bro. J. White, of 135, Loughborough-road, will be happy to change 28 votes for Girls' Election for Boys' proxies.

ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION

FOR AGED FREEMASONS AND WIDOWS OF FREEMASONS.

MAY ELECTION, 1882.

Votes are earnestly requested on behalf of MARY RUSSELL, Aged 62.

Widow of CHARLES RUSSELL, Auctioneer, who was initiated in Lodge "Unity," 132, September 26th, 1844, served the several offices of his Lodge, was twice W.M., and Subscribing Member to his death. He left four children and the above-mentioned Widow, who is now in very indigent circumstances.

I must earnestly appeal to you for your kind support and interest on behalf of this distressing case. All votes to be sent to the W.M.—I beg to remain, yours faithfully, The Square, Ringwood. G. S. STOCK, W.M.P.M.

The case is strongly recommended by the following Brethren:—

- The R.W. Bro. W. W. Beach, M.P., P.G.M. Hants and Isle of Wight, Oakley House, Basingstoke. The W. Bro. James Haghaw, P.M. 131, P.S.G.D. of England, P.P.G.S. Cornwall. W. Bro. W. Hickman, D.P.G.M., Hants and Isle of Wight. " A. Miller, P.G.S. " Le Feuvre, P.G.S.W. " J. Golden, P.M. 121. " H. F. Brouncker, P.P.G.J.W., P.M. 132. " E. Low, P.P.G.A.D.C., P.M. 132. " J. Holiday, P.M. 132. " T. E. Mussell, P.M. " T. Hicks, P.M. 132. " H. G. Dyer, P.P.G.P., W.M. 132. " A. W. Ward, P.M. 132. " Bro. A. Taylor, S.W. 132. " F. Johns, J.W. 132.

Proxies may be sent to Mr. L. HARRIS, 3, Vere Street, Lincoln's Inn, London, W.C.

MAY ELECTION.

YOUR Votes and Interest are respectfully solicited on behalf of

BRO. WM. JAMES HARGRAVE JONES, P.M. 862, P.Z. 862, Life Governor of Girls and R.M.B.I. Age 61.

Bro. JONES has been suffering from ill health for a period of Five Years, and this has exhausted his savings. He is now confined to his room, and will never again be fit for work.

The case is strongly recommended by—

- Bro. J. S. Brown, W.M. 862, 43, Parkhurst Road, Holloway, N. " R. P. Tate, I.P.M. 862, 31, Holborn, E.C. " T. Kingston, P.M. 862, 1612, P.Z. 862, Strawberry House, Chiswick. " A. Moore, P.M. 862, P.Z. 862, Fitzroy House, Brondesbury Road, Kilburn, N.W. " S. Godden, P.M. 862, 43, Upper George Street, Bryanstone Square. " W. F. Smith, P.M. 177, 862, P.Z. 975, 7, Bedford Terrace, Upper Holloway. " H. D. M. Williams, P.M. 874, Z. 874, H. 862, Tunbridge Wells. " W. H. Marston, P.M. 55, 1599, Hatton Garden. " Long, P.M. 435, 1, Portugal Street, W.C. " B. S. Wilmot, P.M. 874, 1678, Z. 862, P.Z. 874, P.P.G.A.K., P.P.G.R.R.A. Kent, Tunbridge Wells. " W. Stephens, P.M. 1365, 1489, 1637, P.Z. 862, 874, 1365, 1489, P. Prov. G. Soj., Kent, Prov. G. Scribe N. Middx., The Grove, Homerton. " James Weaver, P.M. 862, 1310, P.Z. 177, 862, 1310, P.P. Grand Orgt. Middx., 18, Tintern Street, Clapham, S.W. The above Brethren will be pleased to receive proxies.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 1882.

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.]

ELECTION VOTING.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

I think that there are some anomalies in our voting arrangements which require attention and alteration, inasmuch as use becomes abuse, from thoughtlessness or carelessness. Is the exchange of votes a thoroughly sound principle? and does it not lead, directly or indirectly, to issues which are somewhat antagonistic often to the real intent of the Charities, and the true teaching of Freemasonry? But as, at present, I can hardly hope for a reader, I prefer, with your permission, to postpone my remarks until after the elections.

Yours fraternally,

ALIQUIS.

THE COMING ELECTIONS.

Dear Bro. Kenning,

As I note that my worthy Bro. Dawes has imitated my humble appeal, and also used my phraseology, may I state, in your columns, that I hope his letter has proved more successful than mine has been. I am not so sure, now, that such appeals do much good; and, to say the truth, I have found out that the ground has been well gone over long before I ventured on the scene, and that the returns to my letter at the best only resemble the Scriptural expression of the "gleaning of grapes when the vintage is done." May Bro. Dawes be more successful than I have been.

Most fraternally, your humble and obedient,

A. F. A. WOODFORD.

25A, Norfolk-crescent, Hyde-park, W.

P.S.—Any votes sent to me will reach me Saturday and Monday.

A. F. A. W.

THE GIRLS' SCHOOL ELECTION.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

May I ask some brother "learned in the law" what is and will be the effect of the election of all the Girls' candidates on Saturday on existing arrangements for the repayment, the receipt, the transfer of votes obtained to help other indigent cases at previous elections?

Yours fraternally,

A PAYEE.

VERY BAD FORM, IS IT NOT?

Dear Bro. Kenning,—

You are aware that I am collecting votes from my brethren in London for the School elections, and many most kind letters with votes have I received, all of which I have acknowledged. I opened a large packet to-day, and found that some person, I can hardly believe a brother, had been so unkind as to send the lists of candidates and my humble circulars back to me wrapped up in a Steward's circular.

Such an act, inasmuch as my name and address are taken off the circulars and pasted on the envelope, puts me in mind of one or two similarly arranged anonymous letters which you and I have seen, equally redolent of Masonic principles and gentlemanly feeling.

And this is Freemasonry! We may, and probably many of us do, differ as to the use and need of the London Masonic Charity Association; but common courtesy until of late has been assumed to be one of the badges of Freemasons. If it is meant as a practical joke, it is a very stupid and senseless one.

I may add that the envelope is a thick white business envelope, and the post mark is E.C.

I am, yours fraternally,

A. F. A. WOODFORD.

H.R.H. THE DUKE OF ALBANY'S MARRIAGE.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

The suggestion of "A Steward for the Boys' School for 1882," to the effect that the marriage of H.R.H. the Duke of Albany should be commemorated by the establishment of a scholarship, tenable for three years, in connection with the Boys' School, is an excellent one. That such a scholarship or exhibition would "be of the highest benefit and importance to the School itself," as it would offer "an incentive to industry, talent, and perseverance, by providing a substantial recognition of intelligent hard work, and praiseworthy and laborious diligence," is, unquestionably, true, and I should be the last to throw cold water upon the proposal. But a scholarship sufficient "to enable a young boy to pursue his studies, whether in the legal, medical, or clerical profession, for three years" would necessitate the raising of a considerable sum—I should say quite £3000, on which the interest would be but slightly in excess of £90 per annum. Should we not be more likely to

succeed if a less ambitious proposal were made to the Craft?

A principal sum of, say, £400 might be raised for such a purpose, the interest on which would be £12 per annum. Dividing this between the two Schools, we could then institute a "Duke of Albany's Prize" for the Boys' School, and a "Duchess of Albany's Prize" for the Girls' School to be given, in both cases, for general proficiency and good conduct, or otherwise, as the general body of subscribers might wish. I am afraid a big thing like a scholarship might interfere with the approaching Festival of the Boys' School, whereas a Prize Fund for both Schools, amounting to no more than the sum I have stated, being very much more moderate, would, on that account, be likewise very much more practicable.

I should wish well, and contribute my mite towards any scheme of the kind, but as there is so much else of regular and necessary subscription to look after now and always, we ought, I think, not to be too ambitious in this matter, lest we fail altogether.

Fraternally yours,

ALPHA.



THE MAGAZINES.

The monthly serials are, as usual, to the fore, almost multitudinous in number and most varied in contents. "The Century" re-appears with its normal claims to admiration and perusal. "Tunis and its Bey" is well worth reading, so also is "The Age of Praxiteles." "The Opera in New York," though light and airy, and well illustrated, hardly strikes as up to the tone of Scribner; and curiously enough, though we may be captious or hypercritical, there seems almost a vein of depression and heaviness to pervade all its well-filled pages this month. "Ninita" is a touching story, though utterly unsound in moral. There is a striking portrait of Matthew Arnold, and an appreciative monograph by Andrew. "The Yearn of the Romantic" is very clever. If we were inclined to find fault with Scribner, which we never are, we might say that for so Cosmopolitan a magazine its articles this month are a little too exclusively American, and dealing with matters from the American "Stand-punkt" alone.

"Temple Bar," in its 120 pages, has four good stories, all very readable, and illustrative of what may be fairly termed British fiction of the hour, plenty of character, vivid contrasts, sensational episodes, and startling and amusing results. "A Statesman's Love Letters" are really dullish. "Music and the Musicians" will interest musical students, and "Incidents of Travel," and "Out of the Beaten Track" are well written, and serve to wile away some silent, if cheerful moments.

"All the Year Round" is, as usual, full of matter to please all readers. "Daffodil" is evidently full of power, and promises much of exciting interest. We also note with much approval "The Speaker's Gallery," "Balzac and Alexandre Dumas," "A Traveller's Tales," "Bartolozzi and his Times;" but what can we say of "Holly Grove House?" In our opinion, it is aesthetically objectionable, (if we are right in using aesthetically at all), and critically indefensible. Here, in this year of light and grace, 1882, is a writer deliberately writing what he knows to be a physical impossibility,—the reappearance of two disembodied spirits in natural and unsavoury forms, accompanied by accessories which are alike grotesque and revolting. Well and gracefully written, as the tale is in other respects, we feel bound to point out this most serious fault in it, and one that sins against recognised canons of truth and good form, in that it seeks to perpetuate the low grovelling representation of immature thought and unreasoning superstition. We cannot see the good of setting before the young especially what is supernatural, and what is scientifically untrue, moreover, accompanied, too, by painful ideas and revolting associations.

"The Antiquary" contains some most interesting papers for the student of archeology, for the lover of that old past which seems to have faded from us, and yet is close to us, and hems us in on every side, go where we will, be where we may.

"The Bibliographer" has a fund of information for the book hunter, the book collector, and the book maniac. Just now, such serials have an interest for readers of, and searchers after old books, inasmuch as the sales are many, and the knowledge of old works and past editions is a subject of study for more. And why should we laugh at such a taste? It is surely less harmful, and better for the world, and man, and us all, than many proclivities which just now are very fashionable, but whose morality and absolute good are more, much more than doubtful.

CATALOGUES.

Mr. Bernard Quaritch, 15, Piccadilly, has issued what he terms a rough list, No. 56, of Welsh books which belonged to the late great Welsh scholar, the Rev. R. W. Williams, M.A. Among them are some valuable Welsh Bibles, the New Testament, the Psalter, in Welsh, some very valuable works on Welsh archeology and history, and several copies relating to the Saint Greal, or Holy Graal, with which the oldest chivalric romances are so intimately connected.

WITH THE CAPE MOUNTED RIFLES. Four Years' Service in South Africa. By an Ex.-C. M. R. London: Richard Bentley and Sons, New Burlington-street, Publishers in Ordinary to Her Majesty the Queen. 1881.

The British empire is so vast and scattered so widely over the surface of the earth, that, while it may with perfect truth be said the sun never sets on the Queen's dominions, it with equal truth can be affirmed we are never wholly at peace. There is almost invariably some fighting going on, either with the fierce tribes on the North-west frontier of India, on the West Coast of Africa, on the frontiers of our South African dominions, or elsewhere. So numerous are these

little wars that in the majority of cases they escape public attention; but the fighting that has been going on rather more than less continuously during the last five years has been of an unusually serious character. It is with sundry, though not the most important, of these campaigns that the author of this volume deals. Indeed, in the events he describes, an "Ex.-C. M. R." may truthfully say, as did the Trojan of old, when narrating the story of the fall of Troy, that he played a very considerable part in them. He was present in the most important actions, fought in the Galika and Gaika wars, and at the capture of "Morosi's Mountain;" and his book is valuable from the light it throws on the conduct of those operations. It is, no doubt, a novelty to read an account of military events by one who, on retiring from the service, held only the rank of a second class sergeant; but there is no reason why an educated an intelligent man in the ranks should not be able to write as graphically and accurately as a commissioned officer; and not improbably, this narrative will be the more appreciated from the fact of its having been written by one who never attained higher rank than we have stated.

With the political circumstances of these campaigns we are in no way concerned, but we are not debarred from taking some notice of the manner in which they were conducted. In the majority of his remarks on this subject the author is far from complimentary to the Colonial Government, while the reverse is the case when the Imperial authorities appear upon the scene. This is especially noticeable whenever he is under the necessity of referring to the commissariat arrangements, which appear to have been always lamentably deficient when in charge of Colonial officers, and regular and abundant when in that of Imperial officers. Nor does the force to which he belonged, and which, when he joined it as a recruit, was known as the "Frontier Armed and Mounted Police," but afterwards was converted into the Cape Mounted Rifles, appear to have had anything to speak of in the way of organisation. Again, though the services exacted of the force were of a most arduous character, it seems to have met with very indifferent treatment, not only as regards its commissariat, but in other respects likewise, as will be found described in different parts of the volume.

For an account of the military operations we must refer the reader to the book itself; but we cannot refrain from giving the following excerpt, in which are described the defences of "Morosi's Mountain," which was twice unsuccessfully assaulted by the Colonial troops, and the honour of storming of which belongs entirely to the Cape Mounted Rifles, under the command of Colonel Bayley:—

"Morosi's Mountain," writes an Ex.-C. M. R., "stands at an elbow of the Orange River. On three sides it is perfectly perpendicular. The fourth side is a slope of about a mile, and subtending an angle of about thirty degrees. This slope was protected with a series of schanzes, or walls, about eight to twelve feet high, loopholed for rifles and guns, and very strongly built. Artillery against the walls was utterly useless; the shell might knock a stone or two away, but nothing approaching a gap would be produced. About nine of these walls were placed at different intervals up this slope. The walls were built right across, and if you got over one, it was only to be stopped by another just in front of you, and so on right up to the top. The top of this mountain was about a mile long, and about half a mile broad, and was also completely schanzed in every direction. Cross schanzes were built in between those running across, so that wherever you went, or wherever you tried to get over one of these walls, you were met by cross-firing in three or four directions."

This passage is not only interesting in itself, but will also serve to give a very good idea of the author's style, which is simple, yet pleasant, throughout; and wherever it contains any personal references to the author's own actions is distinguished by the highly commendable quality of modesty.



FREEMASONRY IN 1693.

What is the authority for the statement in the "Freemason's Quarterly Review," for 1843, p. 36, that "A.D. 1693 occasional lodges were held, and old Masons living in 1730 remember to have attended them in full formality. Who is the authority in 1730 for this statement, and where is it to be found?"

ANTIQUARIUS

EARLY USE OF THE WORD MACEON.

In our lamented Bro. Sir Cuthbert Sharp's "History of Hartlepool" occurs a striking proof of the interchangeable use of the word "Masun" or "Le Maceon." In 1314 or 1315 Ricardus, Masun, is bailiff of Hartlepool, and Ricardus, Le Maceon, the same person, enters into an agreement with the Bishop, or rather accepts a lease from the Bishop of Hartlepool.

MASONIC STUDENT.

SPANISH HISTORY OF THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

There is a curious work published at Madrid in 1813, entitled "Historia y Tragedia de los Templarios a D. Santiago Lopez." The history is interesting, especially as regards the Spanish Templars. The "tragedy" is, however, only a translation of "Les Templiers," by Raynouard. There are some curious plates of Templar costume.

MASONIC STUDENT.

On the 31st ult., at Llanbeblig churchyard, Carnarvon, were interred the remains of the late Bro. Captain Richard Owen, of Marine-terrace, Waterloo-Port, who died on the previous Tuesday. Deceased was formerly harbour-master at Carnarvon, and was highly respected. The funeral was attended by a large number of Masons, among whom were Bros. William Hamer, John Williams, William Paynter, D. W. Davies, Owen Thomas, Thos. H. Richards, Richard Thomas, Thomas D. Lloyd, John Lloyd, Isaac Peters, J. G. Groucott, Capt. Evan Griffiths, Rev. J. S. Boucher, and Mr. J. W. Morgan. The deceased was a Wesleyan, and the service was conducted by a Nonconformist minister.

REPORTS OF MASONIC MEETINGS.

Craft Masonry.

FAITH LODGE (No. 141).—This old lodge held a meeting on the 28th ult. at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, when there were present Bros. Heaphy, W.M.; T. C. Walls, P.P.G.S.B. Middx., S.W.; Clark, J.W.; Carter, P.M., Treas.; W. Stuart, P.M., Sec.; Morrison, I.P.M.; Jordan, S.D.; Fromholtz, J.D.; Kendall, I.G.; Homes, W.S.; E. Hopwood, P.P.G.S.B. Middx., P.M.; Green, P.M.; E. Mallett, P.M.; C. Dairy, P.M.; Rumball, P.M.; and Cobham, P.M. The visitors were Bros. Frayling, 51; Archibald, 959; Allison, 1602; Ward, 1622; and Rushton, 1677.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. Darling was raised, Bro. Barratt passed, and Mr. Hakim initiated, the three arduous ceremonies being ably performed by the I.P.M. The report of the committee appointed to revise the bye-laws was read, but the consideration of the subject was adjourned until the next meeting.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, which was well served. Upon the removal of the cloth, the customary toasts were given and duly responded to.

"The Health of the W.M." was proposed in fluent terms by the I.P.M.

Bro. Heaphy, having modestly acknowledged the compliment, then gave a most interesting and erudite dissertation upon the principles of Freemasonry, and other matters more or less bearing upon kindred subjects.

The toast of "The Initiate" came next in order, and drew from Bro. Hakim a brief, but excellent response.

"The Health of the Visitors" followed, and, in acknowledgment, Bros. Frayling, Archibald, and others, respectively expressed their gratification with the admirable working of the I.P.M. and subordinate officers.

"The Past Masters" was coupled with the I.P.M., who briefly replied, and "The Officers" toast was acknowledged by Bros. Carter, Stuart, and Clark.

LODGE OF ASAPH (No. 1319).—On Monday afternoon last, an ordinary business meeting of this influential and popular lodge was held in the Zetland Rooms, Freemasons' Hall, the brethren mustering in their usual strength. The present W.M., Bro. William Meyer Lutz, follows the good example set him by his predecessors in the chair of K.S., and makes punctuality his first rule; nor, indeed, are his officers backward in this respect.

Bro. Lutz was supported by Bros. John Maclean, S.W.; Frederick Delevanti, J.W.; Henry Ashley, J.D.; W. J. Kent, I.G.; H. J. Tinney, D. of C.; J. M. Chamberlain, P.M., Sec.; L. B. Wooldridge, Stwd.; Charles Wellard, I.P.M.; C. S. Jekyll, P.M., G. Org.; Edward, Trewin, P.M.; Edwd. Swanborough, P.M.; and J. Gilbert, Tyler. We noticed the following brethren present: Bros. Joseph Perry, H. Snyder, G. E. Egerton, A. Thomas, Robert Soutar, R. A. F. Rochester, C. B. Powell, E. J. F. Bell, Julien Girard, W. A. Rolls, Harry Bracey, G. Jenkinson, Max Klein, John Carter, L. Honig, C. W. Clement Smith, T. de Brunnow Holmes, H. P. Kraushaar, F. Clively; and the following visitors: Bros. W. Sharp, 201; Kattray, Isola Lodge, Malta, 387; and Ernest E. Smith, P.M. 1559.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th March having been read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for Mr. Henry Field, proposed by Bro. Kahlane and seconded by Bro. J. Willing, jun., the candidate being elected unanimously. Bro. J. J. Dallas was proposed as a joining member by Bro. John Maclean, S.W., and seconded by Bro. R. Soutar, the ballot in this case being likewise unanimous. Bro. H. P. Kranshaar, a candidate for the Second Degree, was passed by the W.M., after which Bro. Clively was raised to the Sublime Degree of M.M., the W.M. rendering the ceremony in a very impressive manner. Messrs. H. Parkin, J. G. Speaight, and J. A. Hamilton, candidates for initiation, who had been elected at the previous meeting, were duly initiated into the mysteries and privileges of ancient Freemasonry, the W.M. here, as before, discharging the important duties of his high office with great credit.

On the proposition of Bro. Charles Wellard, I.P.M., Bro. Edward Swanborough, P.M., was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy on the Benevolent Fund Committee, occasioned by the death of the late Bro. Henry Cox. On the motion of the W.M., a sum of ten guineas was voted to the list of Bro. C. Wellard, P.M., as Steward, representing the lodge of Asaph at the ensuing Masonic Charity Festivals. Letters from several brethren regretting their inability to attend were then read by Bro. Secretary, as also one from the Portsmouth Masonic Club, which jovial body invited any members of the Lodge of Asaph, who might be professionally engaged at the forthcoming review, to make themselves at home, affording them the privilege of honorary membership during their stay. This concluding the business lodge was closed in due form. A party of Past Masters subsequently paid Mons. Phillippe a visit to the Cavour Hotel, Leicester-square, and dined together in love and harmony.

WEST SMITHFIELD LODGE (No. 1623).—A highly successful meeting of this prosperous lodge was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on the 10th ult. Bro. W. Malthouse, C.C., W.M., opened lodge, and was well supported by his officers and brethren as follows: Bros. J. Howes, P.M., Treas., acting S.W.; H. J. Lardner, J.W.; G. H. Stephens, S.D.; J. J. Howes, J.D.; W. Snow, I.G.; E. Mallett, P.M., Secretary; G. S. Elliot, P.M.; Wm. Pennefather, I.P.M.; Egbert Roberts, Organist; R. B. Greenwood, Steward; T. Butt, P.M.; W. C. Brasher, Corke, Brickdale, H. R. Clisby, P. K. Clisby, Freeman, J. Francom, Gayner, Gaudin, M. H. Milton, Paterson, S. Renault, J. F. Rumball, W. C. Smith, C. J. Smith, W. Silver, Sutton, Titcombe, Wilkinson, Wareham, Worrell, and others. Visitors: Bros. W. Davis, 87; E. L. Lardner, 101; F. Booch, 177 (Canada); L. Lardner, 1475; J. B. Colwill, 1791.

The minutes of the last regular meeting having been regularly confirmed, Bro. Worrell was raised to the rank of a Master Mason in a very impressive manner, and Bro. Freeman, Gaynor, Rumball, Gaudin, and Sutton were passed to the degree of F.C. The next business was to initiate Mr. J. Francorn, who had been previously balloted for, into the secrets and mysteries of the Order, and this concluding ceremony was performed with admirable precision and marked effect.

Other lodge business, which gave Bro. Secretary plenty of agreeable work, was disposed of; and "Hearty good wishes" having been given, the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to the Holborn Restaurant, where they partook of a capital banquet, which was served under the personal superintendance of Bro. Hamp, in the excellent style usual at this establishment.

After grace, the W.M. gave the usual toasts, and the brethren spent a pleasant hour in harmony; Bro. Egbert Roberts ably seconding the musicalefforts of the brethren at the pianoforte.

ROYAL HANOVER LODGE (No. 1777).—The first meeting of the season was held on Saturday, the 25th ult., at the Albany Hotel, Twickenham. The lodge was opened at four o'clock by the W.M., Bro. Harry Clark, and there were present Bros. G. Clark, I.P.M.; H. A. Dubois, P.M., P.P.G.S.B.; H. Lovegrove, P.M., P.P.G.S. of W.; C. C. Cruikshanks, S.W.; F. J. Perks, J.W.; H. B. Marshall, Treas.; H. Baldwin, Secretary; W. S. Dunkley, S.D.; J. Holliday, C. J. Axford, R. R. Johnston, and other officers and members. The musical arrangements were by Bro. G. J. Dunkley, Prov. G. Organist.

The only visitor was Bro. Tyler, Suburban Lodge. Bro. Kent was raised to the Third Degree. Bro. E. Smith was passed, and Mr. H. J. Snow initiated. It was decided to raise the fees for initiation and joining, but a motion for raising the subscription was negatived.

BRIXTON LODGE (No. 1949).—A regular meeting of this lodge was held at Brixton Hall, Acre-lane, on Saturday last. The W.M., Bro. H. Lovegrove, P.P.G.S. of Works, Middlesex, presided, and was supported by Bros. H. B. Marshall, C.C., &c., S.W.; W. E. Farrington, J.W.; F. Groves, S.D.; H. Baldwin, J.D.; C. G. L. Kipling, I.G.; W. Day, Treasurer; A. J. Cox, Cox, Secretary; J. Colyer, M.C.; W. Farrington, Org.; R. Poore, W.S.; and J. Daley, Tyler. The members present were Bros. Axford, White, Wilkins, Phillips, Newby, Albert, and others.

The business included passing Bros. Poore, Nowly, and Albert to the Second Degree, and initiating Messrs. Wallis and Evens. The bye-laws, as approved by the Grand Secretary, were distributed. The lodge already numbers twenty members, and is likely to be a very great success.

The visitors present were Bros. T. Blake, W.M. 945; H. Williams, 1669; A. Chipper, 27; Dawson, W.M. 1853; J. Peyton, 112; R. R. Johnston, 1777; W. Farr, 1292; W. St. Aubyn, 281; and J. Knight, 1507.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA.—Priory Lodge (No. 1000).—The regular meeting of this lodge was held on the 30th ult., at the Terminus Hotel, and was well attended by members and visitors, among whom were Bros. T. F. Barrett, Prov. G.S., W.M.; W. D. Merritt, Prov. G.S., S.W.; Dr. F. Donell Grayson, J.W.; F. Wood, P.M., P.P.G.W., Treas.; A. Lucking, P.M. and P.Z., Prov. G.S., D.C., Sec.; W. G. Brighton, W.M. 569, S.D.; G. R. Dawson, J.D.; J. F. Harrington, P.M. 160, I.G.; H. Beecher, and J. R. Brightwell, Stewards; G. Berry, Prov. G.S., I.P.M.; G. F. Jones, P.M., P.P.G.S.W.; E. E. Phillips, P.M., P.Z., P.P.G.D.; J. C. Johnstone, P.M., P.P.G.D.; S. J. Weston, P.M. 6; W. H. Bingham, P.M. 777, P.P.G.D. Berks and Bucks; W. Waterhouse, C. Floyd, S.W. 1817; H. Hotblack, L. Warren, jun.; John Taylor, jun., J.D. 1817; W. J. Chignell, H. Luken, J. Drummond, W. Wallis, H. Hassell, W. H. Lockey, and others. Visitors: Bros. W. Pissey, P.M. 160, 1734; Z. 1000, P.P.G.W.; J. A. Withers, 211; Hon. O. G. Lambert, S.W. 1460; G. Lingwood, 160; G. Goodman, 160; W. Kilpin, 160; R. M. Beeson, 160; John Allen, 1734; and W. F. Webb, 569.

After the usual routine business Bro. Herbert Hotblack was raised to the Third Degree, and the ballot having been unanimous in their favour, Mr. W. Gregson, and Mr. S. Penny were regularly initiated into the mysteries of the Order, the work in each Degree being admirably done. A brother having been proposed as a joining member and "Hearty good Wishes" tendered by the visitors, the lodge was closed and the brethren adjourned to refreshment, after which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and heartily received, and the Tyler's toast brought the proceedings to a close.

SWINDON.—Gooch Lodge (No. 1295).—The annual festival of this lodge was held on Friday evening, the 31st ult., at the Queen's Royal Hotel, when the installation of the W.M. elect, Bro. James Powell, J.W. of the lodge, took place. There was a numerous gathering of the Craft, many coming from a distance. The Installing Officer was Bro. Edwin Brown, P.M., P.P.G.S.B. Wilts, who performed his duties in a most impressive manner. The new W.M. selected as his officers the following brethren: Bros. G. R. Shemilt, S.W.; T. Leader, J.W.; C. J. Phillips, S.D.; E. Jones, J.D.; and J. B. Baker, I.G.

At the conclusion of the ceremony the brethren adjourned to a most *recherche* banquet, provided by Bro. G. Lake, P.M. 186, P.Z. 186 and 820.

The company at the banquet included the following visitors: Bros. H. C. Tombs, P.G.D. Eng., P.P.S.G.W., and P.G. Sec.; H. Bevir, W.M. 355; J. Bryant, S.W. 355; W. Ailbeck, P.P.G.A.P., P.M. 355; H. J. Jew, 1005; G. Lea, 201; B. Colbron, J.W. 355; F. Harding, Org. 355; J. Green, I.P.M. 355; H. G. Lake, P.M. 186, P.Z. 186 and 820; G. Whitehead, P.P.G. Org., Sec. 355; J. Toomer, P.P.S.G.W., P.M. 355; S. Moss, P.M. 493; W. M. Ellenor, G. H. Cooper, Cotswold, and others. The following members were also present: Bros. H. J. Birch, E. Brown, Thomas Turner, F. C. Kent, James Powell, J. Goudge, G. Shemilt, T. Leader, J. Chandler, John Williams, W. F. Morris, H. G. Allen, E. Jones, W. Pound, J. New, Charles Barker, C. J. Phillips, J. B. Baker, and others.

The toast list usual on these occasions was gone through,

"Success to the New W.M.'s Year of Office" being proposed by the I.P.M., Bro. George North. There was some capital singing during the evening.

LIVERPOOL.—Dramatic Lodge (No. 1609).—The usual periodical meeting of the members of this lodge was held at the Masons' Hall, Hope-street, on Tuesday, the 28th ult., when a very large assembly was again the order of the day. The lodge was opened punctually at half-past two o'clock by Bro. John Atkinson, the W.M., who was officially supported by Bros. B. B. Marson, P.M., P.P.G.S.B.; W. W. Sandbrook, I.P.M., acting J.W.; W. Savage, J.W., acting S.W.; J. P. Mackenzie, P.M., Treas.; J. M. Boyd, Sec.; H. P. Squire, S.D.; J. L. Shrapnell, J.D.; O. W. Sanderson, I.G.; R. Burgess, Org.; J. J. Monk, Asst. Org.; H. Round, A.S.; J. O. Marples, A.S.; C. Buchanan, A.S.; and W. H. Ball, Tyler. Among the members present were Bros. Witty Watty Walton, John Walton, Walter Hildyard, J. Cantor, Lieut. Hawksworth, W. M. Anaud, D. Cumming, L. Neubert, W. Addis, E. Graham, Webster, Williams, Boardman, Duncan, Hines, Pilcher, J. Ballard, E. Brammall, E. H. Thomson, and G. Martin. The visitors included Bro. I. Jacobs, Spiers, Roberts, Ellison, Callow, 1094, Burrows, and others.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for three initiates, and afterwards Mr. George Redmond, Mr. Rawthorne, jun., and Mr. Harrison were admitted into the privileges of the Order, the ceremony of initiation being admirably performed by the W.M. and his chief officers. Bros. Cooke, Boardman, and Pilcher were subsequently raised to the Third Degree in an equally efficient manner.

Before the lodge closed, Bro. Atkinson, W.M., called attention to the testimonial which was being got up as a compliment to Bro. Richard Brown, P.M., P.P.G. Treas. (a member of the Dramatic Lodge), in recognition of his eminently valuable services as Honorary Secretary of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution for nearly ten years; and he (the W.M.) warmly advocated the claims which the proposed testimonial had upon the liberal support of all the brethren.

Labour being concluded, about sixty members and visitors adjourned to the banqueting-room, where an excellent dinner was served.

In the course of the pleasant after-dinner proceedings the W.M., in a happy speech, presented one of the principal officers with an appropriate testimonial as some slight recognition of successful services in a sphere which he has long occupied with admirable self-devotion and success. The gift was acknowledged by the "Dramatic" officer in a manner which showed he fully appreciated the thoughtful kindness of his brethren.

An excellent programme of music and recitations was given by Bros. Webster Williams, Josef Cantor, Witty Watty Walton, Jacobs, E. Brammall, J. J. Monk, and G. Martin.

INSTRUCTION.

ISRAEL LODGE (No. 205).—A large meeting of the above old lodge was held at Bro. W. Yetton's, Rising Sun, Globe-road, E., on the 26th inst. The evening was devoted to the working of the Sections, under the able presidency of Bro. W. H. Myers, P.M. 820 and 1445, who had secured the co-operation of some of the best workers to support him. Bros. T. J. Barnes, P.M. 554 and 933, acted as S.W.; B. Cundick, P.M. 1421, J.W.; W. Musto, P.M. 1349 (Preceptor), I.P.M.; G. H. Stephens, S.D. 1623, Hon. Sec.; and W. Yetton, P.M. 933, Treas. Among the numerous brethren present were Bros. J. S. Pringle, W. Richardson, Walker, Turbfield, W. Gray, J. T. K. Job, R. Durell, T. W. Jones, D. Moss, T. Loane, W. J. Musto, J. Taylor, L. C. Haslip, J. West, C. Eschwege, W. Partridge, B. Stewart, Kimbell, and H. Marks. Visitors: Bros. M. Treuherz, 1728; and G. Sampson, 1327.

Lodge was duly opened and Bro. Stephens, the Hon. Sec., read the minutes of the preceding lodge, which were unanimously confirmed. Lodge was opened up, and on being resumed in the First Degree, the First Lecture was worked from the chair, and the following brethren assisting: First Section, Bro. J. West, M.C. 933; Second, Bro. W. J. Musto, 1349; Third, Bro. T. Loane, D.C. 1421; Fourth, Bro. G. H. Stephens, S.D. 1623; Fifth, Bro. B. Stewart, 1278; Sixth, Bro. D. Moss, S.D. 1275; and Seventh, Bro. B. Cundick, P.M. 1421. Lodge was resumed, and the Second Lecture was worked as follows: First Section, Bro. W. Richardson, 174; Second, Bro. C. Eschwege, 1349; Third, Bro. J. T. K. Job, W.M. 1076; Fourth, Bro. J. H. Pringle, I.G. 781; and Fifth, Bro. G. H. Stephens, S.D. 1623. Lodge was resumed in the Third Degree, and that Lecture was worked by the W.M., who was assisted by the following brethren: First Section, Bro. W. Musto, P.M. 1349; Second, Bro. J. Taylor, S.D. 554; and Third, Bro. T. J. Barnes, P.M. 554.

At the conclusion of the working, Bros. George Sampson, 1327, and M. Treuherz, 1728, were unanimously admitted members of the lodge.

Bro. Preceptor proposed that Bro. Myers be elected an Hon. member of the lodge, and that a vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes for the very able discharge of the duties of the chair that evening. Carried unanimously.

Bro. Barnes in kindly terms addressed Bro. Myers upon the successful issue of the evening. Bro. Myers, although an old Mason and a Preceptor, had been a long time before he would work the Fifteen Sections, feeling that until he was perfectly acquainted with the whole of the answers he would not put the questions. Bro. Barnes thought Bro. Myers was to be commended for his high spirit, and that brethren might profit by his example.

In reply to a vote of thanks to Bros. S.W. and J.W., Bros. Barnes and Cundick severally responded, expressing themselves as to the high qualities of the working, and of the great pleasure it was to them to assist. Lodge was then closed.

UNITED PILGRIMS' LODGE (No. 507).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Friday, the 31st ult., at the Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E. Present: Bros. James Stevens, P.M., Hon. Preceptor, as W.M.; J. W. Bate, S.W.; F. Thurston, J.W.; J. S. Terry, P.M. Hon. Sec.; W. H. Harris, W.M. of St. Mark's Lodge, S.D.; F. G. B. Wells, J.D.; H. Williams, I.G.; A. McKay, E. James, J. Wilmot, C. H. Phillips, Chambers

F. B. Sarjeant, C. Sims, W. W. Morgan, Sec., 211, and others.

The lodge being opened in the First Degree, the Second Section was worked, followed by the rehearsal of the ceremony of initiation and the working of the Third Section. The W.M. then introduced to the brethren Bro. Morgan, who had attended to deliver his lecture on "The Masonic Institutions, their establishment and development," which proved to be of very great interest, full of historical and statistical information, which to nearly all present had the charm of novelty, and made them acquainted with particulars which should certainly be known to all who profess interest in the charitable works of the Order, and desire to learn the most efficient mode of carrying their professions into practice. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Morgan, and on the proposition of the W.M. he was unanimously elected an honorary member. In thanking the brethren, Bro. Morgan expressed his willingness to assist in carrying out the arrangements lately made by this lodge of instruction by now and then delivering an essay on Masonic subjects during "question time." Bro. Bate was elected W.M. for the ensuing fortnight (there will be no meeting on Good Friday) and, having appointed his officers, notified that the work of the evening would be the First Section, the ceremonies of initiation and passing, and the charge (by Bro. F. B. Sarjeant) during "question time." Lodge was closed in due form.

MERCHANT NAVY LODGE (No. 781).

This lodge met as usual on the 29th ult., at the Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. Present: Bros. Bull, W.M.; Harvey, S.W.; Robinson, J.W.; Ould, S.D.; Ellinsford, J.D.; Clements, I.G.; Turquand, P.M. Preceptor; C. Bredeu, P.M. Sec.; Scheerboom, P.M.; Money, Cooper, Rawe, W.M. 781; and others.

Lodge was duly opened and the minutes read. Lodge was advanced and Bro. Scherboom was questioned and the ceremony of raising was subsequently worked. Bro. Ould worked the First Section of the Lecture. Lodge was resumed and Bro. Harvey was unanimously elected to occupy the chair on the next meeting night, and lodge was closed.

EXCELSIOR LODGE (No. 1155).

A regular meeting of the above lodge was held on the 28th ult. at the Commercial Dock Tavern, Rotherhithe. There were present Bros. Sanderson, W.M.; Wilton, S.W.; Strickland, J.W.; Perkins, S.D.; Clark, J.D.; Hoer, I.G.; Milbourn, Preceptor; J. Lincker and J. W. Walker, Secretaries.

Lodge was duly opened, and minutes of the meeting held on the 21st ult. submitted and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was ably worked, Bro. Perkins being the candidate. The ceremony of opening the lodge in the superior Degrees and closing down was carefully practised, and Bro. O. Hoer, 1571, was unanimously elected a member of the lodge, and Bro. Wilton, S.W., was elected W.M. for the 11th inst.; the next meeting, on the 4th, being devoted to the working of the Fifteen Sections, when a full attendance is anticipated.

TREDEGAR LODGE (No. 1625).

A capital muster of brethren took place on Monday last at Bro. A. Yates's, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, E. The brethren had been summoned together for the purpose of witnessing Bro. T. J. Barnes, P.M. 554 and 933, perform the ceremony of installation, and from the well-known ability of Bro. Barnes to work and teach the ritual great interest attached to the proceedings.

Lodge was opened by Bro. Hammond, 1278, who was assisted by Bros. Clark, J.W. 1178, S.W.; Maud, W.M. 1625, J.W.; Job, W.M. 1076, S.D.; W. Musto, P.M. 1349, J.D.; Brittain, 1278, I.G.; T. Wooding, W.M. elect 1306, Preceptor; T. J. Barnes, P.M. 554 and 933, Treas.; B. Stewart, 1178, Hon. Sec.; H. Tapley, P.M. 1076; C. H. Webb, P.M. 174 and 1607; D. Moss, S.D. 1275; Clark, S.D. 1625; W. Macdonald, J.W. 1445; W. H. Myers, P.M. 820 and 1445; R. Durell, W.M. 1349; B. Cundick, P.M. 1421; C. Kendall, P.M. 1625; G. Huggett, P.M. 1625; T. F. Harvey, 174; R. Sturtevant, W.M. 1278; M. Isaacs, 511; J. H. Pringle, I.G. 781; L. C. Haslip, W.M. 813; Smith, W.M. 860; Jones; and G. H. Stephens, S.D. 1623 (*Freemason*).

Bro. Stewart having read the minutes of the previous lodge meeting, they were unanimously confirmed. Lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and Bro. Barnes proceeded with the ceremony of the evening. Bro. Wooding, being W.M. elect, was obligated after the usual preliminaries, and the brethren below the Degree of Installed Master retired. On their return the newly-installed Master was saluted in ancient form according to Degree.

Bro. T. Wooding next proceeded to invest his officers, which duty he performed very ably, and will shortly be called upon to do in his own lodge. Bro. Barnes then concluded his labours by a careful and instructive rendering of the ancient charges to the Master, the Wardens, and the brethren, all of which were listened to with wrapt attention by the brethren assembled, a large number of whom by their rank being qualified to judge of the excellency of the working. On sitting down Bro. Barnes received the hearty congratulations of the brethren.

Bros. W. H. Myers, P.M., acted as D.C.; B. Cundick, P.M., as S.W.; and Maud, P.M., W.M. 1625, as J.W. through the installation, and gave Bro. Barnes every assistance required. Bro. B. Stewart next assisted Bro. Barnes to work the Seventh Section of the First Lecture. Bro. Hammond was re-elected W.M. for the next lodge meeting, and after a vote of thanks recognising the great services of Bro. Barnes had been cordially responded to, lodge was closed in due form, a meeting of an unusually attractive character having been passed.

LANGTON LODGE (No. 1673).

A meeting of this lodge of instruction was held on the 23rd ult., at the Mansion House Station Restaurant, Queen Victoria-street, Bro. Vials, in the chair; Bros. Clarkson, S.W.; Morris, J.W.; Wickins, S.D.; Garland, J.D.; Stoddart, I.G.; Sudlow, Preceptor; J. T. Tanqueray, acting Sec.; Moore, Harding, Clayton, and others. Visitors: Bros. Goodhart, Beck, and Thompson.

The lodge was opened in the First Degree and the minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed, after which the lodge was opened in the Second and Third De-

grees and resumed in the First, when the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Shaw acting as candidate.

After a "call off," the lodge resumed in the Third Degree, and Bro. Sudlow, assisted by the brethren, worked the Second and Third Sections of the Third Lecture. The lodge closing down to the Second Degree, Bros. George Imson Goodhart, Gilbert F. Beck, Geo. Francis Thomson, and Alfred Harmsworth were duly proposed, seconded, and elected members of this lodge of instruction. Bro. Shaw was unanimously elected I.M. for the next meeting, and the lodge was closed.

Another meeting was held on the 30th ult., at the Mansion House Station Restaurant, Queen Victoria-street, E.C., the following brethren being present: Bros. Shaw, W.M.; Morriss, S.W.; Vials, J.W.; Garland, S.D.; Stoddart, J.D.; Tanqueray, I.G.; Sudlow, Preceptor; and J. D. Langton, Sec.; Rosenthal, Saunders, Beck, Money, Pocock, Thomson, Goodhart, Moore, Clayton, and Steingraber. Visitors: Bros. J. G. Langton and Rowe.

The lodge opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge was then opened up to the Third Degree, and resumed in the First Degree, when Bro. Money, acting as a candidate for the Second Degree, answered the usual questions, and the lodge having been resumed in the Second Degree, he was passed to the Degree of F.C.; after which the W.M. gave an explanation of the second tracing board, and the lodge was called off and on. The lodge resumed in the First Degree, and the Sixth Section of the First Lecture was worked by Bro. J. T. Tanqueray, following which Bro. Sudlow worked the Third Section of the First Lecture, assisted by the brethren, and the lodge resumed in the Third Degree, and closed down to the Second Degree. Bros. J. G. Langton Burlington, 96, and C. W. A. Trollope were proposed, seconded, and unanimously elected members of this lodge of instruction. Bro. J. T. Tanqueray being elected W.M. for the next meeting, the lodge closed until Thursday, the 13th inst., at six o'clock.

ALBION LODGE.

A meeting of this lodge was held at the Berkeley Arms, John-street, Berkeley-square, on the 26th ult., when the Fifteen Sections were worked as follows: Bros. W. C. Smith, I.G. 1563, W.M.; E. Farwig, P.M. 180, S.W.; W. M. Cobham, P.M. 382, J.W.; Docker, P.M. 1687, Preceptor, Sedgwick, P.M. 180, Sec.; Watts, P.M. 1201, Treas.

First Lecture.—First Section, Bro. Allison, S.D. 1602; Second, Bro. Wood, W.M. 145; Third, Bro. Shand, P.M. 1563; Fourth, Bro. Waugh, W.M. 1563; Fifth, Bro. Richardson, W.M. 1348; Sixth, Bro. Farwig, P.M. 180; Seventh, Bro. Watts, P.M. 1201.

Second Lecture.—First Section, Bro. Alexander, J.D. 1257; Second, Bro. Skinner, S.W. 538; Third, Bro. Docker, P.M. 1687; Fourth, Bro. Watts, P.M. 1201; Fifth, Bro. Dairy, P.M. 141.

Third Lecture.—First Section, Bro. Cobham, P.M. 382; Second, Bro. Sedgwick, P.M. 180; Third, Bro. Richardson, W.M. 1348.

CHESTER.—Chester Club of Instruction.

Under this title a club of instruction has been opened at Bro. Hiram Henton's, the Chester Arms, Albany-street, Regent's-park, N.W., where an excellent room, admirably adapted for the purpose, is being elegantly fitted up. At the preliminary meeting the bye laws were agreed to and the following officers elected, viz.: Bros. T. O. Harding, Preceptor, J.W. 859; Hiram Henton, Treas. J.W. 1559; and Ernest E. Smith, I.P.M. Sec. 1559. We wish this new Masonic nursery a prosperous career, and congratulate the brethren upon having secured the services as Preceptor of such a thorough worker as Bro. Harding, who is one of the shining lights in the province of Cambridgeshire, and Senior Wrangler of his year at Cambridge University.

Royal Arch.

DOMATIC CHAPTER (No. 177).

This old and distinguished chapter held its installation meeting on the 23rd ult. at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, and was well attended. Among those in attendance were Comps. Lawrence, M.E.Z.; Briggs, H.; Harrison, J.; Maclean, S.N.; Cottebrune, P.Z., S.E.; Buss, P.G.S.B., P.Z., Treas.; Noton, P.S.; Webb, 1st Asst.; Morris, 2nd Asst.; G. Everett, I.P.Z.; Cubitt, P.Z.; Hill, P.Z.; and William Stevens (Hon. P.Z.). The visitors were Comps. Walls, P.P.G.D.C. Middx., M.E.Z. Jerusalem; Sadler, G.J., M.E.Z. 169; W. M. Stiles, M.E.Z. 1507; Green, P.Z. 975; E. Hopwood, P.Z. 1326; H. Stiles, J. 1507; Edmonds, 1507; and Verrey, Janitor.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the ceremony of inducting Comps. Briggs and Maclean into the chairs of the First and Third Principals was ably performed by Comp. Wm. Stevens. Comp. Harrison, being already a P.Z., his installation as Second Principal was not carried out. The officers invested were Comps. Lawrence, I.P.Z.; Cottebrune, Scribe E.; Buss, P.Z., Treasurer; Webb, Scribe N.; Noton, P.S.; and Verrey, Janitor. The names of the two Assistants were not announced. The report of the Audit Committee having been received and adopted, the chapter was duly closed, and the companions adjourned to the banquet, which was admirably served by Comp. Clemow and assistants.

Upon the cloth being cleared, the customary toasts were duly proposed and loyally honoured.

Comp. H. Buss acknowledged "The Health of the Grand Officers" in a well-set speech.

The toast of "The M.E.Z." was proposed in flattering terms by the I.P.Z.

Comp. Briggs having replied, then gave "The Past Principals," coupled with the name of Comp. Lawrence, and to whom he presented the jewel voted to him as Immediate Past Principal at the last meeting.

Comp. Lawrence having briefly acknowledged the compliment and the handsome gift which accompanied it, "The Health of the Installing Officer" followed.

Comp. W. Stevens having replied, the pledge of "The Visitors" was warmly proposed, and drunk with acclamation.

Comps. Walls, W. Stiles, Sadler, and Hopwood having responded, "The Health of the Treasurer and S.E." came next in order.

This was acknowledged by the former for both, in consequence of the indisposition of the latter companion.

The toast of "The Officers" was acknowledged by Comps. Webb and Noton, and the proceedings terminated.

Ancient and Accepted Rite.

SHEFFIELD.—Talbot Chapter (No. 16).

This large and flourishing chapter was opened by the M.W.S., Bro. Dr. W. R. Thomas, assisted by his officers, on the 17th ult. Two candidates were perfected, viz., Bros. Rev. Arthur Widdoson Wood and W. Middleton, by the M.W.S., assisted by Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister, S.G.I.G., 33°. Ill. Bro. H. C. Flory, 30°, was elected M.W.S., and Bro. W. R. Thomas, Treasurer. Two candidates were proposed for the next meeting.

Business of the chapter over, it was closed in due form, and the brethren assembled in the dining-hall to partake of a sumptuous banquet, under the presidency of Ill. Bro. Dr. Thomas, M.W.S. The loyal and Masonic toasts were duly given and responded to with enthusiasm. A truly happy evening was spent, which is always so, the meetings of this chapter being looked forward to with anticipated pleasure by all its members.

BOLTON.—St. Peter's Chapter (No. 31).

This old and flourishing chapter was opened on the 25th ult. by the M.W.S., Bro. J. W. Taylor, assisted by the officers. Three candidates were perfected, viz., Bros. Wm. Mallet Wyde, Albert Henry Crosley, and John Ballard, by the M.W.S., assisted by Ill. Bro. Wm. Kouse, P.M.W.S., Ill. Bro. Thos. Entwistle, 30°, and Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister, S.G.I.G., 33°. There were four other candidates balloted for perfection who could not attend. Bro. James Horrocks, 1st Gen., was unanimously elected M.W.S. for the ensuing year, and Bro. Thos. Entwistle Treasurer.

The brethren dined together at the Commercial Hotel, under the presidency of the M.W.S., who, in most appropriate terms, proposed the loyal and Masonic toasts.

Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister, in returning thanks for his health being proposed, gave the M.W.S., Officers, and brethren some very practicable advice, which was appreciated by all.

Ill. Bro. G. P. Brockbank, 32°, returned thanks for the brethren of that Degree and the 31°; Ill. Bro. Thos. Entwistle, 30°, for the brethren of that Degree; Ill. Bro. Thompson, 30°, for "The Officers," and Bro. John Ballard for "The Candidates."

HUDDERSFIELD.—Prince of Wales Chapter

(No. 69).—This chapter was opened, in the absence of the M.W.S., by Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister, S.G.I.G., 33°, assisted by the officers of the chapter. The M.W.S. elect, Bro. Henry W. Wrigley, was then presented to Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister for installation, who discharged the duty with solemnity and precision. Bro. Wrigley then appointed his officers as follows: Bro. John W. Sykes, H. Prelate; J. Marshall, 1st General; C. C. L. Bernin, 2nd General; Ill. Bro. Jones Craven, 30° (re-elected), Treas.; Bros. H. Shaw, Recorder; John Hay, Raphael; H. Burley, Gd. Marshal; T. W. Coney, C. of Guard; J. Varley, Org.; and J. Bustard, D.C.

The alms of the brethren were collected, and the chapter having been closed in solemn form, the brethren adjourned to the dining-hall, and spent a very pleasant evening, under the presidency of the M.W.S., who, in due course, proposed the loyal and Masonic toasts.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

[The charge is 2s. 6d. for announcements not exceeding Four Lines under this heading.]

BIRTHS.

HAMILTON.—On the 1st inst., at 40, Lower Dominic-street, Dublin, the wife of Mr. Charles R. Hamilton, of a daughter.

PRITCHETT.—On the 2nd inst., at 25, Castellain-road, Maida-vale, the wife of Mr. Humphrey Talbot Pritchett, of a daughter.

TABOR.—On the 1st inst., at 1, Burr-street, E., the wife of Mr. E. J. Tabor, of a son.

WALTON.—On the 2nd April, at Pennare, Croydon, the wife of Mr. Alfred Walton, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

REES—WRIGHT.—On the 30th ult., at South Hornsey Parish Church, Frederic Cordeux Rees, to Priscilla Wright, niece of the late Mr. Joseph Jackson, of Wrexham.

WOOD—BURTON.—On the 10th ult., at St. Luke's, Paddington, Richard Francis M. Wood, son of the late Capt. Thomas P. Wood, H.M. 29th Regt., to Ellen Lingen, daughter of the late Mr. R. L. Burton, of Longner Hall, Shropshire.

DEATHS.

BERNARD.—On the 20th ult., at Plymouth, Josephine, fifth daughter of the late Hon. Col. Hatch, of New Brunswick, and relict of Capt. H. H. Bernard, R.N., aged 61.

BLEST.—On the 1st inst., at 12, Norfolk-terrace, Bayswater, Mr. Anthony E. Blest, M.D. Edin., M.R.C.S. England, Retired List, H.M. Indian Army, aged 85 years.

SINCLAIR.—On the 24th ult., at 45, Upper Sackville-street, Dublin, Sir Edward Burrows Sinclair, M.D., aged 57 years.

WELLS.—On the 30th ult., at Zinzan-street, Reading, Mr. Richard Wells, aged 83.

A further novel development of "The Family Parliament" in *Cassell's Magazine* is announced. The April number includes the particulars of a scheme for localising the movement, by the establishment of public or private "social parliaments" in our towns and villages, for the purpose of continuing the debates on subjects initiated in the "Family Parliament." From each local assembly the resolutions may be forwarded to head-quarters, together with the voting papers supplied, and the result recorded permanently in the pages of the magazine.

EAST LANCASHIRE SYSTEMATIC MASONIC EDUCATIONAL AND BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

We extract the following from the report just issued:—
“Comparing the position of this Charity at the close of the year 1880 with the same period at the end of 1881, it appears that the total investments at the conclusion of the former year were £3083, whilst at the present time they are £4218. This is a satisfactory advance. The balances in hand and uninvested at the former period were £351 2s. 5d., whilst at the time of this report such balances amount to £289 8s. 3d.”

“The interest upon investments has increased correspondingly from £147 3s. 6d. to £171 18s. 5d.”

“The total of donations and subscriptions in the former period was £593 2s. 6d.; during the past year they have fallen off to £517 19s. 8d. It is only fair, however, to remark that during the former period there was included the sum of £80 received from the Stand Dramatic Club, which had a performance for the benefit of this Institution, and which realised the last-mentioned sum. If this exceptional contribution be excluded from the comparison, the income of the two years is somewhat similar.”

“It is most important, however, to notice that the amounts requisite to supply the grants of the Committee have considerably exceeded the former requirements, as will be seen from the following figures. Whereas in the first period the amount granted for charitable relief, in direct gifts (independently of education), was £50 only, this item has extended itself during the latter period to £175 19s.; and, in the same direction, the grants made for educational purposes have increased from £141 8s. to £226 5s. 6d.”

“A summary shows the totals to be—Receipts for 1880, £740 6s., and Grants, £322 13s. 6d.; while for 1881—Receipts are £689 18s. 1d., and Grants, £513 9s. 3d., showing a decrease in receipts of £50 7s. 11d., and an increase in expenditure of £190 15s. 9d.”

“In regard to the smaller sums granted through the Almoner's, the amounts expended by them last year were £46 1s. 2d., and this year £44 10s. 4d., as accounted for in the Almoner's Statements of Account.”

“It, therefore, appears very important that the efforts of the Committee and Subscribers should not be relaxed, but be strenuously increased, so that the income of the Institution may extend with the continually increasing outgoings.”

“During the past year twenty-five children in all have received grants for education; and during the entire period of the present organisation, since the parent society was merged in this Institution, the total number of children who have been admitted amounts to thirty-four, thus showing that a very considerable proportion of the total number of children educated have been on the books during the year which has just closed, adding further confirmation, if such is needed, of a necessity for an increased income, if the society is to maintain its full efficiency.”

“No doubt the times have been somewhat out of joint, and the middle classes have suffered a diminution of ordinary income, owing to the depression of trade in the large commercial centres of East Lancashire. It is hoped, however, and with many it is confidently anticipated, that brighter times are before us, when the desire to benefit this Institution will be more fully carried into effect.”

“The surplus arising from the Callendar Memorial Fund, amounting to the sum of £100, has, during the first year, been invested, and such investment will hereafter be separately known in connection with the honoured name of the late William Romaine Callender, jun., M.P., so as to perpetuate the grateful memory of our former Deputy Provincial Grand Master.”

“In reference to the Almoners, it may be mentioned that the interchange of Reports between Manchester, Liverpool, Leeds, Birmingham, Oldham, Bolton, Bury, and Rochdale have produced a desirable decrease, as referred to in their Annual Report.”

“Your Committee regret that the health of our respected Treasurer, Bro. J. A. Birch, J.P., has prevented him from meeting the Finance Committee at the close of the year. It is hoped, however, he will soon again be restored to health and vigour. During his absence he has been careful to make such arrangements that the Charity has not suffered; and it still receives, during his illness, which we may well hope is only temporary, his most solicitous attention.”

“This report would be unsatisfactory did it not refer in the most grateful manner to the continued co-operation and fostering care of our respected President, the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master, Colonel Le Gendre N. Starkie, who has continued to take the same warm and cordial interest in the affairs of this institution as hitherto, and which we trust for many years to come will be extended to it.”

“Our respected Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master has so far advanced the status, importance, and usefulness of the institution, as to be in the highest sense a worthy example to every Mason in the Province.”

“The warmest thanks of the Committee, which will no doubt be echoed by the Subscribers, are respectfully and sincerely tendered to our Provincial Grand Master, in just acknowledgment of such deep interest, and eminent and invaluable services.”

“It is for us to exemplify with him the watch-words of ‘Loyalty’ and ‘Charity.’ The latter he has expounded already for us by a noble example.”

“It is for us, by true loyalty to his authority, and devotion to the principles and best interests of our Order, to unite with him in advancing the benevolent principles and broad and true religion upon which this excellent Charity is founded.”

The famous actress, Mdle. Sarah Bernhardt, who had travelled from Naples the previous day, was married, on Tuesday last, at St. Andrew's Church, Wells-street, Oxford-street, to a Greek gentleman named Aristide Amroise Damala.

FIGARO SAYS:—“The Patentes of these Pens are the Guardian Angels of the Noble Army of Martyrs who live by the Pen.”
Just out—The “BIG WAVERLEY” and the “BIG J” PEN.
“They come as a boon and a blessing to men,
The Pickwick, the Owl, and the Waverley Pen.”
Sample Box, with all the kinds, by post, 1s. 1d.
Patentees—MACFARLANE and CAMERON,
22 to 33, BUAIR STREET, Edinburgh. (Estd. 1770.)
Beware of the party offering imitations.

THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF SHIPWRIGHTS.

The nearest approach to just, perfect, and regular Masonry, we suppose, are the City Companies of London, or, as they should be more properly termed, “Guilds,” for as trade guilds they once regulated the whole trade their name is associated with. But from many—in that sense—their glory has departed; but it was not the guilds who left the trades, but the tradesmen wishing to be more independent, and compete with their fellow craftsmen, launched out into new waters, and left the old ship—their mother Company. Through that some of the guilds disappeared altogether. But many still survive and maintain their usefulness, although using their wealth and influence to other, but quite as good, purposes. We believe the City Companies have seen with regret their occupation gone, and have ever held out the right hand of fellowship to those members who would prefer to be guided by the guilds. Of late years there has been a movement amongst several of them to regain a certain amount of control, and thus become once more the leaders of the craft. Principally has this been the case with the Clothworkers, Mercers, Goldsmiths, Fishmongers, Furriers, Fanmakers, Cutlers, and Shipwrights. The Clothworkers have lately spent many thousands in building and endowing an institute and schools, at Bradford, to encourage the staple article of trade in that district. The Mercers have very liberally subscribed to the City Guilds of London Technical Institute Building Fund, the foundation-stone of which, at South Kensington, was laid by Bro. His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. Of a branch of it, in Skinner-street, Bro. Duke of Albany performed the same ceremony last year; both their Royal Highnesses having from the first shown a deep interest in the movement. The Fanmakers, Turners, Cutlers, and several others have from time to time opened their halls or used the Mansion House for exhibitions of works connected with their Craft, and given handsome and valuable prizes for original designs. H.R.H. the M.W. Grand Master last year at Yarmouth, opened an exhibition connected with fishing implements of all kinds. So successful was it that H.R.H. has headed a movement to repeat the same on a much larger and grander scale under the auspices of the Fishmonger's Company, at their Hall on London-bridge, next year. A most influential committee, on which we notice several members of our own Craft, has been got together to make it a success. Our royal brother has promised to open the exhibition under the management of the Clerk of the Company, Mr. W. B. Towse, and his son as Secretary to the exhibition. We have not a doubt that much knowledge will be gained, and we also hope means will be adopted through this to preserve the lives of our fishermen and those who gain their livelihood by “going down to the sea in ships and occupy their business in great waters.”

We ought to mention that some of the Companies have never lost their influence over their own trade and, to this day practice it, backed up by the legislature. Most of us know, that in publishing, to maintain the copyright it is necessary to have it entered at Stationer's Hall, but probably few know that this is the hall of a City Company. The Goldsmiths' also retain their right to stamp after testing the amount of pure metal and alloy, articles of plate &c. But we suppose there are not many persons who, though familiar with the words “hall marked,” often using them, knowing their meaning to be that the article “hall marked” has been marked at Goldsmith's Hall. This Company lately prosecuted a tradesman for selling goods of inferior quality stamped with their mark, and their right to do so was upheld by one of the highest courts of the legislature. But it is with the “Shipwrights' Company we are just now more immediately concerned.

The Court recently elected Lord John Manners, G.C.B., M.P., a member of the Court, to be its Master for the ensuing year. Last week his lordship came into office, and to inaugurate the event, a Court dinner was given at the Albion. The noble lord was supported by the Wardens, all of whom are also Masons; Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson, F.S.A.; Bro. J. Perkins, C.C.; Bro. Deputy Ebenezer Saunders, F.S.A.; Bro. Lewis, M.I.C.E. Besides the fraternal spirit, easily recognisable in members of these companies, in their government they are also like the Masonic Craft. At the head is the Worshipful Master; next to him come the Senior and Junior Wardens—in some cases there are as many as four Wardens—then we have the Clerk, who is the Secretary in a lodge; the Court, who assist the Master in the control of the Company, as do the officers of a lodge; and the liverymen, who answer to the brethren. The Rt. Hon. Lord John Manners was also supported by Sir E. J. Reed, K.C.B., M.P.; Alderman Sir Robert Carden, M.P.; Sir E. Hay Currie; Bro. Sir J. H. Johnson, Bro. Ex-Sheriff Burt, Major-General Trevor, Capt. Ritchie, M.P.; Bro. Edward Clarke, O.C., M.P.; the Rev. Henry White, the Chaplain; Bro. Capt. Cook, Royal London Militia; the Consul General of Sweden and Norway, the Chairman of the P. and O., Mr. G. A. Spottiswoode, Mr. John Patten, Mr. Henry Manners, nephew of the Master; Mr. Joseph Beck, C.C.; Bro. George Burt, jun.; Bro. C. J. Shapper, Past Master of the Armourer's and Brazier's Company; Bro. Deputy Crispe, F.R.G.S., the Chief Surveyor at Lloyd's; the Manager of the Thames Shipbuilding Company, Bro. R. Footit; Bro. J. Griffin, K.C.V.; Mr. Baden Powell, Mr. K. J. Cornish, Mr. Wynne Egerton, Mr. Thomas Gladstone, Bro. Lieut. H. Wright, T.H.R.B.; Bro. John Greig, Capt. Joss, Bro. Lambert, Mr. E. J. Reed, jun.; Mr. J. W. Towse, Secretary of the Fishery Exhibition; Bro. Major T. Davies Sewell P.G. Steward, Past Master of the Pattern Makers' Company; Mr. Frank Willan, and the Keeper of the Guildhall. Many of the guests are connected with shipping, and were asked to hear the Master explain what the Company is about to do, viz., to have an international exhibition of ship models, the Fishmongers having very kindly lent their hall for the occasion, the Shipwrights not having a hall of their own. Bro. Sir Thos. Brassey, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, was expected, but was prevented being at the dinner. The exhibition will be divided into sections; steam ships, vessels of war and mercantile ships, and sailing ships, yachts, fishing smacks, tugs, barges, and steam launches. From the way it was alluded to by successive speakers, its success is almost assured. The Company, not by any means a rich one, has nobly taken the initiative, and is offering prizes which no doubt will be supplemented by gifts of members of the Company and others. Bro. ex-Sheriff Burt, with his usual clear foresight and generosity,

has offered £50 for the best system of improved ventilation of passenger vessels.

On the occasion of this dinner the room was hung round with banners presented by different members of the Court. Sibold's City of London band played various selections during dinner and between the toasts. The menu card was a beautifully coloured design, containing at the top the arms of the Shipwrights' Company, an ark on the waters, with the motto “Within the ark safe for ever.” On either side etchings of naval ships of the years 1580 and 1803, and at foot the more recent and very differently constructed vessel the Devastation, in 1876. We noticed one of the members seemed to be in great request—we refer to Bro. Major Sewell—to whom, we believe, much of the movement for our exhibition of models is due. No doubt his long official experience as clerk of several companies aids him in carrying out practically and efficiently this work. Whatever his hand finds to do he does it with all his might. In Masonic circles this is the character one hears of him. At the dinner we heard it remarked that any company having him as clerk must be greatly advantaged by his official position. We have not a doubt, if our brother should be called upon to occupy any more important post, he will do so with dignity and grace. After due justice had been done by every one to the banquet, the Master rose and proposed “The Health of Her Majesty the Queen.”

Alderman Sir ROBERT CARDEN, in proposing the toast of “The Army, Navy, and Reserve Forces,” remarked that if he was not one of the most efficient officers, he was one of the oldest, for he received his commission three years before the death of King George III.

Major-General TREVOR responded in short and felicitous terms.

Sir E. HAY CURRIE gave “The Houses of Parliament,” and said, although he had never given him a vote, being opposed to his politics, he should call upon his old friend, Captain Ritchie, to reply.

Bro. EDWARD CLARKE, O.C., M.P., submitted the toast of the evening, viz., “The Shipwrights' Company and the Master,” and said this would be a memorable year for the shipwrights, because during this year, owing in a great measure to the exertions of the noble lord the Master in 1877, and to the assistance he has always afforded the Company since that date, an opportunity was to be afforded of showing what a great historic guild of the City could do, even in its present much changed condition, for the advancement of the welfare of the country. Bro. Clarke said it was centuries since the Shipwrights of London gathered together in simpler style to give a sort of fellowship to the work they did, and traced the modern history of the shipbuilding craft, and observed that great changes had taken place, and that as the British Empire had increased, the sons of Britain had shown themselves worthy to maintain the authority of the empire, whilst no instrumentality had been greater in building one power than the instrumentality of the craft of the shipwrights of this country. At this moment the Shipwrights were a flourishing guild, and well representing the craft they were originally designed to incorporate. He then said he was sure the Company were glad to have, as their Master, so distinguished a nobleman as Lord John Manners.

Lord JOHN MANNERS, M.P., in returning thanks, alluded to the Royal Commission, and though he had no intention of guessing on the result of the inquiry, he could not help saying that most of the livery companies were at this day discharging the identical duties they were founded for; and others who, through change of circumstances, over which they have no control, were no longer able to do so, were nevertheless, employing their wealth to the advantage of mankind in general. Lord John hoped the exhibition would make the year a prosperous one for the Company. They had received numerous responses of a satisfactory nature from foreign countries, including Japan, America, and Holland, and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh had intimated his willingness to open the exhibition.

Sir EDWARD J. REED, K.C.B., M.P., proposed “Success to the Exhibition,” and made a slight but pleasant allusion to politics, but which, in these pages, we will not repeat. Sir Edward expressed satisfaction at the number of distinguished men who had come forward to act as judges.

The Hon. Secretary, Bro. LEWIS, replied, and said, to show the interest being taken by other nations, a letter had been received from the Russian Government to the effect that the Grand Duchy of Finland was raising a fund to pay the expenses of two experts, to be sent over here to obtain information which they would use in the construction of Russian ships. Amongst the exhibits there would probably be, from Norway, a model of a ship used by the Vikings, which has just been brought to light.

Mr. W. BADEN POWELL proposed “The Foreign Exhibitors,” to which toast General RICHTER responded. Bro. Alderman and Sheriff HANSON replied for the Wardens.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN DUBLIN.

For the Week ending Saturday, April 15, 1882.

All meetings take place at the Masonic Hall, Molesworth-street, Dublin, except where otherwise stated.

	SATURDAY, APRIL 8.
No meetings.	
	MONDAY, APRIL 10.
No meetings.	
	TUESDAY, APRIL 11.
Lodge 245, Dublin.	R.A.C. 666, Dublin.
	Boys' School Board.
	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12.
Lodge 120, Dublin.	R.A.C. 158, Dublin.
„ 143, Dublin.	Precep. 141, Leinster.
	Com. of Inspection.
	THURSDAY, APRIL 13.
Lodge 27, Dublin.	R.A.C. 620, Dublin.
	FRIDAY, APRIL 14.
Lodge 25, Dublin.	Lodge 250, Dublin.
	R.A.C. 50, Dublin.
	SATURDAY, APRIL 15.
Lodge 53, Dublin.	Lodge 209, Malahide.



Bro. Hollingshead might well be called the caterer for the million, so universally popular are all the good things he puts before the public. He does not wait for the public to lead him, and tell him what they want, but anticipates their tastes or educates them to his own. Whatever is playing at the Gaiety it may be safely said is drawing a full house. "The Forty Thieves," played for a long time last year, is again the burlesque on that stage, and, we think, is even better received than before. Miss Nellie Farren has introduced into it her song—by desire—"The Street Boy's Song," for which she received a double encore. In the second act the three girls in quaint dresses again are brought in, as they were in "Aladdin," and go through their harmonised choruses with amusing earnestness, and rightly received a quadruple encore. We do not know to whose genius this novelty is owing, but it is very attractive. Mr. Dallas' song of "The Wonderful Puzzle Fifteen" creates as much laughter as on the first night. Miss Connie Gilchrist was loudly applauded in her marvellous skipping rope dance; it is impossible for the eye to follow her movements. The eccentric schottische of Miss P. Broughton is a feature of the entertainment that cannot well be omitted. Mr. Squire and Mr. Royce, as *Cassin* and *Hassarac*, Captain of the Forty Thieves, respectively seem exceptionally to appreciate the humour of the burlesque. In all burlesque the audience are satisfied much more if the details of the story are deviated from, and, if even unrecognisable, so long as the actors and actresses enter into the spirit of the piece. As long as they see dancing with grace and agility, and hear bright, merry tunes, they feel their money is well spent. Bro. Hollingshead has drawn together a company who know this, and as it were play into one another's hands, so easily does everything go off. We have mentioned a few of the characters, but it is on Bro. Edward Terry, Miss Kate Vaughan, and Miss Nellie Farren that the burden of the "Forty Thieves" falls. Bro. Edward Terry, as *Ali Baba*, the woodcutter, creates much amusement with his phrase, which has now become quite common, "We are a merry family." Almost every word he utters is a pun, and whilst he laughs at them himself, the audience cannot help following suit, however far-fetched they may happen to be. Mr. Dallas, who acts *Cogia*, *Cassin's* wife, tells *Ali Baba* she is "but a woman," when he immediately shouts out "She's a butter-woman." When caught in the "Forty Thieves" cave he proposes his son and *Morgiana* shall fight the *Captain*: "You attack him in front, and I'll skirmish round the rear," a pretty safe quarter. Miss Kate Vaughan, as *Morgiana*, dances with her usual characteristic gracefulness. Her style of dress in this burlesque—petticoats—suits her better than trunks and hose. Miss Nelly Farren, on the other hand, is indispensable on the Gaiety stage in anything but the latter costume. Her two dresses as *Ganem* are exceedingly pretty. The songs by Bro. Terry, Miss Kate Vaughan, and Miss Nelly Farren, &c., "There's another jolly row down stairs," "He's got 'em on," and "We'll never go home no more," are, perhaps, the most taking airs of the altogether popular music. Bro. W. M. Lutz, W.M. Asaph Lodge, has arranged and composed most of the music in the burlesque. During the Easter Holidays, for light and not vulgar amusement, we cannot do better than recommend paterfamilias to take their family and friends to the Gaiety. We feel sure they will come away with their minds made up to go again. Bro. Hollingshead, after the French plays, which last from May 29th to July 5th, will bring out Bro. Byron's "Little Doctor Faust," "Dick Whittington," and a new burlesque, "Little Robinson Crusoe," by Mr. Reece, author of "Ali Baba."

"Taken from Life," at the Adelphi Theatre, was honoured with a visit from Bro. H.R.H. the Prince and the Princess of Wales on the 30th ult.

"The School for Scandal" is still keeping up its popularity at the Vaudeville Theatre. It has now reached its fiftieth night. We understand Bro. Thorne intends bringing out other old comedies in the same magnificent manner. Bro. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales with the Princess witnessed the performance of "The School for Scandal" on Saturday last.



Handel's "Messiah" was to have been performed as usual yesterday (Good Friday), at the Albert Hall, by the Royal Albert Hall Choral Society, Mesdames Albani and Enriquez, Mr. Maas and Signor Foli being the principal vocalists, with Dr. Stainer at the organ and Mr. Barnby as conductor.

On Thursday last Bro. Walter Pelham gave his interesting entertainment at the town house of the Dowager Countess of Barrington, among the guests who were present to the number of eighty, being H.R.H. Princess Mary of Cambridge, Duchess of Teck, H.R.H. Prince Christian, Viscount and Viscountess Barrington, and Bro. the Bishop of Peterborough.

Mr. Charles Hallé has announced that he proposes giving a series of eight chamber-music concerts on as many consecutive Wednesdays, beginning with that of 10th May and ending 28th June. These concerts will be held in the Grosvenor Gallery, and will take place in the evening instead of in the morning. Mr. Hallé will be assisted by Madame Norman-Neruda, L. Ries, Herr Strauss, and Herr Franz Neruda, and other eminent artistes.

During the month of May six pianoforte recitals will be given at the Marlborough Rooms by Herr Grünfeld, who, at his former visit to London, created a very favourable impression.

On Friday evening last the Committee of the Falstaff Club gave their first smoking concert, there being a very large attendance of members and their friends. The programme was a very attractive one, the more noticeable items being Mr. Radcliff's fine flute playing, songs by Mr. J. Henderson, Mr. Arthur Oswald, and Mr. Foote, a duet between Colonel Goodenough and Signor Ria, and pianoforte solos by Signori Tito Mattei and Mora.

It is announced that in spite of the attacks made upon the Tonic Sol-fa System, the Committee of Council on Education will continue to recognise it, as it has done since 1809.

The direction of the concert given in St. James's Hall on Thursday week by the London Musical Society was entrusted to Mr. Barnby. A very capital and varied programme was presented, and the several members were warmly applauded by the audience. The first part consisted of a selection from Handel's Oratorio, "Theodora," the choruses being rendered by a small but excellent choir, while the solos were sung by Miss Clemens, who, at short notice, took the place of Lady Folkestone, absent through indisposition, Miss Wakefield, Mr. C. Wade, and the Hon. Spencer Lyttelton. The second part included two settings by Brahms and Goetz of Schiller's poem of "Nänie," and Gounod's "De Profundis," given for the first time in England in 1871.

The second *matinée musicale* of Mr. W. H. Waud and the Rev. E. H. Whinyates, which was given on Saturday last at the Grand Hotel, Brighton, was a great success, the audience being both numerous and fashionable. The vocalists were Mrs. Herbert Chatteris, Mrs. Saunders, and Messrs. Morton and Marzials; while the instrumentalists were Mrs. Beesley and Rev. Mr. Whinyates (piano), and Miss Beecher (violin). Messrs. Morton and Whinyates were the accompanists.

By the kind permission of the Duke of Westminster, an entertainment, consisting of part songs and choruses by Miss Holland and choir, and recitations by Mr. Laurence Holland, will be given, under distinguished patronage, at Grosvenor House, on Thursday, 11th May, at four o'clock p.m., in aid of the funds of the Vicarage of St. Mark's, Clerkenwell.

The last concert but one that will be given by the Sacred Harmonic Society took place at St. James's Hall on Friday last, when Bro. Sir Michael Costa's oratorio "Eli" constituted the programme. This is the most conspicuous of the few similar works which, since the publication of "Elijah," has been successful in establishing a firm hold on the public favour; and it only needed the presence of the talented *maestro* himself to complete the *éclat* which belonged to the occasion. The choruses were most effectively rendered, while the solos were sung by Madame Patey, Miss Mary Davies, and Messrs. Carter, Vernon Rigby, Santley, and Thomas in a style which aroused the enthusiasm of the audience. M. Sainton fulfilled the post which, but for illness, would have been occupied by Sir Michael.

With the performance of Handel's "Solomon" the career of this same Sacred Harmonic Society will have run its complete course, and a body which during its fifty years' existence has laboured constantly in promoting a love for high-class sacred music will be among the things of the past.

By the way, it is satisfactory to know that Sir Michael Costa has so far recovered from his recent serious illness as to have been able to visit his old friend and brother professor, John Ella, who is unfortunately deprived of sight. Sir Michael is in hopes he will shortly be able to resume his *bâton* as conductor.

Yesterday being Good Friday, a grand sacred concert was to be given at the Crystal Palace, the principal vocalists being Mesdames Lemmens-Sherrington and Patey, Mr. Edward Lloyd, and Signor Foli, who were to be assisted by the band of the Scots Guards, in addition to the Palace choir and orchestra. Bro. A. Manns, conductor.



Our summer Art Exhibitions are gradually being opened to the public. Last week it was that of the Society of British Artists, the opening of which we announced; this week it is the French Gallery, 120, Pall Mall, the contributors to which are almost exclusively foreign. The works, as a whole, show great talent, and in many cases the merit is unusually great; this being especially the case with Professor L. C. Müller's two pictures, "An Alméc's Admirers" (No. 62), and "An Arab Home" (No. 17). Other exhibits to which we would draw attention are Jules Breton's, "The End of the Day" (No. 25); "An Idyll" (No. 31), by Corot; Carl Heffner's landscapes, "On the Banks of Lake Starnberg" (No. 49); and "The Last Glimpse before the Gloaming" (No. 82), which are among the most conspicuous attractions of the gallery; Munthe's "Winter in Holland" (No. 42); "Schevening—Departure of the Fish Boats" (No. 130), by Sadée; "His Custom of an Afternoon," by A. Anker; "Gleaners" (No. 166), by Laugée; and S. G. Rotta's "La Nonna" (No. 175). There are likewise some beautiful delineations in little of

South German, Russian, and Hungarian life by G. Von Bockmann and C. Seiler. "Ex Fumo dare Lucem" (No. 184), by the latter, being a very marvel of patient and elaborate work.

The Royal Geographical Society held a meeting on the evening of the 27th ult., in the theatre of the London University. Lord Aberdeen presided, and as it was expected Mr. Edward O'Donovan would read a paper on "Merv and its surroundings," there was a strong gathering of members, among those present being Sir Henry Rawlinson, Sir Bartle Frere, Sir Richard Temple, Sir Lewis Pelly, Sir Douglas Forsyth, Sir Rutherford Alcock, Sir Henry Barkly, Colonel St. John, and others. Mr. O'Donovan was originally attached, as paper correspondent, to a Russian column, under General Lazaref, but, on that officer's death objections were taken to the presence of an Englishman, and Mr. O'Donovan turned his face towards the north-eastern frontier of Persia, and thence after much difficulty, and in spite of the opposition of the Persian authorities, having obtained an escort, made his way to Merv. The lecturer gave a full description of the place, which, he said, was situated on an oasis of an alluvial country, which, but for the lack of water, was capable of the highest cultivation. He described its people and government, and gave it as his opinion that whoever had possession of the city would be able to command the adherence of the people of Central Asia. A brief discussion followed, in which Sir Henry Rawlinson, Sir Lewis Pelly, and Colonel St. John took part; and after a cordial vote of thanks to Mr. O'Donovan for his lecture, the proceedings terminated.

At the annual general meeting of the Middle Class School Corporation, held lately at the Mansion House, under the Presidency of Bro. the Lord Mayor, the report, which was of a very satisfactory character, stated that a contribution of £100 had been received from the Clothworkers' Company, and that the Drapers' Company had promised to subscribe annually towards the funds of the Corporation the sum of £100. The report was adopted, and a resolution of confidence in the Masters was also passed.

The foundation-stone of the new building about to be erected in White-street, Moorgate-street, for the City of London College, was laid on Friday last by W. Bro. the Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sheriffs and other Civic functionaries. After the ceremony had been performed, a resolution, pledging the meeting to assist the Council of the College in raising the further £7000 necessary to carry out the work, was proposed by Bro. Edward Clarke, J.C., M.P., seconded by Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson, and supported by Colonel Martindale and Bro. Bayley White, the last-named giving, on behalf of the Clothworkers' Company, a donation of £500. The resolution, as well as a vote of thanks to the Lord Mayor, were carried with acclamation.

There is now on view at the Graphic Gallery, 190, Strand, a highly interesting exhibition of water colour drawings made by Mr. William L. Thomas, director of the Graphic, of places visited by him during the last ten years in Switzerland. In addition to some excellent and picturesque delineations of such well known scenes as the Rigi, Lucerne, Mont Blanc, the Gemmi Pass, the Matterhorn, the Jungfrau, Chillon, &c., are many interiors, together with coloured narratives of adventures on the road, and studies of characteristic personages. Many of the drawings have been lent for the purpose by the Queen, whose property they are, it being intended to hand over the proceeds to the Artists' General Benevolent Institution.

On Saturday last the Emperor of Austria opened the International Art Exhibition at Vienna. His Majesty, on arriving, was received by the Archdukes and Count Zichy, among the notabilities present being the Archbishop of Vienna, Count Kalnoky, Count Taaffe, Baron Conrad, and others. After an address from Count Zichy, in which that nobleman thanked the Emperor for having presented the site for the enlargement of the Künstler Haus on which the Exhibition is held, His Majesty expressed his satisfaction that art had established for itself a new home, and expressed his belief that the Fatherland would occupy a prominent position in the competition then inaugurated.

Bro. Sir Erasmus Wilson has consented to act as honorary treasurer to the recently formed society for conducting excavations on the Delta. The general plan of the Society has met with the approval of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishops of Durham, Lincoln, and Bath and Wells, the Chief Rabbi, Bro. the Earl of Carnarvon, Mr. W. Spottiswoode, President Royal Society, &c. Operations will be commenced as soon as sufficient funds have been accumulated.

The anniversary meeting of the Chemical Society was held on Thursday last, at Burlington House. The President, Professor Roscoe, F.R.S., gave his annual address, in the course of which he congratulated those present on the condition of the society, there being now enrolled on the list of members no less than 1175 fellows. The customary vote of thanks was passed to the officers and council, and Dr. Gilbert, F.R.S., having been elected President for the ensuing year, the meeting terminated.

Sir William Armstrong presided at the annual dinner, held at Willis's Rooms, St. James's, on Saturday evening, of the Institution of Civil Engineers, and among those present were the Dukes of Edinburgh and Cambridge, the Duke of Teck, Bro. Earl Percy, M.P., P.G.M. Northumberland; Sir M. Hicks-Beach, Bart., M.P., P.G.M. Gloucestershire; Col. Stanley, M.P., D.P.G.M. West Lancashire; Sir J. McGarel Hogg, Bart., M.P.; Sir P. Cunliffe Owen, K.C.M.G.; the Lord Mayor, and J. Shaw Lefevre, M.P. The Duke of Edinburgh responded for the Royal Family, and the Duke of Cambridge for the Army, the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos for the House of Lords, and Bro. Sir M. Hicks-Beach, Bart., M.P., for the House of Commons.



Lithographic portraits of Bros. Judd, C.C., and Beard, C.C., have just been produced.

Bro. J. Whichcord is the architect of the new banking premises about to be erected in Abchurch-lane for Messrs. Brown, Jameson, and Co.

Bro. Horace Jones, the City Architect, has been instructed to prepare plans for an obelisk out of the materials of old Temple Bar, to be erected in Epping Forest. The precise locality has not yet been fixed upon, but it will probably be the spot which will be made most memorable by the visit of Her Majesty to the forest next month.

Bro. George Brinsley, in response to a numerous signed requisition, has come forward again as a candidate for the Ward of Farringdon Within as a Common Councilman for the City of London.

A complimentary dinner to Messrs. H. J. and W. J. Roberts was given at their West-end establishment, St. James's Hall, on Monday evening last. Mr. Lear J. Drew in the chair. About 100 gentlemen assembled on the occasion. The Chairman, in a genial speech, referred to the successful efforts of Messrs. Roberts to cater for the public at the hall, and at the Bridge House Hotel and Rosherville, and wished them continued success. The toast was drunk with great heartiness, and was responded to by one of the firm, who acknowledged the kindness of the Chairman and the cordiality with which the toast had been received. Mr. W. Hudson, C.C., proposed "The Health of the Chairman, Mr. Drew," speaking of the esteem in which that gentleman is held. A very pleasant evening was spent by the guests.

Bro. J. Gale, a former member of the Corporation, and who is now one of the guardians of the City Union, is a candidate for the vacant office of inspector of gas meters for the City.

Bro. E. Clarke, Q.C., M.P., is refraining from work outside of his professional engagements, by medical advice, having been unwell for some time.

Bro. H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, K.G., will preside as colonel of the regiment, at the annual dinner of the Rifle Brigade, on the 26th May.

Bro. the M.W. Grand Master, Colonel of the 10th Hussars, will take the chair at the regimental dinner of the corps on the 25th May.

Bro. the Earl of Carnarvon, Pro Grand Master, with the Countess, has left Claridge's Hotel for Highclere Castle, their seat, near Newbury.

Bro. H.R.H. the Duke of Albany, K.G., is making good progress now towards recovery, though still confined to the house.

Bro. the Lord Mayor and Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson dined at the Albion on Monday with the Clockmakers' Company.

Bro. W. H. Pannell, Worshipful Master elect of the Pattenmakers' Company, has been appointed trustee to the estate of Mr. Lee, of Dartmouth Park, Highgate.

The library of manuscripts and printed books of the late Mr. Frederick Ouvry, F.S.A., is now being dispersed in a five days' sale at Sotheby's. It contains no less than 177 letters written by Charles Dickens, and 149 letters written to him by eminent literary contemporaries. The manuscripts relating to the dramatic and musical professions are important and voluminous; the Pulteney Correspondence, of great historical interest, is arranged in thirty-three morocco volumes and fourteen cases; the collection of old ballads is of great rarity; the old political broadsides and early poems are, in many cases, unique; and the Shakespearean collection and fac-similes of first editions are of high interest and value. The books in the general library are all in choice condition.—*Society*.

The word *ale* is peculiar to the English language, and has long been erroneously supposed to have originated in the Saxon *aelan*, to kindle, to inflame, because of the intoxicating qualities of the liquor so-called. But *ale* has not that quality in excess of other liquors, and in its origin simply meant drink, from the Celtic *ol*, drink, or to drink, and *alain*, the act of drinking; *olar*, drunken, addicted to drink; and *olarachd*, habitual drunkenness. *Draper*, as used in the passage in "Kind Heart's Dream," is the Celtic *driapair*, one who pours out, or retails liquor in small quantities; also a tippler; whence *ale-draper* would signify one who retailed drink, whether wine, beer, ale or spirits.—*Antiquarian Magazine and Bibliographer*.

The Rev. W. A. Purey Cust, eldest son of Bro. the Very Rev. the Dean of York, Grand Chaplain, and Lady Emma Purey Cust, was married on the 4th February, at St. Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide, by the Rev. Canon Denny, assisted by the Dean of Adelaide and Archdeacon Marryat, to Lucy Caroline, second daughter of Major-General Sir William Jervais, G.C.M.G., C.B., R.E., Governor of South Australia.

Bro. Alderman Hadley presided on Wednesday at a meeting, at the Lambeth Baths, to call upon the Government to support the Bill of the Right Hon. J. Stansfield, M.P., for the repeal of the Contagious Diseases Acts.

The Birmingham Reference Library, established to supply the want of a Central Free Library, which was burnt down three years ago, will be opened by Mr. Bright on the 1st of May. Some presents of books are coming from Germany.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Though good health is preferable to high honour, how regardless people often are of the former—how covetous of the latter! Many suffer their strength to drain away ere maturity is reached, through ignorance of the facility afforded by the incomparable Pills of checking the first untoward symptoms of derangement, and reinstating order without interfering in the least with their pleasures or pursuits. To the young especially it is important to maintain the highest digestive efficiency, without which the growth is stunted, the muscles become lax, the frame feeble, and the mind slothful. The removal of indigestion by these Pills is so easy that none save the most thoughtless would permit it to sap the springs of life.—[ADVT.]

Bro. the Earl of Shaftesbury, K.G., will preside at the annual meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Bro. the Lord Mayor laid the foundation stone, on Friday, 31st ult., of the City of London College, where are held evening classes for young men. Bro. Edward Clarke, Q.C., M.P., one of its old students, proposed the first resolution. Bros. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson, Hyde, Clarke, and Sir John Bennett, was amongst those present.

Bro. George Lambert, Grand Sword Bearer, F.S.A., has been elected Upper Warden of the Pattenmaker's Company.

Bro. the Rev. Dr. Morris, M.A., LL.D., Head Master of the Boys' School, has joined the livery of the Makers of Playing Cards Company.

It is a curious fact that at the Glasgow Post Office, if a person wishes to post a letter on Sunday, he can only do so provided he purchases a shillingsworth of stamps. No doubt by such a regulation the equality between classes in the bitter observance of the Sabbath is duly brought home to the industrial population. But what does Mr. Fawcett say to such a Post Office regulation.—*The Echo*.

Over 9000 pictures have been sent to the Royal Academy this year. Of this number 8000 must be rejected, as the galleries will only hang about 1000 pictures. The task of selection is almost complete.

A monster diamond, weighing 217 carats, has been found in possession of a man at the diamond fields at Kimberley. It is supposed that the stone was stolen from the works.

Bros. Aldman, Capt. Bopitil, Henry Clarke, P. De Keyzer, Sir John Bennett, T. Beard, H. Squire, Deputy Saunders, Deputy Crispe, W. H. Pennell, F. C. Ace, Pearce, Morrison, Deputy Brass, and G. N. Johnson, P.G. Steward, were amongst the Common Councilmen at the last Court held under Bro. the Lord Mayor.

Bro. W. H. Pannell has been elected Worshipful Master of the Pattern Makers Company for the ensuing year.

Bro. Earl Percy, M.P., the Lord Mayor, Earl Derby, K.G., Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, M.P., Colonel Stanley, M.P., the Right Hon. J. Shaw Lefevre, M.P., Sir Matthew White Ridley, M.P., Col. Sir James McGarel Hogg, M.P., and Chas. Hutton Gregory, C.M.G., were present at Willis's Rooms on Saturday at the annual dinner of the Institute of Civil Engineers.

Bro. Sir Erasmus Wilson, President of the Royal College of Surgeons, has promised to preside on the 18th inst., at the dinner of the Royal Medical Benevolent Society, at the Langham Hotel, Portland-place.

On the occasion of Bro. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales visit to the Globe Theatre, on Monday last, to witness the performance of "Mankind," one of the horses of the carriage slipped in the Strand, and His Royal Highness handed the Princess into the equeury's carriage during the reharnessing of the horse. A large crowd assembled when it was known whose carriage it was.

Bro. J. E. Usher, M.D., L.R.C.P. London, who has lately been travelling, was very generously tendered a dinner by several of our leading brethren in New York, for the kindness and attention shown to Bro. Capt. Albert J. Kruger, of the Nevada, and his officers and crew, on the occasion of rescuing them after a terrific hurricane in the Atlantic, in February last, when the Nevada became a total wreck. Bro. Dr. Usher also received a very cordial letter of thanks from our Bro. Pert R. Hincken, W.M., on behalf of the members of the Montank Lodge, No. 286, of Brooklyn, New York, for the kindness displayed towards their fellow member, Bro. Kruger.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked by the members of the Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, No. 1056, at the Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, on the 28th inst., at six o'clock. The Sections will be worked as under:—First Lecture—First Section, Bro. Jones, 1541; Second, Bro. Appleton, J.W. 1381; Third, Bro. Minstrell, J.W. 1928; Fourth, Bro. Snelling, 1541; Fifth, Bro. Larchin, W.M. 1541; Sixth, Bro. Squirrel, P.M. 206; and Seventh, Bro. Gush, J.W. 1541. Second Lecture—First Section, Bro. Webb, W.M. 1381; Second, Bro. Abell, P.M. 1599; Third, Bro. Tate, P.M. 862; Fourth, Bro. Johnson, 1541; and Fifth, Bro. Bolton, S.W. 1056. Third Lecture—First Section, Bro. Denison, S.W. 1541; Second, Bro. Berry, P.M. 554; and Third, Bro. Caton, S.D. 705.

I have heard some queer stories of the old Courts of Landdrost and Heemraden, which some of the people would like to see revived. Some five or six years ago, in one of our border towns, the district surgeon sued the guarantors for a year's salary, which, by reason of a short temporary absence of the doctor, they refused to pay. Dr. — in his plea declared himself to be a member of a Scotch College of Surgeons, which I believe he was. The attorney for the defendants seeing a chance, demanded the qualification of the plaintiff, in other words, the production of the diploma. This having been left in the Old Colony put the plaintiff's attorney in a fix; but being a man not easily beaten, he procured a Masonic certificate of some high degree, and gravely laid it before the Court. The document was passed from hand to hand, and the Latin and Greek in it carefully examined; and then, after a short consultation, a verdict was returned for the plaintiff.—*Transvaal Advertiser*.

The late Mr. J. B. Warwick has left to the town of Southwell the munificent bequest of £15,000, free of legacy duty, for the foundation of a free public library and penny bank. Mr. Warwick's very valuable collection of minerals, fossils, and geological specimens, are also willed to his native town, besides many volumes of books as a nucleus of the free library, and a number of choice pictures for the adornment of its walls.—*Society*.

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Bro. Alderman Staples, F.S.A., Bro. A. J. Altman, C.C., Bro. A. Brookman, C.C., Bro. J. Larkin, and the Aldersgate Lodge have subscribed to the fund for the relief of the family of the late Bro. J. G. Hutchinson, Churchwarden of St. Botolph, Aldersgate.

Bros. the Earl of Shaftesbury, K.G., the Lord Mayor, Mr. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson, M.A., and Earl Granville are Stewards for the Charing Cross Hospital Festival, to be held at Willis's Rooms, on the 19th inst., under the presidency of the Duke of Edinburgh.

Bro. Lord and Lady Tenterden have left town for the Italian lakes for the Easter vacation.

Bro. Lord Granville has gone to Walmer Castle, near Dover, for Easter.

The balance-sheet of the Second Tottenham, Enfield, and Edmonton Masonic Charitable Association has been issued, showing that during the past year £203 15s. 6d. has been subscribed, and twenty-four appropriations made to the three Charities.

Bros. the Earl of Lytton and Marquis of Bath are amongst the numerous persons who have signed the petition published in this month's "Nineteenth Century," against the Channel Tunnel scheme.

Bro. G. de Keyser, C.C., has qualified himself as a Governor of St. Bartholomew Hospital.

Bro. Edwin Freshfield, F.S.A., was examined yesterday week before the Select Committee appointed on the City Parochial Charities Bills.

Bro. Sir Edward Watkin has been staying at the Royal Pavilion Hotel, Folkestone.

Bro. Lord Tenterden's eldest daughter, the Hon. Audrey Mary Florence Abbott, was married, on the 30th ult., at St. Marylebone Church, by the Rev. W. Page-Roberts, to Captain Robert Gordon Hancock, Bengal Staff Corps.

The Directors of the Nineteenth Century Building Society met on Saturday, and declared a dividend of five per cent. per annum.

The great sculling match between Hanlan and Boyd for the championship of the world came off at Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Monday last, resulting in an easy victory for Hanlan. Bro. Dr. Luke Armstrong was the Umpire.

Bro. Arthur Wood was installed W.M. of the Caxton Lodge, No. 1853, at Freemasons' Hall, on Monday last.

Bro. W. Smallpeice is a candidate for the office of Surveyor to the Westminster District Board of Works.

A good story is going about the City. It is to the effect that the proprietor of a well-known restaurant allowed a little band of his daily customers to have half-a-dozen bottles of wine on the score of a wager which could not be then settled, payment to be dependent upon the ultimate result of the bet. Not being able to get the money he pressed for it, when he was told that the wager was still open. He asked what it was, and was told that one party held that if the Monument fell down it would fall Fish-street-hill way, whilst the other maintained that it would lie in the direction of the Thames. The structure still stands. I am not aware if the "sell" is an old one revived.—*Society*.

Bro. Edward Terry has been re-elected on the Board of Guardians of Richmond, for the parish of Barnes.

At the ball following the three days exhibition of the East End Horticultural Society, at the Bow and Bromley Institute, Bow, on the 24th, ult., the company included a very large proportion of brethren. Bro. R. Croger supplied a capital quadrille band, to the strains of whose music dancing went on most enjoyably. Bro. J. W. Tait, the Secretary, ably fulfilled the duties connected with his department, whilst Bro. R. Hirst and a staff of fair assistants supplied the lighter refreshments at a well served buffet, and nothing seemed to be left undone by the Committee to ensure the comfort of their patrons and friends. Dancing was continued after supper until four in the morning.

We are glad to call attention to the "Masonic Magazine" for April, which contains articles worthy of the special attention of the Masonic student and archaeologist.

A NEW MASONIC ROOM FOR THE CITY.—Bro. Porter deserves the thanks of citizens and City brethren for his enterprise in providing a new and spacious lodge-room in the heart of the City. The Old Half Moon Tavern had in the changes of time to give way to enable the recent improvements in Leadenhall Market to be effected. The old inn had a Masonic history. In 1764 the Caledonian Lodge was held there. In this lodge William Preston was interested, and the connection of the ancient lodge with the old inn seems to have been in force in 1792. The new Half Moon is most favourably situated at the corner of the Grand Avenue from Gracechurch-street to Leadenhall Market. It is a handsome structure, built at a great expense, in accordance with the designs of the Corporation's architect, and is an ornament to the important thoroughfare in which it is situated. There is in furniture, fittings, and general conveniences a happy combination of the styles peculiar to the houses of the reigns of Queen Anne and Queen Victoria, with all the additional advantages of recent sanitary and domestic improvements to secure light, drainage, and a wholesome temperature. Bro. Porter deserves the hearty thanks of the Craft for thoughtfully providing a handsome lodge room, substantially furnished and fitted with beautiful stained-glass windows from the studio of Bro. Ramsey, of Farringdon-street. The contrast of a bright handsome lodge to the generally unsalubrious, dull, and musty rooms sometimes honoured by the Craft will prove very advantageous to any City lodge requiring a new home. It is possible that a new lodge connected with the important Ward of Cornhill may follow the association of Masonry with the Half Moon. We heartily wish Bro. Porter the success his enterprise deserves.

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS For the Week ending Saturday, April 15, 1882.

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

SATURDAY, APRIL 8.

- Quarterly Gen. Court and Election Girls' School, at 12. Lodge 108, London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st. 173, Phoenix, F.M.H. 1415, Campbell, Mitre Hot., Hampton Court. 1423, Era, Albany Hot., Twickenham. 1446, Mount Edgumbe, Bridge House Hot. 1607, Loyalty, Alexandra Palace, N. 1637, Unity, Abercorn Hotel, Great Stanmore. 1671, Mizpah, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st. 1743, Perseverance, Imperial Hot., Holborn Viaduct. 1839, Duke of Cornwall, F.M.H. 1928, Gallery, Brixton Hall, Brixton. 1929, Mozart, Harewood House, Croydon.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- Manchester, 17, London-st., Fitzroy-sq., at 8. Star, Marquis of Granby, New Cross-rd., at 7. Percy, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8. Eccleston, King's Head, Ebury Bridge, Pimlico. Alexandra Palace, Masonic Club, Loughborough, at 7.30. King Harold, Britannia Hot., Waltham New Town, at 7. Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Mare-st., Hackney, at 7.

MONDAY, APRIL 10.

- Quar. Gen. Court and Election Boys' School, at 12. Lodge 5, St. George's and Corner Stone, F.M.H. 29, St. Alban's, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st. 58, Felicity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st. 90, St. John's, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st. 136, Good Report, Inns of Court Hot. 193, Confidence, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st. 222, St. Andrew's, Holborn Viaduct Hot. 957, Leigh, F.M.H. 1571, Leopold, Gregorian Arms, Bermondsey. 1591, St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot., W. Kensington. 1922, Earl of Lathom, Greyhound Hot., Streatham. Chap. 22, Mount Zion, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st. 1366, Highgate, Gatehouse Hot., Highgate. Mark 173, Temple, Green Dragon Tav., Stepney. 239, Royal Naval, SA, Red Lion-sq.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- Lily, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7. Wellington, White Swan Hot., High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10. Sincerity, Three Nuns Hot., Aldgate, at 7. Camden, 174, High-st., Camden Town, at 8. Tredegar, Royal Hot., Mile End-rd., at 8. St. James's Union, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8. Perfect Ashlar, Jamaica Tav., Southwark Park-rd., Bermondsey, at 8. United Military, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich, Marquis of Ripon, Pembury Tav., Amherst-rd., Hackney, 8. Loughborough, Cambria Tav., Loughborough Junc., at 7.30. Hyde Park, The Westbourne, 1, Craven-rd., at 8. West Smithfield, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., at 8. Doric Chapter, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 6. Royal Commemoration, R. Hot., High-st., Putney, 8 till 10. St. Mark's, S.M.H., Camberwell New-rd. John Hervey, Albion Hall, London Wall, at 8. Kingsland, Canonbury Tav., N., at 8.30. Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, 7.30. Ubique, Guardsman Coffee Tav., Buckingham Palace-road, at 7.30. Strong Man, Excise Tav., Old Broad-st., at 7. St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hot., W. Kensington, at 7. Old Kent Mark, Crown & Cushion, London Wall, 2nd and 4th.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11.

- Audit Com. R.M. Ben. Institution. Lodge 96, Burlington, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st. 198, Percy, Ship and Turtle Tav., Leadenhall-st. 211, St. Michael's, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st. 228, United Strength, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st. 235, Nine Muses, Willis's Rooms, St. James's, W. 548, Wellington, White Swan Tav., Deptford. 834, Ranelagh, Criterion, Piccadilly. 917, Cosmopolitan, Cannon-st. Hot. 923, Doric, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st. 1269, Stanhope, Thicket Hot., Anerley. 1593, Royal Naval College, Ship Hot., Greenwich. 1604, Wanderers, F.M.H. 1614, Covent Garden, The Criterion, Piccadilly. 1718, Centurion, Regent M.H., S. Air-st. 1803, Cornhill, London Tav., Fenchurch-st. Chap. 145, Prudent Brethren, F.M.H. 185, Jerusalem, F.M. Tav. 452, Frederick of Unity, 105, High-st., Croydon. Mark 22, Southwark, Bridge House Hot., London Bge.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- Joppa, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., at 7. South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Walham Green, 7.30. Pilgrim, F.M.H., 1st and last Tues. Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8. St. George's, Public Hall, New Cross, at 8. Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., at 7.30. Faith, 2, Westminster Chambers, Victoria-st., S.W., at 8. Prince Fredk. Wm., Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood, at 7. Capper, Railway Tav., Angel-lane, Stratford, at 8. Prosperity, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st., at 7.30. Dalhousie, The Sisters' Tav., Pownall-rd., Dalston, E., at 8. Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-st., Woolwich, 7.30. Constitutional, Bedford Hot., Southampton Bgds., at 7. Israel, Rising Sun Tav., Globe-rd. Royal Arthur, Duke of Cambridge, 216, Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8. Upper Norwood, White Hart Hot., Church-rd., at 8. Beacontree, Red Lion, Leytonstone, at 8. Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tav., Rotherhithe, at 8. Islington, Crown and Cushion, 73, London Wall, at 7. Kennington, Horns Tav., Kennington, 7.30. Leopold, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-rd., Bermondsey, at 8. Mount Edgumbe, 19, Jermyn-st., St. James's, at 8. Duke of Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, 8. Sir Hugh Myddelton, 162, St. John's-rd., at 8. New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood T., Finsbury Park, at 8. St. Marylebone, Eyre Arms, Finchley-rd., at 8. Corinthian, George Hot., Millwall Docks, at 7. Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30.

- Royal Naval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, at 8. Eleanor, Angel Hot., Edmonton. Chaucer, The Grapes, St. Thomas's-st., Borough, at 8. Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30. Metropolitan Chap, Jamaica Coffee Ho., St. Michael's Alley. Earl of Carnarvon Chap., Ladbroke Hall, Notting-hill, at 8.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12.

- Gen. Com. R.M. Ben. Institution, at 3. Lodge 3, Fidelity, F.M.H. 11, Fnoch, F.M.H. 13, Union Waterloo, M.H., Woolwich. 15, Kent, F.M.H. 57, Vitruvian, South London M.H., Lambeth. 147, Justice, White Swan, High-st., Deptford. 749, Belgrave, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st. 1260, John Hervey, F.M.H. 1305, St. Marylebone, Eyre Arms, St. John's Wood. 1306, St. John of Wapping, Moorgate-st. Hot. 1503, Francis Burdett, Albany Hot., Twickenham. 1538, St. Martin's-le-Grand, Guildhall Tav. 1586, Upper Norwood, White Hart Hot., Upper Norwood. 1694, Imperial, Pier Hot., Oakley-st., Chelsea. 1766, St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoreditch. 1900, Montague Guest, Inns of Court Hot. Chap. 1524, Duke of Connaught, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st. Mark Old Kent, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tav., Finsbury-pavement, at 7. Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-st., 7 till 9. New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8. Mt. Lebanon, Horse Shoe Tav., Newington Causeway, 8. Pythagorean, Portland Hot., Greenwich, at 8. Burdett Courts, Lamb Tav., Bethnal Green Railway Stn., 8. La Tolerance, Morland Hot., Dean-st., W., at 8. Peckham, Lord Wellington Hot., 516, Old Kent-rd., at 8. Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8.30. Southwark, Southwark Park Tav., Southwark Park, at 8. Duke of Connaught, Ryl. Edwd. Hot., Mare-st., Hackney, 8. United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13, Crowndale-rd., N.W., 7. Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-st., at 8. Langthorne, Swan Hot., Stratford, at 8. Temperance in the East, G. the Fourth, Ida-st., E., at 7.30. Eleanor, Trocadero Hot., Liverpool-st., E.C. Zetland, King's Arms Hot., High-st., Kensington, at 8. Merchant Navy, Silver Tav., Burdett-rd., Limehouse, 7.30. Creaton, Prince Albert Tav., Portobello-ter., Notting hill, 8. Panmure, Balham Hot., Balham, 7. Thistle Mark L. of I., F.M. Tav., at 7. Wanderers, Black Horse, York-st., S.W., at 7.30. Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swallow-st., Regent-st., at 8.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13.

- Lodge 19, Royal Athelstan, Cannon-st. Hot. 91, Regularity, F.M.H. 206, Friendship, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st. 238, Pilgrim, F.M.H. 263, Bank of England, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st. 534, Polish National, F.M.H. 567, Canonbury, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st. 500, Dalhousie, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st. 879, Southwark, Southwark Park Tav. 1076, Capper, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st. 1216, Macdonald, Head-quarters 1st Surrey Rifles, Flodden-rd., Camberwell. 1425, Hyde Park, The Westbourne, 1, Craven-rd., W. 1471, Islington, Cock Tav., Highbury, N. 1558, Duke of Connaught, S.M.H., Camberwell. 1598, Ley Spring, Red Lion Tav., Leytonstone. 1599, Skelmersdale, M.H., Masons' Avenue. 1791, Creaton, F.M.H. Chap. 140, St. George's Green, Swan Hot., Blackheath. 619, Beadon, M.H. Tav., Basinghall-st. 813, New Concord, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st. Mark 86, Samson and Lion, M.H., Masons' Avenue.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

- Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich. Kent, Duke of York, Borough-rd., Southwark, 7.30. Egyptian, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st., 7.30. Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., W.C., at 8. The Great City, M.H., Masons' Avenue, 6.30. Finsbury, Jolly Anglers' Tav., Bath-st., City-rd. Ebury, 12, Ponsonby-st., Millbank, at 8. Highgate, Boston Hot., Junction-rd., N., at 8. Wandsworth, East Hill Hot., Alma-rd., S.W., at 8. High Cross, Coach & Horses, High-rd., Tottenham, at 8. Salisbury, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8. Southern Star, The Pheasant, Stangate S.W. Great Northern, Burwick Arms, Berners-st., Oxford-st. Rose, Walmer Castle Hot., Peckham-rd., at 8. Burgoyne, Cock Tav., St. Martin's-ct., Ludgate-hill, 6.30. Prince Frederick William Chapter, St. John's Wood. Vitruvian, White Hart, Belvedere-rd., Lambeth, at 8. Royal Oak, Lecture Hall, High-st., Deptford, at 8. Covent Garden, Constitution Hot., Bedford-st., Covent Garden, at 7.45. Royal Albert, White Hart Hot., Abchurch-lane, at 7.30. Stockwell, Cock Tav., Kennington-rd., at 7.30. Victoria Park, Yorkshire Grey, High-st., Stratford, at 8. West Middlesex, Feathers Hot., Ealing, at 7.30. Guelph, Blackbirds Inn, High-st., Leyton. Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, Queen Victoria-st., at 6. (Emulation Working.) St. Michael's, Moorgate Tav., Finsbury Pavement, at 8. Selwyn, East Dulwich Hot., East Dulwich, at 8. Upton, Swan Tav., Bethnal Green-rd., at 8. North London Chap., Canonbury Tav., at 8.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14.

- Lodge 134, Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st. 157, Bedford, F.M.H. 1201, Eclectic, F.M.H. 1702, Sub-Urban, Abercorn Hot., Great Stanmore. Chap. 33, Britannic, F.M. Tav. Rose Croix Chap. 3, Mount Calvary, 33, Golden-sq., W. LODGES OF INSTRUCTION. Stability, M.H., Masons' Avenue, at 6. Robert Burns, North Pole, 387 Oxford-st, W., 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, Bricklayers' Arms, Narrow-st., Limehouse, at 7. Doric, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 8. St. Luke's, White Hart, King's-rd., Chelsea, 7.30. Chigwell Prince's Hall, Buckhurst-hill, at 7.30. Royal Standard, The Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-rd., N., at 8. Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith, at 8. William Preston, Jacob's Well, George-st. Manchester-sq. Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting-hill, at 8. 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. Clapton, White Hart Tav., Clapton, at 7.30. St. John's, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8. Prosperity Chapter of Improvement, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-st.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15.

- Lodge 715, Panmure, Cannon-st. Hot. 1364, Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Hackney. 1494, Felix, Clarence Hot., Teddington. 1612, West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing. 1641, Crichton, S.M.H., Camberwell. 1819, Citadel, Railway Hot., Harrow Station. Chap. 142, St. Thomas's Cannon-st. Hot. Mark 205, Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow. 251, Fentenden, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN WEST LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE For the Week ending Saturday, April 15, 1882.

MONDAY, APRIL 10.

- Lodge 292, Sincerity Adelphi Hot, Liverpool. 314, Peace and Unity, Militia Mess, R., Preston. 721, Independence, M.R., Chester. 941, De Tabley, Royal George, Knutsford. 1021, Hartington, M.R., Barrow. 1350, Fermor Hesketh, M.H., Liverpool. 1496, Trafford Alexandra Hotel, Moss-side, Manchester. 1588, Prince Leopold, M.R., Stretford. Red Cross Conclave of I., M.H., Liverpool. Walton Red Cross Conclave, Skelmersdale, H., Liverpool. Derby L. of I. M.H., Liverpool.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11.

- Lodge 241, Merchants, M.H., Liverpool. 322, Peace, Warren Bulkeley Arms, Stockport. 1250, Gilbert Greenall, M.R., Wigan. 1476, Blackpool, Clifton Arms, Blackpool. 1713, Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walton near Liverpool. Chap. 537, Lion, M.R., Birkenhead. Red Cross Conclave 55, Liverpool, M.H., Liverpool. Stanley L. of I., 214, Great Homer-street, Liverpool.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12.

- Lodge 281, Fortitude, Athenæum, Lancaster. 323, Concord, Florist Hall, Stockport. 430, Fidelity, Queen's Arms, Dukinfield. 1094, Temple, M.H., Liverpool. 1140, Ashton, Victoria H., Withington. 1256, De Grey and Ripon, M.R., Liverpool. 1398, Baldwin, Castle, Dalton-in-Furness. 1547, Liverpool, M.H., Liverpool. 1715, Arthur John Brogden, M.H., Grange-over-Sands. Chap. 673, St. John's, M.H., Liverpool. 1345, Victoria, Cross Keys, Eccles. Mark Lodge 158, Rose and Thistle, M.H., Wigan. Neptune L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13.

- Lodge 216, Harmonic, Adelphi Hot., Liverpool. 333, Royal Preston, Castle Hot., Preston. 477, Mersey, M.R., Birkenhead. 786, Croxteth, United Service, Liverpool. 1035, Prince of Wales, Skelmersdale, H., Liverpool. 1182, Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool. 1213, Bridgewater, Cross Keys, Eccles. Mark Lodge 268, Lathom, M.H., Southport. Ancient Union L. of I., M.H., Liverpool. Mariners L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.

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