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THE notice in last *Freemason* in respect of Bro. STEVEN's motion turns out to be, as we fancied, both incorrect and, at any rate, premature. Though we do not think that any fault can be found with its wording, which is both respectful and to the point, yet so narrow is the line of demarcation which exists between the privileges of Grand Lodge and the prerogatives of the GRAND MASTER, that, on constitutional grounds, as we apprehend is the case, such a notice is held by the advisers of the GRAND MASTER to be "ultra vires" as regards the action of Grand Lodge, and is, therefore, *not* placed on the agenda paper. This surely is a wise decision, as it saves an useless discussion and the time of Grand Lodge, inasmuch as the objection to the notice, on the score of constitutional propriety, must, we venture to think, have been fatal both in respect of its acceptance and discussion.

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THE agenda paper for next Grand Lodge is a very important one, and sets before us a programme of a long "seance." It includes the normal business and the election of the quota of the Boards of Benevolence, General Purposes, and the Colonial Board, as selected by Grand Lodge, and two appeals and six motions. There is (1) Bro. Baron de FERRIERES' motion for telling the votes of Grand Lodge on a division, which seems to us to be both simple and sensible, plain and practical. The one objection to the turnstiles was the moving and confusion, and any attempt to assimilate the system of Grand Lodge to that of Parliament was both absurd and impossible on the face of it. (2 and 3). Bro. JOHN CLABON's motion for the increase of Metropolitan contributions to the Fund of Benevolence will attract attention, and will receive a good deal of support on its merits. We do not feel, however, quite sure that it is wise or seasonable to raise the question just now, and think it had better be deferred until the proposed revision of the *Book of Constitutions* is fully and fairly discussed. The fourth motion is by Bro. RAYNHAM W. STEWART, as to the increase of the grant to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. No doubt some increase may fairly be asked for, and legitimately conceded; and conceding the principle of augmentation, it becomes a mere question of finance. Can the Grand Lodge afford an additional £800 per annum out of £4000 nett income, (more or less), per annum? This is the question Grand Lodge has to answer, and it is not for us to discount or forestall its possible or probable decision on the subject. The fifth motion is by Bro. EDWARD BUDDEN to create two musical exhibitions in aid of the Royal College for Music, one for £80 and one for £40. The first thought that strikes us, has Bro. BUDDEN quite realised the amount involved in his proposal, which at 3 per cent. must be £4000, though less if an interest of 4 or 5 per cent. could be secured. At the same time the object is a very good and praiseworthy one and one, too, in which loyal Freemasons will feel much personal interest for various reasons. The last motion is by our esteemed G. TREASURER, to grant £70 to the inmates of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution at Croydon for winter coals. This will be carried "nem. diss." So our readers will perceive that for once the agenda paper offers them a very diversified "menu."

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It will be noticed that the Board of General Purposes has completed by its Committee the revision of the *Book of Constitutions*, and properly suggest a special Grand Lodge to consider the alterations. It would be impossible to attend to such important details at an ordinary Quarterly Communication.

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WE are glad to notice that the Board of General Purposes has very properly "pulled up" a lodge for inattention to the *Book of Constitutions* on a most important point. Such is the ignorance of many worthy brethren in re the *Book of Constitutions*, that many more deviations from it occur than ever come before the official notice of our rulers. We heard a good story the other day, and which, unlike many stories, is authentic. A brother was dis-

cussing some matters with a distinguished member of our Order, when that distinguished member observed a shade of doubt and dissatisfaction stealing over his interviewer's face. "You have alluded frequently," that interviewer added, "to the *Book of Constitutions*. May I ask you what is the *Book of Constitutions*?" Our friends may well try to realize the collapse and the denouement. We would again impress upon our readers' and all Masters of lodges, the wisdom of presenting all initiates with a copy of this "great work." Indeed, we venture to think also that every W.M., on his installation, ought to have a copy specially and personally presented to him.

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WE have very great respect for our distinguished Bro. JOHN CLABON; we remember his high Masonic career, his meritorious work, and the signal services he has rendered to Masonic Benevolence. But a dictum of his, as reported in the printed proceedings of Grand Lodge is, in our humble opinion, so essentially unsound and unsafe, that for fear of unwise action and mischievous precedents, we feel bound to call attention to it and most respectfully to protest against it. It was the famous declaration of Lord ZETLAND on a very memorable occasion, that there is *no power of adjournment* either in Grand Lodge, Prov. Grand Lodge, or Private Lodge. It is true that the word "adjourned" creeps in in our older formulæ, but then it is supposed to refer to another meeting elsewhere, not to the lodge which *pro hac vice*, is absolutely and finally closed. And such has been the unchanged and unchanging common law, our *lex inscripta*, since 1717. There is no record, strictly speaking, producible (except through error of ignorance) of an adjourned lodge, though we fancy that in some earlier days a quasi sort of adjournment was for a special cause, held to be possible for G. Lodge, and took place, but was afterwards given up as unconstitutional, and has never since been practised. If our very distinguished brother's doctrine, as reported in Grand Lodge minutes, be correct, any lodge can adjourn. The Lodge of Benevolence, as a lodge, is opened and closed as such; and if it can adjourn any lodge can adjourn. Considering that the Lodge of Benevolence has been now at work for a very long space of time, and that no such idea was ever formerly held, that no such action has ever taken place, it is quite clear that such a departure from precedent, custom, and normal procedure could not take place without the sanction of the highest authority. As we all know, and value, and esteem highly our distinguished brother, words from him have a value and importance which do not attach to ordinary speeches, and we have felt it right, and we feel sure he will not blame us for it, to give expression to our honest and deliberate opinion upon the subject, based as that is on the study and usage of the *Book of Constitutions* and Masonic ritual now for many years.

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THE balance-sheet of the Grand Lodge is very striking, and worthy of attentive consideration. The returns for the Fund of Benevolence amount, with money borrowed from the Fund of General Purposes to meet a deficiency, to £12,256 2s. Its expenditure to £12,256 2s., including an adverse balance of £1540 17s. The real deficiency for the year ending December 31st seems to be £1743 11s., inasmuch as 1881 began with a balance to debit of £1540 17s., and the sum of £3284 8s. covers both these amounts. It is not quite fair to say that the Lodge of Benevolence is overdrawing to the amount of £3000 a year, inasmuch as there is a payment of £800 out of its funds to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and of £32 5s. for printing, &c.; so that when we subtract £832 5s. from £1743 11s. the nett deficiency on the benevolence votes is £911 6s. But having said this, we feel bound freely to confess that we think we are making some of our grants unnecessarily large. It is a fallacy to assume that because we have a large balance to the good therefore we are to give in marked "largesse." We are bound to give proper and liberal grants, but no more; and just as, undoubtedly, our grants were formerly too sparing, so now we are in the danger of rendering them too liberal, thereby increasing immeasurably the claims on our benevolence, and the strain on our resources. There was at the close of 1881 the sum of £50,016 10s. 6d., 3 per Cent. Consols, to the credit of the Fund of Benevolence. Its dividends amount to £1500 in round numbers, and lodge contributions to £7310. It disbursed in "bonâ fide" charitable grants in 1881 the remarkable amount of £9883. The Fund for General Purposes has on the receipt side £15,988 17s. 2d.; on the expenditure £12,019 1s. 6d., with a nett balance of £1784 15s. 8d., which is exclusive of £175 for wages, £2010 spent in the purchase of £2000 3 per Cent. Reduced,—a very satisfactory state of affairs. It had on the 31st of December £13,155 3 per Cent. Reduced in Stock. Its income from dividends is £356 4s. 8d.; rents, £2820 15s. 9d.; contribution of lodges, £7297 12s. 6d.; and contribution of Grand Chapter, £417. We feel bound to say that the

state of the funds, and the administration of our income, and our affairs generally, reflects the greatest credit on all concerned, and such, if we mistake not, will be the unanimous verdict of our readers and our Craft.

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In the *Evening News* last week appears a paragraph relating to some remarks of ours, as to non-Masonic papers publishing Masonic records. The writer seems to have misapprehended the drift of our remarks, as, while we ourselves do not object to the result of Masonic work appearing in non-Masonic papers, we certainly do not like to see accounts of Masonic work in lodge therein set forth. Some dislike to read any reports of our Charities in non-Masonic papers, and regard such publicity as so many advertisements for claims and claimants. We do not go so far as that, but are, on the contrary, glad when the non-Masonic press recognizes Masonic reality and records Masonic services.

UNITED GRAND LODGE.

The following is the agenda paper of Grand Lodge to be held on Wednesday, the 7th inst. :

1. The minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 1st of March for confirmation.
2. The minutes of the special Grand Lodge of the 15th of March for confirmation.
3. The minutes of the Grand Festival of the 26th of April for confirmation.
4. Election of members of the Board of General Purposes.
5. Election of members of the Colonial Board.
6. Election of members for the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons.
7. Report of the Lodge of Benevolence for the last quarter, in which are recommendations for the following grants. viz. :

	£	s.	d.
A brother of the Restoration Lodge, No. 111, Darlington	50	0	0
A brother of the Sydney Lodge, No. 829, Sidcup	50	0	0
The widow of a brother of the Ranelagh Lodge No. 834, London	50	0	0
A brother of the Lodge of Faith, 141, London	50	0	0
The widow of a brother of the Lodge Confidence, No. 193, London	50	0	0
The widow of a brother of the William of Wykeham Lodge, No. 1883, Winchester	75	0	0
A brother of the Lodge of Unanimity and Sincerity, No. 261, Taunton	50	0	0
A brother of the Whittington Lodge, No. 862, London	75	0	0
The widow of a brother of the Fitz Roy Lodge, No. 569, London	75	0	0
The widow of a brother of the De-la-Pole Lodge, No. 1605, Hull	75	0	0
The widow of a brother of the Saint Cuthberga Lodge, No. 622, Wimborne	150	0	0
A brother of the Amphibious Lodge, No. 258, Heckmondwike	50	0	0
A brother of the St. John the Baptist Lodge, No. 39, Exeter	50	0	0
A brother of the Lodge Semper Fidelis, No. 1254, Exeter	100	0	0
A brother of the Lodge of Love and Honour, No. 75, Falmouth	50	0	0

8. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.—To the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England.

1. The Board have to report that it having been represented to them that a lodge had recently elected and installed a Master who had served only eleven months as a Warden, the Master and Wardens were summoned to appear before the Board, and the facts being admitted, with the explanation that they occurred through inadvertence, the lodge was duly admonished for its inattention to the Constitutions, and it was declared that the election was null and void, that the late W.M. was still the Master, and must continue so to act until the next regular period of election, and until a successor shall have been duly elected and installed in his stead.

2. The Board have also to report that the growing practice of Secretaries of lodges styling and signing themselves Honorary Secretaries has been from time to time brought under their notice, and they think it desirable in this manner to draw attention to the fact that the title of Honorary Secretary is not authorised by the Constitutions.

3. Lastly, the Board desire to lay before the Grand Lodge the revision of the Book of Constitutions, on which much thought and attention have been bestowed, and they recommend that the Most Worshipful Grand Master be asked to convene a special Grand Lodge at a convenient time to consider the same.

(Signed) JOHN B. MONCKTON,
President.

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.
16th May, 1882.

At the meeting of the Board, held on Tuesday, the 16th of May, after the ordinary business had been disposed of, the following resolution was passed. viz. :

The members of the Board unanimously desire to express their sense of the ability and courtesy uniformly displayed on all occasions by the V.W. Bro. Sir John B. Monckton, as President of the Board of General Purposes.

(Signed) FRANK GREEN,
Vice President.

To the report is subjoined a statement of the Grand Lodge accounts at the last meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Friday, the 12th May inst., showing a balance in the Bank of England of £4191; and in the hands of the Grand Secretary for petty cash £75, and for servants' wages £100.

9. Report of the Committee appointed by Grand Lodge on the 1st March last, to investigate and report on the finances and present income of Grand Lodge—

That the Committee having met on the 16th of May, proceeded to enquire into and examine the various sources of income of Grand Lodge, as well as its current expenditure for the last three years, and they now beg to report, as the result of their investigations, that at the present time Grand Lodge is in receipt of an average net income of about £4000 per annum, which is, however, liable to considerable fluctuations, in proportion to the number of admissions of members into the Order and from various other causes.

(Signed) J. S. BROWNRIGG,
Provincial Grand Master for Surrey,
Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C. Chairman.
16th May, 1882.

10. The annual report of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons, dated the 19th May, 1882, will be laid before Grand Lodge.

11. APPEALS.—1. From Thomas J. Mountain, late of the New Zealand Pacific Lodge, No. 517, Wellington, New Zealand, against the decision of Grand Lodge, on the 7th December last, declining to entertain his former appeal against his expulsion from the order by the District Grand Lodge of Wellington (North Island), New Zealand, on the ground of its not having been made at the "next practical Grand Lodge," as required by page 95 Book of Constitutions, and praying that Grand Lodge will now consider the said former appeal on its merits.

2. From Bro. Alexander Dimant, of the New Zealand Pacific Lodge, No. 517, Wellington, New Zealand, against his suspension by the Deputy District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Wellington (North Island), New Zealand, previous to hearing and determining the complaint preferred against him—

And also against a sentence of expulsion from the Order subsequently passed against him by the District Grand Master of the said District Grand Lodge.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION.—1. Consideration as a substantive motion of the following amendment proposed by Bro. the Baron de Ferrieres, at the Quarterly Communication in March last, on the proposition submitted by the Board of General Purposes at that meeting, relative to Bro. Perceval's motion for counting votes in Grand Lodge on a division, and which amendment being carried, its consideration as a substantive motion was deferred until the Quarterly Communication in June, viz. :—

By Bro. Baron DE FERRIERES, M.P., P.M. No. 82—

That the counting of votes on a division in Grand Lodge be conducted in future on the following system : 1st. That there shall be eight tellers from the body of the hall, namely—the four Grand Deacons acting for Grand Lodge, and the proposer and seconder of the motion, with two brethren nominated by them, for the resolution. 2nd. That there shall be two tellers for the Grand Officers on the dais, namely—the Assistant Director of Ceremonies for Grand Lodge and a brother nominated by the proposer for the resolution. 3rd. That on a division being called for, a pair of tellers shall be placed opposite each of the four divisions of Grand Lodge and the dais, who shall request the brethren of their division to hold up their hands—first for "Ayes" and then for "Noes"—the tellers audibly counting the numbers each time, which shall be at once noted on paper, initialed by both tellers, and handed up to the Grand Secretary, who shall announce the result after receiving and adding up all the scores.

(2) By Bro. JOHN M. CLABON, P.G.D.—

That, for the purpose of maintaining and extending the Fund of Benevolence, all the members of the lodges in the London district (except military lodges), shall pay quarterly one shilling and sixpence each to the Fund, instead of one shilling as fixed by the Grand Lodge held on the 2nd March, 1814. And that all members of lodges not within the London district (except military, Colonial, and foreign lodges), shall pay quarterly ninepence each to the Fund, instead of sixpence, as fixed by the said Grand Lodge.

(3) That no sale be made of all or any part of the Capital Funds of Benevolence without the express order of a Grand Lodge, confirmed by a subsequent Grand Lodge.

(4) By Bro. RAYNHAM W. STEWART, P.G.D.—

That, in the event of the report of the Financial Committee appointed at the Quarterly Communication, held on the 1st day of March last being adopted, to move—That, having regard to the enormous increase in the number of lodges and chapters since the grant of £800 made by Grand Lodge in 1858 to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons, and for which the Institution had to send, and still sends, two voting papers to each lodge and chapter, that the amount to be contributed in future by Grand Lodge be increased by an annual payment of £300 to the Male Fund, and £500 to the Widows' Fund, such payment being borne by the fund at the disposal of the Board of General Purposes.

5. By Bro. EDWIN T. BUDDEN, P.M. No. 622—

Whereas one of the great objects of Freemasonry is to promote the liberal arts and sciences; and whereas the Most Worshipful Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales is endeavouring to establish a Royal College of Music, and solicits the co-operation and assistance of public corporations and associations throughout the land; and whereas the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and the Royal Princes, his brothers, have rendered great and valuable services to the Craft in this country. This Grand Lodge agrees out of the funds at its disposal to found one Grand Lodge Scholarship of the value of £80 per annum, and one Grand Lodge Exhibition of the value of £40 per annum, in the said Royal College of Music. And that the Board of General Purposes be instructed to carry this resolution into effect at the proper time.

6. By V.W. Bro. Lieut.-Col. JOHN CREATON, Grand Treasurer—

That the sum of £70 be given from the Fund of General Purposes; that the money be placed in the hands of the Secretary of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons, to supply the residents of the Institution at Croydon with coals during the winter season.

List of brethren nominated for the Board of General Purposes : Masters and Past Masters—Bros. R. Loveland Loveland, W.M. 1869; Alfred H. Tattershall, P.M. 140; Wm. H. Perryman, W.M. 1351; Hen. A. Dubois, P.M. 1777 in 142; Thomas C. Walls, W.M. 1512; Edgar Bowyer, W.M. 1964; George Brown, W.M. 140; William George Kentish, W.M. 1293; George Drysdale, W.M. 222; William Stephens, P.M. 1489; Charles Atkins, P.M. 27; William Bristow, W.M. G.S.L.; Arthur E. Gladwell, P.M. 172; William Smallpeice, P.M. 1395; Albert Escott, W.M. 1593; John H. Watts, W.M. 63; George Bolton, W.M. 1155; Edward Beaumont, W.M. 26; Charles Chester Cheston, W.M. 99; Ralph Clutton, W.M. 143; Frank Green, W.M. 1827; Edward Letchworth, W.M. 197; Henry Bishop, P.M. 66; Henry R. Cooper-Smith, P.M. 478; Henry Harben, P.M. 92; Charles Harding, P.M. 778; Alfred Meadows, M.D., P.M. 4; and George Pitt-Lewis, P.M. 165.

List of brethren nominated for the Colonial Board : Bros. Henry Francis Auldjo, W.M. 92; James Brett, P.M. 177; Augustus T. Day, W.M. 166; Ralph Gooding, P.M. 1; William George Lemon, W.M. 1601; James Henry Matthews, P.M. 143; and Griffiths Smith, P.M. 21.

List of brethren nominated for the Committee of Management for the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons : Bros. John James Berry, P.M. 554; Thomas W. C. Bush, P.M. 1728; Chas. A. Cottebrune, P.M. 733; William H. Goodall, W.M. 1567; Henry McPherson, P.M. 890; George L. Moore, P.M. 169; William J. Murlis, P.M. 1642; Robert Perry Tate, P.M. 862; Alf. H. Tattershall, P.M. 140; and James Willing, jun., P.M. 1507.

List of lodges for which warrants have been granted by the M.W. Grand Master since the last Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge :

- Lodge 1962, London Rifle Brigade Lodge, London.
- " 1963, Duke of Albany Lodge, London.
- " 1964, Clerkenwell Lodge, London.
- " 1965, Eastes Lodge, Bromley, Kent.
- " 1966, Lodge of Fidelity and Sincerity, Wellington, Somersetshire.
- " 1967, Beacon Court Lodge, New Brompton, Kent.
- " 1968, Duke of Manchester Lodge, Melbourne, Victoria.
- " 1969, Waldeck Lodge, London.
- " 1970, Hadrian Lodge, South Shields.

CONSECRATION OF THE GROVE LODGE, No. 1957, AT HAZEL GROVE, CHESHIRE.

The above lodge was consecrated on Monday, the 22nd inst., by the R.W.P.G.M. of the Province, Bro. the Right Hon. Lord de Tabley, at the National School Rooms, when the following members of the Craft were present:

Bros. the Right Hon. Lord de Tabley, R.W.P.G.M.; Herbert Finch, P.M. 104, P.G.D.C.; S. W. Wilkinson, P.P.S.G.D.; James Salmon, P.M. 425, 1477, 1674, 1908, P.P.S.G.D.; Jas. Whitehead, P.M. 654, W.M. 1952, P.G.D.C. Derbyshire; Peter Bramwell, P.M. 1952, P.G.S. of W. Derbyshire; John Beech, P.M. 361, P.P.G.P.; Jas. Beresford, P.M. 104, P.P.S.G.D.; D. A. Davis, P.M. 625, 1798, P.G. Supt. of W. Derbyshire; W. A. Clayton, P.G.J.W. West Lanc.; H. Beilbey, P.G. Swd. B. England; John Barrowby, P.M. 645, P.P.G.P. Derbyshire; H. Howard, P.M. 1126, P.P.S.G.D.; Thos. Socket, P.M. 295, P.G.S.D.; J. H. Brookes, S.W. 295, P.G. Swd. B.; Edwin Hardon, P.P.S.G.D. East Lanc.; W. Nutkon, P.P.J. G.D.; John Chadwick, P.G. Sec. East Lanc.; H. Jackson, P.P.G.P.; J. H. Bellyse, P.J.G.W.; Rev. J. W. Newett Tanner, P.P.G.C.; W. Grotorex, P.P.G.P.; Geo. W. Latham, P.G.D. England; John Siddley, P.M. 1045, P.G.A.D.C.; Wm. Harrison, P.P.S.G.D.; R. Beales, P.M. 533, 321, P.P.J.G.W.; John Peter Bardsley, W.M. designate; Thos. Smith, P.M. designate; W. C. Fleming, Sec. designate; Thos. Axon, S.D. designate; Edwin Smith, J.D. designate; Samuel Howard, I.G. designate; W. Booth, W.M. 104; R. Blakehurst, W.M. 287; R. Gray, W.M. 1126; R. Reddish, 667; J. Meadows, 322; H. Isherwood, P.M. 322; S. Renshaw, 322; J. Briggs, 731; J. F. Jackson, Sec. 654; J. W. Wyatt, I.P.M. 654; J. Hadfield, W.M. 625; Israel Shaw, 654; Isaac Bailey, 322; T. Woodruff, 324; J. Castle, S.W. (Moira); Donald Kay, 324; Arthur Horden, 267; J. St. Leger, 1952; W. Boothroyd, S.D. 1408; W. Gleave, 104; J. Nield, 287; W. Pritchard, 323; W. Dutton, P.M. 1166; J. Burgess, W.M. 1408; W. Ramsden; W. Marquis, P.M. 537; S. Orme, 295; S. May, S.W. 322; J. Heathcott, J.D. 1952; J. K. Green, S.D. 322; G. H. Barlow, 323; H. Clausen, P.M. 1077; W. H. Eppleston, P.M. 210; Josiah Hill, P.M.; Jas. Slade, W.M. 267; Edward Smith, 317; Thos. Milton, P.M. 200; H. Mayden, W.M. 295; H. Burgess, 295; R. Bentley, 104; T. Brough, 267; J. L. Newton, 104; A. Frith, 267; A. Cockayne, P.M. 267; G. H. Gundry, P.G.S. 267; J. Leigh, P.M. 287; R. Andrew, S.W. 336; W. Cardwell, J.D. 336; S. Bennett, W.M. 327; R. D. Bradbury, P.M. 322 and 336; P. Jackson, 368; W. Agar Renshaw, P.M. 1045; W. H. Brown, S.W. 322; A. Taylor, 287; E. G. Parker, P.M. 1565 and 1045; T. E. Watson, P.M. 361; Mark Stafford, P.M. 361; T. Oldfield, W.M. 210; Jas. Bromley, J.W. 210; A. Rangelly, 654; C. Shuttleworth, Org. 295; G. L. Vaughan, P.M. 1030; F. Hirscher, Org. 267; G. F. Bowden, P.M. 204 and 336; J. G. Bromley, I.P.M. 1375; W. Lanc.; Frank Holliday, 1166; J. Worsnup, P.M. 322; T. H. Hitchin, 1908; J. Hock, P.M. 323; John Scott, P.M. 322; Fras. Preston, J.W. 104; T. H. Kirk, P.P.G.O.; Joseph Astington; G. R. Broady, S.D. 322; John Brown, 533; G. Pugh, 210; Walter H. Vaughan, P.M. 1030; John Hindle, 26; Wm. Cartwright, S.W. 633; J. Marvin; W. E. Matthews; D. Hisson; J. P. Massey; R. H. Riley; John Wrigley, S.W. 210; Geo. Balle, Treas. 104; Samuel Wood; T. Thornley, Sec. 287; John Bell, 104; Joseph Emmerson, 104; John Sapp, J.W. 1908; G. H. Danby, S.W. 1908; John Rowarth, 210; W. Firth, 830; Jas. Wm. Abbott, P.M. 1030 and 1459; John Slack, P.M. 323; G. H. Kinson, P.M. 323 and 1126; Joseph Slack, P.M. 323; and R. R. Lisenden, J.D. 317 (*Freemason*).

The brethren assembled at 2.30, and after a great deal of struggling managed to sign the attendance book, in which, by reason of the crowding, many of the autographs could scarcely be deciphered. We cannot help expressing surprise that at provincial and other meetings, where a large number of brethren congregate, some better arrangements than those usually provided are not made for their convenience in depositing hats and coats where they will be likely to find them again without difficulty, and append their signatures in the attendance book without fear of being perpetually jostled against by an eager crowd on all sides.

Proceedings commenced at 3 o'clock, when the Prov. Grand D.C., Bro. HERBERT FINCH, called upon the following brethren connected with the four Stockport lodges to form a Craft lodge: Bro. W. Booth, W.M. 104; J. Marshall, W.M. 323; R. C. Blakehurst, W.M. 287; G. Bennett, W.M. 322; R. Gray, W.M. 1126; E. Johnson, J.D. 104; C. Pearson, P.M. and Sec. 104. Under the guidance of these brethren, who were simply perfect in their duties, the lodge was opened in the Three Degrees, and immediately afterwards the R.W.P.G.M. was announced, and entered the lodge-room, preceded by a long array of Present and Past Prov. Grand Officers, and was duly saluted.

The R.W.P.G.M. then addressed the brethren and congratulated them on the fact that the whole heart of Masonry in the Province of Chester was sound and vigorous. It was their duty to take care that new lodges did not multiply too quickly. Though the M.W.G.M., the Prince of Wales was not averse to granting new warrants in cases where there was shown to be a need, he wished to be assured in his own mind that the lodge would be well and respectably conducted, and so that it should redound to the credit of Masonry. He had grounds of assurance that the lodge he was about to consecrate would be conducted in the way and for the objects he had indicated. He warned them not to be hasty to make new members, and to be especially careful as to those who were admitted. He believed they had in Cheshire as good lodges, supported by as true a body of Freemasons, as in any province in the kingdom.

The R.W.P.G. Master's remarks were warmly applauded, after which the acting Prov. G. Chap., Bro. the Rev. J. W. TANNER, invoked a blessing on the proceedings.

The petition for and the warrant itself were read to the R.W.P.G.M., who enquired of the petitioners whether they approved of the officers named in the warrant, and on receiving a reply in the affirmative, the whole of the brethren present rose and sang the hymn "Behold how pleasant and how good," after which the acting P.G. CHAPLAIN delivered the following oration:

R.W.P.G.M., Officers, and Brethren—It devolves upon me, by your command, my lord, in the absence of the present Provincial Grand Chaplain (which I much regret, being more accustomed to the work than myself) to deliver the oration customary at the consecration of a Masonic lodge. Bear with me awhile, brethren, whilst I, as briefly as possible, endeavour to discharge the duty laid upon me. I will not shrink from the task imposed upon me, notwithstanding the short notice I received, but, asking your kind sympathy and forbearance, will endeavour to discharge my duty to the best of my ability. It is no trivial object for which we have been summoned and met here to-day to promote. It is not to inaugurate a club for convivial purposes, for mental and social recreation, but with a higher end in view—to consecrate a suitable place wherein to hold a Masonic lodge, to investigate those sublime, yet simple, principles of beauty, strength, and wisdom which our Order so strikingly illustrates. Let us then lift up our thoughts and our hearts to the G.A.O.T.U., and beseech Him to deign to look down upon us His creatures and servants from the throne of His glory, to bless and prosper us, and the labour of our hands this day; to make us all bright and perfect, just in all our dealings with one another, so that we may prove worthy of a continuance of His favour and protection here; and when our work is done, and we are summoned hence, our end may be peace, our names be written

in heaven, our dwelling place there with Him after. I do not propose on this occasion to dilate upon the purposes, excellencies and advantages of Freemasonry, as everything connected with our ancient Masonic art is too well known to you, brethren, for me to enlarge upon; such a theme besides has so often been made the subject of orations, that it would seem but flat, state, and unprofitable for you to listen to. I would however remind you that life is real; life is earnest; that time is short, and life uncertain. So we ought to be wise to-day, "tis madness to defer;" whatsoever our hands find to do we should do it with all our might, lest our working day may be over before our work is done; the night of death cometh when no man can work. Brethren, let us not forget that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong; neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor favour to men of skill. We are all in the hands of the T.G.A.O.T.U.; in Him we live, and move, and have our being. He ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; from Him cometh knowledge, wisdom, and strength. He must teach us, lead us, guide us, for without Him we can do nothing; with Him we can do all things; therefore we invoke His blessing upon all the purposes of our present assembling, humbly implore Him to give us wisdom in all our doings, and strength of mind under all our difficulties, the beauty of love and harmony in all our communications; and if ours is not mere lip service only, but fervent, heartfelt prayers, mounting up to His mercy seat on the wings of faith, it shall avail much and call a gracious answer down. The G.A.O.T.U., author of life and light, great source of love and happiness to us and all His creatures, will indeed permit us to erect this lodge, and solemnly to consecrate it to the honour and glory of His most Holy Name. He is present with us, though unseen, noting our words and actions. How, then, ought we, as Masons, behave before Him, so that at the last, having overcome, we shall receive the reward of our labours. Brethren, we may erect and consecrate lodges such as this, and leave nothing undone which Masonic ritual requires, but even then our work is not done, our duty to ourselves and others not discharged. The true Mason is a builder, who, whilst anxious to have all things just, regular, and particular, as regards his work and the ordering of a lodge, has another task to perform, another object in view, and that is, to build up himself, body, soul, and spirit, into a holy temple acceptable to God; to do all that is in his power, and, by Divine aid, to be a living stone, building up a spiritual house meet to be his habitation on earth, and when he leaves this earthly abode meet to be received within His heavenly temple above, there to enjoy light, bliss, and glory for evermore; and to this end he must listen to the still, small voice, speaking to him in conscience, in Holy Writ, in the records of the past, in the transactions of the present; let him hear that voice and be attentive to its commands, obeying without scruple or doubtfulness. Founded upon a rock, and not upon shifting sand, graven upon the corner stone of his building, and accurately adjusted by the level and square, each stone must be laid in due course, adding to faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge temperance, to temperance patience, to patience godliness and brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity, until the whole is completed; and the answer shall be, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." So mote it be to each and all assembled here in solemn convocation this day. May the Great Architect of the Universe deign to bless the W.M., and endue him with wisdom to govern prudently, with firmness and discretion, over the affairs of this lodge, and give to each brother his due. May the Wardens aid and support him at all times, and be found upright in word and deed, and may all the brethren of this newly-consecrated lodge, whether office-bearers or otherwise, combine together to do their duty to their Supreme Ruler in the Grand Lodge above. Be ever mindful of the duties which they owe to Him, as well as to each other; ready to obey in all things their superiors, to show love to their equals, good will to all mankind, so as to be a pattern to all Master Masons, living examples of love to God, of charity to all men, especially their poorer brethren and all in distress. May the G.A.O.T.U. thus sanctify us all to His service, thus incline us to obedience to His will, thus make us live on earth a faint reflection of life in heaven; and fit and prepare us to enter into His glory, when all that are His enter with rejoicing into His temple on high, the house of God, holy, glorious, and exceedingly magnificent; the house not made with hands, eternal, in the heavens, and dwell there with Him for ever and evermore.

On the conclusion of Bro. Tanner's oration the consecration ceremony was proceeded with. The lodge board, on which were the various belongings and requirements for the new lodge, was uncovered, and here the master hand of Bro. Finch, the D. of C. was observant in the tasteful manner in which everything had been arranged, a most pleasing feature being the introduction of some choice plants placed here and there amongst the paraphernalia, and forming a striking "coup d'œil." During the performance of solemn music, the P.G. Chaplain dispersed incense over the Masonic pavement, and read passages of scripture applicable to the ceremony.

The consecrating vessels, containing corn, wine, oil, and salt, were borne respectively by Bros. G. W. Latham, J. H. Bellyse, G. A. Fernley, and C. J. Howard, who made a circuit round the lodge, and at intervals handed the various elements of consecration to the R.W.P.G.M., who poured and sprinkled them on the lodge floor, during which proceeding musical responses were chanted by the choir, and further passages of scripture read, the R.W.P.G.M. dedicating the lodge to Masonry, Virtue, Benevolence, Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. The brethren next sang the anthem, "Hail Masonry, thou Craft divine," and the P.G. Chaplain concluded the ceremony with prayer.

The R.W.P.G.M. having constituted the new lodge, called upon Bro. H. Bulley, P.G.S.B. England, to instal the W.M. designate, Bro. J. P. Bardsley, P.M. 322, as first Master of the Grove Lodge, No. 1957, which that worthy brother did in right good style, and before the goodly number of eighty-three installed Masters. When the newly-installed Master had been proclaimed and saluted, he appointed his officers for the year, and they were accordingly invested by Bro. H. Bulley as follows: Bros. Isaac Higginbotham, S.W.; Thomas Moore, J.W.; Geo. E. Pearson, Treas.; W. C. Fleming, Sec.; T. Axon, S.D.; Edwin Smith, J.D.; Samuel Howard, I.G.; and — Fiddler, Tyler.

The Installing Master next gave the three addresses, and the installation ceremony was concluded with prayer, offered by the P.G. Chaplain.

"Hearty good wishes" were expressed by representatives from various lodges, and the lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 4.50.

Some 100 of the brethren afterwards repaired to the Mechanics' Institution, where a banquet had been provided for them by Mrs. Lowe, of the Cock Inn, at which hostelry the meetings of the lodge will be held. The newly-installed W.M., Bro. J. Peter Bardsley, presided at the banquet, sup-

ported by Bros. the Right Hon. Lord De Tabley, R.W.P.G.M.; the Rev. J. W. N. Tanner, P.P.G.C.; G. W. Latham, P.G.S.W.; Ed. Haddon, P.P.S.G.D. E. Lanc.; S. W. Wilkinson, P.P.S.G.D.; G. A. Fernley, P.P.J.G.W.; E. H. Griffiths, P.G. Sec.; J. H. Bellyse, P.G.J.W.; W. Harrison, P.P.S.G.D.; and several other past and present Provincial Grand Officers.

After the banquet, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and responded to; amongst them being "The Health of the W.M. of the Grove Lodge," proposed by the Right Hon. Lord De Tabley, and responded to by Bro. BARDSELY.

The other toasts included "The Installing Master, Bro. H. Bulley;" "The Recommending Lodges;" and "The P.G. Director of Ceremonies, Bro. Herbert Finch. In nearly all the speeches reference was made to the admirable manner in which the consecrating ceremony had been arranged and conducted by Bro. Finch, who had undoubtedly proved himself a Director of Ceremonies "par excellence." Bro. Finch was specially complimented also by the R.W.P.G.M.

Mrs. Lowe, who provided the banquet, deserves a word of praise for her able catering, whilst no better general could have been found than Bro. Cummins, P.M. 1549, for the able manner in which he commanded his staff of waiters, and arranged the banquet tables, which were profusely decorated with flowers and plants.

The musical portion of the programme was conducted by Bro. Henry Collier, P.G. Organist, and satisfactorily performed by those well-known Cheshire artistes: Bros. Mark Stafford, P.M. 361; T. Wilkinson, P.M. 1126; G. Balfe, Treas. 104; and W. Booth, W.M. 104.

THE ROYAL VISIT TO LEICESTER.

MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND.

On Monday last their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales visited Leicester, and opened the Abbey Park, which has been recently laid out by the Corporation as a place of recreation for the inhabitants.

Favoured by most brilliant weather, a hundred thousand people lined the route from the railway station to the Park, and by their enthusiastic cheers attested the popularity of their Royal Highnesses.

The town itself wore its gayest air. The line of route, about two miles, was spanned by numerous triumphal arches of handsome, costly, and artistic designs; every street was a blaze of glorious colour. An avenue of Venetian masts bearing banners, trophies, and streamers of flags, sometimes immense wreaths and baskets of flowers, stretched along the whole way; and from every window, decorated stand, and from the throats of an enormous multitude came the one word that expressed everything—Welcome!

Amongst those bodies who assembled to attest their loyalty, the Freemasons of the Province were conspicuous.

At half-past eleven o'clock a Provincial Grand Lodge was held, presided over by the R.W. Provincial Grand Master the Right Hon. the Earl Ferrers; amongst those present being,

R.W. Bro. W. Kelly, F.S.A., P.P.G.M.; W. Bros. G. Toller, jun., D.P.G.M.; Thos. Macaulay and Thomas Harrold, Prov. G. Wardens; T. Worthington Clarke, E. F. Mammatt, W. Beaumont Smith, G. Fowler Browne, R. Winter Johnson, and J. C. Duncombe, Past Prov. G. Wardens; Rev. S. Watkin Wigg and Rev. J. Bird, Prov. G. Chaplains; Rev. J. Henry Smith, Rev. F. H. Richardson, and Rev. C. Henton Wood, Past Prov. G. Chaplains; T. A. Wykes, Past Prov. G. Treasurer; T. Sheppard, J. H. Douglass, and C. C. Woodcock, Past Prov. G. Registrars; S. S. Partridge, Prov. G. Sec.; Walter S. Allen, Prov. G. Senior Deacon; W. H. Marris, F. J. Baines, A. M. Duff, T. Worthington, J. D. Bennett, and G. Odell, Past Prov. G. Deacons; S. Weaver, Prov. G. Supt. of Works; T. Cooke, T. Marson, and R. Taylor, Past Prov. G. Supt. of Works; Joseph Young, Prov. G. Director of Ceremonies; W. Crow, Prov. G. Asst. Director of Ceremonies; J. Halford, Past Prov. G. Asst. Director of Ceremonies; C. Sansome Preston, Past Prov. G. Reg., acting as Prov. G.S.B.; A. C. Smith, P. Prov. G.S.B.; A. Chamberlin, Prov. G. Organist; G. A. Lohr, W. T. Rowlett, and H. B. Ellis, P. Prov. G. Organists; R. L. Gibson, Prov. G. Purs.; Miles J. Walker, Prov. G. Asst. Purs.; M. H. Lewin, C. J. Wilkinson, G. Dewes, and B. Moore, P. Prov. G. Pursuivants; J. O. Law, Prov. G. Standard Bearer; S. A. Marris, A. Lewin, and E. H. Butler, Prov. G. Stewards; Dunn and Tanser, Prov. G. Tylers; R. B. Smith, W.M. 50; Edgar Taylor, W.M. 523; H. Norton, W.M. 1265; and many other Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, and Wardens of the several lodges in the province.

The attendance of brethren generally was exceedingly large, the spacious hall being inconveniently crowded. Among the visitors were

W. Bros. F. Binckes, P.G. Steward; J. McIntyre, D.G.J.W. South Australia; John Comyn, P.P.G.S.W. Notts; M. Ivowles, P.P.G.S.W. Notts; C. G. Wragg, Prov. G. Sec. Notts; A. J. Barber, 47; Alderman J. Smith, P.P.G.S.W. Derby; Rev. T. Orrell, P.P.G.C. Derby; W. Silver Hall, P.M. 253; W. Whittaker, P.M. 731; H. T. Bobart, P.M. 1085; E. Horne, P.P.G. Org. Derby; W. Hammond, P.P.G. Supt. of Works Warwick; J. Brooks, P.P.G.S.B. Warwick; H. Cawthorne, W.M. 432; H. W. Parker, P.P.G.D. Norths and Hunts; Rev. A. H. Cole-Hamilton, 1764; J. Bentham, P.P.G.P. Norths and Hunts; H. Hill, P.P.G.O. Norths and Hunts; W. Hanger, P.P.G.S.B. Norths and Hunts; John Vaughan, P.M. 86; W. L. Ball, W.M. 802; E. F. Stephens, Hiram Lodge, Jersey City, U.S.A.; and Thomas S. Nedham, 658, St. Cecile, New York, U.S.A.

After calling the rolls of lodges and of Prov. G. Officers, the Prov. G. Secretary, at the request of the R.W.P.G. Master, read an address of welcome which was intended to be presented to His Royal Highness, and which was adopted by acclamation.

A procession of the brethren in their jewels and regalia was then formed under the direction of the distinguished and able Prov. G. Director of Ceremonies, W. Bro. Joseph Young, and with the banner of the various lodges marched to the Market-place, where a stand had been specially provided for the Freemasons by the kindness of the Mayor and Corporation.

On their Royal Highnesses reaching the Market-place they met with a magnificent reception from the 20,000 people there assembled, while 6000 children sang "God Bless the Prince of Wales." On the royal carriage drawing up in front of the Masonic stand, Earl Ferrers stepped forward, and with a few appropriate remarks, presented the Prince of Wales with the following address:—

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND.

To His Royal Highness Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, K.G., K.I., K.T., G.C.B., &c., &c., and Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of England.

May it please your Royal Highness, we, the Provincial Grand Master, Past Provincial Grand Master, Deputy-Provincial Grand Master, officers and brethren of the Province of Leicestershire and Rutland, beg leave to offer to your Royal Highness, on his auspicious day, the assurance of our loyal obedience and fraternal respect, and to

give to you, Most Worshipful Sir, a hearty welcome to this ancient borough, the chief town of a county, which in former days gave to the craft, both in England and in India, an illustrious and beneficent ruler, in the person of "The great and good Marquis of Hastings, the friend of his Prince, the friend of his country, and the friend of mankind."

The Princes of your Royal House have ever been distinguished patrons of the Craft, but at no previous period have the principles of our Order been so vigorously upheld, the knowledge thereof so widely disseminated, and the educational and other charities of the Order so nobly supported as since your Royal Highness ruled over us.

Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen has ever the first place in the hearts of her people, and we humbly beg you, Most Worshipful Sir, to convey to Her Majesty our deep sense of gratitude to the Most High who so signally protects her "in her going out and coming in."

We invoke on your Royal Highness and your illustrious Consort the blessing of the Great Architect of the universe. May He build up the fortunes of your Royal House from foundation stone to pinnacle. May He bring safe to hearth and home your absent sons, and may they in the future become, like their Illustrious Father, patrons of our Order, its ornament and guard. May the wisdom of the Royal Solomon be yours and theirs. May you live long and happy lives on earth, believing ever that the spirit of loyalty to the Throne, and of devotion to our Grand Master, burn brighter in none than in the hearts of the Freemasons of Leicestershire and Rutland.

Dated at Freemasons' Hall, Leicester, this 29th day of May, 1882.

FERRERS, P.G.M.

G. TOLLER, JUN., D.P.G.M.

WILLIAM KELLY, P.P.G.M.

SAMUEL S. PARTRIDGE, P.G. Sec.

The Prince of Wales having graciously accepted the Address, handed the Earl Ferrers the following reply:—

"Brethren, I thank you for your address, and for the cordial and fraternal terms in which you are good enough to refer to my presence in your town. Members of my house have for so long a period been connected with the Craft, that I experienced a peculiar pleasure in accepting the important post of Grand Master of Freemasons in England on the resignation of Lord Ripon. It has been my earnest wish since I assumed the duties of the office, to uphold in their strictest integrity the ancient rights and privileges of the order, and to promote by my example and influence the interest of the numerous educational and charitable institutions which are connected with Freemasonry and are so generously supported by the brethren. The Queen highly appreciates the attachment of Her Masonic subjects, and it will afford her, I feel assured, sincere gratification to hear of the expression of loyalty and your gratitude to the Most High, for her merciful preservation on the occasion of the recent attempt upon her life. Let me, in conclusion, return you the warmest acknowledgments of the Princess of Wales and myself for the kind and affectionate words in which you allude to us and to our children; and especially to your reference to our sons, whom we trust soon to welcome home."

The R.W. Past Provincial Grand Master then presented his Royal Highness with a copy of his work "The History of Freemasonry in Leicestershire," elegantly bound in blue morocco. We understand that the Princess of Wales also graciously signified her willingness to accept a copy of another of our worthy Bro. Kelley's works "Royal Progresses to Leicester."

The school children having sang two verses of the National Anthem, the royal cortège passed on to the Park, and the Masonic procession returned to Freemasons' Hall, where the Provincial Grand Lodge was resumed; and, after appointing a Steward to represent the Prov. Grand Lodge at the approaching festival of the Boys' School, and passing votes of thanks to the Corporation for the facilities they had afforded for the presentation of the address in Market Place, to the Masonic Reception Committee for the very satisfactory arrangements they had made, and to the Prov. Grand Secretary for his services, the Prov. Grand Lodge was closed, and the brethren partook of luncheon.

A word of praise is due in particular to the Prov. Grand Director of Ceremonies for the admirable and expeditious manner in which he marshalled and directed the procession. His valuable efforts were ably seconded by the following brethren, who were specially deputed to aid him as Assistant Directors of Ceremonies.

Bros. F. J. Baines, W. Wilkinson, B. Moore, F. W. Bottrill, T. Worthington, F. J. Lawton, J. Healey, J. Hassall, J. Hacker, and W. Beeson.

The following brethren also rendered valuable service as special Stewards in carrying out the various arrangements of the day, for the reception and convenience of the brethren at the hall, viz., Bros. S. A. Marris, R. Curtis, T. G. Charlesworth, S. Knight, J. H. Thompson, W. A. Fielding, and W. Bream.

The public proceedings on the occasion were brought to a termination by a most brilliant illumination of the town, the leading streets being a blaze of light.

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE.

In an article on Masonic brevities, the *Voice of Masonry* has the following: "Much of the opposition to Freemasonry is the outcropping of ignorance of its principles and requirements. An instance in proof of this was recently related to us by the Worshipful Master of a Minnesota lodge. His grandmother, eighty-one years of age, had become thoroughly Blanchardized, and could not think any good of Freemasons or their institution. Unaware that her grandson was a member of the despised Fraternity, she travelled from near Galesburg, Illinois, into Minnesota, to visit him. Arriving there she made a great display of "The Cynosure" and its tracts, and lost no opportunity to denounce the Fraternity. At last it dawned upon her that she was the guest of a Master Craftsman, and it worried her terribly. Wisdom dwelt with him in the person of his wife, and she placed a manual of the lodge in the old lady's hands, with the request to read it carefully and digest it well before uttering any condemnation of the Brotherhood. One day was spent in its perusal, and thereafter not a word of condemnation of Freemasonry escaped the old lady's lips. Masonic light dawned on her, and her opposition had been conquered. Thus it might be in many other cases would Craftsmen open their own eyes to their duties to their mothers, sisters, wives, and daughters. The expense of Masonic literature is small, and the benefit certain to accrue is great, as the foregoing instance fully demonstrates. Then wake up, brethren, and let your light shine all around you."

Which reminds us to say that one of the best means of accomplishing our aims and making known our principles is through the medium of public installations and other gatherings of the Craft, where the families and friends of the brethren being present, may learn to some extent what Masonry is, and the work it proposes to do. We inaugurated the custom in 1844, in the lodge of which we were then Master—probably the first of such meetings, at least since the close of the Morgan excitement—and we have attended hundreds more since that time, and we declare our sincere belief that with the aid of the press they have been largely instrumental in conciliating public esteem and helping the institution to win its present exalted position.—*N. Y. Dispatch*.

CONSECRATION OF R.A. CHAPTERS AT JARROW AND GATESHEAD.

Yesterday two chapters were consecrated by the Durham Provincial Grand Superintendent, Comp. the Marquess of Londonderry, K.P. The first ceremony took place in the New Masonic Hall, Jarrow, where the St. Bede Chapter, No. 1119, was consecrated. There was a numerous attendance of provincial and other companions. At the opening of the chapter at Jarrow, Ex. Comps. E. D. Davis officiated as Director of Ceremonies, and W. M. Bell as Assistant Director of Ceremonies. The Marquess of Londonderry acted as Z., Ex. Comp. H. J. Turnbull as H., and Ex. Comp. B. Levy as J. Comp. R. Hudson officiated as P.G.S.E., assisted by Comps. T. Bradley, J. J. Clay, J. D. Todd, C. R. Fry, and Comp. Malcolm, as Janitor.

The consecration ceremony was performed in a solemn and impressive manner by the Provincial Grand Superintendent and the other Principals. The musical portion of the ceremony was effectively rendered by Comps. Whitehead, Walker, J. G. Smith, D. Sinclair, and G. Porteous.

Comp. Robert Hudson was installed as Z., and he afterwards invested Comps. J. S. Wilson as H., M. H. Dodd, as J., J. A. Witter as Scribe E., Alexander McDougall as Scribe N., and J. T. Wilson as P.S.

Comp. HUDSON said he was only expressing the feelings of the members of the Chapter of St. Bede when he tendered to their Provincial Grand Superintendent their thanks for the kind manner in which he had honoured them that day by his presence, and he moved that their thanks be given to the Marquess of Londonderry for his kindness in coming and consecrating the chapter that day.

Comp. H. DODD seconded, and the companions expressed their thanks in the usual manner.

The Marquess of LONDONDERRY said he could assure them he did not expect he should be received with the cordiality which the companions had manifested on the occasion. It had given him great pleasure to represent and consecrate the chapter, and he trusted that this, his first Masonic visit to Jarrow, would not be the last. (Applause.) They had had to lament the loss of their dear brother and companion Crookes, the P.G.S., but they had in the companion whom they had that day installed as Z., Bro. R. Hudson, one who would devote his best efforts to the interests and welfare of the chapter and to the province, as he had done to everything connected with the Craft in their province. (Loud applause.) He again thanked the chapter for their kindness.

The chapter was then closed. Bro. R. Hudson introduced a deputation from the St. Bede Lodge, 1119, who desired to present an address to the Prov. Grand Master, the Marquess of Londonderry. Bro. Sedcole, the Hon. Sec. of St. Bede's Lodge, read the illuminated address, of which the following is a copy:

"To the Most Noble the Marquess of Londonderry, K.P., P.G.M. of the Province of Durham.

"We, the W.M., P.M.'s, and Brethren of St. Bede Lodge, No. 1119, of Freemasons, Jarrow, most humbly desire to express our gratitude for your great kindness in honouring us with your presence and services on the occasion of the consecration of St. Bede Royal Arch Chapter, and to assure you of our devotion to you as our P.G.M. It is not only a pleasing duty to execute your wishes, but a source of pride and satisfaction to know that the brethren of this province are governed by the representative of so illustrious a house, and we feel certain that so long as the influence of your name and character is exercised among Freemasons of the province the dignity, honour, and welfare of the Craft will be faithfully upheld.

(Signed) "Alex. McDougall, W.M.; M. H. Dodd, I.P.M.; J. T. Dickinson, P.M.; James Ponder, P.M.; T. Renton, P.M.; J. A. Witter, P.M.; James Sedcole, Hon. Secretary."

Bro. ALEX. McDOUGALL, W.M., presented the address, which was accepted by the Prov. Grand Master, who assured the deputation that he felt deeply gratified by the expression of their kindness. It should be his earnest endeavour to perform the duties of his position to the satisfaction of the brethren, and he believed he should have the support of every loyal Freemason in the province. (Loud applause.)

The proceedings then terminated. The Marquess of Londonderry and the accompanying officers and others proceeded by special train to Gateshead, and on their arrival they assembled at the newly-erected Masonic Hall, in Jackson-street. The chapter was duly opened, Comps. S. M. Corbett as Z.; H. Hotham as H.; T. Spearman as J.; and J. Moutt as P.S. The companions having received the Provincial Grand Superintendent in the usual Masonic manner, Comp. H. J. Turnbull acted as Second, and Comp. J. S. Wilson as Third Principal. The Provincial Grand Superintendent was supported by Colonel Potter, P.G. Superintendent of Northumberland; Dr. Cooke, P.Z.; R. B. Reed, P.Z.; and others.

The consecration ceremony of the Industry Chapter, No. 48, was performed in a most impressive manner, Comps. Levy, Turnbull, Wilson, R. Hudson, T. Bradley, J. J. Clay, and others assisting the Provincial Grand Superintendent therein, Comp. E. D. Davis acting as Director of Ceremonies, and Comp. W. M. Bell as Assistant Director. The Director of Ceremonies having proclaimed the chapter duly consecrated, the Prov. G. Superintendent installed Comp. R. H. Reed, as Z.; and Comp. Reed afterwards invested the following Principals and officers: Comps. Dr. Cooke, H.; John Wood, J.; John Moutt, Scribe E.; David Sinclair, Scribe N.; J. G. Smith, P.S.; and J. Curry, Janitor.

Comp. E. D. DAVIS announced that on June 15th, in the Masonic Hall, Newcastle, the G. Supt. of Northumberland, Col. Potter, would have the pleasure of holding a Provincial Grand Chapter, and of consecrating the new Chapter of the Gosforth Lodge, and it would give him the greatest pleasure to meet them. (Applause.)

The First Principal, Comp. R. B. REED, said their best thanks were due to the Prov. Grand Supt. for the high honour he had done them in coming there to consecrate that new chapter. They knew the many duties he had to perform, and he had come that day so zealously and efficiently to consecrate the chapters at Jarrow and Gateshead for the welfare of the order, that they must all feel deeply indebted to him. (Applause.) He proposed that their best thanks be given to the Marquess of Londonderry. (Applause.)

The PROV. GRAND SUPERINTENDENT said he thanked them for the kind vote of thanks which Ex. Comp. Reed had proposed, and they had so kindly accorded. Although he had many duties to perform, one of his pleasantest duties was that he had performed that day, because it had brought him more into connection with Royal Arch Freemasonry than he had been brought before. (Applause.) He thanked them for the manner in which they had received him, and he trusted he should have an opportunity again of visiting the chapter. (Applause.) He hoped the newly-consecrated chapter would be an honour to itself and a credit to the Order generally. (Applause.) The companions afterwards sat down to a sumptuous banquet.

ANNUAL SUPPER OF THE DALHOUSIE LODGE OF INSTRUCTION No. 860.

A very successful reunion of the members of the above successful lodge took place on the 19th ult. The chair was taken by Bro. Burreton, W.M. 860, who was ably supported by Bros. Smyth and Glass as Senior and Junior Wardens, Past Master Wallington, the esteemed Preceptor, being the I.P.M. Among the brethren present were: Bros. F. Carr, the indefatigable Hon. Sec.; Wardell, P.M.; Allen, A. Clark, Holsworth, Smyth, Darnell, C. H. Webb, P.M., Catling, Boyce, T. Clark, Edwards, Dallas, Corble Polak, G. H. Stephens (*Freemason*); and others.

The good fare as provided by the worthy host gave great satisfaction, and the subsequent proceedings were characterised by unanimity and harmony. The usual loyal and Craft toasts were duly honoured, and some capital songs greatly enlivened the proceedings, Bro. Stephens also giving a capital recitation.

In toasting "The Hon. Sec., Bro. F. Carr," that brother was warmly praised for the success which had attended the lodge since he undertook the duties of Secretary; and in reply Bro. Carr gave a good account of the doings of the lodge. Fifty-one meetings had been held during the year. Boxing Day having prevented a regular meeting, although several of the members attended. The average attendance had been sixteen each meeting. £5 5s. had been placed upon Bro. Dignam's (W.M. 1524) list for the Girls' Schools, and the usual guinea had been voted towards the Christmas entertainment of the Aged Freemasons at Croydor, and also donated one guinea each Christmas for the Aged Freemasons' Entertainment. Nor has the lodge been unmindful of individual claims on its charity, having afforded substantial relief to several deserving applicants. With such a capital result to look back upon, we can heartily wish the Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction and its esteemed Preceptor, Bro. Wallington, P.M., "Hearty good wishes" and every success.

We were further pleased to gather that since the establishment of the lodge at its present comfortable quarters, the brethren have kept the claims of the Masonic Institutions well in view, having in 1878 given £5 5s. on Bro. Wallington's list for the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and £5 5s. to Bro. Dickens for the Boys' School; in 1880 £5 5s. on Bro. Allen's list for the Girls' School, and £5 5s. on Bro. Smyth's list for the Boys' School; and in 1882 £5 5s. on Bro. Dignam's list for the Girls' School.

MASONIC CONCERT AT WIGAN.

Perhaps one of the most enjoyable evenings that one could wish for was spent on Friday, the 19th ult., when the brethren of the mystic tie threw open their handsome Masonic Hall to their friends. Many have been the surmises among the fair sex connected with or related to Masons as to why the brethren should be so exclusive, and out of deference to their wishes and with the object of providing entertainment for the ladies, it was arranged by the Mark Masons that a concert should be given by several brethren from Southport, who form a little orchestra among themselves, and by a few members of the Rose and Thistle Mark Lodge in Wigan. The Mark brethren from Southport consisted of Bros. Fox, Whitehead, Hesketh, Johnson, Halsall, and Roberts, Mr. Seddon and Mr. R. W. Aldridge, and to these gentlemen especially, thanks are due for the admirable music provided. The lodge was profusely decorated, a very agreeable feature being the beautiful collection of plants which were kindly lent for the evening by the Earl of Crawford, and many were the expressions of surprise when the lodge was seen for the first time by the large and fashionable audience that had assembled. The band played several attractive selections, perhaps the selection from Sullivan's "Patience" being most enjoyed. Bro. Fox, a member of the Southport Lodge, played in excellent style and with correct taste a "Gavotte" and "Musette," by Raff, and was tastefully accompanied by the band, who throughout the evening played in better tune than is generally the case amongst amateurs, to whom correct tuning is a matter of difficulty. Bro. Whitehead sang two songs, "Rose Marie" and "The last watch," which pleased the audience, although the singer seemed suffering from a severe cold, which affected the control of his voice. The Wigan musical brethren acquitted themselves admirably, Bro. W. Gray singing "Polly" and "The midshipmite" with taste and vigour; Bro. W. Johnson "The Arab's farewell," and Bro. H. Boucher the favourite old song "Hearts of Oak," both singers being in good voice; Bro. H. T. Byrom, in Sullivan's beautiful song "The distant shore," and in another very effective little song which rumour says has been composed by a popular Wigan brother, and which had to be repeated later on by general desire, being heard to advantage, being in better voice than for some time. Bro. J. Dwarber accompanied most of the songs with his usual good taste, and added much to the enjoyment by playing a solo called "Les Cloches," which was much admired. The concert terminated about ten o'clock p.m., and, in response to the general wish, the room was cleared, and a most enjoyable dance was participated in by a large number. Refreshments were served during the evening, and one of the most sociable of evenings ended by a general wish that another should be given as speedily as possible. The visitors had every provision made for their comfort and enjoyment, Bro. J. Murray, Master of Mark Lodge, and the other brethren, being most assiduous in their attention to all present.—*Wigan Examiner*.

MASONIC BENEVOLENCE ASSOCIATION FOR JAMAICA.

The following circular has been addressed to the brethren of the Craft in this island, and, we are glad to say, responded to liberally by the several lodges working in the province, also by the brethren generally, the list of subscribers increasing every day:

Kingston, 4th March, 1882.

"Dear Sir and Brother,—We have great pleasure in informing you that it has been determined to establish a General Masonic Benevolence in this province, and in inviting your co-operation and aid. We enclose a copy of the rules passed at a meeting of Masons recently held in this city, and a preliminary list of donors and subscribers.

"We trust it will be convenient for you to assist the promoters in their efforts at once to establish the Association, by early communicating to the Treasurer (Bro. J. C. Ford) the nature and the contribution of the amount you will generously give. As soon as the preliminaries are completed, voting papers will be issued to the subscribers by the Committee of Arrangements, for the election of a Board of Management.

"We remain, dear Sir and Brother, yours faithfully and fraternally,

"ALT. DECORADOVA,
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M. P. C. MCCORMACK, } to
J. C. FORD, } solicit
A. C. SINCLAIR, } Contributions.

"JAMAICA MASONIC BENEVOLENCE ASSOCIATION.
"A meeting of Masonic brethren was held at the Friendly Lodge, Kingston, on the evening of the 6th March, 1882, the Right Worshipful Bro. Altamont DeCordova in the chair.

"After the Chairman had stated the object of the meeting, it was, on motion of Bro. J. C. Ford, seconded by Worshipful Bro. M. P. C. McCormack, resolved:—

"1. That a General Masonic Benevolence be established.
"2. That such Benevolence shall partake of the character of aid to distressed brethren, their widows and orphans, under the direction of a Committee of Management.

"3. That a Committee be appointed to canvass the lodges and brethren in the Island for donations and subscriptions; to draw up rules and regulations for the government of the Benevolence, and for the purpose of putting the resolutions of this meeting into immediate practical effect—five to be a quorum.

"A committee was appointed for the purposes of the 3rd resolution.

"The Chairman presented a code of rules and regulations which, he stated, had been prepared in conference with Worshipful Bro. M. P. C. McCormack and Bro. Ford. The rules were read, and, after discussion, the amendments, were agreed to."

FREEMASONS AT CHURCH.

On Sunday, the 21st ult., the members of the lodges in Carlisle attended morning service at Upperby Church, when a collection was taken in aid of the Cumberland Charities. There was a good attendance of brethren, and the church was overcrowded. The Rev. Wm. Cockett, the vicar, read the opening prayers, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. Joshua Tyson, curate of Kirkandrews, and Chaplain of the Beclive Lodge, who took for his text the words of St. Paul—"Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth" (1st Cor. x. 24). He pointed out the meaning of the words as shown in their context, enforcing the three points—firstly, that we were not to be selfish, but ought to do what was in our power for the general advancement in knowledge and virtue; secondly, that we were called upon to obey the words of the text from the strong consideration that all we had was the property of God; and, thirdly, that the principle of the text was enforced by the life of Christ, who gave Himself for others. He concluded with an earnest appeal to the brethren to support the Charities. The first mark of a true Mason was fidelity and zeal in support of the Queen and Constitution; the second mark was the submission of an inferior to a superior and the brotherly kindness of every superior to his inferior; while the third mark was based on the principle of doing unto others as we would wish others to do unto us. One great distinguishing feature of Freemasonry was a willingness to help one another, and it was on that principle that he asked them to support those valuable institutions which were doing so much good to the poorer classes of the city and neighbourhood. The collections during the day amounted to nearly £15.

BRO. SIR REGINALD HANSON.

Bro. Hanson, Sheriff of London and Middlesex, upon whom Her Majesty has been pleased to signify her intention of conferring the honour of knighthood, in commemoration of her recent visit to Epping Forest, is a son of Mr. Samuel Hanson, whose family has been connected with Billingsgate Ward for nearly a century and a half. He was born in the year 1830, and was educated at Rugby and at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he took the usual degrees. He has represented Billingsgate Ward for eight years in the Court of Common Council, and was elected Alderman of that Ward in 1880. He served as Chairman of the City Library and Local Government Committees, and is a member of the Shipwrights' and Merchant Tailors' Companies, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Antiquaries, and a member of the Philological and other learned societies. He is also a Governor of the Fellowship Porters' Company and a Governor of Bridewell and Bethlehem Hospitals, and of St. Thomas's Hospital. Bro. Hanson was initiated in the Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 759, in March, 1876, and is also a member of the chapter attached to the lodge. He is also a member of the London Rifle Brigade Lodge, recently consecrated, and was one of the petitioners. He is a member of the firm of Messrs. Hanson, Son, Evison, and Barter, grocers and fruit merchants, of Botolph-lane; and he married a daughter of Mr. Charles B. Bingley, of Stanhope-Park, Greenford, Middlesex.

H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, P.G.W., has consented to open the new hospital in Henrietta-street, Covent-garden, on St. Peter's Day, June 29th.

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18th May, 1882.

GRAND LODGE OF MARK MAS- TER MASONS OF ENGLAND AND WALES AND THE COLONIES AND DEPENDENCIES OF THE BRITISH CROWN.

The Right Hon.

LORD HENNIKER,
M.W. Grand Master.

The Right Hon.

THE EARL OF KINTORE,
R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

INSTALLATION OF M.W. GRAND MASTER.

The Summer Half-yearly Communication of this Grand
Lodge will be held at Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-
street, W.C., on Tuesday, the 6th day of June next, when
and where all Grand Officers (Past and Present), W.
Masters, Past Masters, and Overseers of Private Lodges
are hereby summoned to attend, and at which, by permis-
sion, all regularly registered Mark Master Masons may be
present.

Grand Lodge will be opened at Five o'clock p.m.

By command of the M.W. Grand Master,
FREDERICK BINCKES, P.G.J.W.,
Grand Secretary.

N.B.—A Banquet will be provided at Seven o'clock, at
which the Grand Master will preside. The Tickets will be
15s. each, inclusive of wine, if taken before the day of
meeting, and 17s. 6d. if taken on that day, and it is re-
quested that every brother intending to dine will forward his
name to the Grand Stewards, care of the Grand Secretary,
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HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES, K.G.,
&c., M.W.G.M.

PATRONESS:

HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS OF WALES.

In accordance with a resolution of the General Com-
mittee a Special General Court of the Governors and
Subscribers of this Institution will be held at Freemasons'
Hall, Great Queen-street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on
Saturday, 10th June, 1882, at twelve o'clock at noon pre-
cisely, to consider the following notices of motion:—

By Bro. FRANK RICHARDSON, P.G.D., Vice-Patron.—

"That the Report of the House Committee as to the sani-
tary state of the School Buildings, presented to the General
Committee on the 23rd May, 1882, be received and
adopted, and that the matter be referred back to the
House Committee to carry out, at an expense not exceed-
ing £1300."

By Bro. E. LETCHWORTH, P.G. Std., Vice-Patron.—

"That Bro. Dr. William Hope, of 56, Curzon Street,
Mayfair, Senior Physician to the Belgrave Hospital
for Children, be appointed to the post of Honorary
Physician to the Institution."

By Bro. A. H. TATTERSHALL.—

"That a gratuity of £25 be awarded to the Senior Clerk,
Bro. W. G. Weber, on his leaving the Office of the
Institution, in consequence of ill-health, to assist in
defraying the expenses of his journey to Australia."

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

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ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

ELECTION, MAY 19TH, 1882.

BRO. W. H. HUBBARD

desires through this medium to thank those brethren whom
he has not already had, or may not have, an opportunity of
thanking, either personally or by letter, for their kind sup-
port upon the occasion, an aggregate of 2630 Votes having
been recorded in his favour, placing him at the head of the
Poll by a very large majority.

Hampton Wick, S.W.,
24th May, 1882.

TO ADVERTISERS.

THE FREEMASON has a large circulation in all parts of the Globe
In it the official Reports of the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland,
and Scotland are published with the special sanction of the respec-
tive Grand Masters, and it contains a complete record of Masonic
work in this country, our Indian Empire, and the Colonies.

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

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

To Correspondents.

Bro. Patterson's letter received. The tone is so bad
that we decline inserting any further communications on
the subject.

Bro. James's letter has been received, but we think it
better not to publish it. Our opinion on the great con-
stitutional question involved has been clearly expressed.

BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED.

"Keystone," "The Royal Cornwall Gazette," "El
Taller," "The Broad Arrow," "The Citizen," "Jewish
Chronicle," "The Freemason's Chronicle," "West Lon-
don Advertiser," "Die Bauhutte," "Allen's Indian Mail,"
"El Malleto," "The Hull Packet," "Masonic Token,"
"The Gazette," "The Court Circular," "The Liberal
Freemason," "The Canadian Craftsman," "New York
Dispatch," "The Carlisle Patriot," "Masonic Herald,"
"Antiquarian Magazine," "La Acacia."



SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 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 fairplay to all to permit—within certain necessary limits—free
discussion.]

THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

To the Editor of the "*Freemason*."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Nobody appreciates more than myself the labours
of the various Committees in connection with our three
Institutions, but I venture to think that a very great mis-
take has been made in the treatment of the drainage ques-
tion at Wandsworth. The whole building appears to have
proper drains, but a system of disconnection and ventila-
tion is required. This work could be done for a very small
sum, say something under the £297, thus saving the
£1000, if two or three experienced surveyors were con-
sulted; and they could be selected from among the
Governors of the Institution, giving their advice gratis, as
a sub-committee. Instead of this, the members of the
Premises Committee have consulted a newly-formed com-
pany, known to the public through extensive advertising.
The report of this company is supported by a gentle-
man who has talked and written a great deal about drain-
age, and an enormous expense will be incurred in carrying
out the newest fashion in sanitary theories.

And I should like to ask whether tenders have been in-
vited for the execution of the work. If not, it is probable
that the alterations, according to the report, could be done
for hundreds of pounds less.

It is hard work to collect the funds for our Charities, and
it behoves all to see that no money is wasted, either on the
latest sanitary craze or any other passing fashion, so
trust that some able brother will move the rejection of th
scheme at the next General or Special Court.

Yours, &c.,

OBSERVER.

BRO. EDMONSTON'S LETTER.
To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

It seems to me a matter of regret that such a letter as that published by you last week, signed "T. Edmonston, P.M.," should have been allowed to appear.

This letter strikes at the root of all authority as regards the treatment of visitors to lodges; authority laid down by the Book of Constitutions, and interpreted by the Present and Past Grand Secretary. It is the law that no visitor shall be admitted unless he be personally known, recommended, or vouched for, after due examination, by a brother present. No brother is entitled to be examined until he has produced his certificate.

And yet the brother who signs himself a "P.M.," and has, therefore, acted as W.M. and J. Warden, asserts that the practice of requiring the production of a certificate is opposed to Masonic teaching, and to the spirit of Freemasonry. Before your correspondent was installed W.M. he promised that no visitor should be received without producing proper vouchers of his initiation. This he seems to have forgotten.

Last week's number may be read by many young Masons who put faith in the P.M.; the present number pointing out how radically wrong he is will probably not be seen by many of the readers of the former; much harm may be the result.

I am, dear Sir and Brother, yours fraternally,

J. E. LE FEUVRE,

S.G.W. Hants and Isle of Wight.

May 25th, 1882.

[We have taken the liberty to alter and shorten our correspondent's letter. We quite agree with him in his general view of the case.—ED. F.M.]

ALEXANDRE II. DETAILS INEDITS SUR SU VIE
INTINIE ET SU MORT. PAR VICTOR LAFERTE.
H. Georg. Geneva, 1882.

This is a little work published at Geneva, which has made some recent stir on the Continent. It is not quite certain whether Victor Laferte be a real name, and it is generally believed, on the contrary, that it is a pseudonym. But in this, as in other matters, often general opinion may be wide of the truth; and as at this distance, like other critics it is impossible for us to decide the doubt, we leave the matter an open question. We do not think that the book will have any very great interest for English readers. Not that they do not deeply sympathize with the Russian Imperial family, and the Russian nation, with the dreadful, and wicked, and shameless assassination of a wise ruler, and an excellent, kindly, well-intentioned, large-hearted man. On the contrary, the horror of England at that fell crime, that dastardly deed, that outcome of craven iniquity and senseless barbarity combined, was deep, outspoken, and sincere, and is still as vivid and sustained as ever. Indeed, this recital does but intensify the fearfulness of the act, and shamelessness of the sin, though it adds but little to our knowledge of the criminal and the crime. Some of the minor touches and personal revelations which illustrate the march of events, and some particularities of detail, if they point to an eye-witness, yet only serve to bring out in more remarkable and gracious contrast the last words and acts and cruel end of the august martyr, and the base and horrible treachery of the cowardly assassins. What the real explanation of that dreadful episode may be is still a mystery of mysteries, as it is quite clear that the Nihilist "spadassins" must have had means and information, opportunities and combination, which were both abnormal and peculiar, while they—a matter deeply to be deplored in the prospect of peaceful civilizing progress in Russia—seem to fill the mind of the reader of this book with sad fears and prevailing forebodings of a great struggle looming not in the far distance between advancing culture and debasing and fanatic ignorance. But let us not be prophets of ill; let us not anticipate what, in the wise providence of T.G.A.O.T.U., may yet be overruled for good. If the object of this little work was to set forth the Emperor Alexander II. in those engaging features in which he was best known among familiar friends and the domestic circle, or in that graver and gentle character in which he was recognized gratefully at home and abroad, we think the work hardly does him justice, and will not increase the attachment of those who have not forgotten him, or augment the affection of those who loved him truly, dearly to the end. We are rather inclined to be of opinion that, in one sense, the little work is a mistake, in that it partially draws aside a curtain hung over private life, into which, we venture to think, none have a right to pry, whether the subjects of such criticism be exalted sovereigns or humble citizens; and that the writer, whoever he may be, has forgotten the great and sensible truth that there are many things in the world about which we do not need to be informed, and cannot benefit by the knowledge of them; and that perhaps the most difficult of all decisions is that which has to settle the "ultima ratio" of publication or non-publication. There is just now a great deal of unwholesome curiosity afloat as regards the sayings and doings, the thoughts and lives of sovereigns of the earth, of "leaders" of men, the "Upper Ten," the china, and the "bric-a-brac," nay, and the "common pot," for the matter of that, and a most unhealthy sign of the times it is. Society journals and unscrupulous caterers for the "gobe-mouches" of the world favour us week by week with asseverations or insinuations as regards this or that distinguished person, this or that well-known citizen or gracious citizeness, and for the most all such "pars" are pure canards, whose only merit consists in that they continue to set before us certain made dishes, which, highly seasoned, gratify the diseased palate of those to whom it is too much labour to think, and who require the spicy tale or the ill-omened story, to enhance their ceaseless chatter, or to illustrate their caustic cynicism.

We do not, therefore, think that this little book will gratify very many in England, nor will it in its main apparent idea have the effect of serving its main apparent end. The life of the Emperor Alexander II. has yet to be written. He died at his post, like a good soldier, "glad to do his duty" to the last; and other ages will, we feel sure, do justice to his memory as a wise, and just, and beneficent ruler, a cultured gentleman, and a noble worker in the great cause of peaceful progress and conservative reforms.

THE MAGAZINES.

"Temple Bar" is again to the fore, and has much interest for many readers. There is, however, to our mind, nothing very striking this month to lift it above its normal standard of special and clever writing.

"All the year Round" is very effective indeed, and still finds many readers of all ages and both sexes to admire alike its genial tone and literary ability. Mr. Anthony Trollope begins another tale in his own effective style.

"The Century" is very remarkable alike in letterpress and illustrations. It has now an increasing circle of readers in England, and unless it becomes too firmly American in tone and temperament, is likely to assume the position of a great Cosmopolitan Magazine.

"The Antiquary" is welcome and worth reading. All those excellent persons who have dry-as-dust tendencies and proclivities will find encouragement and information in their often dim and uncertain pathway.

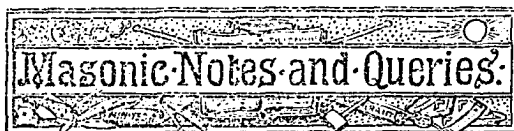
"The Bibliographer" has a special claim on the attention of all lovers of books and Bookology.

The "Masonic Magazine" which closes its ninth volume, will now become the Masonic Monthly, and under circumstances which we would fain hope will keep up in vital energy this monthly serial and representative Masonic magazine. Our good wishes go with it.

CATALOGUES.

Gustav Wolff's Catalogue. Second Notice.

When we sat down to review this catalogue closely and in detail we were headed at once by the great difficulty that we were entering upon a "terra incognita" to the majority of our readers, and that our language respecting Masonic books and old editions would appear to them literally as the "jargon" of the bibliomaniac. The majority of our excellent Fraternity require education on this head. What to them are the "Bibliographie" of Kloss, the "Acta Latomorum" of Thory, the elaborate history of Fintel, the skilful monograph of D. Murray Lyon? All these things, so far, are "caviare" to them. It seemed to us a mistake to encumber our crowded columns with the names of books which few of us had heard of, and with a recommendation to purchase works which hardly any cared to read. For instance, who in England could tell us anything of Borchard or Blumauer, of Born or Cranz, of Doering or Fitscherin, of Körndörffer or Köppe? We know a few names generally, such as Fintel, Fessler, Lenning, Goethe, Schletter, and Zille, Mossdorf, Fallou, Gadick, and many like to them, but the great mass of German writers are to most of us unknown. All, therefore, we can do is to recommend all our readers to send to Gustav Wolff, Leipzig, for his catalogue, and study the contents carefully. Let us hope and trust that better days are in store for Masonic bibliography and literature. The greatest offender in the respect of Masonic literary Nihilism is the Grand Lodge of England, which has no library worthy of the name, and which ought properly to have a collection of MS. and printed works, unique and remarkable, open to all Masonic and bona fide students, as best becomes that great body which is the mother and fount of all existing speculative Freemasonry.



ALBANUS—ST. ALBAN.

It seems that there was more than one St. Alban. In Ribanadeira's "Fleurs des Vies des Saints," published at Paris, 1687, we are told that he was born at Verulamium, the son of rich and noble parents, and who was well-instructed from his youth in human knowledge and the liberal arts. He went to Rome, and bore arms under Diocletian. After seven years he returned to England with the rank of the magistracy. But this position he gave up, and sheltering Amphibalus, became a Christian, for until then he was a Pagan, and died in his efforts to save Amphibalus, on the 22nd of June, which has always been dedicated to his memory, though the exact year of his death is uncertain, though it took place under Diocletian. Ribanadeira adds that he was held to be the English protomartyr.

MASONIC STUDENT.

Another Albanus is said to have been put to death at Mayence, on the 21st June, under the rule of Theodosius I. His relics are said to lie at Venice.

MASONIC STUDENT.

AN OLD PRINTED WORK.

Can any book collector, or amateur of early books illustrated by wood engravings, give me any information of F. or J. Whytestones or John Sargensonne. In a MS. title page, which I fancy is the transcript of a printed work, I find the words "newly translated by F. or J. Whytestones, for John Sargensonne, 1610."

MASONIC STUDENT.

While the English Freemasons of 1717, in their zeal for secrecy, burned many valuable documents, whose loss is now bitterly lamented, the Craft of to-day are going to the other extreme, and exposing too much of the inner life of the Fraternity to the public gaze. In Latin countries they publish the discussions in lodges, full descriptions of the baptisms of infants and adoption of children, and our distinguished contemporary, the *Boletín Masónico* of the city of Mexico, with amiable consideration for the natural curiosity of the public, is giving the ritual nearly in full. In this country much is published which had better be left unsaid. A wise reticence about private business is much to be commended.—*Masonic Token*.



Craft Masonry.

WEST KENT LODGE (No. 1297).—The ordinary meeting of this lodge took place at the Crystal Palace, Sydenham, on Saturday, the 27th ult. There were present Bros. Gardiner, W.M.; R. H. Crowden, P.M.; Clements, P.M.; J. C. Woodrow, P.M., Sec.; Fullwood, P.M., D.C.; Perrin, S.W.; Vizetelly, J.W.; Crump, J.D.; Jas. Crowden, I.G.; Philips, W.S.; A. W. Stead, Jenkins, and others.

Bro. Fanshawe was duly passed to the Second Degree by the W.M., Bro. Gardiner, after which the bye-laws having been read, and apologies accepted for the absence of various brethren, the Whitsuntide holidays preventing many from being present, the lodge was closed. There being no banquet on this occasion, the brethren shortly afterwards separated.

CORINTHIAN LODGE (No. 1382).—A highly successful meeting of the above flourishing lodge was held on Wednesday, the 24th ult., at Bro. W. Clarke's hostelry, the George Hotel, Cubitt Town, E. There was a very large attendance of the brethren, and a full agenda paper, which occupied the lodge from six o'clock until close upon ten o'clock. Bro. G. T. Limn, P.M., W.M., was ably supported in the working by Bros. Smith, S.W.; Stapleton, J.W.; Carnaby, P.M., Treas.; C. Searell, P.M., acting Sec. (in the regrettable absence of Bro. C. Wyatt-Smith, through continued indisposition); Doring, S.D.; Morrison, J.D.; Raiker, I.G.; Millington, I.P.M.; and numerous others, and visitors, amongst whom were Bros. S. G. Bonner and Brittain, 1278; G. H. Stephens (*Freemason*); and others. Bro. W. Shays, P.M., Tyler, whose experience greatly facilitated the working.

Lodge having been opened, Bros. McLeod, Lowrie, S. Marsh, Perry, and C. Parkinson were raised to the Sublime Degree of M.M.s; the working with so many candidates proving what the W.M. and officers of this lodge can do. A ballot was taken for Mr. John Tuppeny, and proved favourable to his candidature. He was accordingly admitted, and was most impressively initiated into the secrets and mysteries of the Order. The remaining work was the passing of Bro. R. Parkinson to the F.C. Degree, in which Bro. Limn also acquitted himself admirably. This concluded the working, and lodge being resumed, several matters were discussed. We were glad to find the Corinthian Lodge, as ever, is mindful of the Charities, no less than fifty guineas having recently been placed upon Bro. P.M. Delves' list, whilst the lodge is constantly receiving applications from distressed Masons and others, which make a large claim upon its funds. The next business disposed of was the election of Bro. Stephens as an honorary member of the lodge, a proposition which was largely supported and carried unanimously.

Bro. Stephens returned thanks, and promised to give every assistance to the lodge that was in his power to do.

Lodge was closed, and the brethren repaired to another and cooler room to partake of some refreshment, nicely prepared, and which their long and protracted labours had rendered desirable; the Corinthians having, with the assistance of Bro. Clarke, the host, again vindicated their character as hospitable entertainers. The usual loyal toasts were briefly given and honoured, and an hour was capitally spent, enlivened with toasts, songs, and recitations, after which the brethren separated in harmony and fraternal feeling.

HENRY MUGGERIDGE LODGE (No. 1679).

—The installation meeting of this thriving lodge met on Saturday last, the 27th ult., at Mason's Hall Tavern, Coleman-street, for the duties of the annual festival. Lodge was duly opened by Bro. Henry John, W.M., who was supported as follows: Bros. W. F. Darnell, S.W., W.M. elect.; J. B. Scriven, P.M., Treas.; Henry Muggeridge, P.M. Sec.; C. Arnold, S.D.; C. J. Haines, Steward; J. J. Marsh, Tyler; J. W. Woodthorpe, E. Hemsley, T. Underwood, G. Stampfer, J. W. Embden, D. Dorman, W. Boyce, J. Catling, J. T. Penney, J. Croger, E. Strode, H. G. Buss, Assist. Grand Secretary, A. J. Street, Ruddall, and others. Visitors: Bros. R. Webb, 179; J. L. Cornu, I.G. 860; F. Carr, J.W. 1607; W. Purvis, 749; W. Fieldwick, P.M. 1364; T. C. Swift, 901; G. H. Stephens, 1382, and S.D. 1623 (*Freemason*) and others.

After the minutes of the election meeting had been submitted by the veteran and esteemed Secretary, and had received confirmation, Bro. Woodthorpe was tested as to his proficiency and was entrusted. Lodge was advanced, and Bro. Woodthorpe was admitted to the rank of F.C., the W.M. acquitting himself very ably in his final effort of his year of office. The next business was the installation into the chair of K.S., of Bro. W. F. Darnell, W.M. elect, for which purpose that brother was duly presented and was solemnly pledged to a faithful adherence to the ancient landmarks of the Order. Bro. Darnell was inducted into the chair, and proceeded to invest his officers as follows: Bros. Sack, S.W.; C. Arnold, J.W.; G. Stampfer, S.D.; C. J. Haines, J.D.; A. J. Street, I.G.; Storr, D.C.; Henry John, I.P.M. and Steward; H. Muggeridge, P.M. Sec.; J. B. Scriven, Treas.; and J. J. Marsh, Tyler. Bro. Muggeridge concluded his arduous task by an impressive rendering of the three ancient charges, which, together with the entire ceremony, was listened to with great attention.

Bro. Darnell acquitted himself of the pleasing duty of presenting in the name of the lodge a handsome jewel to Bro. John, I.P.M. The jewel was a handsome one, bearing a representation of the venerable founder, from whom the name of the lodge is derived, with the usual pendant, on which was engraved, "Presented to Bro. Henry John, Past Master Henry Muggeridge Lodge, No. 1679, as a token of the respect and esteem the members entertain towards him, and for the kind and efficient manner in which he discharged the duties of W.M. during his year of office A.L. 5881-2, 27th May, 1882."

Bro. John expressed his thanks for the gift, which he should prize most highly.

Notice of motion was given to present Bro. Scriven with

a Treasurer's jewel, in appreciation of the eminent services of the brother since the formation of the lodge. "Hearty good wishes" were given, and the lodge was closed and adjourned.

The brethren then sat down to a capably served banquet in the Masonic Company's Hall, and at its conclusion grace was said, and Bro. Darnell gave the usual loyal and Craft toasts.

In toasting "The Queen," the W.M. said: In an assembly of Englishmen it had but to be submitted to ensure that cordial reception, which the toast always met, but especially as amongst Freemasons.

The W.M. next gave "H.R.H. the M.W.G.M.," whose steady devotion to the best interests of the Craft was evinced to those brethren who have the proud privilege of witnessing the Prince of Wales at the Grand Lodge. His Royal Highness had greatly added to the prestige of the Craft, and they all hoped he would be spared many years to enjoy the position of Grand Master of English Freemasons. Of the Grand Officers the W.M. said all were aware how universally popular were the Earl of Carnarvon and Lord Lathom, and the rest of the Grand Officers, and of the great amount of work they did. They were honoured that evening with the presence of Bro. H. G. Buss, the Assistant Grand Secretary, whose name he would couple with the toast.

Bro. Buss expressed his thanks on behalf of the Grand Officers for the hearty appreciation which had been manifested of their services. The general popularity of those officers testified to the wise choice of the M.W. Grand Master in the selection he had made.

Bro. John next gave the "W.M." in appreciative terms, as having that day realised the high position of W.M. of his lodge.

Bro. Darnell, in reply, thanked the brethren sincerely for the kind reception the toast had met with. He was greatly indebted to the brethren for electing him to the position in the lodge. He had been connected with the lodge since its consecration, and they could depend upon him doing all in his power to maintain the high prestige of the lodge in accordance with its early history.

"The Past Masters" were next honoured, the W.M. dwelling upon the advantage the lodge possessed in having, although so few, yet such efficient Past Masters, coupling the name of the I.P.M. with the toast, who replied for the P.M. in eloquent terms, promising for himself as Steward to study the interests of the lodge as well as the comforts of the brethren.

The W.M. next said it was with great and unmixed pleasure he welcomed the visitors, they always were pleased to see them and to make them welcome in the Henry Muggerside Lodge. They were honoured with a goodly attendance of visitors, and he asked the brethren to give them a hearty fire, and called upon Bro. Stephens to respond.

Bro. Stephens, in suitable terms, thanked the brethren for the hearty welcome the visitors had experienced, wishing the W.M. a successful year, and that the lodge would prove as great a success in the future as it had done in past years.

The W.M. next gave "The Treasurer and Secretary," who had been officers of the lodge from its consecration, and had so very materially assisted in its success. He (Bro. Darnell) was especially indebted to Bro. Scriven for having so kindly stayed at the banquet at his request, as having some sixty miles to travel, that brother invariably left early. The lodge might feel proud of possessing such Past Masters as Bro. Scriven and their esteemed Secretary, Bro. Muggerside.

That brother having replied at length, "The Officers" were toasted, and Bro. Arnold, J.W., responded for them, promising a faithful discharge of the duties they had just been appointed to fulfil; and the Tyler's toast was given by Bro. Marsh, and the proceedings terminated.

The harmony of the evening was greatly enhanced by the excellent singing of Bros. Webb, Swift, Purvis, Stephens, Carr, and others. Mr. Harradine also contributed several songs, which gave great satisfaction, and rendered the meeting as memorable as enjoyable.

MARLBOROUGH.—Lodge of Loyalty (No. 1533).—On Tuesday, the 23rd ult., the annual meeting of the above lodge for the installation of the W.M. for the ensuing year was held at the Town Hall, followed by a banquet at the Ailesbury Arms Hotel. During the proceedings there were present the following officers: Bro. the Rev. J. A. Lloyd, W.M.; W. C. White, A. Risden, R.W. Merriman, H. Cooper, W. S. Bambridge, E. B. Merriman, Joseph Eden, B. Hillier, A. Plummer, P.M.; J. Carter, P.M.; J. Toomer, P.M. The members present included Bros. Sir Francis Burdett, Surgeon-General T. Ringer, F. A. Brooks-Hill, S. Gale, R. A. Lucy, and H. Jarvis. The visitors included Bros. H. Bevir, W.M. 355; J. Bryant, J. Wilkie Burman, W. H. Burt, P.M.; H. Howse, J. Chandler, P.M. 355; Jas. Powell, W.M. 1290; and C. S. Searle.

Bro. W. Challen White was installed as W.M. by Bros. Toomer and Plummer, and named the following his officers: Bros. A. Risden, S.W.; H. Cooper, J.W.; R. W. Merriman, Treas.; R. A. Lucy, Sec.; Bambridge, S.D. and Org.; E. B. Merriman, J.D.; J. Brook, M.C.; B. Hillier, I.G.; J. Eden, and S. Gale, Stewards; and Purdey, Tyler.

A banquet was subsequently served at the Ailesbury Arms Hotel in Bro. Carter's first-rate style. The toast list brought forth several good speeches.

The newly-installed W.M. presided, and gave "The Queen and Craft," followed by "The Grand Master of England, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales."

"The Pro Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and Officers of Grand Lodge" was responded to by R. W. Bro. Col. Sir Francis Burdett P.G.M. Middx.

Bro. J. Chandler, P.M., P.P.G.S.W., P.G.D.C., responded for "The Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge."

Bro. R. W. Merriman, in exceedingly well chosen sentences, gave "The Health of Col. Sir Francis Burdett, the Right Worshipful P.G.M. for Middlesex." Bro. Merriman expressed the pleasure not only all in the lodge, but all in the surrounding neighbourhood felt at seeing the Hon. Baronet occupying the seat of the family at Ramsbury, and coming amongst them as a magistrate and a county gentleman. A distinct honour had been conferred on the Lodge of Loyalty in numbering the gallant Bart among its members.

Sir Francis Burdett, in response, expressed himself gratified at their flattering reception, which he did not expect,

coming as a stranger amongst them. It was his great desire, as far as laid in his power, to do all he possibly could, not only for his brethren of the Craft but for all around him. The other toasts, which were given with *acclat*, were "The W.M.," proposed by the I.P.M., "The Visitors," proposed by Bro. Risden, and responded to by Bros. Bevir, W.M. 355; Powell, W.M. 1295; and Burt, P.M. Devises; "The Past Masters of the lodge," responded to by the I.P.M., Bro. Rev. J. A. Lloyd; "The Officers of the Lodge," responded to by Bros. Risden and R. W. Merriman; "The Masonic Charities," proposed by Bro. Toomer, responded to by Bro. Surgeon-General T. Ringer, P.M. Steward for No. 1533, and the Province of Wilts for Girls' and Boys' this year, after which a collection was made in their behalf. The Tyler's toast concluded the evening.

GREAT STANMORE.—Abercorn Lodge (No. 1549).—The regular meeting of this lodge was held on the 3rd ult., when the W.M. was ably supported. After the lodge had been duly opened, and the minutes of the last meeting confirmed, the ballot was taken for Mr. Charles T. Townsend as a candidate for initiation, which ceremony (although unanimous in his favour) was unavoidably deferred until the next meeting in July. Bros. Tolman and Didsbury were passed to the Second Degree by Bro. Kay, P.M., who performed the ceremony with his usual efficiency. "Hearty good wishes" having been given by Bro. E. Ballard, 1366 (visitor), and many members having given substantial support to Bro. P.M. Tidcombe's list for the Boys' Festival, the lodge was closed. The usual agreeable banquet, alike creditable to the host and hearty goodwill of the brethren, passed off very harmoniously, the hotel and grounds being now very enjoyable for summer gatherings.

LIVERPOOL.—Dramatic Lodge (No. 1609).—The usual monthly meeting of the members of this lodge (and the last previous to the two months' summer vacation) took place on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street. Bro. John Atkinson, W.M., presided at the opening, and he was supported by Bros. B. B. Marson, P.P.G.S.B.; W. O. Savage, J.W. (acting S.W.); W. W. Sandbrook, I.P.M. (acting J.W.); J. B. MacKenzie, P.M., Treas.; J. M. Boyd, Sec.; R. Burgess, Org.; J. J. Monk, Asst. Org.; H. P. Squire, S.D.; J. L. Shrapnell, J.D.; O. W. Sanderson, I.G.; Dr. Whittle, H. Round, and J. O. Marples, Stewards; and W. H. Ball, Tyler.

Amongst the members present were Bros. E. Graham, W. Morgan, J. Chambers, C. H. Jones, W. H. Addis, W. Parker, J. Rawsthorne, R. Hicks, Gale Dwight (St. John), J. Keet, D. Fleming, S. Mattison, P.G.S.; J. Knott, J. S. Hall, Tudor Rogers, W. Hildyard, Dr. Macpherson, H. Williams, D. Cummings, J. Cantor, W. Campion, and others. The visitors included Bros. H. E. Betts, S.D. 1380; A. D. Hesketh, P.M. 1182; H. Hatch, P.M. 220; R. Washington, P.G.S.D.; W. T. May, P.M. 673; J. Whalley, P.M. 249; J. Bushfield, 215; J. Brotherton, Sec. 241; E. Paull, S.W. 1356; T. Hoskins, 1505; P. H. Lyons, 594; J. James, S.W. 597; S. Jude, 241; A. V. Speer, P.M. 431; and C. Copeman, 786.

After the lodge had been opened, and the minutes read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for a candidate hailing from the Carl Rosa Company, and the voting was unanimously in his favour. He was unable, however, to be present, and the Second and Third Degrees were only given. There were six candidates for the former, viz.: Bros. Gale St. John, Tudor Rogers, W. Morgan, R. Hicks, J. Cruft, and I. Knott; and three for the Third Degree: Bros. G. Redmond, C. Buzian, and J. Rawsthorne.

During the after-dinner proceedings, a presentation of an interesting character was made to Bro. Savage, J.W., who acknowledged the gift in suitable terms. A specially written song was given by Bro. Cantor, and other songs and recitations were contributed by Bros. Bushfield, Brotherton, Hicks, Morgan, Macpherson, and others.

TONBRIDGE.—The Medway Lodge (No. 1678).—The chief meeting of the year for installation of new officers was held at the new Public Hall, on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., at 4.30 p.m. There was a very large gathering, and it was apparent to all the brethren as they entered the lodge that the installation of Bro. John Sills Charlton would be a great success. Shortly after half-past four Bro. E. Monckton, W.M., ascended the chair, and opened the lodge, when Bro. Chas. Hogben, the Secretary, read the minutes, which were unanimously passed. The presence, in the ante-room, was then announced of the R.W.P.G.M., Lord Holmesdale, who was at once admitted, and on his taking the W.M.'s chair, was saluted in due form. After having opened the lodge in the Second Degree, he vacated the chair in favour of Bro. B. S. Wilmot, P.M., P.P.G.R. Kent, who opened the lodge in the Third Degree, and raised Bro. John Foster Hall to the Sublime Degree of M.M. The lodge was resumed to the Second Degree. After the usual preliminary proceedings, the lodge was resumed to the Third Degree, the brethren who had not passed the chair retired; a Board of Installed Masters was constituted, and Bro. John Sills Charlton was installed into the chair of K.S. On the return of the brethren the customary proceedings were most efficiently carried out, and the following were invested as the new officers: Bros. W. B. Bacon, S.W.; John Abrey, J.W. and Treas.; C. Hogben, Sec.; John Court, S.D.; G. D. Warner, J.D.; T. Pawley, I.G.; Cornell, Organist; B. S. Wilmot, D.C.; and Hughes, A.D.C. The whole of the ceremony was performed by Bro. B. S. Wilmot, P.M. 874, 1678, P.P.G.R. Kent, in a most able, impressive, and emphatic manner, and a vote of thanks was recorded.

"Hearty good wishes" having been given by the visiting brethren, the lodge was closed, and the whole party adjourned to the Rose and Crown Hotel, where a splendid banquet was provided, at which the following visitors were present: Bros. the R.W.P.G.M., Lord Holmesdale; H. Worship, P.G.S.W. Kent; W. H. Hodgkin, P.P.G.S.W. Kent, P.M. 874 and 1678; W. Monckton, P.P.G.S.D. Kent; J. Galway, J.W. 1619; J. Ranking, W.M. 874; C. Graham, S.D. 874, 1326, and 1540; Nettlingham, 1468, P.P.G.S. Kent; J. Lovatt, J.D. 709; H. Taylor, W.M. 1273; F. J. Scale, 1273; Mauley, 1744; H. D. M. Williams, P.M. 874; John Burton, I.P.M. 874; W. C. Cripps, J.W. 874; W. T. Hammond, I.G. 874; C. Arckoll, G. Friend, J. Weeks, 87; M. C. Kemp, W. Page, J. F. Pates, Sec. 874; H. Hoare, 1744; J. J. Pattison, P.M. 1678; G. Langridge, P.M. 1678, P.P.G.R. Kent; C. Fitch

Kemp, P.M.; F. East, E. Punnett, Staggs, Stenning, H. Rush, A. J. Taylor, and others.

Grace having been sung, dessert followed, and the first toast of the evening given, viz., that of "The Queen."

Then followed that of "The Prince of Wales, M.W. Grand Master."

The honour due to our Royal chief and his illustrious house having been justly accorded, other customary toasts followed, the R.W.P.G.M. proposing that of "The Newly-Installed Master," which was modestly responded to by the W.M.

Other toasts followed, bringing a successful day to a close—a day which at 1678 abounded both in labour and refreshment with true Masonic bearing. During the evening some pleasant singing was performed by Bros. Cozens, Cave Ashton, Hubbard, and Madame Cave Ashton.

NOTTINGHAM.—De Vere Lodge (No. 1794).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Friday, the 19th ult., at the Masonic Hall. Present: Bros. Gardner, W.M.; Wigglesworth, S.W.; Gowthorpe, J.W.; Ingram, M.C.; Gilbert, Sec.; Kilborne, S.D.; Truman, Org.; Cokayne, I.G.; Oakden and Love-seede, Stewards; Glover, Tyler; H. J. Norris, I.P.M.; C. Hickling, D. Ward, J. F. Bush, G. Simpson, J. G. Martin, W. Burrows, F. C. Parker, R. Underwood, E. T. Norris, and S. Page. Visitors: Bros. Cowles, P.M., P.P.G.S.W. Notts; R. Morris, P.P.G. Purst; J. Hall, P.P.G. Purst; A. J. Butler, P.M., P.G.A. Purst; W. Hickling, S.W. 411; Barber, J.D. 47; and Knutton, 1405.

The lodge was opened in ancient form by the W.M., assisted by his officers, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Ward was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason by the W.M., in a masterly and solemn manner; indeed, we have seldom seen this beautiful, sublime Degree so well worked as on this occasion, which evoked the praise and admiration of those present. The working tools and tracing board were also explained.

Bro. H. Morris, I.P.M., proposed, and Bro. Gilbert, P.M., seconded, a vote of £5 5s. from the lodge funds in aid of the Provincial Grand Lodge organ, which is to be erected in the Masonic Hall, which was supported by Bro. Truman, Org., and carried unanimously.

The Provincial Grand Lodge Officers having retired in procession, the offertory was collected, and lodge was closed, and the brethren retired for refreshments, and spent a very convivial and musical evening.

INSTRUCTION.

ISRAEL LODGE (No. 205).—At the last regular meeting of the above old lodge, at Bro. W. Yetton's, Rising Sun Tavern, Globe-road, E., Bro. Peterken presided; Bros. Richardson was S.W.; Jones, P.M., J.W.; G. H. Stephens, Hon. Sec.; J. Taylor, S.D.; D. Moss, J.D.; H. Marks, I.G.; Yetton, P.M.; and others.

Lodge was duly opened, and minutes submitted and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was carefully worked by Bro. Peterken, who was recently installed into the chair of K.S. in the Friars Lodge, 1349. The W.M. then vacated the chair, and Bro. Moss, after due examination, raised Bro. Peterken to the Sublime Degree. Lodge was duly closed down, and a vote of thanks was accorded Bro. Peterken for the able way in which he had occupied the chair for the first time in the lodge. Bro. W. Richardson was appointed W.M. for the ensuing lodge meeting, and lodge was closed.

UNITED PILGRIM'S LODGE (No. 507).—A meeting of this lodge was held at the Surrey Masonic Hall, on Friday, the 26th ult., at 7.30, Bro. Richard Poore opening the lodge precisely at the appointed time. The W.M. was supported by Bros. C. H. Phillips, S.W.; J. Bate, J.W.; H. Goodwin, S.D.; G. W. Knight, J.D.; E. Newby, I.G.; James Stevens, P.M. and Hon. Preceptor; H. M. Williams, G. Hubbard, F. J. Perks, W. H. Chase, T. A. Harper, W.M. 1216; and others.

The First Section having been worked by the brethren, the ceremony of initiation was exceedingly well rendered by the W.M., Bro. Perks acting as candidate. The examination for proficiency was also rehearsed. Bro. J. Bate delivered the charge to the Initiate. A portion of the Lecture on the first tracing board was given by the Preceptor. A notice of motion for amending bye-laws was renewed and the proposals adjourned for consideration at next meeting. Bro. C. H. Phillips was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. A cordial vote of thanks was recorded in favour of Bro. Richard Poore for his able discharge of the duties of W.M. on this occasion, and the lodge was closed in due form.

YARBOROUGH LODGE (No. 554).—At the regular meeting of this lodge on Tuesday last, the 30th ult., at the Green Dragon, Stepney, Bros. Ellingford, was W.M.; Richardson, S.W.; Berry, P.M., J.W.; T. J. Barnes, P.M. acting Sec.; J. Andrews, P.M. Preceptor; J. Taylor, S.D.; G. Price, I.G.; also Bros. A. Peterken, W.M. 1349; Walter, Stephens, and others.

Lodge was duly opened and minutes read by Bro. Stephens, acting Secretary. These were confirmed, and with Bro. Peterkin as candidate, the ceremony of initiation was impressively worked. Lodge was opened in the Second and Bro. G. Price of the mother lodge gave the answers to the questions which will be required of him. Lodge was opened up and the ceremony of raising was worked, Bro. Peterkin candidate. The working having occupied considerable time Lodge was resumed. Bro. A. Peterkin, W.M. 1349, and of 1805, was elected a member of the lodge, and promised as frequent attendance as possible. Bro. Richardson was elected W.M. for the ensuing lodge meeting. The working of the Fifteen Sections by Bro. Stephens on Monday next, at the Sincerity Lodge of Instruction 174, held at the Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate, was duly announced, and all lodge business being at an end, lodge was closed in harmony and adjourned until Tuesday next.

UPTON LODGE (No. 1227).—This lodge met, as usual, on the 25th ult., at Bro. Grey's, Swan Tavern, New Bethnal Green-road. Present: Bros. Horley, W.M.; Ford, S.W.; Rowe, J.W.; Moss, acting Preceptor; Free, Sec.; Grey, S.D.; Lane, J.D.; Oxley, I.G.;

Wilson, Hirsch, Stroud, Clarke, Sargeant, Stephens, and others.

Lodge was duly opened, and the minutes were read and confirmed. Bro. Free was next interrogated and entrusted, and lodge being advanced, the ceremony of passing was worked, Bro. Free being the candidate, and the ceremony was very carefully rendered. Lodge was resumed, and Bro. Ford was elected W.M. for the ensuing lodge meeting, and, after some formal business had been transacted, the lodge was closed.

Subsequently, in the same room, a capital meeting of the Masonic Benevolent Association was held. Bro. Moss, Hon. Sec., submitted the minutes of the last monthly meeting and a statement of accounts. A ballot was declared, and it resulted in favour of Bro. Mosquito. We are glad to observe the continuing success of this young Association, whose progress we have noted from the commencement of its career.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH LODGE (No. 1259).—A regular meeting of the above lodge was held on the 26th ult., at the Bricklayers' Arms Tavern, Narrow-street, Limehouse, which is situate only a few minutes' walk from Stepney Station. A good muster was obtained, and a capital evening's work was got through. Present: Bros. Wakefield, W.M.; Ellingford, S.W.; Thomas, J.W.; Atkins, P.M.; Preceptor; Buchan, P.M.; Hon. Sec., acting as S.D.; Rolfe, I.G.; Geeves, Dixon, J. Taylor, Stephens, and others.

After due formalities, Bro. Rolfe was questioned, and lodge was advanced. The ceremony of passing was carefully worked, Bro. Rolfe being candidate. Lodge was closed in the Second Degree, and, on proposition duly seconded, Bro. Stephens was elected a member of the lodge. Bro. Ellingford was elected W.M. for the ensuing Friday's meeting, and after some discussion, in which it was decided to continue the meetings of the lodge some time longer, the lodge was closed solemnly and adjourned.

CLAPTON LODGE (No. 1365).—A meeting of this lodge of instruction was held on Friday, the 26th ult., at the Lord Stanley, Sandringham-road, Dalston, when there were present Bros. Baker, W.M.; Honychurch, S.W.; Butler, J.W.; Cusworth, Preceptor; C. Diamond, Hon. Sec.; Stoddart, J.D.; Harris, I.G.; Morling, Finch, Church, Harling, and others.

After lodge was opened, and minutes read and confirmed, the ceremony of initiation was worked, Bro. Harling being candidate. Bros. Harling, 1365, and Harris, 1260, were unanimously elected members of the lodge. A vote of thanks was passed for the duties performed in the chair for the first time, and Bro. Honychurch was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and lodge was closed.

Mark Masonry.

NOTTINGHAM.—Newstead Lodge (T.I.).—The installation meeting of this, the only Mark lodge in Nottingham, was held at the Masonic Hall, on the 17th ult., at seven p.m. Present W. Bros. C. G. Wragg, P.M., W.M.; C. B. Truman, P.M., S.W.; E. C. Patchitt, J.W.; H. J. Norris, P.M., S.O.; Ingram, J.O.; J. Ward, Sec.; Wigglesworth, Org.; Hickling, R.M.; S. G. Gilbert, P.M., I.G.; Cokayne, Steward; Glover, Tyler; H. R. Hatherley, I.P.M., W.M.; J. Topliss, W.M., 47; H. Shipley, 47; and Levy, 1435. Visitor: Bro. Dewar, P.M., A.G. Sec., G.M.M.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the previous one being read, and silence prevailing, were confirmed. The ballot was taken for Bros. E. T. Norris, 1794, and H. R. Thorpe, 47, both being unanimously elected. The ceremony of installation was then proceeded with, and the brethren below the chair having retired, Bro. Truman was installed in the chair by Bro. Hatherley, in his usual impressive manner. The brethren having returned, saluted the W.M. according to custom, to whom the working tools were presented and explained by Bro. Hatherley, in a manner well worthy of an expert Mason, and demonstrating great learning and good elocution. The addresses to the Wardens and brethren being given, the W.M. appointed and invested the following brethren as his officers: Bros. C. G. Wragg, I.P.M.; Patchitt, S.W.; Mitchell (by proxy), J.W.; H. Norris, M.O.; Ingram, S.O.; Hickling, J.O.; S. G. Gilbert, R.M.; Cowles (by proxy), Treas.; J. Ward, Sec.; Bucksoll (by proxy), S.D.; Cokayne, J.D.; Topliss, I.G.; Wigglesworth, Org.; and Glover, Tyler.

The lodge was closed in due form at 8.15 p.m., and the brethren retired to partake of an excellent banquet, provided by Bro. Simpson, the hall Steward, after which the usual loyal and patriotic toasts were duly given and honoured.

CARLISLE.—Cumberland Lodge (No. 60).—The installation meeting of the W.M. of this lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Fisher-street, on Friday, the 19th ult. The W.M. elect, Bro. Banks, of Maryport, having been present, was duly installed by Bro. Diggle, P.M., P.G.I.G. England, in an able and efficient manner. The W.M. invested the following brethren as his officers for the ensuing year: Bros. J. C. Mason, S.W.; W. Blaylock, J.W.; G. Hayward, Secretary; W. Court, Treasurer; C. Nanson, M.O.; Morant Compton, S.O.; Bunyan, S.D.; and Wright, J.D.

After the installation the brethren retired to refreshment, and the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—For the cure of debility, bile, liver, and stomach complaints this inappreciable medicine is well known in every part of the world, and the cures performed by its use are so wonderful that it now stands pre-eminent above all other remedies, more particularly for the cure of bilious and liver complaints, disorders of the stomach, dropsy, and debilitated constitution. A course of these digestive Pills painlessly but surely regulates the organs of digestion, and acts most beneficially on the secretory and excretory organs generally. They expel from the secretory organs and the circulation those effete and morbid matters which produce inflammation, pain, fever, debility, and physical decay—thus annihilating by their purifying properties the virulence of the most painful and devastating diseases.

Jamaica.

KINGSTON.—Royal Lodge (No. 207).—The installation meeting of this lodge was held at the Friendly Lodge Rooms, on the 1st ult., at seven p.m., W. Bro. E. N. Leon, I.P.M., being Installing Officer. The following are the brethren who compose the administration: W. Bros. Wm. Duff, W.M.; E. N. Leon, I.P.M.; Bros. T. N. Aguilar, S.W.; J. M. Simpson, J.W.; C. M. Sherlock, Treas.; A. M. Marshal, Sec.; P. Simpson, S.D.; A. E. Langley, J.D.; C. T. Burton, I.G.; W. A. Feurtado, C. A. Messias, and G. Magnus, Stewards.

Among the brethren present were Bro. the R.W. Altamont DeCordova, D.D.G.M.; W. Bros. A. H. Jones, A. H. Alexander, M. P. C. McCormack, W. D. Smedmore, G. P. Myers, J. McLean, C. W. Tait, M. Delgado, K. J. Spicer, R. Langley, J. Thirwall, G. M. Duff and E. Melville.

After the closing of the lodge the brethren adjourned to the banquet room, where they spent a pleasant evening. A new feature at the banquet table was the offering of the brethren towards the funds of the Jamaica Masonic Benevolence Association, when a sum of money was collected and paid over to the Treasurer of the association to be applied in acts of charity.

SPANISH TOWN.—Hamilton Lodge (No. 1440).—This lodge, held its installation meeting at the lodge rooms, on the 4th ult. W. Bro. John Thurwell, P.M., of the Royal Lodge, Kingston, performed the ceremony of installing the Master. Among the Past Masters present were W. Bros. F. X. Leon, Barnet Staines, S. H. Watson, C. Knox, and W. G. Macfarlane. The ceremony being over, the brethren adjourned to the banquet room, where they were entertained at a special banquet, the proceedings lasting until a late hour. The Kingston lodges were represented as well as several of the country ones. The banquet broke up after the toast to "The Success of the Masonic Benevolence," and a pretty good sum was collected around the table in furtherance of this worthy and charitable association.

The office bearers for the ensuing year are as follows, viz.: W. Bro. John F. Rickards, W.M.; Bros. C. M. McL. Kerr, S.W.; A. G. Ffrench, J.W.; A. Clunie, Treasurer; Charles James, Secretary; J. C. Bryant, S.D.; H. J. Mendes, J.D.; Laidley, I.G.; and J. R. Deleon, Tyler.

South Africa.

PORT ELIZABETH.—Good Hope Lodge (No. 863).—The Masonic Temple of Port Elizabeth was on Thursday, April 27th, attended by an unusually large number of the B.B., fully a hundred from various parts being present. The occasion was the installation of Bro. A. C. Wyde (C.C. and R.M.), as Worshipful Master for the ensuing Masonic year of the above lodge, and in addition to the officers and others of the Good Will and Southern Cross (Uitenhage) Lodges, Bro. W. Wedderburn, P.M., of Grahamstown, and many others made homage to the worthy and accepted Master elect. The installing officer was the District Grand Senior Warden, Bro. C. W. Mouat, P.M., and he was assisted by Past Masters Wheelwright, Smyth, Blakeway, Dickinson, James Kemsley, Wedderburn, J. W. C. Mackay, S. White, and others.

Before proceeding with the business of the evening, the D.G.S.W. said he had been requested by the members of the Lodge of Good Hope to invest Bro. Mackay, P.M., with a jewel in recognition of his services in the years 1879-80, and he had much pleasure in doing so, bearing his own testimony to the appropriateness of the presentation. The recipient, who evidently had not anticipated this, replied in a few well chosen words, and the ordinary business of the meeting was proceeded with.

The various offices were filled by Bros. P.M.'s James Kemsley, S.W.; Wheelwright, J.W.; White, I.G. After prayer by Bro. the Rev. Dr. Wigram, Bro. Alfred Carrington Wyde was, in a most impressive manner, installed as W.M., and he then proceeded to invest his officers for the year as follows: Bros. C. Dickenson, I.P.M.; E. Cohn, S.W.; Rev. A. Grant, J.W. and Chaplain; C. T. Wheelwright, P.M., Treas.; E. R. Smyth, P.M., Sec.; A. W. Rowsell, S.D.; H. Light, J.D.; E. H. Gunning, I.G.; J. Bredell, Org.; and W. Henderson, Tyler.

Due honour having been paid to the W.M. elected, the brethren were invited to attend a banquet given by the brethren of the lodge, in the Liedertafel Hall, which had been kindly lent for the occasion. Here a most sumptuous repast was provided, the chair being taken by Bro. A. C. Wyde, his two principal officers acting as croupiers.

After ample time had been allowed in the Junior Warden's department, the Chairman proposed first "The Queen and Craft" and next "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W. G.M." at the same time expatiating upon the beneficial influence exercised by Royalty in upholding the dignity of the ancient Craft, when supported by such worthy brethren as the members of the English Royal Family.

"The Health of the D.G.M., Bro. Egan," was heartily received, and his regret at not being able to attend was shared by all present.

The toast of "The W.M. of the Lodge of Good Hope" was happily given by Bro. Mouat, and responded to by Bro. Wyde, who expressed his warm attachment to the principles of Freemasonry, and his heartfelt desire to advance the Order here during his term of office. He then in turn proposed "The Health of Bro. C. T. W. Mouat, the Installing Officer," and bore testimony to the many obligations the lodges were under to him.

In a speech of some length and much eloquence the D.G.S.W. responded. He exhorted his hearers to a more active interest in Masonry, and the study of grand truths underlying it, and gave his own case as one in proof of the distinction one can arise to in the Craft, provided honest application and study be brought to bear.

The other toasts proposed and responded to were: "The Newly-Installed Officers," "The Immediate Past Masters," "The Retiring Officers," "The W.M. of the Good Will Lodge," "The Southern Cross Lodge," "The Visiting Brethren," "The Past Masters," "Sweethearts and Wives," "The Banquet Committee," and the Tyler's.

The National Anthem was sung, which brought the proceedings to a close.

During dinner, and the intervals between the speeches,

the Theatre Royal Band (which had been generously lent for the occasion by Captain Roebuck) favoured those present with some choice selections of music, exquisitely rendered, and added much to the pleasures of the evening. The arrangements throughout were perfect, and reflected the highest credit on all who were instrumental in carrying them out.

The jewel presented to Bro. Mackay is a handsome gold and inlaid Past Master's, and bears the following inscription: "Presented to Bro. J. W. C. Mackay, P.M., by the members of the Good Hope Lodge, No. 863, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, as a token of esteem on his retirement from the office of Worshipful Master, 1879-80."

Obituary.

BRO. J. J. NEW.

On Monday, the 22nd ult., was interred at the Holyrood Churchyard, Swindon, the remains of the late Bro. J. J. New, of Swindon, who died on the 18th ult., aged forty-seven. He had for many years past been a most useful member of the Craft, taking great delight in teaching the work which he so well understood, and was always ready to give a helping hand to the brethren in working up the ceremony, and at the lodge of instruction. He joined the Craft, at Swindon, in 1855, but business calling him into Cheshire, he resided for some years in Birkenhead, and became W.M. of the Mersey Lodge, 477, which office he held two years in succession, being also appointed to Provincial honours in Cheshire, and was a P.P.G.A.D.C., and P.Z. of Chapter 477. Again, returning to Swindon, Bro. New became W.M. of the Gooch Lodge, 1295, and also held the same Provincial honours in the Craft in Wilts as in Cheshire, viz., P.P.G.A.D.C., and was P.Z. of Chapter 355, and P.P.G. Soj. Wilts. He was at the time of his death a subscribing member of 1295 and 355 Craft Lodges and 355 Chapter, and honorary member of the Vale of White Horse Lodge, 1770, Farringdon. The funeral ceremony was most impressively performed by Bro. Rev. J. A. Lloyd, P.G.C., about sixty friends following deceased to his long home, among whom we observed the following: Bros. J. Toomer, P.M. 355 and 1533, P.P.S.G.W. Wilts; J. Chandler, P.M. 355, P.G.D.C. Wilts; Rev. J. A. Lloyd, I.P.M. 1533, P.G.C. Wilts; A. Plummer, P.M. 355 and 1533, P.P.G.J.W. Wilts; R. Tarrant, P.M. 355, P.P.G.P. Wilts; J. Godwin, P.M. 355, P.P. G.S.D. Wilts; E. Brown, P.M. 1295, P.P.G.S.B. Wilts; W. Allick, P.M. 355, P.P.G.A.P. Wilts; H. Berir, W.M. 355; J. Powell, W.M. 1295; J. Green, P.M. 355; J. Goudge, P.M. 1295; T. Turner, P.M. 355; Pocock, P.M. 1770; C. J. Phillips, S.D. 1295; R. Williams, I.G. 355; W. Hall, 355; G. Pakeman, 355; J. Hayden, 1296; A. A. Moore, 1295; W. Pound, 1295; J. Allen, 1295; J. Williams, 1295; G. H. Cooper, 592; G. Tarrant, 1770; W. E. Morris, 1295; A. J. New, 355; and J. Savory, P.G.T.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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BIRTHS.

ANDERSON.—On the 29th ult., at 6, St. Oswald's-terrace, Fulford, York, the wife of Mr. Francis Henry Anderson, of a son.

DUGDALE.—On the 29th ult., at The Hermitage, Holmes Chapel, Cheshire, the wife of Mr. J. M. Dugdale, of a daughter.

HOVLAND.—On the 29th ult., at Tudor House, Maze-hill, Greenwich-park, the wife of Mr. E. Douglas Hoyland, of a daughter.

MINCHIN.—On the 28th ult., at 9, Clydesdale-road, the wife of Mr. James Innes Minchin, retired M.C.S., of a daughter.

ROBINSON.—On the 28th ult., at Sevenoaks, the wife of Mr. John William Robinson, of Streatham, of a son.

ROSE.—On the 30th ult., at 9, Roland-gardens, the wife of Mr. Hugh Rose, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

PEARCE—HILL.—On the 27th ult., at St. John's, Angell Town, Brixton, by the Rev. C. J. R. Cooke, M.A., George Henry, son of Mr. George Pearce, of East-lake-road, Camberwell, to Lily, daughter of Mr. Ormsby J. Hill, Barrington-road, Brixton.

RIDLER—HUTCHINSON.—On the 27th ult., at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, by the Rev. W. G. Humphry, John Ridler, of Parsonstown, Ireland, and 112, Westbourne-park-road, Bayswater, to Magdalen, daughter of Mr. James Hutchinson, late of Bristol.

STRAND—SILLIFANT.—On the 24th ult., at Christ Church, Forest-hill, by the Rev. C. Ward, M.A., vicar of St. Nicholas, Ipswich, the Rev. Alexander Strand, B.A., vicar of Holy Trinity, Hinckley, Leicestershire, to Mary (May) Walter, only daughter of the late Edwin Sillifant, Esq., formerly of Upper Tulse Hill, S.W., and Gresham-buildings, E.C.

DEATHS.

CARRUTHERS.—On the 24th ult., at Staines, Col. Francis John Carruthers, late 2nd Madras Light Cavalry, aged 71.

HEALY.—On the 28th ult., at Primrose Villa, Margate, aged 66, Mr. George Edmund Healey, late of the St. George's Tavern, Southwark.

LAMBERT.—On the 28th ult., at Upper Norwood, Edward Frederick Lambert, son of the late Mr. T. Lambert, of York, aged 30 years.

MAXWELL.—On Whit Sunday, at his residence, Temple Sheen, Mortlake, Bro. William Maxwell, law publisher, of Bell-yard, Temple Bar, aged 64. Bro. Maxwell was a founder and one of the members of the St. Dunstan's Lodge.

SAVORY.—On the 26th ult., Major H. B. Savory, 4th Bn. Royal Fusiliers, and late of 78th Regt., (Ross-shire Buffs), aged 45.

SPROUL.—On the 20th ult., at Barclay-road, Leytonstone, Mr. William Hatley Sproul, in his 68th year.



Madame Sarah Bernhardt is again the leading attraction of the season in the French plays at Mr. Hollingshead's house in the Strand—the Gaiety. With the success of performances in a foreign tongue, however much the same may have been familiarised by international association, a great deal is dependent upon a favourable start. In none of the many countries through which Madame Bernhardt has travelled of late years has she found warmer or more constant friendship than in England, and whether she had decided to make her *rentre* here in one of the classic *roles* connected with her former career with the members of the Comedy Française, or in an impersonation having a modern tone, it was certain that she would find a crowded and most fashionable audience assembled to greet her. It is no disrespect to the other *artistes* engaged by M. Mayer to assert that when French plays are now spoken of in London, thoughts of Madame Bernhardt recur to playgoers, and that curiosity is excited to an unwonted degree whenever it is rumoured that she purposes enlarging her *repertoire* as far as she has made it known outside Paris. With this accomplished, and in at least one respect unequalled tragedienne, to begin the French season of 1882, prestige is at once given to an enterprise which certainly promises to be highly interesting throughout. Of the six weeks for which arrangements have been made, Madame Sarah Bernhardt will stay three (half the period), during which she will sustain several of her most popular characters, including *Dona Sol* ("Hernani"), *Frou-Frou*, and *Blanche* ("Le Sphinx"); then come for a fortnight's visit M. Coquelin and a company selected from the Comédie Française, with "L'Adventuriere," "Les Ranzau" (one of the latest Parisian novelties), "Ruy Blas," &c.; and the final week will be marked by the appearance of Madame Chaumont and company in the comedy "Divorçons," a piece that a great number of persons will be eager to see, notwithstanding the announcement that it has been "altered for England." The season will be comparatively brief, but representations in which so many tastes have been consulted should prove attractive until the final night is reached. The great feature of the opening night was undoubtedly the appearance of Madame Bernhardt's husband. When in the first act the entry of *M. Armand Duval* was announced, all eyes were turned to the doorway of the scene, for it was pretty well known throughout the house that the *M. Jacques Darall* mentioned on the bill was M. Damara. The husband of Madame Sarah Bernhardt is above the average height, well proportioned, and betrays little of the novice in his acting. It is not often, indeed, that a star meets with such good support from the representative of *Armand Duval*. *M. Jacques Darall*, however, seems to have quite caught the spirit of his bride. He is easy and gentlemanly when repose is required, but when moved by the passion of the scene he exhibits fervour and impulse unaccompanied by traces of crudeness or inexperience. He was frequently applauded, and particularly after his outburst of grief in the third act, when he has read *Marguerite's* letter; and altogether it appears to us, judging from his first performance in England, that Madame Sarah Bernhardt's assumption will gain rather than lose, in force, and vigour, by the influential addition made to her company. M. Talbot did well in the one scene of *Duval père*, and M. M. Jeanne Bernhardt, with M. M. Abel Pujol, Clerh, and Ch. Pascal ably executed the somewhat subordinate duties entrusted to them. The house was filled in every part.



The re-appearance, on Saturday last, of Madame Pauline Lucca, after an absence from England for some ten years, caused Covent Garden to be filled to overflowing, the Prince and Princess of Wales and the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh being among the audience, while the welcome accorded to this popular and talented artiste cannot have been otherwise than most gratifying. The character chosen by the lady for the occasion was that of *Carmen* in Bizet's opera of that name; and Madame Lucca's splendid dramatic powers gave a force and character to her rendering of the part which have rarely been witnessed before. Madame Vallier made a capital *Micaëla*, her singing, which was most charming, being loudly applauded. M. Lestellier made a very effective *Don José*, while the other characters by M. Bouhy, &c., helped to make the performance one of general excellence.

The change on Wednesday last from Wagner to Beethoven was most welcome, and the more so, that it is doubtful if, even in the palmy days of Titiens, the latter's great masterpiece of "Fidelio" was ever heard to greater advantage. Fräulein Theresa Maltén, who is a splendid actress as well as a fine singer, achieved a grand success as *Leonora*. Herr Wolff was a fluent and expressive interpreter of *Florestan*, and Fräulein Wiedermann, as *Marselline*, greatly strengthened the favourable impression she had created by her impersonation of *Verus* in "Tannhäuser." It is next to impossible to speak too highly of Herren Gura and Dr. Kraus as *Fernando* and *Pizarro* respectively, while the Chorus of Prisoners was in perfect time. The opera was repeated on Wednesday, the 31st ult.

The other performances at the German Opera have been "Lohengrin," which was repeated for the second and third times respectively on Thursday and Saturday of last week; "Tannhäuser," which was set down for Thursday; and "Die Meistersinger," which was played for the first time on Tuesday, will be given again this (Saturday) evening.

"Die Meistersinger" was produced on Tuesday in the presence of a large audience, among whom were

their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh. The cast included Herren Gura as *Hans Sach*, H. Winkelmann as *Stolz*, P. Ehrke as *Beckmesser*, J. Kogel as *Pogner*, Dr. Kraus as *Kothner*, and L. Landau as *David*, Frau Sucher playing *Eva*, and Fräulein J. Schefsky, *Magdalene*. The performance was a brilliant success, the curtain being raised again and again at the close of each act.

The closing performances of the "Nibelung's Ring" took place at Her Majesty's on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, those of the last two evenings being at popular prices.

A most enthusiastic reception was accorded to the performance for the first time in London, on Thursday last, of Mr. F. H. Cowen's sacred cantata, "St. Ursula," and his "Scandinavian Symphony." The former was produced last year at the Norwich festival, and the very favourable opinion then formed of it has been in all respects confirmed. The solo vocalists, Madame Vallier, Miss Orridge, Mr. E. Lloyd, and Mr. King, who had had the same task assigned to them at Norwich, acquitted themselves on this occasion at St. James's Hall equally well; while the band, and chorus were both effective, the more so, no doubt, that they were under the personal direction of Mr. Cowen himself. The same amount of enthusiasm was evoked by the Symphony, which secured an eminently favourable verdict when it was produced some time since at Vienna. This also had the advantage of being conducted by the composer.

Last Saturday's Classical Concert at the Crystal Palace comprised an excellent programme, which gave the utmost satisfaction to the numerous audience assembled to hear it. Among the principal items were Beethoven's "Eroica Symphony," Henselt's pianoforte concerto, Rubinstein's "Valse Caprice in E flat," arranged for orchestra by Herr Müller-Berghaus, &c. Henselt's concerto, which is said to be the most difficult composition of its kind ever written, was played with great brilliancy by Mr. Franz Rummel, whose efforts were rewarded by a recall to the platform when the performance was ended. Herr Betz, as the vocalist, was greatly appreciated. The concert of to-day (Saturday) will include, for the first time in England, Berlioz's grand symphony, "Funebre et Triomphale."

Madame Alphonsine Weisz, who plays the pianoforte with the right hand only, but with almost as complete an effect as those who use both, gave a "matinée musicale" at the Marlborough Rooms, on Wednesday last, the audience being numerous and fashionable. The pieces she played, which were specially arranged for the one hand, included selections from Beethoven, Chopin, Liszt, &c., and each and all of them were received with the heartiest approval.

A requisition has recently been submitted to the Dean of Westminster by the professors of music in our Universities, eminent conductors, and others, with a view to obtaining his sanction to the placing in the venerable Abbey a memorial tablet in honour of the late Michael William Balfe, for his services in raising the English lyrical drama to a high position, the tablet to bear the following inscription: "To the memory of a musician, whose genius and achievements won for him during his lifetime a high reputation, not only among his countrymen, but also upon the Continent of Europe." The prayer of the petitioners has been complied with, and no doubt the tablet will soon be in its place among other and similar memorials of Englishmen of worth.

On Saturday next, the 10th inst., a grand Operatic Concert will take place at the Royal Albert Hall, South Kensington, under the patronage of the Queen and Royal Family. Mesdames Patti, Alboni, Sembrich, &c., are engaged for the occasion.

At the concert given by the Musical Artists' Society, on Saturday last, in the concert room of the Royal Academy of Music, several interesting works were given, among the more important being a pianoforte trio in B flat, by Mr. Alfred Gilbert; the quartet, by Mr. C. E. Stephens, which secured the first prize in the competition arranged by the Academic Board of Trinity College, London; and a pianoforte quintet in C, by Mr. Algernon Ashton.

Miss Maggie Okey gave a very interesting concert on Wednesday afternoon at St. James's Hall, when she more than justified the high opinions formed of her abilities as a pianiste by her brilliant performance last season at the Covent Garden Promenade Concerts. Judging by the fact that such an admirable pianiste as Miss Okey can only obtain these opportunities by giving concerts on her own account, her very excellent entertainment of Wednesday afternoon was both well timed, highly appreciated, and a fair sample of what an English musician can do, even when wholly trained in an English school of music. The works rendered by this very young but highly-accomplished performer included Rubenstein's Sonata in A minor, for violin and piano; the famous Keutze Sonata of Beethoven's, also for violin and piano; Beethoven's Pianoforte Variations in E flat; two charming "morceaux" by Chopin; Shumann's "Traumereien;" brilliant solos by Liszt and Raffé, concluding with her inimitable performance of the famous "Rhapsodie Hongroise," No. 2, by Liszt. Throughout the entire length of this varied and most trying programme, Miss Okey played with that brilliancy, fire, skill, and delicacy which distinguish the talented and highly-cultured musician; in fact, the young pianist displayed a mastery of her instrument second to none of the renowned artistes who have figured in our concert-rooms during the past season. Herr Adolph Brodsky contributed some excellent violin music, playing in the duets of Rubinstein and Beethoven with Miss Okey in masterly style, and delighting his audience with the solos by Spohr and Sarasate, Miss De Fonblaque, in Gounod's "Ave Marie," and in the songs of H. F. Cowen, sang with that exquisite taste and style which makes her everywhere so popular; and Mr. Abercrombie was heard to advantage in his selection of pieces. The accompaniments were admirably played by the well-known maestro, Signor Romili.



The Right Hon. Sir Henry Brand, G.C.B., M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons, together with a large number of its members paid a visit on Saturday last to the Electric Light Exhibition at the Crystal Palace. They were received on their arrival by Mr. M'George, the chairman, and other members of the directorate, by whom they were conducted to the dining-rooms in the south corridor, where covers were laid for about 150 guests. Mr. M'George presided, and in the course of the evening proposed "The Health of the Speaker," to whom they were greatly indebted for the honour he had done them that day. The Right Honourable gentleman in returning thanks expressed the pleasure he had derived from his visit, and in referring to the labours and disposition of the present Parliament expressed a hope that it might soon be able to restore Ireland to a condition of prosperity. Dr. Siemens replied to the toast of "The Exhibitors of the Crystal Palace Electric Light Exhibition," and, in doing so, congratulated the Palace executive on the success which had attended their efforts in demonstrating what the electric light was capable of doing. Sir William Thompson replied for "Electric Science," and when the Lord Mayor's health had been drunk and acknowledged, the Speaker gave "The Chairman's Health." During dinner the Hungarian String Band, under Josef Baroza, played an admirable selection of music. Among those present were: Sir C. Forster, M.P., Colonel Forster, M.P., Sir A. Otway, M.P., Bro. Boord, M.P., Sir H. Tyler, M.P., Mr. S. Morley, M.P., Bro. the Lord Mayor, G.J.W., Sir J. Bazalgette, Dr. Siemens, Mr. Silvanus Thompson, Mr. Preece, and others. The exhibition will close this day (Saturday).

There is now on view in the Lord President's Court of the South Kensington Museum an unusually attractive exhibition, consisting, in a small degree, of early relics from Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Iceland, but principally of articles of textile fabrics, pottery, jewellery, saddlery, carving, &c., of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. The Museum of Copenhagen contributes a fine series of Danish drinking horns, and also two fine examples of tapestry, made partly at Elsinore and partly in Iceland, between 1581 and 1596. From Rosenberg Castle is a dinner service of Copenhagen porcelain, and from the Nordiska collection numerous carved and painted ale bowls. In addition are jewellery, belts, necklets, and breast ornaments of Norwegian, Swedish, Icelandic, and Laplandic manufacture, partly contributed by the old Nordiska Museum of Copenhagen, and partly by the National Museum of Swedish Antiquities at Stockholm. Among other objects of especial interest are the sledges of carved and painted wood, battle axes, pewter dishes, a very ancient cart with brass bosses for its wheels, dug out of a peat bog, and bronze brooches, &c., and other relics from graves in Sweden.

By permission of the Committee of Council on Education, the President of the Institute of Civil Engineers held a conversazione on Thursday evening in the South Kensington Museum. The guests, who numbered some 2000, were received by Sir William and Lady Armstrong in the second division of the Architectural Court. In the Lord President's Court, which was illuminated by the electric light, was stationed the Hungarian Band, and in the Italian Court was the string band of the Corps of Royal Engineers, while in the galleries devoted to the Sheepshanks' collection the playing of the Russian pianist, Vladimir de Pachmann proved a very great attraction.

The "Comet Wells," which was discovered on the 18th March, will shortly become visible, and for the next fortnight will be in its best position for observation, after which it will have passed the sun, and be travelling into infinite space.

The Medals of Honour for the French Salon have been awarded in painting to M. Puris de Chavannes, for his picture "Ludus pro Patria;" and in engraving and lithography to M. Wattner. That for sculpture was not awarded, the requisite number of votes not having been obtained by any candidate.

It seems that in consequence of certain experiments that have recently been made in Paris, it has been ascertained that by passing a current of electricity through a cask of sour wine, the quality has been, in a few days, very appreciably improved, and it is said to have acquired the flavour which is usually supposed to be the result of age.

Further experiments have been recently made off Dungeness Point, by Captain the Hon. H. W. Chetwynd, R.N., District Inspector of Lifeboats, with a view of ascertaining the effect of oil in calming a rough sea. The Dungeness Lifeboat, the David Halett, was launched and anchored in five fathoms of water, a small canvas bag, containing about half-a-gallon of oil, and pierced in several places by a needle, being attached to the anchor as a buoy. This had the effect of producing a space of still water about twenty yards wide, and of considerable length. Further experiments will be made.

On Saturday afternoon Bro. Lord Carrington, G.S. Warden, opened a loan picture exhibition, promoted by the Literary and Scientific Institute of High Wycombe. The collection, which comprises not far short of 700 oil paintings, water-colour drawings, and miniatures, and was arranged in the Central Board School, was lent by noblemen and gentlemen living in the neighbourhood, and will remain on view till to-day. Among old masters represented must be mentioned Salvator Rosa, Vandyck, Holbein, Reubens, Correggio, Paul Potter, Ostade, &c.; and among modern artists, Gainsborough, Landseer, W. Hunt, Birket Foster, Cruikshank, and Alma Tadema. A soirée, given by the members of the institute, and a concert followed.



Last Monday afternoon Bro. the Right Hon. the Earl of Derby and the Countess of Derby opened a grand bazaar, fête, and fancy fair in Stanley Park, Liverpool, in aid of the funds of the Stanley Hospital. The grand gala was to continue during the week, and many well-known Masonic brethren took a conspicuous part in promoting its success. Amongst the number being Bros. Dr. J. Kellett Smith, P.G.R.; John Houlding P.G.R.; Dr. Costine, P.M. 216; Dr. Sheldon, P.M. 1094; G. Fowler, P. Armstrong, F. Emery, E. Laker, R. B. Bainbridge, and others. Fine weather favoured the opening ceremony, and it is expected that several thousand pounds will be secured towards building two new wings to the hospital. Besides the bazaar there were numerous other attractions, including dramatic and musical performances, balloon ascents, cricket and foot-ball matches, athletic and old English sports, dancing on the platform, pony racing, &c.

Bro. Theobald Ringer, Bengal Army, P.M. Light of the North Lodge, No. 1308, Dalhousie, Punjab, has retired from the service with the honorary rank of Dy. Surgeon-General. Bro. Ringer is serving as Steward this year for the Province of Wilts and Lodge 1533, both for the Girls' and Boys' Institutions.

Bro. John Hodges was elected on Saturday, the 27th ult., W.M. of the Orpheus Lodge, No. 1706, for the ensuing year.

We are requested to remind our readers that the Fifteen Sections will be worked at the Sincerity Lodge of Instruction, 174, which meets at the Three Nuns Hotel, adjoining the Aldgate Station of the Metropolitan Railway. Lodge will be opened at seven o'clock prompt, on Monday next, the 5th inst., and Bro. G. H. Stephens, 1382 and S.D. 1623, will preside, and be supported by Bros. B. Cundick, P.M. 1421, as S.W.; W. H. Myers, P.M. 820 and 1445, as J.W.; C. H. Webb, P.M. 1607 and 174 (the esteemed Preceptor); and other eminent workers. The lodge-room is very comfortable, is easy of access from all quarters, and a good muster is expected.

Mr. Leopold Wagner, author of the successful farce, "The Latch Key," now being played nightly at Sadlers Wells, amid roars of laughter, has engaged to prepare a succession of similar laughable pieces for the present management. Shortly there will be produced at the historical house in Clerkenwell the second of the series, under the title of "Who Did It?" Mr. Wagner has also in hand a much more important work, in the form of modern metropolitan life, which may also see the light ere long in the same theatre.

The Speech Day at Eton, which does duty for the old "Eton Montem," takes place on Monday next, in consequence of the 4th of June, the anniversary of old George the Third's birthday, falling on a Sunday. On this occasion the proceedings will be of a more than usually brilliant character, as the Prince and Princess of Wales will be present, His Royal Highness having undertaken to unveil the memorial raised in the College Chapel in honour of those officers who were educated at Eton, and fell during the late South African and Afghan campaigns.

Bro. the Duke of Albany will preside at the anniversary dinner at Willis's Rooms, on Saturday, the 24th inst.

The Crusaders' Lodge of Instruction, meeting at St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, is adjourned until the second Thursday in September, at nine p.m.

Bro. Brackstone Baker, P.G.D., has, with the approbation of the M.W.G. Master, received from the Grand Secretary his patent of appointment as representative of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York at the Grand Lodge of England. Bro. Brackstone Baker was also elected Renter Warden of the Turners' Company on Ascension Day.

As is usual, whenever the honour of a baronetcy is conferred on a Lord Mayor of London, in order to commemorate a particular service rendered by the Corporation or a Royal visit, the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex have not been forgotten, and it gives us great pleasure to be in a position to congratulate Bro. Alderman Hanson and Mr. Ogg, who occupy those important positions, on the knighthood which Her Majesty has intimated her intention of bestowing upon them. May they long live to enjoy an honour that has been so well deserved!

Bro. Edward Clarke, O.C., made a long speech on the Derby Day in the House of Commons on the Prevention of Crime (Ireland) Bill.

Bros. Earl of Shaftesbury, Earl Percy, M.P., and Viscount Ebrington, M.P., took part at a meeting, at Willis', on Wednesday, of the Metropolitan Convalescent Institution.

A new Library and Scientific Institute, Museum and School of Art, was opened at Berwick-on-Tweed, on Tuesday, by Colonel Milne Holme, M.P., supported by Mr. H. E. H. Jerningham, M.P., the Mayor and Corporation.

Lady Tweedmond gave a reception at Brook House on Wednesday week, which was attended by, amongst others, Bros. the Duke of Marlborough, the Earl of Leitrim, Lord Onslow, the Marquis of Tweeddale, Viscount Ebrington, M.P., Sir Hedworth Williamson, Viscount Powerscourt, and Sir James M'Garel Hogg.

Bro. the Earl of Northesk and General Sir Henry de Bathe are Directors of St. James's Residential Chambers' Company, which has been formed to provide comfortable chambers at a moderate cost for gentlemen in the West-end.

Masonic Gatherings, Wedding Groups, Social Reunions, and Out-door Photography of every kind expeditiously carried out in any part of the country, by Bros. Bedford Lemere, and Co., Architectural Photographers to the Queen, 147, Strand, London. A large collection of photographs on view. Catalogues and lists of prices free. —[Advtr.]

Bro. the Senior Grand Warden (Lord Carrington) opened at High Wycombe, on Saturday, an Art Exhibition and Literary Institute. Several famous artists are represented on the walls.

Bros. the Lord Mayor (Sir John Ellis), Alderman Sir Reginald Hanson, Alderman Fowler, M.P., the Earl of Shaftesbury, Alderman Stone, P.G.J.W., and Alderman Staples will be present at the festival of the National Hospital for Diseases of the Heart and Paralysis, to be held on the 6th inst., when H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge will preside.

Bros. the Earl of Derby, K.G., and J. B. Firth, M.P., have made a donation of several volumes to the Bethnal Green Free Library.

Mrs. Kendal has had not only to play the important character of *The Squire* in the play of the same name lately, but also to nurse her husband and children, who have been laid up with measles. Bro. Kendal has had so severe an attack that his life was almost despaired of. We are glad he will shortly resume his old place at St. James's Theatre.

Bro. E. Garnet Man, of Lamb's-buildings, Temple, P.G.D. Burmah, I.G. 1827, is a steward for the British-Burma dinner, on the 13th June, at Willis's, when General Sir A. P. Phayre, G.C.M.S. will preside.

Bro. the Pro Grand Master, Bro. Stanley Leighton, and Bro. Staveley Hill, O.C., spoke at Hanley, on Wednesday, at a demonstration of the local Conservatives.

Bro. the Earl of Sandwich has been presented by the officers of the Hants Militia with a handsome silver equestrian statue of himself. The noble lord has retired from the colonelcy, after holding it for thirty years.

Bro. the Duke of Athole was present at a meeting to make arrangements for the forthcoming Royal Caledonian Ball, to be held at Willis's Rooms on the 19th inst.

Bro. Lord Richard Grosvenor, M.P., P.G.W., and Bro. Sir Watkin W. Wynn have each sent a cheque for £10 to the Sir Hugh Owen Memorial Fund.

H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, P.G.M., has announced the intention of the Duchess to become a patroness of the Chelsea Hospital for Women, whose buildings are to be opened this year, the foundation stone having been laid by the Princess of Wales in 1880.

Bro. Viscount Holmesdale, P.G.M. Kent, was at the consecration, at Marden, near Staplehurst, on Tuesday, of an addition to the parish churchyard. The ceremony was performed by the diocesan, the Archbishop of Canterbury, who has been staying at the vicarage for a few days. The vicar, the Rev. W. Beacham, was a National Schoolmaster of the parish in which Dr. Tait resided, and his wife was governess to the Misses Tait.

In summer, fresh air should be obtained, if possible, from the shaded side of the building. To effect this there should be a number of apertures covered with some porous texture (so that, as we have before noticed, the air may have no sensible current), extending at intervals over a considerable space. When the windows happen to be at the shaded sides, the ventilation will be easily managed, by letting in the air at the lower part of them, by no means opening the top. In fine, these golden rules may be laid down, which have been approved by a celebrated civil engineer and a great authority on ventilation, that in whatever manner fresh air is obtained (1), it should be introduced near the floor; (2) at various places; (3) dispersed as much as possible to avoid currents.—From *Cassell's Household Guide* for June.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked in the New Concord Lodge of Instruction, No. 813, which is held at the Jolly Farmers Tavern, Southgate-road, N., on Wednesday evening, the 7th inst. Bro. H. G. Gush, S.W. 1541, will be W.M.; Bro. D. Moss, S.D. 1275, S.W.; Bro. A. Trevinnard, P.M. 1693, J.W.; and Bro. T. J. Cusworth, P.M. 813, I.P.M. The Sections will be worked as follows: First Lecture—First Section, Bro. Gray, 933; Second, Bro. H. Hall, W.M. elect 1693; Third, Bro. A. Perl, D.C. 813; Fourth, Bro. A. Trevinnard, P.M. 1693; Fifth, Bro. J. Lardner, W.M. 745; Sixth, Bro. D. Moss, S.D. 1275; and Seventh, Bro. J. A. Powell, 186. Second Lecture—First Section, Bro. Greene, J.D. 861; Second, Bro. King, S.D. 1929; Third, Bro. C. Weeden, I.G. 813; Fourth, Bro. C. Lorkin, S.W. 1524; and Fifth, Bro. R. P. Forge, W.M. 1920. Third Lecture—First Section, Bro. G. Ferrar, 1524; Second, Bro. E. Digman, W.M. 1524; and Third, Bro. W. Potter, 813. Bro. F. Perl, 813, is the acting Hon. Sec., and Bro. T. J. Cusworth, P.M. 813, 433, and 1579, Preceptor, of the lodge.

Bro. Pearce Morrison, C.C., will distribute the Beaufoy Prizes at the City of London School, this month; and Bro. the Lord Mayor, G.J.W., will distribute the ordinary school prizes at the half-yearly breaking up.

The State Concert at Buckingham Palace on Friday, the 26th ult., was graced by the presidency of H.R.H. Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh, and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. Bros. the Duke of Abercorn and Manchester, the Marquises of Bath and Hamilton, Sir Charles Mills, Bart., M.P., Sir Michael Shaw Stewart, P.G.M., Scotland, the Marquis of Tweeddale, the Duke of Marlborough, the Hon. and Rev. F. Byng, P.G. Chap., Lord Wolverton, the Grand Senior Warden of England, and Lord Kensington were amongst the large company invited.

Bro. W. Masterman, D.C.L., was on the 19th ult. installed W.M. of the Unity Lodge, No. 1118. A large number of distinguished Masons from Oxford and Cambridge were present to witness the ceremony. Bro. Dr. Masterman being already a P.M. of No. 1228, the ceremony of installation which was admirably performed by the outgoing W.M. Bro. G. Dayrell Reed, was somewhat curtailed, and after closing the lodge the brethren entertained their guests with their usual hospitality at the Freemasons' Tavern. The W.M., Bro. Dr. Masterman is a candidate for the City Remembrancership.

Bro. H. Wildey Wright (Temple) spoke at an open-air meeting at Canonbury last week, in connection with a local political club.

The sixth exhibition of the Yorkshire Fine Art Society, consisting of a fine collection of upwards of 1000 oil and water-colour paintings, was opened at Leeds on Monday.

The founders and first officers of the Gallery Lodge are being photographed by Messrs. C. F. Treble and Co., 371, Brixton-road, for presentation as a group to the lodge. It is intended, if possible, to have a similar group of the Consecrating Officers and other Grand Officers present at the consecration of the lodge.

The vote of congratulation to Prince Leopold passed by the City of Westminster Lodge at their last regular meeting (the day of the marriage), having been illuminated and inscribed upon vellum, and forwarded to H.R.H. Prince Leopold, the following reply has been received by the Secretary of the lodge: "Claremont, Esher, Surrey, May 27th, 1882.—Dear Sir and Brother,—I beg you will convey to the brethren of the City of Westminster Lodge, No. 1563, the Duchess of Albany's and my own cordial thanks for the address of congratulation they have sent to us.—I remain, fraternally yours (Signed), LEOPOLD, P.G.W., Prov. G.M. Oxon.—To Bro. E. J. Scott, Secretary."

Bro. Lord Plunket, Lord Bishop of Meath, is staying at Maple's Hotel, Kildare-street, Dublin.

Bro. William F. Bunting, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, has resigned his office to take the place of Chairman of the Board of Assessors of St. John, and the Grand Lodge has published complimentary resolutions upon the occasion. His successor is Edwin J. Wetmore.

Bro. the Bishop of Peterborough took part in the proceedings in connection with the opening of Leicester Park, on Whit Monday, by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M., who was accompanied by the Princess.

Bro. H.R.H. the Duke of Albany, Prince Leopold, was visited on Whit Monday at Claremont by their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh.

The Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M., dined at the Earl of Albemarle's house on Monday evening, in Dover-street, and met the officers of the 1st Life Guards, the occasion being the anniversary dinner of this fine regiment.

Bro. Alderman Knight is Chairman of the Directors of the Scottish Pilsen and Joel Electric Light Company.

Bro. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Bart., M.P., P.G.M. Gloucestershire, attended the meeting of the Reformatory and Industrial Schools Commission at Old Palace Yard, on Wednesday of last week.

Bro. Sir Thomas Brassey, M.P., presided at the anniversary festival of the Printers' Pension Corporation Society, which was held at Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-street, on Wednesday evening last. The needs of the corporation, it is stated, increase rapidly, and at the recent election of pensioners only eighteen out of a list of sixty-five applicants could be elected, while of the unsuccessful applicants sixteen were above seventy years of age, and the cases of all were urgent and deserving. In proposing "The Health of the Queen," the chairman remarked upon the fact that Her Majesty was herself an author, and that she had caused to be written by one of the most distinguished literary men of our time the very interesting life of the late Prince Consort. After giving the toast of "The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs of London," to which Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson, who was called upon as Sir Reginald Hanson, responded, the chairman proposed the toast of the evening, "Continued Prosperity to the Printers' Pension Almshouse and Orphan Asylum Corporation," and alluded to the extraordinary popularity which had attended the publication of the writings of Lady Brassey. The book had been translated into most modern languages; it had been read by millions, and had been purchased by hundreds of thousands of copies. He spoke at some length of the affairs of the charity, expressing his regret to learn that the income had fallen short by £500 of the sum required for the pension fund, which should amount to £1800. The secretary, Mr. J. S. Hodson, read a list of subscriptions and donations, which, including £100 from the chairman, amounted to nearly £700. "The Health of the Chairman" was proposed by Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson, and other toasts followed.

An influential county meeting was held at Truro on Thursday, under the presidency of Mr. Tremayne, to promote the representation of Cornwall at the forthcoming International Fisheries Exhibition. Mr. Pendarves Vivian, M.P., and Mr. C. C. Ross, M.P., were among those present. It was resolved to form a central Committee, and to raise a fund to enable the local fishermen to forward exhibits, and to contribute to the general fund. Models of the gear used in the Cornish fisheries are to be prepared forthwith, the fishermen being assisted to attend the Exhibition.

Bro. George Cole was installed W.M. of the Crystal Palace Lodge on Thursday, the 1st inst., and Bro. W. Land, P.M. and Secretary, was presented with a testimonial. We hope to give a report of the proceedings in our next.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M., on Thursday last inspected at Great Yarmouth the Artillery Militia, under the command of Bro. Colonel Lord Suffield, K.C.B., Provincial Grand Master Norfolk. The Prince was accompanied by a large staff of officers. Thousands of persons were present at the review, at the close of which the Prince, addressing Bro. Lord Suffield and the officers and men, expressed his pleasure at being there, and his satisfaction with their movements. He afterwards lunched with the officers at the Assembly Rooms.

"Spring's delights" can only be actually realised by those who live in healthy houses, and who combine known sanitary measures for the prevention of such infectious diseases as small pox, scarlet fever, and measles. The remedy actually becomes a luxury, when the washing of toilet, bath, and nursery is conducted with WRIGHT'S COAL TAR SOAP. Refuse all imitations, which are but dangerous counterfeits.—[Advtr.]

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS

For the Week ending Saturday, June 10, 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, JUNE 3.
Gen. Com. Boys' School, at 4.
Chap. 173, Phoenix, F.M.H.
" 975, Rose of Denmark, Star and Garter, Kew B.
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.
Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tav., Bethnal Green Railway Stn., 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.
MONDAY, JUNE 5.
Lodge 16, Royal Alpha, Willis's Rooms, St. James's.
" 1319, Asaph, F.M.H.
" 1625, Tredegar, Royal Hot., Mile End-rd.
Chap. 1615, Bayard, 33, Golden-sq., W.
Red Cross Conclave Premier, F.M. Tav.
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., 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, JUNE 6.
Colonial Board, at 4.
Grand Mark Lodge, F.M. Tav.
Lodge 171, Amity, Ship Hot., Greenwich.
" 1353, Friends-in-Council, 33, Golden-sq., W.
" 1591, Studholme, Southampton Hot., Surbiton.
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 Bldgs., 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, JUNE 7.
Grand Lodge, at 6 for 7.
Lodge 1549, Abercorn, Abercorn Hot., Great Stanmore.
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.
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.
Pannure, Balham Hot., Balham, 7.
Thistle Mark L. of 1, 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, JUNE 8.
Lodge 10, Westminster and Keystone, F.M.H.
" 238, Pilgrim, F.M.H.
" 1216, Macdonald, Head-Quarters 1st Surrey Rifles, Camberwell.
Rose Croix 42, St. George, 33, Golden-sq.

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., at 8.
Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-st., Oxford-st.
Rose, Walmer Castle Hot., Peckham-rd., at 8.
Burgoyne, Cock Tav., St. Martin's-crt., 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, Marsion House Station Restaurant, Queen Victoria-st., at 6. (Emulation Working.)
St. Michael's, Moorgate Tav., Finsbury Pavement, at 8.
All Saints, Eagle Tav., East India Dock-rd., Poplar, at 7.30.
Selwyn, East Dulwich Hot., East Dulwich, at 8.
Upton, Swan Tav., Bethnal Green-rd., at 8.
Camden, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, at 7.
North London Chap., Canonbury Tav., at 8.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9.
Lodge 134, Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.
" 1702, Sub-Urban, Abercorn Hot., Great Stanmore.

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, Lord Stanly, Sandringham-road, Hackney, at 8.
St. John's, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8.
Prosperity Chapter of Improvement, Hercules Ta Leadenhall-st.
SATURDAY, JUNE 10.
Lodge 176, Caveac, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st.
" 1415, Campbell, Mitre Hot., Hampton Court.
" 1423, Era, Albany Hot., Twickenham.
" 1446, Mount Edgumbe, Bridge House Hot.
" 1584, Loyalty and Charity, Star and Garter Hot., Kew Bridge.
" 1607, Loyalty, Alexandra Palace.
" 1637, Unity, Abercorn Hot., Great Stanmore.
" 1685, Guelph, Red Lion, Leytonstone.
" 1928, Gallery, Brixton Hall, Acre-lane, Brixton.
" 1929, Mozart, Harewood House, Croydon.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN WEST LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE

For the Week ending Saturday, June 10, 1882.

MONDAY, JUNE 5.
Lodge 104, St. John's, Ashton Hot., Stockport.
" 113, Unanimity, Bull Hot., Preston.
" 1045, Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham.
" 1051, Rowley, M.R., Lancaster.
" 1264, Neptune, M.H., Liverpool.
" 1380, Skelmersdale, Queen's Hot., Waterloo.
Chap. 1496, Trafford, Alexandra Hot., Manchester.
Everton L. of 1, M.H., Liverpool.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6.
Lodge 293, King's Friends, Lamb Inn, Nantwich.
" 673, St. John's M.H., Liverpool.
" 995, Furness, M.T., Ulverstone.
Chap. 203, St. John of Jerusalem, M.H., Liverpool.
Mark Lodge 11, Joppa, M.R., Birkenhead.
" 101, Walton, Skelmersdale H., Liverpool.
Merchant's L. of 1, M.H., Liverpool.
Bootle L. of 1, 146, Berry-street, Bootle.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7.
Lodge 287, Unanimity, Dog and Partridge, Stockport.
" 1013, Victoria, M.H., Liverpool.
" 1335, Lindsay, M.H., Wigan.
" 1354, Marquis of Lorne, M.R., Leigh.
" 1403, W. Lancashire, W.H., Liverpool.
" 1620, Marlborough, Derby Hot., Liverpool.
Chap. 1356, De Grey and Ripon, M.H., Liverpool.
Toxteth L. of 1, M.R., N. Hill-street, Liverpool.
Downshire L. of 1, M.H., Liverpool.

THURSDAY, JUNE 8.
Lodge 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.
Antient Union L. of 1, M.H., Liverpool.
Mariners L. of 1, M.H., Liverpool.
FRIDAY, JUNE 9.
Lodge 155, Perseverance, M.H., Liverpool.
Faith Encampment, M.H., Wigan.
Hamer L. of 1, M.H., Liverpool.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN DUBLIN.

For the Week ending Saturday, June 10, 1882.

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 3.
Lodge 238, Dublin. | P.M.C. 4.
MONDAY, JUNE 5.
Lodge 2, Dublin. | R.A.C. 143, Dublin.
Precep. 245, Dublin.
TUESDAY, JUNE 6.
Lodge 171, Dublin. | R.A.C. 141, Dublin.
" 227, Dublin. | P.M.C. 5.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7.
Lodge 158, Dublin. | Lodge 620, Dublin.
P.M.C. 10.
THURSDAY, JUNE 8.
Lodge 27, Dublin. | R.A.C. 620, Dublin.
FRIDAY, JUNE 9.
Lodge 25, Dublin. | R.A.C. 93, Dublin.
" 250, Dublin. | G.M.L.
SATURDAY, JUNE 10.

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NOTES.

(a) Earl of Carnarvon, born 1831, is one of the most distinguished Craftsmen of the day. He is a Past Master of the Westminster and Keystone Lodge, No. 10, having occupied the chair of that lodge during two years, 1857 and 1858, and a joining member of the Apollo University Lodge, No. 357, Oxford. He was Deputy Grand Master to the Marquis of Ripon, 1870-4, and has been Pro Grand Master to the Prince of Wales since His Royal Highness's election as M.V. Grand Master. He is also Pro Grand Z. of the Supreme Grand Chapter, Past Grand Master of the Mark Degree, and Past M.P.S.G. Commander of the Supreme Council, 33°, A. and A. Scottish Rite, and has been Prov. Grand Master of Somersetshire since 1868. He graduated with first-class honours "in literis humanioribus" at the University of Oxford, of which he is High Steward, and was Secretary of State for the Colonies 1874-8, in the late Earl of Beaconsfield's administration.

(b) New York. The Grand Lodge of New York, which, in respect of membership, is the strongest in the United States, last year celebrated the hundredth anniversary of its constitution, the original warrant having been granted by the Duke of Athole, Grand Master of the "Ancients," England, on the 5th September, 1781. But Masonry had been established and in active working order for a long time anterior to that year. The deputation granted to Bro. Daniel Cox by the Duke of Norfolk, in 1730, constituted him Prov. Grand Master of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, but there is nothing to show that lodges were formed till some years later, when fresh deputations were granted by the "Moderns." There still exist lodges on the roll that were of "Modern" origin. In 1880 the Grand Lodge of New York mustered 715 lodges, with 72,867 members.

(c) Grand Countries Lodge, second in numerical strength of the three Grand Lodges in Berlin, has under its banner seventy-four Johannite Lodges and twenty-five St. Andrew Lodges, with 8760 members. It was established on the Swedish System.

(d) Alabama. The Grand Lodge of this State has some 290 lodges, with about 8,100 members. The first Grand Master was Bro. Thomas W. Farrar.

(e) Earl of Strathmore. It was during this nobleman's Grand Mastership that the warrant for the first regular lodge in Germany was issued, his lordship having, in 1733, granted permission to "eleven German gentlemen and good brethren" in Hamburg to found a permanent lodge. It is not, however, till 1737 that we hear of a lodge in active operation in that city, which, in 1741, assumed the name of Absalom.

(f) Royal York of Friendship G. Lodge, the youngest of the three Berlin Grand Lodges, has under it forty-seven Johannite Lodges, seven Inner Orients, and 5387 members. Originally Lodge "L'Amicitie," it was, in 1765, renamed "Royal York of Friendship," in honour of H.R.H. the Duke of York, son of our George II., who was initiated in Berlin in that year.

(g) Huyshe, the late Rev. J. M. A. Oxon, was initiated in the Apollo University Lodge, No. 357, in 1823. In 1835 he was Prov. G. J. Warden Devon; in 1844, Prov. G. S. Warden; in 1850, Dep. Prov. G. Master; and in 1866, Prov. G. Master till his resignation, 1879, having in the interim been appointed Grand Chaplain of England. In 1859 he was appointed Grand Superintendent of the same province. He was also a distinguished member of the Mark, Templar, and other Degrees.

JUNE + HISTORICAL CALENDAR. + 1882.

1	Thur.	The Earl of Carnarvon (a) invested and installed as Dep. Grand Master, 1870. Corner-stone of the North aisle of St. Mary's, Peterborough, laid by the Duke of Manchester, Prov. G. M. Northamptonshire and Hunts, 1876.
2	Fri.	Dedication of the new Masonic Temple, New York (b), 1875.
3	Sat.	The Earl of Moira, in open Grand Lodge, defends Freemasonry against the calumnies of the Abbé Barruel, Professor Robison, &c., 1800.
4	Sun.	Grand Countries Lodge (c), Berlin, established, 1774. Shakespeare Lodge, Stratford-on-Avon, consecrated, 1793. Grand Lodge of Alabama (d) constituted, 1821.
5	Mon.	Deputation granted by the Duke of Norfolk to Daniel Cox, as Grand Master of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, 1730. Freemasons in Paris forbidden to meet in lodges, 1744.
6	Tu.	The Grand Lodge of New York receives and entertains a number of unfortunate Portuguese brethren exiled from Madeira for being Freemasons, 1792.
7	Wed.	Grand Lodge of Delaware established, 1806. Earl of Strathmore (e) installed Grand Master at Mercers' Hall, 1733. The Philipps and Willard Grand Lodges, New York, are reconciled and become one Grand Lodge, 1858.
8	Thur.	Count Cagliostro—Joseph Balsamo—born at Palermo, 1743. Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, U.S., established, 1789. Universal Masonic Congress at Paris opened by Prince Murat, 1855.
9	Fri.	Meeting at Worms of the Society of German Freemasons, and manifesto issued to all Grand Lodges, 1867.
10	Sat.	Grand Orient of France takes "Lodges of Adoption" under its control, 1774.
11	Sun.	The Mother Lodge, Royal York of Friendship, (f) constituted a G. L., 1798.
12	Mon.	Grand R. A. Chapter, Massachusetts, constituted, 1798.
13	Tu.	Governor of Kentucky interred with Masonic honours, 1855. Dedication of the Huyshe (g) Masonic Hall, Stoke, Devonport, 1867.
14	Wed.	Universal Masonic Congress at Paris closed, 1855.
15	Thur.	Count Clermont, Grand Master of France, died 1771.
16	Fri.	Two young Persian Princes, sons of the Shah, initiated in the Lodge of Friendship, No. 6, 1836.
17	Sat.	Bro. Joseph Warren, Prov. G.M. of Massachusetts, slain at Bunker Hill, 1775. General de Lafayette laid first stone of the Bunker Hill Monument, 1825.
18	Sun.	The late Earl of Zetland (h), Grand Master, initiated in the Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 259, 1830.
19	Mon.	The Sussex Wing of the Royal Free Hospital opened by Lord Leigh, 1856. Union of the two Massachusetts G. Lodges, Bro. John Cutler, first G.M., 1792. Frederic II. (the Great) of Prussia presided at a lodge at the Castle of Charlottenburg, 1740. Prov. G. Lodge of Pennsylvania (i) (Ancients) constituted, Bro. W. Ball, first G. Master, 1764. A Grand Orient of Italy (j) established by Supreme Council A. and A. Rite, Prince Eugene Grand Master, 1805.
20	Tu.	Resolution by Grand Lodge to raise a loan of £2000 to pay off debts on account of Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, 1779.
21	Wed.	Grand Lodge "Alpina," (k) Switzerland, constituted at Zurich, Bro. J. J. Hottinger G. Master, 1844.
22	Thur.	Goethe initiated in Lodge "Amalia," Weimar, 1780. Lodge "Amalia" celebrates Goethe's Masonic Jubilee, 1830. National Grand Orient of Peru constituted, 1831.
23	Fri.	St. John the Baptist's Day. The so-called Charter of Cologne promulgated, 1535. Sir John Harper, of Cambusnethan, the Right Hon. "Mr. William Murray, His Majesty's Justice Deput, and Mr. Walter Pringle, Advocat" admitted members of Lodge of Edinburgh, No. 1, 1670. Anthony Sayer (l) installed Grand Master England, 1717. First mention of Master's Degree in Scotland in minutes of Lodge of Kilwinning, 1736. Foundation-stone of High School, Edinburgh, laid by Sir W. Forbes, Grand Master, 1776. Foundation-stone of Wallace Monument, near Stirling, laid by the Duke of Athole, G.M. 1801.
24	Sat.	Foundation-stone of Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, laid by the Duke of Athole, Grand Master, 1868.
25	Sun.	Sir Martin Folkes, (m) Dep. Grand Master in 1725, died, 1754. Grand Lodge of Rhode Island constituted, 1791.
26	Mon.	New Code of Laws for Grand Orient of France prepared and ordered to be published, 1773.
27	Tues.	Johann Valentin Andrea, supposed founder of the Rosicrucian Society, died, 1654.
28	Wed.	Feast of Reconciliation in honour of the Union of Grand Lodge and Grand Orient of France, 1799. Grand Lodge of Michigan (n) constituted, 1826.
29	Thur.	The Duke de Chartres presides over the assembled Lodges of Besançon, and afterwards fêted by the brethren, 1780.
30	Fri.	Duke Ernest of Saxe-Gotha nominated Grand Master of the Lodges of the Zinnendorf System, 1775.

NOTES—continued.

(h) Earl of Zetland, born 1795, ed 1873, was initiated in the Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 259, in 1830, and became Deputy Master in 1837-S. He was Grand Senior Warden in 1835, Prov. G. Master North and East Yorkshire, 1835-73, Deputy G. Master in 1839, Pro Grand Master, 1840-43, and Grand Master, 1843-70, as well as Grand Z. during the same period. The "Zetland" Fund of £3000 was raised in 1870 to commemorate his long and distinguished services to the Craft. The family of which his lordship was a member has played a conspicuous part in Masonry. His grandfather, Lord Dundas, was appointed Deputy Grand Master in 1813; his father, the first earl, held the same office, and subsequently that of Pro Grand Master, in which latter he was succeeded by the subject of this note. The present Earl of Zetland was appointed Prov. Grand Master of North and East Yorkshire, in 1874, in succession to his relative.

(i) Pennsylvania. Though the present Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania undoubtedly traces its origin directly back to the Prov. Grand Lodge established by the Grand Lodge "Ancients" of England in 1764, it is equally beyond doubt that Masonry found its way into its capital city, Philadelphia, by the year 1730, when the Duke of Norfolk granted a deputation to Bro. Daniel Cox as Prov. Grand Master of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. There is, moreover, undoubted contemporary evidence of the fact that meetings of the brethren were held in Philadelphia not long after the grant of the said deputation to Bro. Cox, this being the earliest testimony to the existence of the Craft in what are now the United States of North America.

(j) Italy. Freemasonry has experienced, perhaps, greater vicissitudes of fortune in this than in any other country. It has been persecuted and denounced to an extent only less violent than in Spain, but, on the other hand, there have been times when it has received the protection of Italian sovereigns. The earliest lodge is said to have been established in Florence by Charles Sackville, Duke of Dorset, about 1729, and a medal was struck in its honour. Latterly, since the establishment of the kingdom of Italy with Rome as its capital, Freemasonry has enjoyed a more prosperous career, and there are now 150 lodges on the roll of the Grand Orient, several of them being in foreign countries.

(k) Grand Lodge "Alpina" Switzerland. Freemasonry found its way into Switzerland in 1737, when a deputation was granted to Bro. George Hamilton, as Provincial Grand Master of Geneva. Periods of persecution and prosperity followed alternately, but it was not till the formation of the Grand Lodge Alpina that the Craft may be said to have established itself on a sound and enduring basis.

(l) Anthony Sayer. But little of this brother is known beyond the fact that he was the premier Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England; that about the year 1730 he was one of several brethren who were censured for being engaged in making Masons clandestinely, and that having fallen into poor circumstances he received a grant from the Fund of Charity.

(m) Folkes, Martin, said to have been an intimate friend of Sir Christopher Wren. He is credited with having taken an active part in the Revival of 1718.

(n) Michigan. There are no less than 343 lodges on the roll of this Grand Lodge, with a total membership of not very far short of 27,000 brethren.

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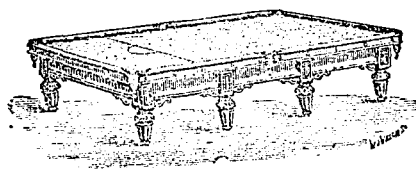
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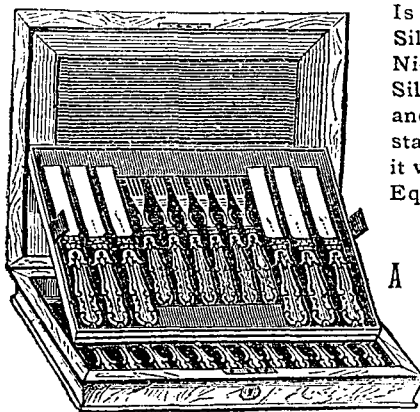


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