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THE Festival of the Boys' School took place on Wednesday, when under the distinguished presidency of the Marquis of HARTINGTON, Prov. G.M. for Derbyshire, the Stewards brought in the sum of £11,748, to which must be added the Grand Lodge vote of £1000. A great and brilliant company attended, and the gathering may be pronounced a highly successful one.

WE may with pride remember as Freemasons what the zeal and energy of Freemasons have done in England for the support of our great Masonic Metropolitan Charities in 1885. Despite bad times and an universal tendency to uncertainty and unsettledness in business, and when all around we note the falling off of subscriptions, and piteous appeals for help from countless useful associations, our good brethren in Freemasonry have not relaxed one jot or tittle in their steady and munificent support of our great Charities. Forty-four thousand pounds is a return for 1885, thus far incomplete as it is, which we may well point to and "make a note of." Such a total is a very remarkable fact in itself, and commends itself to the notice of the thoughtful and the philanthropic, as very suggestive in all good truth of the loving reality and hearty beneficence of our great Order. We do not wish to prolong these considerations to-day, but amid attacks many and virulent, it is something for us all to remember and witness, that English Freemasonry in its stately march stands before us in clearest contour the pride and trust of its sodality, and the helpmeet and benefactress of mankind.

Our attention has been called by a correspondent to certain letters and statements by a Rev. R. H. COTTER, attacking Freemasonry in general, and Irish Freemasonry in particular, in a publication without a printer's name, and which is apparently intended for circulation in Ireland and England. The writer of this vehement incrimination of our peaceful, useful, and loyal Order is apparently very wide astray in the remarks he makes, and the assumptions he puts forward. He talks, for instance, of 15 millions of Freemasons, a statement so wild and erratic as not to deserve the slightest attention. He alludes to the paganism of Freemasonry, which we need hardly say is a self-evident absurdity in his mouth. There is one point in his letters with which we cannot fail to be struck, namely, that he runs com-pletely in the same groove with our most virulent Roman Catholic assailants. In fact, he is "on all fours" with the most angry of Ultramontane antagonists. Who can, then, explain this exaggeration of language? this jargon of imbecility? this extraordinary assimilation of Roman Catholic unscrupulous-ness as regards Freemasonry, whether in Great Britain or elsewhere, which we find in the "ravings," we can term them nothing else, of this minister and messenger of peace and goodwill? The Irish Freemasons will regard these broad sheets with complete equanimity. broad sheets with complete equanimity.

We were glad to see Bro. TERRY in his place at Wednesday's festive gathering at the Crystal Palace. A few weeks since he had the misfortune to be disabled by an accident, which was serious enough to confine him a good deal to the house, and from the effects of which he has not yet wholly recovered. However, a sense of duty impelled him to be present at the Boys' Festival, and we must hope that the journey thither and home again will not have the effect of postponing his restoration to health.

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OUR readers will be glad to hear that arrangements have already been completed for filling the vacancy caused by the death of R.W. Bro. Sir WATKIN WILLIAMS-WYNN, Bart., M.P., P.G.M. of North Wales and Salop. Considering how large an extent of country was contained within the limits of the late Bro. Sir W. W. WYNN's government, we think the GRAND MASTER has acted wisely in reconstructing North Wales as a separate province, and it will be generally allowed that in selecting Lord HARLECH for the post of Prov. Grand Master, a better choice could not have been made. Shropshire resumes its old position as a distinct province but under Bro. Sir OFFLEY WAKEMAN, who was Deputy P.G.M. when Sir W. W. WYNN died. The place of the late Duke of ALBANY as Prov. Grand Master of Oxfordshire has been filled by the appointment of the Earl of JERSEY, P.G.S.W., and Bedfordshire has been erected into a province under Bro. Col. W. S_{TUART} , of Tempsford Hall. These changes will no doubt prove eminently beneficial to the interests of the Craft generally as well as locally.

FESTIVAL AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE. The 87th Anniversary Festival of this Institution was held on Wednes-

day evening, at the Crystal Palace, Sydenham. Nearly 700 brethren and ladies sat down to dinner, presided over by the Marquis of Hartington, M.P., Provincial Grand Master for Derbyshire. Among the company present were

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 Bros. H. B. Marshall, C.C., Past G. Treas., Pat.; A. F. Godson, D.P.G.M. Worces-tershire, V.Pat.; Fitzherbert Wright, P.P.G.S.W. Derby, V.-Pat.; W. Roebuck, P.G. Stwd., P.P.G.S.W. Middx., Trustee, v.-Pat.; Captain George Lambert, P.P. G.W. Herts, P.G. Std. Br., Pat.; Lieut.Col. J. Peters, P.P.G.W. Middx., P.G. Std. Br.; Edgar Bowyer, P.P.G.D.C. Herts, V.-Pat.; G. Ratcliff Steel, J.D. 1, G.S.; F. T. Bennett, 33; Jubal Webb, W.M. 55; G. R. Ousey, W.M. 50; Arthur Josling, 6o, G. Stwd.; Chas. Belton, F.R.G.S., W.M. 165, P.M. 777, P.F.G.D. Surrey, V.-Pat.; N. A. Scurrah, 167, W.M. 2048, V.-Pat.; Joseph Clever, P.M. 171, P.Z., V.-Pres.; Douglas Chester, 180; James Chapman, P.M. 194; Henry Carman, J.W. 543; W. Angus, P.M. 619; Edward Tappenden, 700; Nathanie Goodchild, P.M. 704; John Bertram, P.M. 742 and 813, P.Z. 25, V.-Pres.; G. G. Beneditti, S.W. 1155; J. J. Berry, W.M. and P.M. 1278, P.Z. 554; James Crowden, W.M. 1207; A. T. Lavton, W.M. 1601, P.M. 181, V.-Pat.; S. Shue, Q.C., M.P. 1610; C. H. Stone, 1641; D. P. Cama, P.M. 1642, P.Z., P.P.G.S.B. Middx, Pat.; Mrs. B. D.P. Cama, Pat.; Bros. W. F. Darnell, 1077; Asher Barfield, P.M. 35 and 1631, V.-Pat.; H. Cattermole, 1839; C. H. Phillips, P.M. 1986; G. P. Festa, P.M. 1900, V.-Pat.; C. H. Driver, P.M. 903 and 1149, P.P.G.S. Of Works Surrey, &c.; C. Shertiffe Lane, P.M. 764 and 1862, P.Z. 764, P.P.G.D. Durham, V.-Pat.; C. F. Matier, P.M. 655, P.G. Stwd. Scotland, P.G. W. Greece, &c. V., Pat.; W. Morgan; R. D. Poppleton, J. Terry, P.P.G.S.W. Norths and Hunts; J. L. Thomas, P.G.A.D.C.; A. Torkington, 60, P.G. Stwd. V.-Pat.; H., Fitzhardinge Price, P.M. 187, P.P.G. G. Reg. Bristol; John Sith, P.P.G.S.W. Uerbyshire, V.-Pat.; Thomas Cox, W.M. 253; Joseph Taylor Wright, 654, P.P.G.P.T. Derbyshire; J. H. Lawson, P.M. 1235, P.P.G.S.D. Herts, Scotland J. P.G.A.P., Herts; Edward Swain, P.P.G.J.W. Herts,

Roberts, was also admirably served, and thoroughly enjoyed by all the company, and at its conclusion grace was sung by the musical team under Bro. Edwin M. Lott, Grand Organist, and the toasts were then proposed.



The Noble CHAIRMAN, on rising to propose the first toast, was re-ceived with loud cheers. He said: Ladies and brethren-I have now to propose to you a toast which, I am sure, you will all receive in the way in which, according to my experience, the toast has always been received amongst Freemasons. I have to propose to you "The Health of Her Gracious Majesty the Queen." (Cheers.) There may be other countries in which Freemasonry labours under some suspicion, and the series of its proceedings or the secresy of its proceedings exposes it to some misapprehensions; that is not the case, I am glad to say, among us. (Hear, hear.) It is well known that her Majesty has no more loyal body of subjects than the Freemasons of this country. (Cheers.) We are all, I think, tolerably well satisfied with the monarchical institution under which we live. (Hear,

sions as that through which we have just been passing that we fully realise how much we owe to the personal influence of the Sovereign-(hear, hear)

-and I have no doubt that when the history of these transactions comes to be laid fully before you, you, with the whole country, will have reason to be satisfied, as you have been before, with the great constitutional knowledge and judgment which has been displayed by her Gracious Majesty. (Cheers.) I propose to you the health of her Gracious Majesty the Queen. The toast was honoured with great enthusiasm.

The CHAIRMAN said—The next toast that I have to give you is "The Health of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M. of England, and President of the Institution whose Festival we are to-day celebrating."

Brethren, it is not necessary that I should waste your time in giving you the reason why we should drink this toast. We should drink it not only as loyal citizens, not only should we drink the health of one who will one day sit upon the Throne of this country, but we should drink it as the health of the chief of our Order, and as the health of one who has shown a great and constant interest in all that relates to Freemasonry. I am sure that there are those present who could tell you much more about it than it is in my power to do; how much the Charity which we are to-day celebrating, and the other Masonic Charities, owe to the exertions of H-R.H., assisted ably as he has been by other members of his family. H.R H. has lately shown his interest in our Craft by himself, I believe, initiating his eldest son as a Freemason. I am sure it is not necessary that I should detain you longer, because I know you will with all cordiality and enthusiasm drink the health of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M. Bro Col Suppwert H. CLEPKE Grand Secretary then said. Lameri

Bro. Col. SHADWELL H. CLERKE, Grand Secretary, then said : I am privileged to propose to you the next toast, and it is one which I am confident will be received by every person in this room with the greatest enthusiasm; it is "The Health of your noble Chairman." I am quite sure that our Bro. Binckes will agree with me, and I trust that others present will agree with me, when I say that it is a very great advantage, and certainly it is a very great pleasure, that among the earnest and good men and true that we number on our list, we have among us a very large number of noblemen and gentlemen who are highly distinguished in our country. These noblemen and gentlemen occupy themselves in furthering the interests and well-fare of their Sovereign and their country. These are found to act as true and earnest Masons, to identify themselves with our Institutions, and to further their best interests. In fact, I may describe them as true specimens of the English working man. Of this truism I think at the present moment our noble Chairman is an excellent example. He belongs to one of those exalted Houses which have provided old and tried Statesmen, who have contributed to the great success and interests of this country; and yet among the multifarious duties of his life he has found time to be the Prov. Grand Master of Derbyshire for over a quarter of a century, and he has pre-sided over that province with the greatest skill and ability. The Marquis of Hartington has been good enough to come to preside over our Festival, and I think I can venture, in the name of the School, to thank his lordship for his presence this evening. I am quite sure that Lord Hartington's presence to-night will be productive of much good to the Institution, himself, distinguished among the brethren, to preside on these occasions. I ask you to join with me in drinking "The Health of the Marquis of Hartington, Provincial Grand Master for Derbyshire, the Chairman of the evening." (Cheers.)

The CHAIRMAN, who was very enthusiastically greeted on rising to re-spond, said : I need scarcely say that I feel much indebted to Bro. Shadwell Clerke for the manner in which he has proposed my health, and to you also for the manner in which you have received it. I admit that I feel that what has been said about the manner in which I have discharged my Masonic duties I can scarcely take credit for. It is true that I have had the honour of being Provincial Grand Master of Derbyshire for more than a quarter of a century—(hear, hear)—and if the affairs of that province are, as I trust and believe they are, in a satisfactory state, I must honestly say that the credit for that condition of affairs is due entirely to the distinguished brethren who have successively occupied the position of Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and who have relieved me entirely, or almost Provincial Grand Master, and who have relieved the entirely, of all the Masonic cares which ought more properly to have devolved upon me. I have, as has been said by Bro. Clerke, some excuses —some good, others perhaps not quite so good—for my neglect of my Masonic duties. It appears to me, and I take blame to myself, that I have too long resisted the applications which have frequently kindly been made to me to take the chair upon one of these interesting occasions. It seems that in overcoming the diffidence which I felt upon that point with reference to the prime approaching to the gift of the present occasion, I have shown something approaching to the gift of prophesy. I have always had the excuse that my official duties were very severe-(laughter)-and that my time was so constantly occupied, that it was impossible for me to undertake other than absolute necessary duties. Well, brethren, for reasons with which I need not now trouble you-(laugh--some months ago I overcame my reluctance on this subject, and I ter)acceded to the request of the distinguished and most energetic Secretary, acceded to the request of the distinguished and most energetic Secretary, Bro. Binckes, that I would take the chair upon this occasion, trusting that Providence would in some way or another enable me to fulfil the duty which I thus undertook. (Laughter.) Providence has enabled me. (Laughter and hear, hear.) It is what I trust may be a substantial and a satisfactory holiday which I am now beginning. (Laughter, and cries of "Yes" and "No.") For, brethren, I can assure you that if I have to apologise to you for having kept you waiting to-night—("No apology is necessary")—I was late only because I had just returned from Windsor, having performed the act of resignation of my official duties. (Hear, hear.) Having detained you sufficiently long with regard to myself, I propose to make a slight de-parture from the order in which the toasts have been arranged, and to take parture from the order in which the toasts have been arranged, and to take the opportunity of at once bringing to your notice the most important toast with which we have to deal to-night. Not having attended, as I have explained on many of these occasions previously, I do not know what sort of speech it has been the custom to make ; but I cannot help feeling a very considerable suspicion that those of you who have attended on many of these occasions must have found a very considerable similarity in the topics brought before you and I am afraid that you, and I am afraid that anything which I am likely to be able to say to you will be even more trite and well-worn than what many of you have perhaps heard on previous occasions. Then, also, I cannot omit the con-sideration that we are in the midst of a very extraordinary and sudden change in our somewhat variable climate, and that the temperature of this room in which we sit, and are likely to continue to sit for some time, is somewhat high, and that the grounds outside this beautiful Palace appear to me to be somewhat more inviting than listening to speeches, whether they be new or stale; and therefore I do not propose to detain you very long with any observations upon what is called the toast of the evening. There are difficulties in the way of my dilating at any length upon purely Masonic subjects. All the world knows that we do possess recondite and mysterious secrets, but the presence of numerous ladies whom I am glad to see around us prevents me entering into a discussion of any of the secrets, as to which they would be so glad to obtain information. (Laughter and hear, hear.) I can only therefore speak, ladies and brethren, to-night upon those topics of our Craft which are known and are patent to all the world. I have already said in proposing the first toast that there are countries in which Freemasonry on account of the secresy of its proceedings, labours under some suspicion, and is connected in the minds of the governments and ruling powers of those

But I think enough countries with the proceedings of other secret bodies. is known of us to satisfy everbody that the secrets we possess are not secrets which are in any degree antagonistic to any of the fundamental principles on which society rests, and are not antagonistic to any of the principles either of morality or of religion. (Cheers.) It is known to all the world that some of the first principles of our Craft are contained in the words "brotherhood and benevolence," and it is in furtherance and in endeavours to carry into execution those principles that we are met here this evening. (Hear, hear.) There may have been times—times long past—when society and the world were not so large, when our own body was not so large, and when it was not necessary that the charity and benevolence which we inculcate should be organised as it is necessary that it should be organised now. In those past times it might have been possible for brother to appeal to brother, or, at all events, for a distressed brother to appeal to his own lodge to obtain the assistance and sympathy which he required. But everything now is so large, and our own body is so large, that some organisation of the benevolence and the charity which is an essential principle of our Order is absolutely required. We all know that indiscriminate charity and indiscriminate benevolence practised by individuals is likely to do more harm than good ; and I cannot help feeling that but for the organisation which has been introduced into our Masonic Charities, Masonic Charity might possibly have tended to have had the same effect. (Hear, hear.) Therefore, brethren, I think we owe a very deep debt of gratitude to those Masons who in times past, and who with still more energy in the present time, have devoted themselves to the work of organising Masonic Charity. (Cheers.) And in consequence of these exertions the three splendid Masonic Charities now exist, of which the one whose Festival we are at present celebrating is I think the leading one, or at all events in the very first rank. (Hear, hear.) I am not going to detain you with any history of this Institution, with which no doubt many of you are very much better acquainted than I am; but there are one or or you are very much better acquainted than I am; out there are one or two facts I may state which will be of interest to those who are perhaps not so fully acquainted with them. This is, I believe, the eighty-seventh Festival of this Charity, and during the 86 years this Institution has been in existence the number of boys who have received its benefits has been 1657, that is to say, 1657 sons of Masons have received the education which is given to them by this Institution. When it was first founded there were only 25 boys, who, in a somewhat irregular and unsettled manner, were receiving an education at the various institutions all over the country. There are now 215 boys in the School of this Institution over the country. at Wood Green. (Cheers.) And the Committee have made arringements for providing additional buildings and other accommodation, which will enable the benefits of the Institution to be extended to 50 more boys. (Hear, hear.) It is hoped that in October of the present year a certain number of additional candidates will be elected for admission in January, 1886. I need scarcely say that for the completion of those buildings funds are most urgently needed by the Committee. The ceremony of laying the corner stone of this addition to the buildings of the Institution will be performed by a lady well known for her benevolence, and for the lead which she has by a lady went whom her beneforcener, and the take which who has taken in works of public utility of every description. I refer to the Baroness Burdett-Coutts. (Cheers.) This Institution is, I believe, essentially and completely a Masonic Institution. A few other benefactors we may have had; but that I believe to a very small extent. We ask for no assistance from the State; we ask for no assistance from any other Institution; we ask for no assistance from any other body but the Masonic body. All that we have asked from any other body has been, that we have taken advantage of the liberal and generous procedure of the Universities, and have availed ourselves-that is to say, the Institution has availed itself-of the facilities which have been given by the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge for examining and enquiring into the educational results produced by this In-stitution. Since 1867 a total of 230 boys have passed the University Local Examination, and 148 have obtained honours, while 82 have earned certifi-cates. (Cheers.) In conclusion, I have only to say that results such as these which I have imperfectly endeavoured to bring before you are not accomplished without a very considerable expenditure of money. I am informed that the ordinary expenditure of this Institution in the past year was $\pounds 9793$, in addition to which there was a special expenditure of $\pounds 1000$. To meet that expenditure, the Institution has only got funded stock amounting to $\pounds_{17,000}$, the dividends upon which—being the only reliable income upon which the Institution has to depend—amount to about \pounds_{732} per annum. I must say that when I first read these figures I was struck with the boldness of a Committee which could carry on operations involving so large an expenditure, and which appeared not to shrink from the responsibility of still further extending its operations upon an income which was so at the list of the recent Festivals, when I saw the vast amount, and, on the whole, the steady and continuing amount which each successive Festival has brought into the coffers of this Institution. I no longer wondered, and I only admired the confidence with which the Committee of this Institution rely upon the benevolent and fraternal principles which unite the whole Masonic body, and rely that they will receive in the future, as they have received in the past, a generous support to this most deserving and this most useful Institution. I beg to propose to you "Success to the Royal Masonic Insti-tution for Boys." (Cheers.) Bro. GEORGE PLUNKETT, Treasurer of the Institution, responded.

Bro. GEORGE PLUNKETT, Treasurer of the Institution, responded. The CHAIRMAN then said : I propose to give you the next toast, and after that I think I shall ask the Stewards, or those in charge of this Festival, to request some other brother to propose the remaining toasts, and not to make it necessary for me to inflict any more speeches on your attention. (No, no.) I should be sorry, however, to entrust the toast that I have now to propose to any other hands—it is "The Health of the Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master and the Right Worshipful the Deputy Grand Master, and the ex-officio Vice-Presidents of this Institution, the Provincial Grand Masters, and the Present and Past Grand Officers." Two of the high officers I have just described to you by their titles are the Earl of Carnarvon and the Earl of Lathom ; and, brethren, I should have been extremely sorry if it could have been supposed for a moment that any such triffe as a difference in political opinion would prevent me from proposing the health of the two esteemed friends of my own, whose conduct in the discharge of the important Masonic duties which they fulfil has commended them to the universal approval of the Craft. I must say I think it is a singular coincidence—I believe it is extremely probable—that the train which I met when I left Windsor this afternoon may perhaps have contained the Grand Officers It may be that they cannot do without Masons. If the House turns out of office any members of the Craft they replace them with other members of the Craft, and perhaps we ourselves may have to acknowledge that we are

something like the great family who in the time of the civil wars of the Stuarts used carefully to keep in a member or two members of the family in order that they might always be on the right side, whichever might be forward. I am not quite sure whether that was a very excellent political manœuvre or not, but I appeal to you, who are a non-political body, whether you will not do well to receive and cherish in your midst members, and as far as you are able, the most distinguished members on both political sides, and to honour their names, whatever may be the party to which they belong, as you now honour the names of Lord Carnarvon and

Lord Lathom to-day. Meanwhile, I have to couple with this toast the name of Bro. Horace Brooks Marshall, Past Grand Treasurer. Bro. H. B. MARSHALL, Past Grand Treasurer: My Lord, Ladies, and Brethren,—I thank you, my lord, for the very kind and fraternal way in which you have proposed the health of the Grand Officers, and you, beschren for the cordial way you have precised it. You have been for heard brethren, for the cordial way you have received it. You have often heard from the Grand Secretary that the Grand Master invariably exercises great judgment and rare wisdom in his selection of the rulers of the Craft. It would be highly improper for me, placed in this position by your generosity and magnanimity to say that you have exercised the same judgment and and magnanimity to say that you have exercised the same judgment and wisdom, but I can say with propriety, and do assert from my heart as well as from my lips, that I will try to be as worthy of the position in which I have been placed as any Grand Officer that has been selected by the Grand Master for the present year or for part years. Bro. F. BINCKES then read the list of subscriptions amounting to \pounds 11748 7s., which he prefaced by saying he had hoped that this year would have proved a bright exception, but the large amount collected by the Benevolent Institu-tion in February, and the Girls' School in May, made him begin to despair of the success of the Boys' School. The only hope he had to render a good

of the success of the Boys' School. The only hope he had to render a good account before the brethren to day was the fact that he had had the good fortune to enlist the support of the Province of Derby, and the presidency of the Marquis of Hartington. He had no hesitation in saying that his success in that direction had been the salvation of this Festival. He was sure they would be disappointed with the result, but whether they had succeeded or whether they had failed, they had done the best in their power.

Bro. SAMUEL POPE, Q.C., in proposing the next toast, said: I had no idea that I should have the honour of proposing this toast, but I should be a sorry brother of the Craft, and a lame member of my own profession if I hesitated to do so upon the request of our Bro. Binckes. I own, brethren, that I have been much impressed to-night with the general feeling of brotherhood which prevails among the Craft. There are some Right Worshipful President to rally us to this Charity. There are others, and I rejoice to know it, who feel that it is an honour to the Craft that if Her Majesty requires advisers she can find them among the Masons of this country. As far as my duty now extends, it is rather to invite you to consider not only the claims of the Institution which has called us together, but to recognise also the claims of the kindred Charities of the Craft. I do not share the feelings of our Bro. Binckes that our subscription lists give any ground for anxiety or despondency. It seems to me that it is a magnificent effort of the benevolent Charity of the Craft that early in the year and in May so grand a subscription could have been made for the Benevolent Institution and for the Girls' School, and yet there is still left a sufficient amount of responsibility to raise the magnificent sum of £11,700 in support of this School, and that makes a sum of more than £14,000 subscribed by Masons in support of their Charities since the 1st of January of the present year. Of course, while, on the one hand, we desire to see our boys sent out into the world with the advantage of education which our School affords to them, we equally desire that the future mothers of Masons should have advantages equal to those of the boys, and while we look to the future and to the youth, we also look back upon the aged, who have consecrated their lives to the service of the Craft, and we feel that they are deserving equally of our support and of our sympathy. I ask you therefore, while we have to-night celebrated the Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, that when the year come round we should remember that the Charities are one and all the same, and that we should temember that the Charthes are one we have done in this, in order to support those Charities upon the basis which they have hitherto maintained. I beg, Right Worshipful Pro-vincial Grand Master, to ask your leave therefore to propose "The Other Masonic Charities—the Institution for Girls and the Royal Masonic Bene-volent Institution," and I couple with the toast the names of Bro. Terry and Bro Hodgas Bro. Hedges.

Bro. HEDGES: My lord, ladies and brethren, on entering this room I little thought that it would fall to my lot to have the honour of addressing you to-night, and I am sure you will all feel with me deep regret at the very serious indisposition which has compelled Bro. Terry to ask me to speak on his behalf as well as on my own. And, sir, but for that regret, I rise with the very greatest amount of pleasure indeed to acknowledge on behalf of the very greatest amount of pleasure indeed to acknowledge on behalt of the Benevolent Institution and the Girls' School for the very hearty recep-tion which you have accorded to this toast to-night, and for the very kind manner in which you have drunk to its prosperity. Bro. Pope has already told you that with to-night's meeting the Craft has subscribed to the three Masonic Charities for the year $f_{44,781}$. On behalf of the Girls' School and the Benevolent Institution permit me to express my deep acknowledgements for the characteristic to the set of the scheme to the scheme which there is the scheme which there is the scheme which the scheme which the scheme to the scheme which the scheme to the scheme which the scheme which the scheme to the scheme which the scheme to the scheme which the scheme to the scheme to the scheme to the scheme to the scheme which the scheme to the sche for the share which those Institutions have taken in that large amount and to tender to the Boys' School our congratulations on the sum which Bro. Binckes has to-night announced. When we take into consideration the splendid sum which the Boys' School received on the last occasion I do not think Bro. Binckes should be in any way despondent. I thank you once more for the very kind manner in which you have received our names in connection with the toast.

Bro. JAS. LEWIS THOMAS, P.G.A.D.C., in proposing the "The Patrons, the Vice-Patrons, the Vice-Presidents, Trustees and Members of the Committees," said, I am sure we are all deeply indebted to these brethren for the manner in which they conduct our affairs and for the splendid way in which they support this Institution. We have heard in a most eloquent speech from our noble Chairman that we cannot inform all the company present of our secrets in Freemasonry, but at all events this is the outward and visible sign of Freemasonry which we display to the world and that is our charities, and I am sure that the noble way in which the Institution has been supported this evening will cause great rejoicing throughout the ranks of the brethren in the length and breadth of the land. I therefore propose this toast and beg to couple with it the name of Bro. Capt. Geo. Lambert, Patron of the Institution.

Bro. GEORGE LAMBERT, P.G. Swd. Br.: Permit me, on behalf of the Patrons, Vice-Patrons, Presidents, and Vice-Presidents of this Institution,

to return you our grateful thanks for the manner in which year after year you are pleased to enlarge upon our services. I little thought when I first joined Freemasonry that I should ever have the honour of being a Patron of this Institution, and I now remember well I opposed Bro. Binckes in moving this institution, and i now remember wen't opposed bio. Sinckes in moving the School or doing anything at Wood Green; but I feel we are amply re-paid for the trouble, the toil, the anxiety which we had on that occasion when I see the magnificent pile of buildings, and, what is more important, the magnificent education which the boys receive who are educated in it. I am quite sure that that is the best meed of praise that can be meted out to your officers by enlarging that education, and doing the best, you possibly your officers by enlarging that education, and doing the best you possibly can to aid these young men on coming into the world to fight the battle of life, which they must face. We are very much indebted to Dr. Morris for the manner in which he has conducted the School. I am proud that we have a man of such sterling character and of such high education to produce such lads. We are thankful that the Committee take the labour off our hands. We would all willingly, I am sure, share in the labour of that Institution; but I feel bound to consider a few members can do it better than a large Committee. But "quot homines tot sententice" is a very old saying. A large number have not the time to give. Permit me to return you our thanks for the terms in which you have acknowledged our labours, and to assure you that they will not be lessened, but rendered to the best of our ability on

behalf of this Institution.
 Bro. SMITH, P.G.W. Derbyshire, in eloquent and flowing terms, proposed "The Board of Stewards."
 Bro. EDGAR BOWYER, P.G. Std. Br., responded.

The CHAIRMAN: The influences to which I referred at an earlier period the evening have, I think, judging by the appearance of the room, had their effect, and I fear that, notwithstanding the excellent maxim which I inculcated that we should be short, we have some of us trespassed too much upon your time, and I am alraid that among those I have been the greatest offender. Ladies and brethren, we have reached the last toast, but not the least important of the evening, and I think before we separate if the brethren will join with me in drinking the health of those who have contributed so much to the grace and success of the evening—the ladies who have been good enough to honour us with their presence—we shall be doing only what is just. I believe this is the Masonic Institution which has taken the lead in this civilised and civilising habit of admitting ladies to their festival. I do believe that

although our body is not one which, as a general rule, approves of innovation, this is an innovation which we fully, entirely, and completely approve. I shall not trespass longer upon your time. I can only express a hope that the ladies who have done us the too much wearied by the proceedings in which they have had the goodness to take a part. I hope they will impress upon all their friends, upon all those over whom they exercise so good and beneficent an influence, that they should support this and the other Masonic Institutions, and that we may rely in future upon their cordial support in promoting the

The proceedings then terminated, and the party returned to town by special trains on the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (High Level).

The Steward's Jewel is silver-gilt, the design being of a renaissance character; the edges and letters are in relief on a friezed ground; the arms and crest of the Chairman in the centre, enamelled in correct colours. It is suspended from a silver-gilt bar, bearing the date of the Stewardship, by black and white ribbon, the Marquis's colours. It was specially designed and manufactured, by Bro. George Kenning, London.

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ANALYSIS OF THE RETURNS.

It will have been gathered from our account of the Festival that, though the sum raised for our Masonic Boys' School is undoubtedly large by comparison with the sums raised at the anniversaries of non-Masonic Institutions, it is very much below the average we have been accustomed to during the last few years in our own Society. Of course we cannot expect that every brilliant success will be surpassed by one still more hrilliant, or, for the matter of that that it will be equalled. We must take the minor with the major totals, and leave grumbling to those who find it a congenial occupation. It is unfortunate, however, that a minor total should have come at the present time just when, having regard to the contemplated increase in the strength of the School, a result in excess of the average was so sorely needed. have recently pointed out that a mere repetition of last year's work would help the executive to carry on the work of the Institution, but leave little, if any, margin towards any further responsibilities. We have also explained that a falling off from the 1884 returns might have the effect of hampering the plans of the House and General Committees. Yet the story of last year's Festival was not repeated on Wednesday. The sum announced by Bro. Binckes, even if we add to it the £1000 voted by Grand Lodge towards furniture and fittings for the Preparatory School, was short of his announcement in June, 1884, by, in round figures, some £1300, the subscriptions and donations obtained by the 275 Stewards amounting to no more than $f_{11,748}$ gs. od., whereas in 1884 he just managed to clear $f_{14,000}$. We shall not attempt to account for this serious falling of. It is enough that it has occurred, and the question which will anxiously engage the attention of the Executive during the interval between now and the October election will be, whether or not it will be justified, in the teeth of so momentous a decrease, in admitting any additional boys to the benefits of the School. By October, or very shortly after, the premises will be ready for their reception, but if there are not the necessary funds for their educa-tion and maintenance, it will be clearly impossible to elect them. However, this is a matter which must be left to the authorities to determine. Our present task is to run through the Returns carefully, as they are presented to our readers elsewhere, and to this end we shall observe the usual classification, as in previous analyses.

We have said that the actual sum raised by the 275 Stewards was $f_{11,748}$ 9s. od., the further contribution of f_{1000} , voted by Grand Lodge, for the special purposes of the Preparatory School, increasing the total to £12,748 9s. od.. Last year the Board of Stewards mustered 290, and the total of their lists exceeded $\pounds_{14,000}$, so that in the way of collection by the ordinary Festival processes the event of Wednesday was less productive than the corresponding event of last year by about \pounds_{2300} . In the course of the description that follows it will be seen how, if not why, this decrease has arisen.

As usual, we sub-divide the Board into London and Provincial sections, &c. Dealing with the former we find that LONDON

With its 119 Stewards, contributed only £5092 17s., there being not only fewer brethren acting on its behalf than at previous Festivals, but likewise a most serious reduction in the number of represented lodges. Our exabout one-third of the lodges in the metropolitan district send up Stewards. and if only it were a different third which gave its services at each different Festival, it is obvious that no better arrangement could be adopted Unfortunately, while several lodges make a point of being represented at all the Festivals, and a very much larger number voluntarily give their services on occasions when they might justly claim a respite, there are over 60 lodges, or about one-fifth of the whole number, which are uniformly absent. As a matter of fact, Bro. Binckes was able to enlist the services of brethren acting on behalf of only about one-fourth of the londow total and a work have have number of these wars unable fourth of the London total, and a very large number of these were unable to return lists of large amounts. Nor was there any compensation for the latter failure in the three-figure lists, which, on the contrary, were below The the average both as regards number and the amounts they returned. The distinction of heading the list was secured for the third consecutive time by Mrs. D. P. Cama, who acted with her husband for the Earl of Carnarvon Lodge, No. 1642, and raised £220 10s., Bro. Cama's list being a modest, but serviceable, \pounds 10 10s. Bro. William Roebuck, P.G. Std., one of the newly-elected Trustees, was Steward for the Committee Dinner Club, his list,

like Bro. Bowyer's of last year, amounting to £210. Third in order was Bro. James Willing, jun., as representative of the Strand Lodge, No. 1987, his total being £169 17s., and close at his heels we find Bro. Scurrah, St. John's, No. 167, who figures for \pounds 157 105. Bro. G. A. Barclay, of the Kilburn, No. 1608, raised \pounds 136 105., and Bro. Robert Pierpoint, of the Domatic, No. 177, \pounds 132; while Bro. Burdett-Coutts, of the Abbey Lodge, No. 2030. was not very far from repeating his triumph of May, 1884, his is the pholatter accurate point for a first and an Wederscher Cout No. 2030. was not very far from repeating his triumph of May, 1884, his list on the latter occasion being $\pounds 157$ 105., and on Wednesday $\pounds 126$ 5s. The remaining three-figure lists are as follow: Those of Bro. Adolphus Steng, of the Faith Lodge, No. 141, $\pounds 110$ 105.; Bro. W. Williams, of the Creaton, No. 1791, $\pounds 110$ 55.; Bro. C. H. Phillips, Honor Oak, No. 1986, $\pounds 100$ 105.; Bro. James Chapman, St. Paul's, No. 194, and Bro. Horace Brooks Marshall, Past Grand Treasurer, Unattached, each with $\pounds 105$, and Bro. Millner Jutsum, Eastern Star No. 95, $\pounds 101$ 17s. There are a few other good lists, such as those of Bro. Ousey, Royal Naval. No. 59, Bro. Allison, No. 90, Bro. Caulfield, No. 1383, Bro. Halestrap, No. 1471, and the joint one of Bros. Forge and Woodman, No. 1950, while on the other hand there is probably more than the usual array of returns which other hand there is probably more than the usual array of returns which are evidently limited to the personal contributions of the brethren making them. At all events, be the explanation of the reduction in number of Stewards and amount what it may, we must go through the returns of several festivals before we come to one in which the London total was so low as it was on Wednesday—£5092 17s. Let us give our attention now to the PROVINCES,

Of which 31, or about the usual proportion, sent Stewards. The sum raised by this section of the Board of Stewards was £6655 12s., and we may reasonably congratulate the 156 brethren composing it on the result of their labours. Here at all events there is something like an approach to the average, both as regards the number of brethren who gave their services and the amounts they were successful in obtaining, and had London been equally well placed, Bro. Binckes would have been able to announce a sum more we placed, Bro. Binkes would have been able to announce a sum more nearly equal to what he did in 1884. Of course, the most prominent part was played by the Chairman's province, and he undoubledly must be immensely gratified at the result of its efforts, the Derbyshire total, inclu-sive of the Marquis of Hartington's own donation, amounting to \pounds_{1541} 11s. Other provinces which distinguished themselves were Kent, West Yorkshire, Staffordshire, and Middlesex, full particulars, however, being furnished in each subtract prime these were able in the better a glange of each case. But before giving these, we shall just bestow a glance at those which, for reasons of their own or for no particular reason, allowed the Festival to pass without sending up any Steward or Stewards.

The absentee provinces were to in number, namely, Cambridgeshire (five lodges), which did excellent service both for this Institution in June, 1884, and the Benevolent in February last; Cornwall (29 lodges), which has been present at the eight Festivals held since January, 1883, and, by the hands of Bro. C. Truscott, raised $\pounds 200$ for the Benevolent in February, and $\pounds 210$ for the Girls' in May; Herefordshire (four lodges), which we regret to find for the Giris in May; Herefordshire (four lodges), which we regret to find has taken no part in any of the festive gatherings since that of the Boys' School held in June, 1883; Lincolnshire (21 lodges), which swelled Bro. Binckes's list in June, 1884, with a modest 50 guineas, and Bro. Terry's in February last with close on $\pounds g_0$; but which must kindly excuse us for sug-gesting that it might possibly give further assistance without serious detri-ment to its own interests; Monmouthshire (eight lodges), which was repre-sented at the Boys' Festival in 1884 to the avtent of Coort us, at the ment to its own interests; Monmouthshire (eight loages), which was repre-sented at the Boys' Festival in 1884 to the extent of $\pounds 307$ 13s.; at the Benevolent in February with $\pounds 200$; and in May by Master Willie Watkins, whose list was $\pounds 61$ 8s. 6d.; Norfolk (16 lodges), which, under the influence of Bro. Bacon, of Perseverance Lodge, No, 213, Norwich, made up a total of $\pounds 200$ for the Girls' School last month; Northants and Hunts (10 lodges), which, however, raised over $\pounds 215$ for this Institution last year; Wiltshire (10 lodges), which, per Bro. Chandler, raised $\pounds 185$ 14s. for the Benevicent Institution in Behruary last and was represented at all three Benevolent Institution in February last, and was represented at all three Festivals in 1884; South Wales, Western Division (10 lodges), which gave Bro. Terry f_{00} in February, and worked admirably for the Girls' School in 1884, and the Boys' School in 1883; and Jersey (seven lodges), which did well for the Benevolent in February, and better still for the Boys in 1883. In addition, there are Bedfordshire, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man, each of which has five lodges, but no provincial organisation ; but only one of which—the Channel Islands—appears to concern itself about our Institutions. In the case of the Isle of Man, this lack of interest, for reasons we have before specified, is perhaps excusable ; but, as regards Bedfordshire, which is on the eve of being erected into a province under Bro. Col. W. Stuart, of Tempsford Hall, as Prov. Grand Master, let us hope that under the new order of things it will find a place in its consideration for the Institutions of which the English Craft, as a body, is so justly proud. The above 10 provinces and three districts without provincial organisation include amongst them 135 lodges, and, from the tenour of our remarks, it will be seen that the bulk of these have done their duty more or less successfully on other occasions, and that in nearly every case a valid reason can be offered for their absence from this particular celebration. As regards the represented provinces, taking them in their usual alphabetical order, we have at the head of the list the Province of

BERKS AND BUCKS.

Which is as remarkable for the regularity of its attendance as for the liberality of its contributions. It seems to be recognised as a point of honour among its 21 lodges that one or more of them should send up below the provided that the second s towards sustaining the honour of the province.

BRISTOL.

Has 8 lodges, and for reasons of its own, appears to give its principal support to the Old People. Thus in February last Bro. Wm. Purnell, one of ednesday's Stewards, raised close on £60 for the Benevolent Institution. Wednesday's Stewards, raised close on \pounds 00 for the benevoient institution. In February, 1884, the same brother made up a list of \pounds 293 11s., and in 1883, three of its lodges contributed amongst them \pounds 217, Bro. Purnell being again a Steward. On Wednesday, the Beaufort, No. 103, and the Sussex Lodge of Hospitality, No. 187, raised between them \pounds 115 10s., Bro. Purnell's share for the former lodge being \pounds 24 3s., and Bro. H. Fitz-hardinge Price's for the latter, \pounds 91 7s. This gives a total for the last three years of over \pounds 685, which, considering the province, as we have

pointed out already, has only eight lodges, is unquestionably a most satisfactory figure.

As regards CHESHIRE, We seem to be somewhat disappointed. There are 39 lodges on its roll, and though its Educational Institute is in capital trim, being liberally supported and doing admirable work, a total of £36 158. strikes us as being too pointed attend tooling autimizable work, a total of ± 30 15%. Strikes us as being too moderate a contribution for so conspicuous a province. It raised \pounds_{100} 16s. for the Girls' School last month, and \pounds_{244} 15% for the Benevolent in February, so that its total for the current year is \pounds_{371} 16s. But in 1884 it raised \pounds_{679} , and in 1883, all three Charities were benefited, the sum secured by the Boys' School being over \pounds_{173} . Perhaps, the smallness of the present total may be explained by the comparative largeness of the contribution—nearly \pounds_{500} —to this Institution last year. However, whatever the reason, there stands the return as ℓ_{36} LFS, and we can only which it had been ten times stands the return as £36 15s., and we can only wish it had been ten times the amount.

CUMBERLAND AND WESTMORLAND,

With its 20 lodges, figures once again in the returns, under the familiar auspices of Bro. G. J. McKay, its Prov. Grand Secretary, whose list amounts to $\int 52$ los. The last occasion on which this worthy brother played the part of Steward for his province was at the Boys' School Festival in 1883, when his total reached the splendid sum of 1000 guineas (\pounds 1050). Only once since then has Cumberland and Westmorland taken any part in these gatherings, and that was in February last, when one of its lodges raised slightly over £50 for the Benevolent Institution. Next in order is the Chairman's province of

DERBYSHIRE,

Every one of whose 20 lodges has taken care to send a representative, and whose total of \pounds_{1541} 12s., including the Marquis of Hartington's personal contribution of \pounds_{73} 10s., does infinite credit to the Stewards who have laboured so strenuously to make the return worthy of their respected chief, and to the brethren generally, who have so laudably seconded those efforts. It is not so very many years since such a total, if accumulated by the whole body of the Craft for a particular Festival, would have been looked upon as a handsome contribution. It is certainly not very long ago that, when the question of enlarging the benefits of this Institution was on the carpet, very grave fears were entertained as to the possibility of raising the requisite £1500 annually, and the contemplated enlargement was postponed. But here we have a single province, and, speaking numerically, by no means the most considerable, raising off-hand, and almost as a matter of course, a total which, at the time referred to, caused such dismal apprehensions as to be considered pretty nearly beyond the possibility of levy. Nor is this by any means the sum of what may be said in behalf of Derbyshire and our other provinces when it devolves upon any par icular district to give additionally loyal support to the Chairman of the day. It has evinced its interest in all our Charities in turn, if it has not figured regularly in the Stewards' lists. Last year, for instance, it raised $\pounds g_4$ tos. for the Boys' School, and $\pounds 356$ 4s. for the Girls'. In 1883, it distributed $\pounds 359$ 4s. among the three Charities, the Boys' being favoured to the extent of $\pounds 238$ 17s., and in 1882 it totalled up a little over $\pounds 690$. In these four years therefore it has done admirably, and up to desirable to correst our proceeding the three $\pounds 100$ a little over ± 690 . In these four years therefore it has done admirably, and were it desirable to carry our researches further back, we should find that, in the preceding as in these years, Derbyshire had loyally borne its share of the general burden in upholding our Institutions. We may con-gratulate Lord Hartington on the loyal support he has received from his province, the brethren, and in an especial manner, Bro. Percy Wallis, who worked so well, on the support thus given. The balf-century of lodges in

worked so well, on the support thus given. The half-century of lodges in DEVONSHIRE Had no representative at the Girls' Festival last month, though, in February one of its members as Steward for Lodge No. 1402, of Torquay, took up a list of £135. In 1884 it contented itself with small contributions to the three Charities, while in 1883 it raised £595, of which £317 6s. fell to the share of the Boys' School, and in 1882 its total was £505. On Wednesday there were two Devon Stewards, Bro. J. E. Curteis, who has more than once signalised himself at these festive gatherings, and Bro. J. Bradlord, who figures for 30 guineas (£31 105.), the result of their joint efforts being £289. Of the 31 lodges in Of the 31 lodges in

DORSETSHIRE

DORSETSHIRE Made its second appearance during the current year on Wednesday, when Bro. W. Douglas Dugdale—a brother whose name is often present in these lists—handed in a total of $\int 685$, Bro. S. R. Baskett's list in May for the Girls' School amounting to $\int 90125$. Thus, though there are only 13 lodges on the roll of this province, its contributions have reached to close on $\int 105$. In 1884, Bro. Dugdale gave his services as Steward at the Benevo-lent, Festival but no return appeared in the Stewards' list; but the pre-ceding year contributions were raised for all three Charities, the Boys' School receiving $\int 112 105$. In former years it has also acouitted itself most School receiving £142 16s. In former years it has also acquitted itself most creditably, its totals having in more than one instance been largely in excess of what the paucity of its lodges would justify us in expecting. DURHAM, One-the Harbour of Refuge, No. 764. West Hartlepool-had two brethren to represent it, their joint list amounting to (107 t in Schwarz tree brothere

One---Ine Harbour of Refuge, No. 704, West Hartlepool---had two brethren to represent it, their joint list amounting to f_{105} ; in February, two brethren as representatives of Nos. 48 and 348 respectively between them raised f_{120} 158. In 1884 it gave f_{452} , and was among the contributing provinces in 1883 and 1882, but its principal effort was at the Boys' Festival at Brighton in 1881, when the late Marquis of Londonderry occupied the chair, and its returns exceeded f_{700} , the sum of f_{1024} representing the aggre-gate of the year's contributions to the three Charities. Of the 23 lodges on the roll of

Essex

Seven sent up Stewards on Wednesday, and the Priory Chapter, No. 1000, Southend, was also represented, the aggregate of their lists amounting to $\pounds 251$ 198. It cannot be doubted that this is an excellent total, especially after contributions to the Benevolent in February of $\pounds 450$ 138. 6d., and to the Girls' School last month of $\pounds 86$ 28. Moreover, it raises the sum for the current year to $\pounds 794$ 148. 6d. as against $\pounds 1546$ 178. 6d. in 1884, but in the latter year its Prov. G. Master, Lord Brooke, M.P., presided as Chairman at the Girls' School Festival, and the Province then raised $\pounds 1000$. Thus in 1884 and 1885 Essex has been represented at all six anniversaries and the 1884 and 1885 Essex has been represented at all six anniversaries, and the total of its contributions is £2341 12s., or over £390 per festival. It will be allowed that Essex has played its part admirably in these as in previous years, when its returns will be found to have been as regular as they were generous.

For the Province of

GLOUCESTERSHIRE, After its splendid work in February, when its Prov. G. Master, Sir M. E. Hicks-Beach, Bart., M.P., presided for the Benevolent Institution and all

its 14 lodges and the chapters attached to all of them, raised amongst Its 14 lodges and the chapters attached to all of them, raised amongst them over \pounds_{1210} , we did not expect that a representative of any of its lodges would figure in the returns on this occasion. The province is a small one, and the sum it raised in February was worthy even of a far stronger body. However, Bro. Edwin F. Parker, of Royal Lebanon Lodge, No. 493, contributes a useful \pounds_{36} 15s., and deserves KUDOS accordingly. It is surpris-ing how a few such modest lists swell the aggregate, and we feel sure Bro. Binckes would gladly have taken note of several more of like amount. There are 11 lodges in

There are 41 lodges in HANTS AND THE ISLE OF WIGHT,

And five of these, with the Royal Arch chapter attached to the sixth, have made up a total of \pounds_{234} 5s., the heaviest of the seven Stewards' lists being that of Bro. the Rev. A. C. Barker, of the Oakley Lodge, No. 694, then, we have, in round figures, over \pounds ,4000 raised by this province alone in the space of three years. This is evidently the case of a province in which both the ability and the will to do loyal service are conspicuous by their HERTS,

both the densy and the HERTS, With its 13 lodges, only figures for $f_{.46}$ 155. 6d., contributed by the Hertford, No. 403, the Cecil, No. 449. and the Halsey, No. 1479, Lodges. This, like the total of $f_{.42}$ 55. raised for the Girls' School last month, is only a moderate return; but in February it figured for upwards of $f_{.322}$, and in Constant and the principal recipient of its layours. In 1884 the Benevolent was likewise the principal recipient of its lavours. In 1883 it raised only a few pounds short of £500, and in 1882 close on 1000 guineas (£1050), so that Herts has done good service, though it may not have benefited equally all three Charities. A short journey takes us into the Province of

Which, with its 53 lodges, is justly regarded as one of the strongholds of the Craft in England. It certainly has the knack of exemplifying its loyalty to the guiding principles of Freemasonry. It never misses a Festival, and its contributions are more often than not of considerable amount. On Wednesday, though only six of its lodges were represented by as many Stewards, the aggregate of its returns was $\pounds714$ 175. 6d., of which Bro. Geo. Rice Bolton's list, as Steward for Acacia Lodge, No. 1314, Bromley, engrossed no less than $\pounds432$ 125. A return of this magnitude is unusual, and Bro. Bolton is pre-eminently worthy of being congratulated for the success of his efforts to swell the general total. Last month the Province raised £327 25. 6d. for the Girls' School, while in February the Old People benefited to the extent of Girls' School, while in February the Old People benefited to the extent of f_{531} 12s., so that during the current year this province has raised, in round figures, f_{1573} for our Charities. In 1884 its total for the Charities was f_{1331} 13s. 6d., and in 1883 it was f_{2700} , so that during these three years it has raised altogether about f_{5600} for our Institutions, and if we continued our investigations still further back, we should find the record equally commendable. LANCASHIRE (EASTERN DIVISION), Though it is, numerically, our most considerable province, does not, except

on very particular occasions, show to the best advantage at these gatherings. Thus on Wednesday, though it can boast of 33 lodges, only five of them were represented in the returns—one having three Stewards—and these raised amongst them no more than \pounds_{110} 5s. But it can do splendidly when it puts torth its strength, and no doubt it would do this more frequently were it not that it has a local Masonic Charitable Institution of its own, to which it freely contributes, and which renders very valuable assistance in helping those who would otherwise have only our central Charities to look to in time of need.

Similar remarks must be made in the case of LANCASHIRE (WESTERN DIVISION),

Which figures for no more than L94 Ios., the aggregate of eight Stewards' lists. Here again there is a firmly established local Charity, to which the brethren of the province give most generously, and so lessen the demands on principal Institutions. But West, like East, Lancashire, is apt to play on principal institutions. But west, like East, Lancashire, is apt to play a very conspicuous part when the occasion calls for exceptional exertions, as for instance, when its popular and respected chief, the Earl of Lathom, has given his services as Chairman. Then West Lancashire acts a worthy part.

t. On the other hand, LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND, As regards the number of its lodges, is but a small province. Yet it raised £405 for the Girls' School in May, and now supplements it with a useful 25 guineas (£26 5s.). In 1884, it helped the Benevolent to the extent of £360, and the year previous Bro. Binckes had the satisfaction of including \pounds_{405} in his array of Stewards' lists. This speaks well for the energy of the lodges (only 11 in number) which constitute this province, the brethren evidently having an abiding and active faith in the efficacy of our cherished principles.

The home county of MIDDLESEX,

The home county of MIDDLESEX, With 9 of its 34 lodges and one chapter, represented by 14 Stewards contributes the very satisfactory sum of \pounds_{329} 4s., of which Bro. W. Taylor, as the representative of Lodge No. 1503, and Chapter No. 1194, is responsible for \pounds_{79} 11s. 6d., while Bro. Captain H. Stephens, doing duty for Lodge No. 1579, follows him close with \pounds_{74} os. 6d. This is a far heavier total than it raised last month for the Girls, when seven Stewards handed in lists amounting to f_{205} 3s., and somewhat in excess of what, with 13 Stewards, it raised for the Benevolent in February, namely, f_{322} 9s. In any case, however, the aggregate for the current year— f_{850} 16s.— is a handsome sum, and will compare favourably with its contributions of previous years, with the \pounds_{724} 17s. 6d. of 1884; the \pounds_{610} of 1883; and the \pounds_{1212} of 1882. Such figures as these demonstrate the carnestness of our Middlesex brethren in behalf of our Institutions. Considering how well

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE Figured last month when Bros. Gilbert and Toplis between them raised $\pounds 261$ 145., and in February, when Bro. Phelps as Steward handed in a list of $\pounds 158$ 13s., we should have had uo right to be disappointed if on Wednesday it had failed to put in an appearance. But Bro. McLeod, of the Newton Lodge, No. 1661, Newark-on-Trent, succeeded in making up a list of $\pounds 120$, and thus increased the aggregate of his province for the year to $\pounds 540$ 14s., giving an average for the 14 lodges of between $\pounds 38$ and fao ner lodge. In 1881 its total for the Benevolent and Boys' School was £39 per lodge. In 1884 its total for the Benevolent and Boys' School was 374 5s., and the year previous it raised £190 for the former Institution. These are excellent returns for so limited a province.

NORTHUMBERLAND

Has not had any part in our anniversary celebrations since the memorable Boys' School Festival of 1883, when it contributed £1222 13s., our res-pected Bro. B. J. Thompson doing duty as Steward for the occasion. On Wednesday Bro. T. Y. Strachan acted in the same capacity, and figures in the returns for £162 155. No doubt Bro. Binckes would gladly have welcomed a more



impressive list, especially as the province can boast of 21 lodges on its roll. Nevertheless it is a goodly total and one we shall gladly see repeated or exceeded in future years It cannot be said that

Oxfordshire

Has been quite as successful as we have known it in past years. We cannot call to mind—for a long time at all events—a Festival at which it has not been represented, but its latest lists have not been as considerable as formerly, and this no doubt may be accounted for by the loss it sustained in the spring of 1884, by the death of its Prov. G. Master, the lamented Duke of Albany. On Wednesday three of its 10 lodges, represented by as many brethren, made up a total of 32 guineas (£33 125.). Last month four Stewards raised among them £69 6s., and in February, the five lists reached an aggregate of £104 16s. This gives the full result for the year as £207 14s., as against £293 in 1884. Under its new chief the province will no doubt resume its worted activity.

SOMERSETSHIRE, With its 25 lodges, invariably cuts a creditable figure at these gatherings, and Bro. Nosworthy's list of \pounds_{136} tos. on Wednesday was no exception. It is the kind of "crumb" one likes to see, and for which room can always be found in the receptacle prepared for such nutritive food. The Benevolent found its share of the Somersetshire provender— \pounds_{176} s.—very accept-The Benevoable, and we may be sure the Girls' School did not hestitate about accepting able, and we may be suffer the Girls School did hot hestitate about accepting its portion of close on \pounds_{300} in May. Last year, the Old People had pretty nearly the whole loaf to themselves— \pounds_{505} out of \pounds_{640} —the two Schools having each a "crumb;" while in 1883 the Benevolent and Girls' had only the "crumbs," while Bro. Binckes secured the loaf. But whether we regard \pounds_{120} as a "crumb" or a "slice" of good luck, it is clear that Somersetshire is, after all, pretty impartial in the distribution of its aid. Two Stewards—Bros. Prince and Bailey—have done duty this time for the 27 lodges of the 27 lodges of

The 27 lodges of STAFFORDSHIRE, And very well they seem to have done it, too, seeing their joint list amounts to \pounds_{338} 2s. In May its two Stewards raised \pounds_{215} 5s., Bro. Bailey's list figuring as high as \pounds_{189} , and in February it swelled the Benevolent returns with \pounds_{141} 15s. Thus in 1885 Staffordshire has distributed over \pounds_{695} among our three Institutions, close on half of it being the "crumb" that constituted the Boys' School share. In 1884 its aggregate was \pounds_{646} ; in 1883, \pounds_{790} ; and in 1882 over \pounds_{616} , making for the four years \pounds_{2747} , or rather more than \pounds_{100} per lodge. rather more than £100 per lodge.

SUFFOLK, With its 21 lodges, began the year with a total, by the hands of Bro. Major Dods, of $\pounds 246$ 155. for the Benevolent Institution. In May it followed this up by raising, per Bros. Canova and Pratt, $\pounds 300$ 115. for the Girls. On Wednesday, Bro. Elwes acted as Steward, and his list amounted to f_{143} 175., swelling the aggregate for the current year to f_{051} 3s. The results in 1884 and 1883 were f_{050} and f_{050} respectively, making for the triennial period a grand total of, in round figures, f_{1805} , or not very far short of f_{050} per lodge. These returns speak eloquently for the generosity of Suffolk.

Of the 26 lodges on the roll of

Surrey, Seven, with the chapter attached to one of them, sent up Stewards, the re-sult of their combined efforts appearing in a total of \mathcal{L}_{135} Ss. 6d. In May, with six Stewards, its returns amounted to \mathcal{L}_{148} Ss., and in February they with Six Siewards, its returns amounted to \pounds_{148} Ss., and in February they reached the still higher figure of \pounds_{222} 14s.; aggregate for the current year, \pounds_{506} 10s. 6d., as against about \pounds_{585} in 1884, and \pounds_{1083} in 1883, General Brownrigg, Provincial Grand Master, being Chairman at the Benevolent Festival in the latter year. This gives the sum of its contributions during the years 1883, 1884, and 1885 as \pounds_{2174} . Considering what

Sussex, With its 25 lodges did in May when R.W. Bro. Sir W. W. Burrell, Bart., M.P., occupied the chair at the Girls' Festival and the province raised the splendid sum of \pounds_{1850} , we did not expect any help from it on this occasion. However, Bro. Broadbridge, of the South Down Lodge, No. 1797, Hurst-pierpoint though he supported his chief like a lowal Macon last month. pierpoint, though he supported his chief like a loyal Mason last month, fortunately had a "crumb" in reserve for "Our Boys" in the shape of a 70 guineas list for Wednesday, and this list will be found duly recorded in its proper place in the returns for this Festival. Last year it distributed as nearly as possible £458; in 1883 close on £950; and in 1882 about £920; making in all for the four years specified about £4250, a total of which our South-Saxon brethren have every reason to be proud.

WARWICKSHIRE

Makes a better show than at either of the previous Festivals of the current year, its total being £173 5s., whereas last month it contributed only $\pounds7.1$ 11s. to the Girls, and but £101 6s. to the Benevolent in February;

total for 1885 ± 349 2s. This is rather an improvement on last year's total, but we must go back to 1882, when it raised ± 810 for the Girls' School, for a total worthy of so considerable a province. Perhaps it is husbanding its strength for one of next year's Anniversaries. There were four Stewards doing duty on Wednesday for

WORCESTERSHIRE

and its 12 lodges, of whom three—Bros. Godson, the Deputy P.G.M.; G. Taylor, the Prov. G. Secretary; and Consterdine-Chadwick—are con-stantly appearing in these lists. Their associate was Bro. W. C. Green, stantly appearing in these lists. Their associate was Bro. W. C. Green, and the list handed in by them amounted to £136 10s. In February it raised £171 13s. for the Benevolent, and in May, £39 5s. for the Girls' School, its total for the present year being therefore £396 18s. Last year the contribu-tions to the three Institutions exceeded £416, while in 1883 they were upwards of £764, making for the whole triennial period a grand total of £1576 or more than £130 per lodge. We must again congratulate the 28 lodges of NORTH AND EAST YORKSHIRE On the fulfilment of their desire to assist in turn all our three Masonic

On the fulfilment of their desire to assist in turn all our three Masonic On the fulfilment of their desire to assist in turn all our three Masonic Charities. It began the year by raising within a fraction of $\pounds 204$ for the Old People. In May it contributed $\pounds 150$ to the Girls' School, and on Wednesday it completed the round by giving a welcome $\pounds 143$ 6s. to the Boys. This is largely in excess of what it did for them in 1884, yet by no means equal to its performances in 1883, when the Boys' School alone received $\pounds 873$ 7s., while a further $\pounds 150$ or thereabouts was apportioned between the Benevolent and the Girls. In 1882 it raised $\pounds 645$, of which our oldest Institution had $\pounds 500$ as its share. The Stewards on Wednesday were Bros Major J. W. Woodall, G. Treasurer of England; J. S. Cumberland, P.P.G.J.W.; M. C. Peck, Prov. G. Secretary; and Christ. Palliser, P. Prov. G. Supt. of Works, who have worthily sustained the honour of the province. province.

WEST YORKSHIRE,

Which, speaking numerically, is only surpassed by the two Lancashires, has a total to its credit of £355 19s, the number of brethren acting for it as Stewards being 27. In May it raised, above and beyond the rooo guineas (£1050) for the Sir Henry Edwards Presentation, £558; and in February it contributed £143 17s. to the Benevolent Institution. Thus the total for 1885 is £2107—in round figures—or, less the amount of the Presentation, \pounds_{1505} Last year, when the contributions were wholly of the usual character, none being set apart for a two-fold purpose, the sum was \pounds_{1841} . In 1883 the province distributed \pounds_{2350} , of which the Boys' School received \pounds_{1500} , the Girls' School \pounds_{400} , and the Benevolent \pounds_{450} ; while in 1882 the

Theannual fête of theabove Institution took place on Satur-day last at Wood Green, when Bro. the Lord Mayor distributed the prizes in the presence of a large number of ladies and gentlemen to the boys successful in the recent school examinations.

Before the prize distribution, Bro. BINCKES (the Secre-tary to the Institution), in welcoming the visitors, remarked that the hall in which they were assembled, and of which we are pleased to give the accompanying sketch, although not strictly inaugurated, had been so far completed by the energy of the builder, as to be available for use that day. He was sure that all present were very much indebted to the Lord Mayor, who had found time, amongst his multifarious duties, to be present with them on that occasion.

Bro. R. MORRIS, M.A., J.L.D. (Head Master of the

Institution), on rising to hand the prizes to the Lord Mayor for distribution, referred to the work done in the Institution, and said that while tion, referred to the work done in the Institution, and said that while the intellectual part of the boys' education was the most important consideration, the physical portion was by no means neglected by them. The prize distribution then commenced, the Lord Mayor shaking hands with each boy as he came forward to receive his reward. The class prizes hunge here discussed of in this meaner the Lord Mayor meaner do discussed to discussed.

having been disposed of in this manner, the Lord Mayor proceeded to distribute the special prizes presented by the House Committee, the Audit Committee, and private friends for excellence in various branches of study, and the silver and Canonbury gold medals given respectively for general good conduct, and to the boy chosen by the boys themselves to be its recipient.

This interesting feature being concluded, the Lord MAYOR spoke a few This interesting feature being concluded, the Lord MAYOR spoke a few words, expressing the pleasure it gave him to be present on the occasion, and heartily congratulating the Head Master and Committee of the Institution on the satisfactory report brought before them of the flourishing condition of the School. That a sound education is given to the boys there is shown by the fact that out of 16 boys sent up for the Cambridge Local Examina-tions last December, all had passed, and 12 of them with honours. He hoped that the great success attained by the boys would be an additional incentive to subscribers to increase their subscriptions, and thus add to the benefits of the Institution. He wished now to address a few words more particularly to the boys before him, some of whom he had had the pleasure particularly to the boys before him, some of whom he had had the pleasure ol shaking hands with as prize-winners. To those not prize-winners, he would say that if they had striven honestly to increase their knowledge, they had gained more than the prize-winners, as they had learned those habits of industry and perseverance which would be of such use to them in after years. To those of them who were shortly going out into the world, the advantages which they would obtain from being educated there were numerous friends of the Institution in all parts of the world, as would aid and befriend them.

Bro. BOWYER, rising to propose a vote of thanks to the Lord Mayor, regretted that he was now obliged to leave, as he wished to go over the Instilution before leaving to fulfil an important engagement.

The LORD MAYOR, in thanking the company for the vote of thanks

total was £1635. The grand aggregate for the 11 years just completed is $\pounds^{22,570}$. Such figures need no explanation. $\pounds_{22,570}$. Such figures need no explanation. This is the last time we shall have occasion to speak of SHROPSHIRE

NORTH WALES AND SHROPSHIRE

as a Masonic province. We do not mean by this that a sudden catastrophe has swept away its lodges or that they have resolved on doing nothing further for our Institutions. Nothing of this kind, or equally or similarly detrimental to Freemasonry in this extensive district, has happened. Only henceforth North Wales and Shropshire will form separate provinces, Lord Harlech, a former Deputy of the late Sir W. W. Wynn, Bart., M.P., P.G.M., having been appointed his successor for N. Wales and Bro. Sir Offley Wakehaving been appointed his successor for N. Wales, and Bro. Sir Offley Wake-man, Bart., who was D.P.G.M. at the time of Sir W. W. Wynn's death, being Prov. G. Master of Shropshire. This return to the old order of things will no doubt be beneficial to Freemasonry. There are 18 lodges in North Wales and to lodges in Shropshire, so that each will stand well in respect of numbers, and we may be sure the brethren will exert themselves, so that the new arrangements may be at least as satisfactory as the old. But, setting aside all anticipations as to the future, we must point out that the career of North Wales and Shropshire has closed successfully. Five of its 28 lodges sent representatives, and their returns made up a total of f_1 184 125., which, following on the f_2 175 2s. raised last month for the Girls' School, and the £97 55. 6d. of February for the Benevolent, gives a total for the year of as

£97 55. 6d. of February for the Benevolent, gives a total for the year of as nearly as possible £457. This is considerably more than it did in 1884, and not so very much behind the aggregate of 1852. SOUTH WALES (EAST DIVISION) Has 16 lodges on its roll, and, having contributed £200 to the Girls' School last month, appears to have thought it would balance matters by giving a like amount to the sister School on this occasion. Last year the province figured in the Boys' Returns for £200, and in the Girls for £160, while in 1883, the Schools received £447—Boys, £230, and Girls, £217. In 1882 it raised £574 for the same Institutions, so that, if not invariably, it is frequently represented, and always to good purpose. OTHER CONTRIBUTORIES. In addition to the Provincial Returns, we have lists from Bro. I. M.

In addition to the Provincial Returns, we have lists from Bro. J. M. P. Montagu, acting for the Royal Order of Scotland, and Bro. Windrum, of Lodge No. 508, Singapore—the former amounting to f_{100} , and the latter to 15 guineas. The former has served many Stewardships in connection with his Province of Dorsetshire for this and our other Institutions, and may be looked upon as among the staunchest of their supporters. And with this just tribute to a most distinguished brother, we conclude our analytical remarks,

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accorded him, said that the success of a school depended in a great measure upon its head master, and he thereforc had great pleasure in asking the company to give Bro. Morris a hearty vote of thanks for the able manner in which he had discharged his duties.

Bro. MORRIS having plied, the Lord Mayor left the hall, the chair being taken for the remainder of the alternoon by the Treasurer, Bro. Plun-

kett. The programme included several songs by the choir ; and a farce admirably acted by five of the boys was then proceeded with, at the conclusion of which the company sat down to a cold collation in the gymna. sium. Athletic sports by the boys concluded a very pleasant.

days' proceedings. The following is the list of boys to whom the several prizes have been awarded :---

PRIZES PRESENTED BY THE INSTITUTION.
FIRST CLASS.—Scripture, I, W. Richardson. Latin, I, H. King; 2, A. Kennedy.
French, I, F. Smith. English, I, J. Hurst. Mathematics, I, A. Haworth. Attention to Studies, I, F. Tanner; 2, G. Jones; 3, W. Pringle.
SECOND CLASS.—General Proficiency, I R. Reynolds; 2, D. Ashdown; Attention to Studies, I, J. Scott; 2, G. Brooks.
THIRD CLASS.—General Proficiency, I, E. Lucas; 2, G. Wilson. Attention to Studies, I, H. High; 2, E. Platt; 3, F. Herring.
FOURTH CLASS.—General Proficiency, I, A. Blunt; 2, A. Fellows. Attention to Studies, I, H. Richardson; 2, F. Lewis.
FIFTH CLASS.—General Proficiency, I, C. Seagrave; 2, W. Stanford.
SINTH CLASS.—General Proficiency, J. S. Gibson; 2, F. Coleman; 3, H. Lillywhite.
SEVENTH CLASS.—General Proficiency, I, S. Matters.
PRESENTED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.

SEVENTH CLASS.—General Proficiency, 1, E. Nichols, 2, J. Walters. PRESENTED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE. Writing, 1, G. Keighley; 2, W. Stanton. Dictation, 1, F. Smith; 2, P. Gedge. History, 1, J. Hurst; 2, A. Haworth. Geography, 1, P. Gedge; 2, H. Knott. Mental Arithmetic, 1, C. Crow. Elocution, 1, F. Smith; 2, H. King. Efficiency as Monitor, 1, W. Stanton; 2, J. Langdon; 3, G. Keighley. Proficiency in Drill, 1, G. Keighley. The Band, 1, W. Stanton; 2. W. Sutton; 3, R. Watson; 4, C. Thompson; 5, A Lewis; 6, J. Hurst. Vocal Music, 1, F. Cairney.

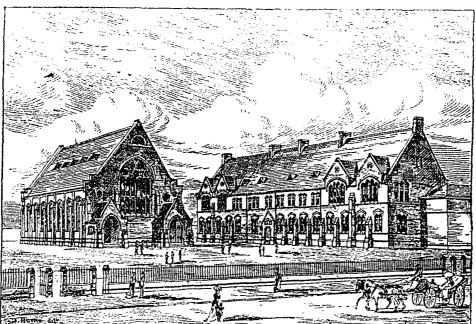
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Hounslow. Canonbury Gold Medal, presented by the late Bro. E. Cox, V.-Pat.-Frank Smith.

Canobury Gold Medal, presented by the late Bro. E. Cox, V.-Pat.—Frank Smith.
 Silver Watch and Chain for General Good Conduct, presented by the Supreme
 Grand Council 33°, to a Pupil leaving the Institution—William A. Sutton.
 Money Prizes apportioned from the interest, £23, of the Fund, £525, founded by Bro.
 W. Winn, W.M. 657, V.-Pat., to the 16 pupils who passed the University Examination,
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BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED. "Anaual Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee of Free and Accepted Masons, January, 1885," "Allen's Indian Mail," "Keystone," "The Freemason" (Foronto), "Broad Arrow," "La Chaine D'Union de Paris," "Freemasons' Journal" (New York), "Le Moniteur de la Chance Universelle," "Court Circular," "The Freemason" (Sydney, "Hull Packet," "Caslon's Circular," "Jewish Chronicle," "New York Dispatch," "Sunday Times" (New York," "El Renacimiento," "Odd Fellows' Register and Masonic Journal," "Cope's Tobacco Leaves for the Smoking Room," "Sunday Times" (London), and "Citizen."

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SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 1885.

Original Correspondence.

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

THE LEVANDER MEMORIAL. To the Editor of the "Freemason." Dear Sir and Brother,

A long and serious illness has withdrawn me from my Masonic duties for a period more extended than I like my Masonic duties for a period more extended than I like to think of. During that time I have lost many close friends, whom I left in apparent health, but who have slipped away while I was myself struggling for dear life. Among them none was closer, none more beloved than our brother Henry C. Levander. It had been my privilege to know him intimately, and to be associated with him in his daily work, as well as to be thrown with him in the Pro-unce of Middlesex in various Craft lodges and in the daily work, as well as to be thrown with nim in the rro-vince of Middlesex, in various Craft lodges, and in the many Degrees of Masonry to which we both belonged. It would be impertinent in me to speak now of the great obligations under which the brotherhood of Masonry, in the widest acceptation of that phrase, is placed by the invaluable services rendered to its many Orders by our late invaluable services rendered to its many Orders by our late brother. I am glad to find that the obligation has been recognised, and that it is proposed to erect a monument over his grave, and in some way to perpetuate his memory. But, unless I am wrongly informed, it would seem that the subscriptions are being limited to brethren in the Province of Middlesex. I venture to think that this is a mistake. Bro. H. C. Levander was, no doubt, widely known as the courteous and indefatigable Secretary of that province, but he was no less widely known in the Order of Mark Master Masons as Grand Registrar. He was a familiar figure in chapters of Rose Croix, in the Order of Knights Templar, and, indeed, in all the many Orders on which he figure in chapters of Rose Croix, in the Order of Knights Templar, and, indeed, in all the many Orders on which he contrived to bestow some benefit by his membership. Why (assuming that I am rightly informed) should the bre-thren in these Orders be deprived of opportunity of demon-strating their affectionate regard for Bro. Henry Levander? Surely it would be well to enlarge the sphere of action con-templated by the present Committee, to represent upon it these various Orders, and to secure, by such extended effort, an adequate sum for the purposes may be. But I know that Bro. Frederick Levander remains an active worker in the Craft, that he is fully possessed of his brother's feelings and desires, and I shall probably not be wrong in saying (he will correct me if I am) that the Masonic Charities were objects of his special regard; and that if they were benefited by any subscriptions raised thus in his name, he would have been content and happy in the knowledge.—I am, Sir, faithfully and fraternally yours,

knowledge, —I am, Sir, faithfully and fraternally yours,
 W. STAINTON MOSES, M.A.,
 P.M. 1415, P. Grand Chap, M.M.M.,
 P. Prov. G. Chap. Middlesex.

Masonic Notes and Queries:

G13] THE MASTERS AT YORK. Thave apparently a little misapprehended the drift of Bro. Gould's remarks at p. 275, vol. iv. He would seem, on re-consideration, to limit the word "Masters" to the presid-ing officers named, E. Bell, W. Scourfield, Philip Huddy, and on the five occasions cited by him, E. Bell is mentioned twice, W. Scourfield twice, and Philip Huddy once, as Masters. Bro. Gould is in doubt which of these brethren was the Master of the lodge. It is no doubt noteworthy that only in 1725 is the word "Master" used, but looking on these meetings as those of charterless bodies, merely meeting "ad hoc," it seems to methat whether the change in practice in the south is imitated in the north, or "vice verså," we may fairly assume each of the three brethren named to be the Master pro tem., unless indeed, the bolder theory that previously to 1725 "Master" meant the "Master of a lodge" alone, and not a Master Mason merely, he accepted. THE WRITER OF THE REVIEW. THE WRITER OF THE REVIEW.

614] THE FRENCH STATUTES OF 1755. We direct the notice of our Student Readers to the first instalment of Bro. Speth's long promised communication relative to the Statutes of 1744 under the head of our "Notes and Queries" as far as the laws are yet before us, the Branch we think experts will admit is more modern THE FRENCH STATUTES OF 1755. the French, we think experts will admit is more modern than 1743, we are struck also with several expressions in this code which seem to point to hitherto unknown develope-

this code which seem to point to intractio unknown derecept ment of Craft Masonry. — During the seven years' war, Frankfort-on-the-Maine was seized and held by the French, 1756—1763. Under these circumstances, numerous French lodges sprang up, but gradually died out after the departure of the French troops,

their members either returning to France or joining the Union Lodge of that city. I have in my possession a fac-simile of a curious High Grade certificate * granted at that time to a Frankfort brother, Samuel Mund, an artist of simile of a Grankfort brother, Samuel Mund, an artist of some repute, and, from the signatures attached to it, I am able to supply the names of a few of these French lodges. They are "l'Amité." "PAlliance de Fidelité," "la Con-corde," and "l'Egalité." Jean Samuel Mund, the artist above-named, was W.M. of the second of these lodges— "l'Alliance de Fidelité," and in 1761 executed a splendidly illuminated MS. on a sheet of vellum, shaped as a Mason's apron, being a copy of bye-laws, or statutes. This code of Mund's was copied from a code (as shown by the heading) in the possession of the Lodge "St. Jean des parfaits amis de la parfaite Amitić," which lodge is possibly identical with the first of the lodges—"l'Amitié"—mentioned above. Bro. Mund subsequently affiliated with the "Union," and towards the close of his life, being in reduced circumstances, made over his splendid collection of Masonic MSS. to some Frankfort brethren. These, in turn, parted with them to made over his splendid collection of Masonic MSS. to some Frankfort brethren. These, in turn, parted with them to Dr. Klosz, and amongst these MSS. was this code of Statutes of 1755, dated 1761. Dr. Klosz, in his splendid "History of Freemasonry in France," quotes from these Statutes, and attributes them to the Grand Lodge of France, of which Count Clermont was Grand Master. If Klosz was right in his assumption, then we have here in this Frankfort MS. the only known indication that the Grand Lodge of France ever framed any ordinances at all. Klosz, however, only quoted certain articles, and it has been argued that until we see the complete code we are not in a position to estimate the value of Klosz's judgment in the matter. Klosz dying, his whole collection of manuscripts was pur-chased entire by the late Prince of the Netherlands, Frederick William Charles, Grand Master of Holland from 1817 to 1881, who presented the library intact to the redeticts (SSI, who presented the library intact to the Grand Lodge at the Hague. At my request, a search was made by an obliging Dutch brother, S. Hertzveld, of the Hague, who most kindly forwarded me a transcript of the code. As our editor has offered to find room for this lengthy document, I now subjoin it in the original French, and have annexed an English translation, so that the statutes will now be printed in extenso for the first time; and as I trust I have succeeded in making clear its genesis, we ought all to be in a position to judge whether the ordinances emanate from the Regular Grand Lodge of France or from some other body whose existence must in that case be inferred from the internal evidence supplied by the document itself, for we have no historical evidence of the existence at that time of any other similar body in Paris professing to rule Craft lodges. LA R.L. ST. JEAN DE L' THE WORSHIPFUL LODGE

ET DE LA ST. JOHN OF ALLIANCE AND FIDELITY.

Statutes,

1. God being our Head,

3. The Kings having appointed Governors, judges and magistrates to give us laws and rule over us, every good mason will render good mason will render obedience thereto and re-spect all Persons set in authority over him, 4. However much Riches,

Honours or Birth may ad vantage a man yet shall they not render him vain, God having created us all His Children. The Richmanshall

not be proud of his posses-sions, neither shall he be puffed up with his birth and

appointments, and in order that he may justly merit the

favors heaped upon him by the Grand Architect of the Universe, he shall cherish the poor and assist them as

he may be compensated in

a true mason.

preme Architect.

St. John of true friends of perfect love. In the name of the Su-

St. Jean des parfaits amis de la parfaite Amitié. Au nom de l'Architecte Suprême.

ALLIANCE FIDELITE.

Statuts, Dressés par la Respectable Loge St. Jean de Jérusalem de l'Orient de Paris, Duc de Statutes, Drawn up by the Wor-shipful Lodge St. John of Jerusalem in the Orient of Paris, Head Lodge of France, governed by the Most High and Most Mighty Lord Louis de Bourbon, Count Cler-mont, Prince of the Blood, Grand Master of all Regular Lodges in France, to serve de Fonent de Paris, Duc de France, gouvernée par le très haut et très piussant Seigneur Louis de Bourbon, Comte de Clermont, Prince du Sang, Grand Maître de toutes les Loges Regulières de France, nour servir de de France, pour servir de Règlement à toutes celles du Lodges in France, to serve as a Rule for all those of the Kingdom. Royaume.

1. Dieu étant notre Chef, nous l'invoquerons sans cesse pour demander son assiswe will unceasingly invoke His assistance, and never profane His Holy Name. tance et nous ne profanerons jamais son Saint Nom.

2. Les Empereurs, les Rois et les Princes étant 2. Emperors, Kings and Princes being ourSovereigns, we will submit to their wishes. nos Souverains, nous serons soumis à leurs volontés.

3. Les Rois ayant établi des Gouverneurs, juges et magistrats pour nous donner des lois et nous gouverner, heuther magnetics tout bon maçons'y soumettra et respectera les Personnes superieures à luy.

4. Les richesses de quelque façon qu'elles favorisent les hommes, ainsi que les honneurs et la naissance, ne doivent point donner de vanité Dieu nous ayant tous créés commes ses Enfans. Le créés commes ses Ennans. Le Riche ne sera pas orgueilleux de son Bien ni enflé de naissance et de ses Emplois, et nour mériter à juste titre et pour mériter à juste titre les faveurs dont le Grand Architecte de l'Univers l'a comblé, il aimera les pauvres les assistera en Vrai Macon.

Maçon. 5. Le vrai Macon doit être dans la Société, civil, docile, should be civil, gentle, humain, poli, Ennemi du mensonge et de la calomnie. 6. Le Maçon que est en famille, observera d'édifier sa femme et ses enfans par and children by his upright conduct and shall not dissi-

une bonne conduite et de ne pas dissiper son bien dans ne conduct and shall not dissipate his goods in the excesses of debauchery. He will patiently endure the ad-versities of this world that pas dissiper son bien dans les excès de la dèbauche. Il souffrira patiemment les adversités de ce monde, afin d'être dédommagé dans l'autre.

7. Les Juremens, Blas-phèmes etant indignes d'être profités [profèrés?] par des Maçons, à cet effet ils seront exhortés de s'observer très abstain in this matter. rigidement.

the next

S. Les signes des Maçons servant à nous faire reconnAitre, ayant été profanés par des indiscrets dans les lieux publics et communi-qués à ceux qui ne le sont pas, à cet effet il vous est recommandé de n'en donner qu'à propos et avec attention.

Lorsque le Vulgaire 9. parlera sur le compte de la parlera sur le compte de la Maçonnerie, vous êtes ex-hortés d'écouter et de vous taire. La noble Société se contentant d'elle même, doit pardonner à ceux qui nous condamment, sans nous connâitre.

to. Les excès de débauche, de telle nature qu'ils soient, rendant l'homme qui s'y adonne méprisable, tout bon Maçon observera de ne pas s'y liver et de vivre en homme de probité et de vertu.

11. Vous n'admettrés [n'admettrez?] que des [n'admettrez?] que des gensd'unenaissancehonnête, de bonne vie et moeurs, craignant Dieu et ayant le Baptême.

12. Lorsqu'un Frère aura proposé un aspirant vous vous informerez de ses vie et mocurs et le scrutin décidera de con admission un été de son admission ou réfus. Vous ferez cette opération avec équité et discrétion.

13. Vous ne recevrez que des hommes libres dans leurs états, ayant vingt-cinq ans complets. Les fils des Maçons scront exempts de la majo-rité, mais jusqu'alors ils resteront apprentifs et compagnons.

> G. W. SPETH, (To be continued)



Craft Masonry.

CORINTHIAN LODGE (No. 1382).—This lodge met on the 17th inst. at Bro. Clark's, George Hotel, Millwall Docks. Bro. H. Doring. W.M., was supported by Bros. J. Morrison, S.W.; W. Raiker, J.W.; J. Carnaby, P.M., Treasurer; Dr. C. Wyatt Smith, P.M., Secretary; S. Hill, S.D.; C. McLeod, J.D.; W. J. Millington, P.M., D.C.; J. S. Limn, Organist; R. Perry, I.G., E. Pennis-ton, Steward; Past Masters Bros. G. Fisher, J. Delves, F. Bassett, W. Clark, S. G. Bonner, D. Smith. R. Allen, E. A. Browne, S. G. Marsh, R. Neall Stoneham, W. H. Drew, W. A. Blois, T. L. Klein, T. Nye, W. T. Esmond, W. C. Parsons, R. J. Pitt, H. Rogers, G. A. Saunders, G. Parrett, J. Tuppeny, T. Tyldesley, T. T. Elton, W. Drap-per, W. H. Martin, and others. The visitors present were Bros. W. J. Ramsay, J.W. 1815; Chivers, P.M., and J. A. Keable, I.G. 174; W. Shearman, S9S; and others. The work included initiation (after usual preliminaries) of Messrs. C. W. Maddox and D. Williamson, and together with conferring the Second Degree upon Bros. Browne and Smith was undertaken by the W.M., and carried out in a creditable and painstaking manner, which is all the more commendable on the part of our worthy Bro. Doring as he has to encounter the great difficulties which the English language presents to others than natives. Bro. J. W. Nelson, of the Loyalty Lodge, No. 35S, Bermuda, was duly elected a joining member. Several propositions were made, promising more work at the ensuing meeting, and several other matters were satisfactorily disposed, of these, it only needs to be said that they displayed in their outcome, the truly Masonic charitable feeling so constantly evinced in the corinthian Lodge, and which is the best guarantee of a happy and united future for the lodge. Labour ended, Bro. Clark's ministrations in the capacity of host were put to a severe test, the gathering of brethren having by this time become very large. Everything however passed off very comfortably, and after grace, the usual loyal and

to a severe test, the gathering of brethren having by this time become very large. Everything however passed off very comfortably, and after grace, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. In proposing "The Health of the W.M.," Bro. P. M. Delves congratulated the lodge upon the manner in which Bro. Doring had conducted the ceremonies that evening. All the brethren would feel with him, they had reason to be highly satisfied with the working of the W.M., who had mastered so ably the language of this country. Bro. Doring in expressing his hearty thanks for the kind-ness shown him by the brethren, said, he had had such support from the Past Masters and their officers that he felt he could hardly fail with their assistance. "The Past Master's" toast was heartily received, and was responded to by Bro. Delves, and "The Initiates"

was responded to by Bro. Delves, and "The Initiates" followed, and was briefly replied to. The W.M. next gave "The Visitors" an especially

hearty reception, being awarded as is usual at the Corinthian

Lodge. "The Officers" was given by the W.M. in term of appreciation of the capital manner in which those brethren supported the chair. Those of the officers still present r. Les Juremens, Blas-phèmes etant indignes d'être profités [profèrés?] par des maçons, à cet effet ils seront scholtes de s'observer très
 * The original is in the archives of the Frankfort Union Lodge,
 supported the chair. Those of the officers still present returned thanks, the gist of their remarks conveying gratification at the success attending their efforts to please, coupled with assurances of their best endeavours to pro-mote the success of the lodge in the future. Bro. W. J. Millington, P.M., D.C., made a few cogent and timely remarks upon the brethren holding office, and attendance at the lodge of instruction, where they would be

8. The Masons' signs, destined for our mutual re-

cognition, having been pro-faned by the careless in places of public resort, and communicated to those who

are not of us, you are there-fore enjoined only to give

them on proper occasions, and with great care. 9. At all such times as the

9. At all such times as the Vulgar shall speak about Masonry, you are exhorted to listen and hold your peace. Our noble Society, being sufficient unto itself, should pardon those who condemn us knowing us not

10. As all excesses of debauchery, of whatsoever nature they be, render con-temptible the man addicted therete away need. More

thereto, every good Mason will take heed to avoid them,

and to live as a man of pro-

bity and virtue. 11. You shall only admit men of honest birth, of good life and conduct, who fear God, and have been baptised.

12. A brother having pro-

12. A brother having pro-posed a candidate, you shall enquire into his life and habits, and the ballot shall decide his admission or re-jection. These proceedings shall be conducted with equity and discretion. 13. You shall only admit men free of their trades, of the full age of twenty-five years. Sons of Masons are exempted of their majority, but until then shall remain Entered * Apprentices and

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really fitted for the duties they were at present called upon to fulfil, and also for those they aspired to. The second Summer Outing and Ladies Day was an-nounced to take place on the 23rd prox., at the Crown Gardens, Broxbourne, and the lodge may be congratulated upon having a good Board of Stewards, and upon securing the services of Bro. S. G. Bonner to act as Hon Secretary to this important, and we trust, annual festival. The profits of which are again to be devoted to Masonic Charities.

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Was closed, and the brethren abjourned to all excellent banquet, catered for by Bro. Lewis Cole. After the usual preliminary toasts had been given, the W.M. proposed "The Health of the Grand Officers," and alluded in complimentary terms to Bro. Thrupp, Deputy Prov. G.M., who had proved himself a very zealous and efficient Mason, and a great acquisition to the Province of Middlesex. The W.M. also alluded to the recent retire-ment of Bro. Puece who acried with him the best wishes ment of Bro. Buss, who carried with him the best wishes of the Craft in general and of the Province of Middlesex in particular. He, the W.M., hoped that Bro. Buss would still continue to come occasionally amongst them, and that

particular. He, the W.M., hoped that Bro. Buss would still continue to come occasionally amongst them, and that he would live for many years to enjoy that repose to which he was so justly entitled. Bro. Raymond Thrupp, Deputy Prov. G.M., in reply, assured the brethren that the Grand Officers appreciated the kind reception they always met with, and thanked them for the hearty manner in which they had received the toast. It was a pleasure to him to see the admirable manner in which the work was carried out, and it was no fulsome praise to Bro. Osborn, the I.P.M., when he said that he had never seen the ceremony of installation done better. He was very glad he had recommended Bro. Osborn's name for provincial honours, and congratulated him on his recent appointment as Prov. G. Std. Bearer. He visited the lodge not only to enjoy the hospitality, but to see the working, so that the right men might be appointed to the right places in the Provincial Grand Lodge. Bro. H. G. Buss, Past Asst. G. Sec., also responded, and said he fully endorsed all Bro. Thrupp's remarks, as there was nothing possible for him to say but approval of the unanimity and concord with which the Citadel Lodge is worked. It would be egotism on his part to think he deserved all that the W.M. had said of him, but it was very gratifying to him to hear Bro. Lee make those remarks, as he had worked with him for so many years. Nothing had given him greater pleasure than to do all he could to promote the welfare of the province.

Nothing had given him greater pleasure than to do all he could to promote the welfare of the province. The W.M. next gave "The Provincial Grand Officers," and said he could say nothing of Bro. Sir Francis Burdett and said he could say nothing of Bro. Sir Francis Burdett but what all the brethren knew. During the many years that he had been P.G.M. he had performed his oncrous duties to the unbounded satisfaction of the brethren. He was the consecrating officer of this lodge, and had fre-quently visited it, and he (the W.M.) was very grieved to receive a letter from Sir Francis stating that he was unable to be present. It was with great pleasure that he intro-duced Bro. Woodward, Prov. G. Sec., who had done such a vact amount of work during the last few months. Owing to the lamentable death of Bro. Levander, the secretarial work of the province was in chaos when Bro. Woodward was appointed, and it was to his untiring energy and zeal

work of the province was in chaos when Bro. Woodward was appointed, and it was to his untiring energy and zeal that the heavy duties were discharged to the satisfaction of the Craft. He had received every kindness and courtesy from him, and he took it as a personal compliment that he had been good enough to visit them that evening. Bro. Woodward, P.G. Secretary, responded, and said that it was with great pleasure and great diffidence that he had to return thanks for the hearty reception he had met with in the province, and the Citadel Lodge in particular. He feared the W.M. had spoken of him in too flattering terms; but he was certain he could not have brought the provincial work into so satisfactory a state but for the able assistance that Bro. Lee had afforded him. He felt that in following Bro. Levander he was following a Mason of very great experience, but was sure that if he followed in his steps to the best of his ability, he should give satisfaction. Bro, Lovegrove, P.P.G.S.W., also responded, and said that it was his privilege to be present at the consecration,

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The toast of "The Worshipful Master" was then pro-posed by Bro. Osborn, I.P.M., who said he considered it an honour to be able to propose the health of a Mason who had done so much to further the progress of the Craft, and who was, moreover, so old and valued a friend of his own. Bro. Lee was one of his first tutors and Preceptors in

best to promote the welfare of the lodge. The next toast that he had to bring to their notice was that of "The Health of the I.P.M." He had been associated with Bro. Osborn for a number of years, and during that time had worked side by side with him in Freemasonry. He united in himself all those qualities that make a good man and a good Mason, and was always ready to stretch out the right hand of good fellowship. It was therefore a very great pleasure to him to invest him with the Past Master's jewel, manufectured by Bro George Kerning London which had manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, London, which had been unanimously voted him on the last occasion, and he sincerely hoped he might be spared for many years to wear it, and to assist the lodge with his advice as a Past Master. Bro. Osborn, I.P.M., cordially thanked the W.M. for the flattering terms in which he had alluded to him, and also the lodge for the handsome jewel they had presented him with. He also thanked the D.P.G.M. for his kind opinion of the working, and assured him he was only trying to

with. He also thanked the D.P.G.M. for his kind opinion of the working, and assured him he was only trying to emulate those who had gone before. The toast of "The Initiate" having been proposed, and responded to by Bro. Ball, the W.M. gave "The Visitors," and said that this toast was always received with cordiality by the Citadel Lodge. They were usually fortunate in having a large number of visitors, but on this occasion the number was smaller than usual on account of the counter attraction at the Boys' School

attraction at the Boys' School. Bro. Payne, W.M. 1524, sincerely thanked the brethren for the hospitality the visitors had received, and testified to the efficient and able working of the lodge.

the efficient and able working of the lodge. Bros. Noble and Forge also returned thanks. The toast of "The Masonic Charities" was next given by the W.M., and met with a hearty reception. He said that there were several brethren present who had served Stewardships at one or more of the Institutions, but he hoped that those brethren who had not would do so at some future time, and he earnestly commended it to the notice of the younger Masons. Bro. Woodman, S.W., replied, and said it was a pleasure to him to see the fervent and Masonic manner in which the

to him to see the fervent and Masonic manner in which the toast had been received. He was a Steward at the Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys on the following Wednesday, and was sure that the excellent qualities of that Institution would appeal to the hearts of all the

brethren present. The toast of "The Officers" having been given, and responded to, "The Tyler's" toast brought a very pleasant evening to a close. The musical arrangements, which were under the direction of Bro. Bayne, Organist, were of a first class character, and considerably enhanced the enjoyment of the evening, the principal vocalists being Bros. Bayne, Hibberd, W. W. Lee, Woodman, and others.

LUTON.-St. John the Baptist Lodge (No. 475).-The installation meeting of this lodge was held at the Town Hall, on Friday, the 12th inst., when there was a good muster of brethren present. Among the visitors were Bros. Philip Deedes, W.M. 1479; S. Kilpin, S.W. 540; S. Spokes, W.M. 1470; H. Rose, J.W. 1470; Jas. Shilcock, P.M. 449; John S. Cumberland, P.M. 1611, P.P. G.J.W. North and East Yorkshire; E. C. Knight, P.M. 948; M. Collings, S.D. 1470; J. H. Miller, D.C. 228; and others. and others.

The lodge having been duly opened and the minutes read, the W.M. enquired if anything further had been heard re-specting the province for Bedfordshire. The Secretary, Bro. Gladwell, said that he had received a letter from the Grand Secretary stating that the petition was now before the Grand Master, and he hoped shortly to be able to let them know the result, but he had little doubt that it would be granted. Bro. Gladwell said he had nothing to add beyond what had been previously communicated to them, be granted. Bro. Gladwell said he had nothing to add beyond what had been previously communicated to them, but he hoped before they met again all the Bedfordshire Lodges would be summoned to assemble under the Con-stitution of a Provincial Grand Lodge. The minutes having been confirmed, Bro. Alfred Ewen, S.W., was presented by Bro. E. A. Cumberland, P.M., as W.M. elect, to receive the benefit of installation. The ceremony was performed by the W.M., Bro. F. J. Brown, assisted by Bro. W. C. Hasegrove, in a very able manner. The following were the officers invested for the ensuing year: Bro. Richard Chantley, S.W.; F. W. Ewen, J.W.; E. A. Cumberland, P.M., Treaz.; J. Gladwell, Sec., P.M. 1470; H. Cumber-land, S.D.; F. E. Percival, J.D.; Thos. Hallis, I.G.; and Charles Weston, Tyler. Bro. Alfred Atkins, P.M., delivered the addresses to the W.M., Wardens, and bre-thren in a very impressive manner, amidst the most pro-found silence of all present, after which the newly-installed Master presented a Past Master's jewel, manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, London, to the I.P.M. in felicitous terms, which was suitably acknowledged, and no other business arising for consideration the lodge was closed according to ancient custom, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, at the George Hotel, provided by Bro. Fred. Coleman in his usual recherché style. In the course of the evening the usual Royal and other toasts were given and honoured according to Masonic usage, Bro. Alfred Ewen, W.M., presiding and conducting the assembly with such ability and geniality that the bre-thren may fairly look forward to a most agreeable and

the assembly with such ability and geniality that the bre-thren may fairly look forward to a most agreeable and

thren may fairly look forward to a most agreeable and prosperous year. Songs, speeches, and good fare ren-dered the evening very enjoyable. In response to "The Health of the Visitors," Bro. Cum-berland, P.M., P.P.G.J.W., and Bro. Deedes, W.M. 1470, spoke in complimentary terms of the work done in lodge, the generous hospitality of Freemasons in general, and of this lodge in particular, and exhorted the brethren to cultivate that great Masonic virtue Charity, and con-gratulated them on their awakening to the aspiration of formione Badfordbire into a Masonic province which would forming Bedfordshire into a Masonic province, which would enable them collectively to perform nobler deeds of Charity, cement more closely the bonds of unity, exalt the prestige of the Craft, and elevate the status of Bedfordshire Masons by the inherent power to confer provincial honours upon the most worthy members of the Fraternity. Upon the toast of "The Officers of the Lodge" being

Upon the toast of "The Olficers of the Lodge" being proposed, and coupled as usual with the names of the two Wardens, the W.M. said that on this occasion he wished to add the name of their esteemed Secretary, Bro. Glad-well, to whom they were indebted more than to any other brother for the interest and trouble he had taken by correspondence and other ways in promoting and bringing to a successful issue the question of a Provincial Grand Lodge for Bedfordshire, and he wished to express his succere thanks to him for having argain accented the office Bro. Lee was one of his first tutors and Preceptors in Freemasonry, and he congratulated the lodge on the care-ful and proper selection it had made. He was quite satis-fied as to the prosperity of the lodge and the comfort of the brother for the interest and trouble he had taken by to a successful issue the question of a Provincial Grand mentary terms in which he had spoken of him, and the brethren for the enthusiastic reception they had accorded the toast of his health. They could rely upon his doing his to a successful saue as w.M. in any of his arduous and lodge was opened by the W.M., Bro. B. H. Thorpe, P.P.

difficult duties he could always rely upon obtaining good advice and valuable assistance from Bro. Gladwell when-ever he might require it.

The toast was duly honoured, and acknowledged by the Senior Warden, Bro. Chantler; the Junior Warden, Bro. Frank Ewen; and also by the Secretary, Bro. J. Gladwell, who said that he was so much surprised by the honour of having his name associated thus with this toast, that he felt naving his name associated thus with this toast, that he feit unable to collect his thoughts to reply as he should wish; but it was evident he was expected to say something re-specting the anticipated Province of Bedfordshire; but he had from time to time kept the brethren so fully informed had from time to time kept the brethren so fully informed of what had been done, that he had nothing new to com-municate. They were simply waiting for an answer to their petition to the Grand Master, and the practical develop-ment of their hopes. He could not tell what might be causing the delay; but from the Grand Secretary's letter, which he had read in lodge, he entertained no doubt that before the expiration of the W.M.'s year some of the bre-thren present would be serving as Provincial Grand Officers under a Provincial Grand Master. This he sincerely hoped, as he was quite sure that the best interests of Freemasonry as he was quite sure that the best interests of Freemasonry would flourish, and their noble Charities would benefit more under the stimulus of provincial agencies and influence than they had ever done in the past.

than they had ever done in the past. WORKINGTON.-Sun and Sector Lodge (No. 962).-The annual installation meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday, the 17th inst., for the purpose of installing Bro. J. C. Thomson, as W.M. The muster was far above the average of similar meetings in this province. The lodge was opened by Bro. J. Paterson, W.M., P.G. Stwd., at 3 p.m. prompt, when one candidate was passed to the Second Degree. The duties of the lodge have been very arduous for the past year; there having been upwards of twenty initiations. The W.M. elect was presented by Bro. J. Wood, P.M., P.P.G. Swd. Br., and duly instal¹ed by Bro. Paterson, and ably assisted by Bro. G. W. Ken-worthy, P.M. 110, P.P.G.S.W.; and appointed the follow-ing as his officers: Bros. J. H. Hartley, S.W.; P. Pod-more, J.W.; Rev. E. Rice, P.P.G. Chap., Chaplain; H. Irving, P.M., Treas.; J. Eden, Sec.; J. McKerrow, S.D.; E. F. Saunders, J.D.; James Cooper, P.P.G. Org., Organist; J. Milburn, D.C.; J. Purser, I.G.; J. Dickin-son and J. Roach, Stewards; and J. Johnston, Tyler. The following members and visitors signed: Bros. Tom Dixon. P.M., P.P.G.D.C.; J. Thompson, P.M., P.P.G.A.D.C.; D. Reece, P.M., P.P.G. Purst.; J. McMullin, P.M., P.P.G. Tyler; J. J. Coverdale, P.M., P.P.G. Org.; S. Woodhead, J. Jolley, J. Dickinson, George Kirkwood, J. Fletcher, A. Ogden, J. Huntrods, A. Joslen, P. Wedgwood, J. Lewth-waite, W. Whitehead, R. Carruthers, A. Thomas, George Ryrie, W.M. 10, P.P.G. D.C.; J. Barr, P.M., P.P.G. J.W.; W. C. Johns, R. Miller, W. J. Tyson, J. Waite, W.M. 371; Thomas Mandale, P.M., P.P.G.D.C.; J. Dickinson, P.M., P.G. Stwd.; Thomas Moon, J. Abbott, Thomas Brakenridge, J. S. Bryden, W. Milligan, Thomas Rowlings, Richard Robinson, P.M. 1002, P.P.G.S.D.; H. Peacock, Thomas Mason, J. Fidler, H. Carruthers, F. A. Cooper, J. Sewell, W. Carlyle, P.M. 1400, P.P.G. Swd. Br.; G. G. Glen, P.M., P.G. Steward; L. Ward, J. Rubery, R. Ward, G. H. Smith, J. Johnston, W. Ayre, Bryce Craig, W.M. 1050; James WORKINGTON .--- Sun and Sector Lodge (No.

Northumberland; J. A. Young, 1664; J. Bennie, 240 (I.C.); and others. Bro. Wood, P.M., P.P.G. Swd. Br., then said on behalf of the members of the lodge he had a very pleasant duty to perform, and that was to present Bro. Paterson with an oil painting of himself, to hang in the lodge room, for the very able and energetic way he had discharged the duties of the chair during his year of office. Bro. Paterson feelingly replied, and thanked Bro. Wood and the members of the lodge for their great and un-expected kindness, and he should ever look back with pleasure upon the year that he was W.M. of the Sun and Sector Lodge.

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Sector Lodge. The portrait is admitted to be a work of art, and was exc-cuted by the well-known firm, Messrs. Reay and Son, of Whitehaven and St. Bees. It was then moved and passed that a letter of condolence be sent to Mrs. Gibson, widow of the late and much respected Bro. W. B. Gibson, who was first W.M. of this lodge, and with the assistance of Bro. Ken-worthy had discharged the duties of the installations for about a quarter of a century. With a unanimous vote of thanks to Bros. Paterson and Kenworthy, for their services as Installing Masters, and hearty good wishes from ten lodges and Prov. Grand Lodge, the lodge was closed in duc form, and the usual banquet followed, when, at the newly installed Master's invitation, upwards of a hundred sat down, and a pleasant evening followed.

NEWNHAM-ON-SEVERN.-Royal Forest of Dean Lodge (No. 1067).-The annual festival was held on Wednesday, the 17th inst., at Spencer House Hotel, when there were present Bros. A. Parker, W.M.; J. Shaw Carleton, S.W.; J. S. Bradstock, J.W.; Rev. Wm. Lynes, P.M., Chap.; M. F. Carter, P.M., Scc.; W. G. Roberts, J.D.; R. Macartney, I.G.; J. Ricketts and J. Shiles, Stwds.; Job Webb, Tyler; W. C. Heane, P.M., P.P.G.S.B. Gloucester; John Davies, P.M., P.G. D.C. Gloucester; F. A. Carter, P.M., P.P.G.D.C. Glou-cester; J. Smith, T. H. Deakin, W. Spence, C. A. Goold, H. S. Grant, W. Jones, and A. Bright. Visitors: Bros. S. Moss, P.M. 493; P.P.G.S.D. Gloucester; A. Woodward, I.P.M. 493; H. Blandford, W.M. 761; P.G.P. Gloucester; B. Linden, 1005; T. Wilkins, 761; E. Williams, 880; A. Miller, 1750; and E. Kimber, 701. The installation of Bro. J. Shaw Carleton, S.W., was then performed by Bro. W. C. Heane, P.M., P.P.G.S.B. Gloucester, the new W.M. afterwards investing the follow-ing as his officers: Bros. A. Parker, I.P.M.; J. S. Brad-stock, S.W.; W. Lynes, P.M., J.W.; S. W. Woods, Treas.; M. F. Carter, P.M., Sec.; W. G. Roberts, S.D.; R. Macartney, J.D.; F. A. Carter, P.M., D.C.; T. Caale, P.M., I.G.; J. Ricketts and J. Shiles, Stwds.; and Job Webb, Tyler. BATTLE.-Abbey Lodge (No. 1184).-The installation meeting of this flourishing lodge was held at the Masonic Hall on Thursday. the 18th instant. The NEWNHAM-ON-SEVERN.-Royal Forest

G.S.D., P.M., supported by the following officers and brethren: Bros. W. Lamborn, P.P.G.P., P.M., acting I.P.M.; the Very Rev. E. R. Currie, M.A., P.G. Chap., S.W. (W.M. elect); J B. Sargent, P.M., acting J.W.; Rev. C. F. Bonny Hawkins, M.A., Chap.; H. G. F. Wells, P.P.G.P., P.M., Treas.; Robert Hughes, Sec.; C. W. Duke, P.P.G.D., P.M. 40, P.M., D.C.; Henry Kimm, S.D. (*Freemason*); J. B. Foord, J.D.; J. Fielding, Org.; T. J. Walder, I.G.; J. M. Farr, P.P.G.S.B. Essex, acting Tyler; Charles Martin, W. T. Jordan, R. T. Davison, M. J., W, A. Raper, Major F. W. Robertson, and others. Visitors: The Worshiptul the D.P.G.M., Bro. J. H. Scott, P.G.D. England; Bros. General Randolph, P.G.S.W., P.M. 1383, 1466; V. P. Freeman, P.G. Sec., P.M. 732; B. Burfield, P.G.A. Sec., W.M. 1821; Sir Francis C. Knowles, Bart, W.M. 1726; Capt. McWhinnie, P.P.G.S.D., W.M. 1947; Dr. Thomas Trollope, P.P. G.S.W., P.M. 40, 1520, and 1842; Rev. R. W. Loosemore, P.G. Chap. West Yorks, P.M. 974; W. Dawes, P.P.G.R., P.M. 341; T. Packham, P.P.G.P. P.M. 315; Rev. Henry Hawkins, 132; G. E. Chapınan, W.M. 311; F. Plowman, W.M. 40; Councillor W. H. Russell, I.P.M. 40; John Bray, Stud. 40; R. J. Reed, 40; H. Gloyns, S.D. 40; and many others.

many others. The distinguished presence of the W.D.P.G.M., Bro. J. H. Scott, the number of Prov. G. Officers, and other visitors gave cclat to this eventful occasion, and testified to the popularity which the W.M. elect, Bro. Very Rev. E. R. Currie, enjoys, and to the appreciation which the brethren in Sussex hold for his enthusiasm in the cause of Freemasonry.

Curric, enjoys, and to the appreciation which the brethren in Sussex hold for his enthusiasm in the cause of Free-masonry. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, and communications read, the candidate, Mr. David White, being in attendance, was ably initiated into the secrets of the First Degree by the W.M. A successful ballot was then taken on behalf of Mr. Cornelius Leary as a serving brother. After the business, the installation ceremony was proceeded with, the W.M. elect, Bro. Currie, M.A., S.W., being presented by Bro. W. Lamborn, P.M., P.P.G.P., for the benefit of installation. The Secretary then read the ancient charges, and the W.M. elect having assented thereto, was, on the withdrawal of the brethren below the chair, duly inducted into the chair of K.S. The usual salutes and greetings in the three degrees were given, and working tools presented. The appointment of officers then took place as follows: Bros J. B. Sargent, P.M., S.W., by proxy; Henry Kimm, J.W.; Rev. C. F. B. Hawkins, M.A., Chaplain; H. G. F. Wells, P.M., Treas, re-invested; Robert Hugbes, Secretary, re-invested; Councillor C. W. Duke, P.M., D.C.; J. Fielding, Org.; J. B. Foord, S.D.; T. J. Walder, J.D.; W. T. Jordan, I.G.; and J. M. Farr, P.P.G.S.B. Essex, Tyler pro tem. Bro. W. Lamborn, P.M., then delivered the three addresses. Bro. C. W. Duke was, as usual, unanimously elected as the lodge representative on the Provincial Charities Committee. There being no further business, "Hearty good wishes" were expressed by the visitors, and the lodge closed in peace and harmony. The brethren then adjourned to the banquet room, which presented a very gay and festive appearance. The spread was in quantity, quality, and service all that could be desired. Messrs. K. Vidler and Co., of St. Leonards, as usual, fully sustained their reputation. After the banquet the usual loyal, Masonic, and complimentary toasts were drunk, and duly responded to by the W.D.P.G.M., Bro. J. H. Scott, and Bros. General Randolph, P.G.S.W.; Dr. Thom

The proceedings were enlivened by some capital songs by Bros. W. H. Russell, C. J. Lewns, H. Gloyns, and Major Robertson, Bro. J. Fielding presiding at the piano.

FELTHAM .- Lebanon Lodge (No. 1326).-

FELTHAM.—Lebanon Lodge (No. 1326).— This well-established lodge held its regular meeting on Saturday, the 20th inst., at the Railway Hotel. Bro. Jos. John Marsh, P.P.G. Std. Br. Middx., W.M., opened the lodge punctually at 3 p.m. There were present during the afternoon and evening Bros. Fletcher <night, S.W., and W.M. elect; W. R. Vassila, J.W.; J. W. Baldwin, P.G. J.D. Middx., P.M., Chap.; E. Gilbert, P.G.A.P. Middx., P.M., Treas.; Frederick Walters, P.P.G.D. Middx., P.M., Sec.; James Laurence, S.D.; E. A. Smith, J.D.; C. W. Baker, I.G.; J. A. Wilson, Steward; John Gilbert, P.G. Tyler Middx., Tyler; Edward Mallett, P.M.; Henry Forss, W.M. 917; S. Wheeler, H. Grout, W. J. Babb, W. Kite, A. Lawton, S. Page, T. M. Prescott, H. J. F. T. S. Lee, J. R. Cox, P. Lodge, A. J. Drysdale, and others. Among the visitors we noticed Bros. J. W. George, P.P.G. Org. Middx., P.M., Sec. 1309; J. P. Briggs, P.M. and S.W. 1503; R. J. Taylor, P.M. 144; and others. The minutes of the last meeting were read and con-firmed. Ballots were declared to be unanimously in favour of the admission of Bros. Henry Forss, W.M. 917, and Henry Grout, 175 (S.C.), as joining members, and for admission as candidates for initiation into Freemasonry of Messrs. Henry Joseph Fergus Thomas Scott Lee, John Rowles Cox, Arthur James Drysdale, P. Lodge, and Arthur George Lingford. Bro. R. J. Taylor, P.M. 144, having kindly undertaken the duty as Organist, in the absence of Bro. James Robinson, each one separately was introduced and duly initiated. The working of the W.M., Bro. J. J. Marsh, was all that could be desired. It seemed a pity, now his working had obtained perfection, to lose his valuable services, but time, the great leveller had brought round the election night. Every election was unanimous-Bros. F. Knight, W.M.; Edwin Gilbert, re-elected Treasurer; John Gilbert, re-elected Dunstan, and Edward Mallett, P.M. 141. The Audit to be held at Bro. E. Gilbert's, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street West, Hammersmith, W., on Monday, July 6th, at 4.0 p.m. The Street West, Hammersmith, W., on Monday, July 6th, at 4.0 p.m. The usual seven guineas was voted to the I.P.M., Bro. J. J. Marsh, for a Past Master's jewel, on the motion of Bro. Frederick Walters, Secretary, who intimated that something beyond a Past Master's jewel must be given to the W.M., whose year of office, amongst other things beyond the well working of the ritual, had been so greatly distinguished by sending in twelve Stewards for 1885, seven Stewards for 1886, nineteen Stewards during his year of office. Such a list in his thirty years of Masonry was unpreoffice. Such a list in his thirty years of Masonry was unprecedented, and deserved, and would receive, special recog-nition. It swelled the list of Past Stewards and Life Governors who are members of this lodge to forty. Some

propositions for joining and initiation were given in. Lodge was then closed.

A dinner, served under Bro. H. P. Harris's super-vision, followed. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given, and the brethren separated.

TWICKENHAM.—Era Lodge (No. 1423).— This lodge met at the Albany Hotel on the 13th inst., when there were present Bros. J. Faulkner, P.M., P.P.G.D. Middx., acting for the W.M., Bro. F. P. Jenkins, absent through domestic illness; G. S. Elliott, S.W.; W. H. Matthews, J.W.; Edward William Devereux, P.M., Sec.; Dr. William Faulkner, S.D.; William Beaton, J.D.; C. Neison, I.G.; H. B. Hassel, Stwd.; G. L. Wingate, I.P.M.; E. H. Thiellay, P.M., P.G.S.B. Middx.; W. Lovelock; and the following visitors: Bros. J. W. Long, P.M. 569 (H.A.C.); and J. Bayne, Organist 1807. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and con-firmed. Owing to illness, the expected candidate for initiation was not present. The sum of two guineas was voted to the "H. C. Levander Memorial Fund." Apologies for non-attendance having been read from Bros. the W.

for non-attendance having been read from Bros. the W. Master, J. W. Baldwin, P.M., P.G.D. Middx., and A. C. Carter, the lodge was closed.

The brethren adjourned to refreshments. The usual loyal Grand and Provincial toasts were honoured, and the Tyler's toast brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

INSTRUCTION.

COVENT GARDEN LODGE (No. 1614).—The usual weekly meeting of this lodge of instruction was held at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden-lane, Covent-Garden, W.C., on the 18th inst., when there were present Bros. Stroud, W.M.; G. Marsien, S.W.; J. B. Bromley, J.W.; J. B. Cumming, S.D.; J. Woodward, I.G.; F. Kedge, acting as Preceptor; G. Reynolds, Sceretary and Treasurer; and T. E. Weeks. The lodge having been opened, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Ludge onened in the Scond Degree

The lodge having been opened, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge opened in the Second Degree. Bro. G. Reynolds having offered himself as a candidate to be raised to the Third Degree, he was duly questioned, entrusted, and retired. Lodge opened in the Third Degree. The W.M. rehearsed the Sublime Degree of M.M., giving the traditional history. Lodge closed in the Third, and then the Second Degree. On rising for the second time, Bro. F. Kedge proposed that Bro. G. Marsden be the W.M. for the ensuing week; seconded by Bro. J.W., carried unanimously. The W.M. clect was pleased to appoint his officers in rotation. On rising for the third time, it was proposed by Bro. G. Reynolds, Secretary, that a vote of thanks to Bro. F. Kedge, be recorded on the minutes of this lodge of instruction, for his kind-ness in acting, for the first time, as Preceptor in the absence of Bro. W. C. Smith; seconded by Bro. J.W., carried unanimously. Bro. F. Kedge in reply, said he always felt it a pleasure to assist the lodge all he possibly could. Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, the lodge was closed in peace and harmony.

of Freemasorry, the lodge was closed in peace and harmony. UBIQUE LODGE (No. 1789).—A meeting was held on Friday, the 19th inst., at the Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-street, S.W. Present: Bros. Green, senr., W.M.; Wade, P.M., S.W.; Glover, J.W.; Boulton, P.M., Preceptor; P. Coughlan, Sec.; Chilcott, S.D.; Green, jun., J.D.; Cope, I.G.; J. F. Wray, P.M.; C. White, P.M.; F. Purnell, G. Mason, Grist, and Coulthard, The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, Bro. C. White, a candidate to be raised to the Third Degree, answered the usual questi and was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree, the ceremony of raising was was rehearsed, Bro. White as candidate. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree, Bro. Gibson then proposed in the name of Bro. Hayes, which was seconded by Bro. Wade, that the lodge adjourn to the first Friday in September, this motion was negatived on a show of hands. The W.M. rose for the first time, and Bro. Coulthard replied. The W.M. rose for the second time, and Bro. Wade was unanimously elected a joining member, Bro. Coulthard replied. The W.M. for the ensuing week. Nothing further offering, the lodge was closed in getter harmony.

Mark Masonry.

PRINCE LEOPOLD LODGE (No. 238).-A meeting of this distinguished and prosperous lodge was held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on Tuesday, the held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on Tuesday, the 10th inst. Among those present were Bros. F. Farrington, W.M.; W. E. Farrington, S.W.; Alfred Tisley, P.M., G.A.D.C., acting J.W.; W. Wiggeston, P.M., P.G.S. of W., Secretary; Richnell, P.P.G.S.B., Treasurer; Captain Harding, M.O.; W. H. Saunders, J.O.; Dodd, S.D.; Prower, E. Harris, J. Harris Cole, T. C. Walls, P.M., P.G.S.B., &c.; and others. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, a notice of motion was given to abolish the June meeting and to substitute the month of December instead. The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to a banquet, which was well served. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts followed.

WOOLWICH.—Excelsior Lodge (No. 226).— The installation meeting of the above prosperous lodge took place on Friday, the 10th inst., at the Masonic Hall, William-street, when Bro. C. F. Matier, P.G.W., G. Asst. Sec. Eng., and P.D.P.G.M. Middx., &c., in his own un-surpassed style placed Bro. G. Spinks, P.P.G.A.D.C. Kent, S.W., and W.M. elect, in the chair of A. The lodge was opened by Bro. A. Penfold, P.M., P.P.G.M.O. Kent, who, owing to the untimely death of Bro. Holleyman, late W. Master, presided. Bros. Matier and W. B. Williamson, the latter a G. Steward of England, were received and saluted with the honours of five. Bro. W. Akers, S.W., W.M. elect 13, having successfully passed the ballot, was then advanced with the full ceremony. Bro. Matier then assumed the chair, and proceeded to the installation, and Bro. Spinks was duly saluted. He invested his officers as follows: Bros. T. D. Hayes, P.P.G. Swd. Br., S.W.; E. Palmer, J.W.; W. Moulds, P.P.G.I.G., M.O.; T. Oven-den, P.P.G. Stwd., S.O.; J. Bilton, P.P.G. Swd. Br., J.O.; C. Coupland, P.M., P.P.G.S.W., Treas.; G. Kenneday, P.P.G. Asst. Sec., Sec.; J. Whiteheart, P.G. I.G., R.M.; C. Jolly, P.P.G.O., S.D. (*Freemason*); W. H. Popplestone, J.D.; T. Cooper, I.G.; J. Morton, D. of C.; and E. Tappenden and J. Aillud, Stwds. The several addresses were then splendidly recited by Bro. Matier, and the ceremony concluded amid applause. Bro. Penfold then proposed, and the W.M. seconded. WOOLWICH .- Excelsior Lodge (No. 226).

Matier, and the ceremony concluded amid applause. Bro. Penfold then proposed, and the W.M. seconded, that a vote of thanks be tendered to Bro. Matier, and in-scribed on the minutes of the lodge, and it was carried unanimously.

Bro. Matier, in returning thanks, assured the brethren that it gave him great pleasure to once again have the privi-lege of installing a W.M. of the Excelsior Lodge. As most of them were aware, he had the honour of consecrating the lodge, and since then had watched its career with

great interest. That made the 365th brother he had in-stalled, so that he had installed as many Masters as there were days in the year, and if anything could make him feel proud, it was that fact. He again thanked them for their cordial vote of thanks. The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to Bro. Capan's Hotel the Chatham Arms, where a particular

to Bro. Capon's Hotel, the Chatham Arms, where a pretty little banquet awaited them. Among the other brethren present were Bros. Col. E. S. Gordon, R.A., P.M. 44, and P.P.G.S.O. Kent; Capt. Eugene Sweny, P.M. 44, P.G. J.W. Kent; E. West, P.M.; C. H. Canning, H. Bonner, and H. Karridze

J.W. Kent; E. West, P.M.; C. H. Canning, H. Bonner, and H. Kerridge. Thetoasts of "The Queen and Mark Masonry" and "His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, P.G.M.," were drunk heartily; and the toast of "Lord Kintore, G.M.; Lord Egerton of Tatton, D.G.M.; and the rest of the Grand Officers" was coupled with the name of Bro. Williamson, who thanked the brethere for the honour done him and Officers " was coupled with the name of Bro. Williamson, who thanked the brethren for the honour done him, and also for the hearty reception of the toast; and, in return, wished the lodge every prosperity. He felt certain that if the senior Grand Officers had been present they would have been pleased with the brethren, and with the work. The day previous he had the honour of being present at Cam-bridge and seeing Prince Albert Victor advanced to the Mark Degree in the Isaac Newton University Mark Lodge. It was a red-letter day in the history of the Degree to have their future King enrolled in their ranks, and he felt sure It was a red-letter day in the history of the Degree to have their future King enrolled in their ranks, and he felt sure their exalted brother would, like his honoured sire, make his mark in Masonry. With reference to the Excelsior Lodge, he felt attached to it, more especially on account of it being at Woolwich, where he had made, and still enjoyed, such lasting friendships. There he had worked hard to gain not only a mechanical and practical knowledge of gunnery, but also the technical knowledge necessary for the command he held in the Artillery Volunteers, and he hoped with success. He trusted to have the privilere of visiting them again, and He trusted to have the privilege of visiting them again, and concluded by wishing the Master a prosperous year of

office. "The Health of Bro. the Rev. T. Robinson, M.A., G. M.M. Kent," followed, and the W.M. read a letter from that distinguished brother regretting his inability to attend through illness. The D.G.M. and Officers were also honoured.

honoured. Bro. Coupland then, in eloquent terms, proposed "The Health of the W.M.," and in so doing reviewed Bro. Spinks' Masonic career in the district, and of his military services at the Cape of Good Hope and Natal during the late war, and said how proud they were to see him resume his place in the lodge, of which he was one of the founders. Bro. Spinks was the oldest Mark Mason present, for he had been a Mark man for the last 25 years. He asked them to drink the toast heartily.

had been a Mark man for the last 25 years. He asked them to drink the toast heartily. Bro. Spinks, in response, said it was quite true that he had been 25 years a Mark Master Mason, but had not got bald headed by letting people walk over his head. He trusted the lodge would prosper, and that that night might be the smallest gathering they would ever have. They must assist him, for there was Bro. Hayes to follow him, and he wanted to do something worthy of being followed by such a good and popular Mason; if they did that, nothing should be wanting on his part to make the lodge worthy of its name and prestige in the Province of Kent. The Chairman then gave the toast of "The Installing Officer," and said they were favoured by Bro. Matier's presence and assistance. The eloquent and impressive manner in which that brother had carried out the ceremony needed no eulogy from him; it spoke for itself, and for it he

needed no eulogy from him; it spoke for itself, and for it he asked them to give him a real "Kentish fire."

Bro. Matier, in returning thanks, said he was especially gratified at the opportunity afforded him of installing so worthy a Master, and anything he could do for the lodge he would only be too happy to do. There was now a matter he should like to bring before the lodge, a matter that was generally, and, indeed, especially, the care of his chief, Bro. Binckes, and in his presence he (Bro. Matier) would not atternut to broach it, and that matter was the that was generally, and, indeed, especially, the care of his chief, Bro. Binckes, and in his/presence he (Bro. Matier) would not attempt to broach it, and that matter was the Mark Benevolent Fund. They had lost \pounds Soo through the failure of their bankers, but he was not appealing merely on that account, but they wanted funds, and must make up the loss thereby incurred by the increased efforts and Charity of the brethren. Bro. Weston had again kindly consented to stand Steward at the forthcoming Festival, and would himself ask them to subscribe to his list in his own persuasive manner. To that good brother's appeal he would add to those who were about to give 2s. 6d. give 3s., to those who thought of giving 5s. make it 10s., and to those who meant to give one guinea, he would say " give five," for absolutely one guinea was wasted, whereas five gave a Life Governorship. The fund was applied princi-pally to the education of children at home, where they have the care and supervision of their parents or friends, but at the next General Board Meeting a scheme would be brought before it to give a poor Mark Master Mason, or his widow, an annuity, and while they never could expect to equal the grand Charity of the Craft, yet they could do their best, and by so doing unite in the grand Masonic design of being happy and communicating happiness to others. Bros. Col. Gordon and Ritchie responded for "The others.

Bros. Col. Gordon and Ritchie responded for "The Visitors," and Bro. Akers neatly to the toast of his health.

An especial toast was given for Bro. Penfold, and Bro. Coupland highly eulogised the handsome manner in which that brother had carried out the duties of the chair since

that brother had carried out the duties of the chair since the death of Bro. Hollyman. The other toasts were "The Masonic Press," for which Bro. Jolly responded, and "The Officers," for whom Bro. Hayes responded. The Tyler's toast concluded the proceedings. We are pleased to add that the sum of £30 was sub-scribed to Bro. Weston's list, which will, no doubt, be increased before the coming Festival.

Freemasonry at Falmouth is at present showing signs of a healthy vitality. Until now the Freemasons of that place have had their hall in the Royal Hotel, but of that place have had their hall in the Royal Hotel, but of recent years the Craft has made such progress in Falmouth that the brethren have finally decided to build a new and more commodious hall. A site presented itself at the rear of the new Savings Bank, and this having been secured, final arrangements for a new Masonic building have been made. The foundation stone will be laid on July 2nd by Sir Charles Graves-Sawle, Bart., W.D.P.G.M., with suit-able ceremony. When completed the new hall will be of the constructions and will cank as one of the finest in spacious dimensions, and will rank as one of the finest in the county.

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Allied Masonic Degrees.

CONSECRATION OF THE W. M. SEWELL COUNCIL, No. 11, AT MARYPORT.

COUNCIL, NO. II, AT MARTPORT.
The above council, and the first in the province, was consecrated and dedicated on Monday, the 15th inst., and about 20 candidates inducted into the Order by the R.W.
Bro. Chas. F. Matier, P.D.G.M., Grand Secretary, and assisted by Bros. W. Nicholl, P.M., G.J.W.; C. S. Lane, P.M., G. Swd. Br.; P. de E. Collin, P.G.J.D. Eng.; Col.
F. R. Sewell, D.P.G.M. Cumberland and Westmorland; and J. Nicholson, P.P.G.S.W.
Bro. P. de E. Collin was installed as first Master, Bros.
Col. F. R. Sewell, S.W.; J. Nicholson, J.W.; J. Gardiner, Sec.; J. C. Thompson, Treas.; G. Dalrymple, S.D.; J. Dickinson, J.D.; J. Smith, Org.; J. H.
Raven, D.C.; H. Peacock, I.G.; J. Eden, Stwd.; and J. Messenger, Tyler.
The following members were also present: Bros. Thos.
Mandale, A. Walters, T. Atkinson, J. Abbott, J. Hodgson, J. O. Scott, E. B. Penrice, J. Kendall, and T. Brown.
Bros. Matier, Nicholl, and Lane were, by a unanimous vote, elected honorary members of the council, and a vote of thanks was passed to them, to be recorded, for their able services.

services.

The council is named after the late much respected Bro. W. M. Sewell, and father to Bro. Col. F. R. Sewell, D.P.G. M.M. of the province. The brethren subsequently dined at the Star Hotel.

Ancient and Accepted Rite.

LIVERPOOL.—Liverpool Chapter (No. 19).— This chapter was held at the Masonic Temple, Hope-street, on Friday, the 19th inst. The chair was taken by the M. W.S., Bro. Sinclair, assisted by the officers of the chap-ter. Ill Bros. N. C. Clement Beswick Royds, S.G.I.G., 33°, and I.G. North-Western District, and Charles James Banister, S.G.I.G., 33°, and I.G. North-Eastern District, were admitted under an arch of steel and saluted. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The M.W.S. elect, Bro. Heap, 30°, was presented by Ill. Bro. Robertson, 31°, to Ill. Bro. Royds, S.G.I.G., 33°, who in-stalled him into the chair most impressively. Bro. Heap then appointed his officers as follows: Ill. Bro. Sinclair, 30°, as Prelate ; Bros. Hunter and Salter, 1st and 2nd Generals ; Thompson, G.M. ; Beesley, Raphael ; Houlding, Almoner ; Foote, Capt. of Guard ; Ill. Bro. En Pierpoint, 32°, Treas. and Recorder ; and Bro. Ball, Outer Guard. After the business of the chapter was over, it was closed in due and solemn form. The banquet which was very recherché, was held at the solemn form.

business of the chapter Was over, it was closed in due and solemn form. The banquet, which was very recherché, was held at the Adelphi Hotel, under the presidency of the M.W.S., III. Bro. Heap, 30°, who proposed the loyal and Masonic toasts, III. Bro. Banister responding for "The Supreme Council" and his own health. III. Bro. Beswick Royds was obliged to leave before the toasts could be proposed. III. Bro. Sinclair, 30°, proposed "The Health of the M.W.S." in very flattering terms, and the M.W.S., Bro. Heap, 30°, responded in suitable terms, and proposed "The Health of the Officers," coupling with the toast the name of Bro. Hunter, 1st General. III. Bro. Robertson, P.M.W.S., 31°, proposed "The Health of the Treasurer and Recorder, III. Bro. Edwd. Pierpoint, 32°," who, in responding, paid a high compli-ment to their late III. Rro. H. S. Alpass, 32°, who had held these offices ever since the chapter was consecrated. He also spoke most feelingly about Bro. Banister, who had initiated him (Bro. Pierpoint) into Masonry nearly 30 years ago. ago

III. Bro. Thorburn responded for "The P.M.W.S.'s." Bros. Tyrer, P.M.W.S., and Hunter, 1st General, between the speeches discoursed some excellent songs, and the evening was spent in love and harmony.

DARLINGTON.—St. Cuthbert's Chapter (No. 96).—This chapter held their installation meeting at the Freemasons' Hall, on Wednesday, the 17th inst. III. Bro. Henry Maddison, M.W.S., and his officers were present. III. Bro. Charles Fendelow, S.G.I.G., 33°, I.G. Stafford-shire, Warwick, Leicester, and Nottingham, and III. Bro. Charles J. Banister, S.G.I.G., 33°, I.G. N.E. District, were admitted, and saluted according to their rank. The minutes of the last chapter were read and confirmed. The M.W.S. elect, Ex. and Perfect Bro. Charles Rutter Fry, was pre-sented by the G.M. to III. Bro. Charles Banister, 33°, who installed him into the chair of M.W.S. with his usual care. The M.W.S. appointed his officers, suitably addressing each as they came up to the throne: Bros. Henry Maddison, P.M.W.S.; Rev. Christopher Jackson, Prelate; John Bailey, 1st General; John James Wilks, 30°, 2nd General; Thomas Mess, Recorder; Samuel Wilson, G. Marshal; Thomas Metcalle Barron, Raphael; William Logan, Herald; Edwin Cowper, Captain of Guard; Thomas Prince, Outer Guard. Letters and telegrams were received from several brethren who were prevented from being present. Business over, the chapter was closed in due form. A very sumptious banquet awaited the brethren in the dining hall, under the presidency of the M.W.S., who proposed the usual loyal and Masonic toasts, prefacing each with very appropriate remarks. III. Bro. C. J. Banister proposed "The Health of III. Bro. Charles Fendelow, 33°," and in reply this worthy and esteemed brother was most happy in his remarks, which elicited cordial and enthusiastic cheers. The M.W.S., in replying to his health, entered fully into the duties and responsibilities of every Mason, and said DARLINGTON,-St. Cuthbert's Chapter (No.

The M.W.S., in replying to his health, entered fully into the duties and responsibilities of every Mason, and said all in their respective spheres in life should be bright examples of the excellence of our Masonic teaching. A truly happy evening was spent, and the last toast was The Freemason.

Malta. VALETTA.—Wayfarers' Lodge (No. 1926, E.C.)—The installation ceremony of this young but flour-ishing lodge took place at the Masonic Hall, Strada Stretta, on Friday, the 12th inst. The lodge was opened by the W.M., Bro. James Montgomery, when Colour-Sergeant Wilson, Hants Regiment, and S. rgeant Williams, South York Regiment, were duly initiated into Freemasonry. Bros. Turner and Lees were passed, and Bro. Gardiner raised, the work being admirably performed by the W.M. Bro. R. Beck was re-elected Tyler. The W.M. then handed the Hiram to R.W. Bro. W. Kingston, D.G.M. Malta, for the purpose of installing the W.M. elect. Bro. Mont-gomery, who had been re-elected unanimously, was then presented to the D.G.M. by Bro. D. C. Wilson, I.P.M. The installation ceremony was performed by the D.G.M. most ably. The W.M. then invested his officers as fol-lows: Bros. D. C. Wilson, I.P.M.; W. Harris, S.W.; H. J. Harnack, J.W.; R. D. Briggs, Treas.; J. Pocock, Sec.; T. V. Quinn, S.D.; T. C. Morris, J.D.; W. Wallace, I.G.; R. Beck, Tyler; H. B. Wingrove and F. Gardiner, Stwds. The officers were addressed in an impressive manner by V.W. Bro. W. Watson, D.D.G.M. Malta. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to R.W. Bro. Kingston and V.W. Bro. Watson for their able ser-

Malta. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to R.W. Bro. Kingston and V.W. Bro. Watson for their able ser-vices. "Hearty good wishes" were tendered on behalf of many lodges, and the lodge was closed in ancient form. The brethren, about 70 in number, adjourned to the banquet room, and sat down to a well appointed repast, which reflected the greatest credit upon Bro. Beck, who, in a wort complete and able manner arranged the refereh-

which reflected the greatest credit upon Bio. Beck, who, in a most complete and able manner, arranged the refresh-ments. The usual loyal, patriotic, and Masonic toasts were given and received in a thoroughly enthusiastic manner. The individual toasts were ably and filly responded to, and it will be a source of gratification to the absent brethren of the lodge to know that they were not forgotten, for their health and prosperity was given by the W.M. in feeling terms, and most cordially received by the brethren. The meeting then closed, every brother having spent a thoroughly eniovable and instructive evening. The 12th lune, 1885,

enjoyable and instructive evening. The 12th June, 1885, will long be remembered by those who had the pleasure of

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR AND MARK MASONRY.

ADVANCEMENT IN THE ISAAC NEWTON LODGE.

ADVANCEMENT IN THE ISAAC NEWTON LODGE. A meeting of the above Mark Lodge was held on the 18th inst., at the Lion Hotel, Cambridge, for the purpose of advancing H.R.H. Pince Albert Victor, the Rev. J. N. Dalton (His Royal Highness's governor) and other Master Masons. The chair was filled by Bro H. J. Trevor-Jones, W.M.; Bro. Bushell Anningson was S.W., and Bro. C. A. Carmalt Jones, J.W. There was a large attendance of distinguished visitors, including Bro. the Earl of Kintore, M. W.G.M.M.; Bro. Lord Egerton of Tatton, D.G.M.M.; Bro. F. Davison, P.G.D. and D.G.M. Middx. and Surrey; Bro. H. S. Somerville-Bürney, G.M.O.; Bro. Ralph Gooding, G.J.O.; Bro. H. Stone, G.S.; Bro. Colonel S. H. Clerke, P.G.W.; Bro. A. M. Broadley, P. Dist. G.M. of the Mediterranean; Bros. C. A. Vinter, J.O.; R. P. Spice, G.S.D.; W. P. Collins, G.S.B.; Henry George, G.A.D.C.; F. Binckes, G. Sec.; Rev. H. Cummings, G. Chap.; Rev. T. W. Lemon, G. Chap.; Frank Richard-son, G. Reg.; Rev. W. M. Heath, P.G.M. Dorset; D. P. Cama, G. Stwd.; Geo. Mickley, G.D.; E. Hoare, G. Org.; J. Neal York, P.M. 334, and P.G.S.W. East Anglia; C. F. Matier, Grand Masters Lodge, P.G.W.; A. Tisley, G.A.D.C.; W. B. Williamson, H. J. Smith, D.P.G.M. Northumberland and Durham; B. Chennell, W.M. 334; N. Tracey, P.M. 70, P.G. Sec.; A. H. Moyes, S.W. 334; E. Hills, J.W. 334; O. Papworth, Sec. 334; Miles J. Walker, G. Swd. Br.; George Gravely, G.I.G.; Chas. Driver, P.G.S. of W.; Thomas Cubitt, P.G.O.; T. Y. Strachan, D.P.G.M. Northumberland and Durham; Rev. C. J. Martyn, P.G.C.; W. E. Williams, G. Steward; E. Tyson, G. Stwd.; Percy Wallis, G.S.D., W.M. 302; W. Nicholl, P.M. 34, G.J.D.; J. P. Lewin, Prov. G.J.W., W.M. 342; S. R. Anness, P.D. of C., W.M. 302; W. Nicholl, P.M. 34, G.J.D.; J. P. Lewin, Prov. G.J.W., W.M. 342; S. R. Anness, P.D. of C., W.M. 304; E. M. Money, Old Kent, S.D.; and others. The lodge having been duly opened, the brethren were called to order to receive the Grand Officers. Several new members were thereupon balloted for and elected. With respect to

called to order to receive the Grand Officers. Several new members were thereupon balloted for and elected. With respect to Prince Albert Victor, this preliminary was dispensed with by command of the M.W. Grand Master (Lord Kintore). The ceremony of advancement was very ably performed by the W.M. (Bro. Trevor-Jones), who was well supported by his Wardens, Overseers, and Deacons. The Prince was chosen for the symbolical work. At the close of the ceremony the hearty thanks of the lodge were tendered to the M.W. Grand Master, his Deputy, and the other Grand Officers for their attendance. It was also proposed by the W.M., seconded by the S.W., and carried with acclamation, "That the M.W. Grand Master and the Deputy Grand Master (Lords Kintore and Egerton of Tatton) be cleeted Honorary Members of the

Egerton of Tatton be cletted Honorary Members of the lodge." The M.W. Grand Master having suitably res-ponded, the lodge was closed in due and ancient form. The brethren aftewards partook of luncheon, at which Lord Egerton of Tatton presided.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

A confirmation was held on the 18th inst. at St. Peter with St. Paul Church, Battersea rise, by the Lord Bishop of Rochester, at which 36 of the children of this Institution were confirmed. The Bishop was attended by several of

were confirmed. The Bishop was attended by several of the clergy of the neighbourhood, including Rev. Canon Erskine Clarke and Rev. J. Toone, Chap. of the Institution. After the confirmation, the Bishop having expressed a wish to see over the Institution, was conducted there by the Chaplain, accompanied by the other clergy. He was received by Bros. Rucker, Richardson, Grey, and Matthews, repre-senting the House Committee, also Miss Jarwood, the Matron; Miss Davis, the Head Governess; and the other members of the staff. His lordship having inspected the

members of the staff. His lordship having inspected the Institution, the children went through their calisthenic exercises, and were most kindly addressed by the Bishop, who, in giving advice and encouragement to them, congra-tulated there exists the behavious and here used there are

tulated them on their behaviour and happy looks, and expressed a wish to bring his own family with him on some

future occasion.

attending on this occasion.

NORTHERN COUNTIES LODGE IN LONDON.

A preliminary meeting of the brethren interested in-forming a lodge for the Northern Counties, took place at 16a, Great Queens-treet, on Thursday, when it was resolved that it was advisable to form a lodge for brethren north of the Trent.

The formal resolutions will be published next week, in the Freemason

MASONRY IN THE SOUDAN.

A Masonic gathering of unusual interest took place at Suakim on Saturday, the 9th ult. Several well-known enthusiastic Masons had made arrangements, with the sanction of General Sir Gerald Graham, commanding Suakim Field Force, to hold a meeting at the Ordnance Stores. For this purpose two large tents were erected and thrown into one, and everything was done to give a Masonic appearance to the interior. The chair was taken at 6.30 p.m. by Major O. G. Cabenagh, I.P.M. 1991, and there were representatives, from no less than 21 lodges, India sending five. The proceeding was opened by an appropriate address

sending five. The proceeding was opened by an appropriate address from the Rev. W. H. BULLOCK, who said it was an occa-sion much to be remembered among Masons, as being the first gathering of the Craft in the Soudan. He also gave some interesting information as to the customs of the Arabs, on the subject of signs; and said that doubtless in the far past the Soudanese knew something of the science, after which Bro. MCINERNY made a few appropriate re-marks on the interesting occasion which had brought them together.

A vote of thanks was unanimously given to the senior A vote of thanks was unanimously given to the senior Chaplain for his kindness in obtaining from the General Officer Commanding permission to hold the meeting; also to Bro. W. Daley for the trouble he had taken in organis-

to Bro. W. Daley for the trouble he had taken in organis-ing it. The meeting was brought to a close by some concluding remarks from the PRESIDENT, who suggested that, as a memorial of this occasion, a subscription list should be opened for the benefit of widows and orphans of Masons who had fallen in the campaign. This, it need scarcety be stated, was unanimously adopted. After these proceedings the brethren took their places at the festive board, and an hour was pleasantly passed in brotherly intercourse, and all separated to their tents highly gratified at this, the first meeting of the Craft in the Desert.

Bros. Thomas Clarke and Alderman Evans were elected Sheriffs of London and Middlesex on Wed-

mesday last, Bro. Colonel King-Harman, M.P. for County Dublin, has been adopted as Conservative candidate at the next election, for the Isle of Thanet division of the county of Kent.

Bros. the Crown Prince of Germany, and the Duke of Connaught were present among the mourners at the funeral of the late Prince Frederick Charles of Prussia, the Duke's father-in-law.

Lieut.-General Randolph entertained his brother officers in the Provincial Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch. Masons of Sussex at a sumptuous banquet in the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on Wednesday evening. Vocal and instrumental music pleasingly diversified the proceedings.

We regret to state that Bro. James Terry is too unwell to rehearse the ceremony of consecration at the Marquis of Ripon Lodge of Instruction, No. 1489, Queen's Hotel, Victoria-park, but Bro. W. H. Lee, P.G.A. Sec. for Middlesex, P.M., P.Z., &c., has kindly consented to rehearse the ceremony of installation, and Bro. Morgan, P.M., will deliver a lecture.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to pre-June, 1885.

Among the members of the Administration which has just been installed in office, who are Freemasons, which has just been installed in office, who are Preemasons, will be found the Earl of Carnarvon, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland; Bro. E. Gibson, Lord Chancellor of Ireland; Sir M. Hicks-Beach, Bart., Chancellor of the Exchequer; Col. Stanley, Secretary of State for the Colonies; and Bros. D. Plunket, Sir W. Hart-Dyke, the Earl of Lathom, Marquis of Waterford, C. Dalrymple, and the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe.

Births, Marriages, and Weaths.

BIRTHS.

CATER.-On the 22nd inst., at West Lodge, Barnet, the wife of J. J. Cater, of a son. GIBBS.-On the 21st inst., at Felix Villa, Tunbridge, the

wife of A. Gibbs, of a daughter.

PITT.-On the 21st inst., at Cirencester, the wife of the Rev. G. L. Pitt, of a daughter. SYKES.—On the 22nd inst., at James-street, Buckingham-gate, the wife of C. P. Sykes, Esq., of a daughter.

- MARRIAGES. CORKE-CHAUNTLER.-On the 18th inst., at the parish church, Streatham, Charles Thomas, son of R. Corke, narish of Streatham, to Ada, daughter of J. Chauntler, of Holmesdale, Upper Tooting.
- RICHARDSON-BAKER.-On the 23rd inst., at St. James's, Piccadilly, T. O. Richardson, to Mary R., daughter of the late R. Baker, jun., of Boston, U.S.A.

DEATHS. CRITCHLRY .-- On the 21st inst., at Harrogate, J. Critchley, Batley Hall, Batley, aged 75.

DUNN .- On the 21st inst., at Bagdale House, Whitby, H. B. Dunn, aged 45.

URIA.-On the 21st inst., the Rev. Dr. Lauria, of Bedford, aged 63.

proposed at 10.45. Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Whitehead was

among those present on Saturday last at the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Commercial Travellers' Schools, Pinner. Bro, the Earl and Countess of Limerick were

among those present at the meeting held by the kind permission of W. H. Smith, M.P., and Mrs. Smith, at 3, Grosvenor-place, on Saturday last, in aid of the Church of England Soldiers' Institute.



At Her Majesty's, in the Haymarket, a more At ther Majesty's, in the Haymarket, a more interesting style of entertainment is being given, in the form of a genuine ballet. There are no words spoken nor songs sung; but the whole evening's performance is devoted to the nimble art, danced most gracefully to pretty music by an Italian company. An excellent band gives a good taste of its quality in the execution of Rossini's "La Gazza Ladra" overture between the first and second acts. The author of the libretto—if we use such a word when no one sneaks—bas sought to denict the great struggle The author of the libretto—if we use such a word when no one speaks—has sought to depict the great struggle between progress and retrogression. The action commences at the date of the Spanish Inquisition, and is meant to show the subsequent progress of civilisation. The drilling of the dancers is simply perfect. No one is engaged on account of her good looks; we should say good looks have not been considered at all. The corps de ballet are all dancers.

dancers. * * * On Saturday last, Mr. Sydney Grundy's new comedy, "The Silver Shield," was put on at the Comedy Theatre, under Miss Violet Melnotte's management. Mr. Grundy can well lay claim to his play being original ; it is not adapted from the French, for its matter deals with Eng-lish life and habits. Mr. Grundy is a shrewd observer of human events, and not only takes in all that goes on in the world, but makes a note of, and reproduces his impression in, his own satirical style. "The Silver Shield" is a run-ning bitter satire from beginning to end. It attacks Society, the Stage, the Church, and Art each in turn, and one cannot deny that there is a great deal of truth in the sweeping sarcasms, even if they are exaggerated. Mr. Grundy is nothing if he is not attacking some one or some conventionality. It might be said of Mr. Grundy that if other authors have chastised with whips, he chastises with scorpions. He seems to say he has met with no mercy, so he will give none. In the "Glass of Fashion" the same author "went for Society papers;" in his new piece he lets "The Silver Shield" is so cynical that there is no amuse-ment in it; it teems with fun. With its bitterness there is much mirth. Its most scathing dialogue is provocative of laughter, though one feels the hitting is too hard some-times, and what one would only expect from a pessimist. Not won Jer, after its being played at a matinde at the Strand a month ago, that its smartness made the managers rush to produce it. The cast now is nearly the same as times, and what one would only expect from a pessimist. No wonJer, after its being played at a matine at the Strand a month ago, that its smartness made the managers rush to produce it. The cast now is nearly the same as at the morning performance. Mr. Arthur Roberts has taken the place of Mr. C. Groves, we should imagine — though we were not present at the matine — not for the better, and Mr. Percy Compton has taken Mr. Rutland Barington's part of the cleric. The motive of "The Silver Shield" is its weakest part, but one forgets that in the clever repartee, the easy force and natural humour of the dialogue are obvious, the characters are selected judiciously. We congratulate Mr. Grundy on having written one of the most brilliant plays of the season. Had the author contented himself with more homely themes, and not confined himself to slogging at art, the stage, and critics, he would have achieved a still greater success. The weakness of the plot consists in a husband having read a letter of his wife's to some one who admires her, and whom she is begging to leave her alone. But this device is made use of twice, for another wife picks up a letter of her husband, in very affectionate terms, addressed to a lady. The wife never seems to have im-agined, that though she knows her husband writes plays, that this could be a part of a play—which it is—though it seems odd, that while the MS. of the play is written on ordinary paper, yet on the desk with the play this letter-part of the comedy is written on paper with the address headed. The keenest interest is retained to the fall of the curtain in the manner of the long foreseen revela-tions, whereby a jealous young wife is restored to an affectionate husband, and that through a woman who from her own bitter experience knows what it is to be the victim of jealousy. It may be urged that there is too much the curtain in the manner of the long foreseen revela-tions, whereby a jealous young wife is restored to an affectionate husband, and that through a woman who from her own bitter experience knows what it is to be the victim of jealousy. It may be urged that there is too much "shop" in the piece, and that the public do not care to know the relations ex sting between a theatrical manager and his actors and actresses. However, on Saturday night the public laughed heartily at the character of Mr. Dodson Dick, personated by Mr. Arthur Roberts, who, we think, forgot that he was playing comedy, and not comic opera. The ordinary public now-a-days delight in knowing all they can about the theatrical profession, and the private lives of those who walk the stage, so that they cannot but be amused with the dialogue between Mr. Dick and Miss Alma Blake, an actress, most ably pourtrayed by Miss Amy Roselle, a part that exactly suits her, and whom we have not seen play so well since her engagement at the Prince of Wales's. Miss Kate Rorke is the young wife, and she took her audience by storm. At the Criterion she has often delighted us; but never so much as on Saturday. Her representation of a young wife's passionate sorrow was so wonderfully true, and so touched the whole audience, both men and women, that one may be assured that in Miss Kate Rorke we have an exceedingly talented actress, who will not be long before she takes her place in the front ranks. Mr. Beauchamp and Miss Maria Davis, in minor rôles, gave much assist-ance. Mr. Lyndal and Mr. Arthur Dacre are good as the two husbands, and Mr. Compton, as the reverend doctor, is splendid , he has copied the character from life. We know, at least, one such person who will not allow anything good about the stage or its belongings, and who sees sin in every-thing but himself. We are inclined to hope that there are not to-day such managers as Mr. Dodson Dick ; hence we think Mr. Roberts was not such a success as the other ladies and gentlemen. After each act the audience



We are asked to announce that the meetings of the Sir Hugh Myddelton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1602, have been adjourned until the first Wednesday in September. Bro. Wm. Mackie will be installed W.M. of the

Wilson Ules Lodge, No. 2054, at the Four Swans Hotel, Waltham Cross, on the 7th July next. Prince Albert Victor of Wales will visit the Guildhall on Monday next, when the freedom of the city will be presented to his Royal Highness.

The fund for the widow and family of the late Bro. C. W. Thompson, Vacant Lands Officer of the City of London, has already reached to close on £ 1000.

The ceremony of installation will be rehearsed

at the Chiswick Lodge of Instruction, No. 2012, on Saturday, the 27th inst., by Bro. E. Ayling, when the lodge will be closed until the third Saturday in August.

Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., and Sheriff Phillips will attend the re-opening to morrow (Saturday) of the organ at St. Mark's Church, Walworth, when a short service will be held in honour of the occasion.

Bro. the Very Rev. E. R. Currie, M.A., Dean of Battle, P.G. Chap. Sussex, was installed W.M. of the Abbey Lodge, No. 1184, on Thursday, the 18th inst., at Battle.

Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., presided at a meet-ing held at the Mansion House on Friday, the 19th inst., for the purpose of promoting the interests of the Volunteer Medical Staff Corps.

The first afternoon party this season of Alder-man Sir B. S. Phillips and Mrs. Sarah Phillips will take place at 17, Grosvenor-street on Thursday next, the 2nd proving proximo.

Bro. J. D. Allcroft, P.G. Treas., in the unavoidable absence of Bro, the Lord Mayor, presided at a meet-ing held at the Mansion House on Monday in aid of the work of the Church of England in Paris.

Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., opened a bazaar at New Barnet on the 17th inst., the object being to reduce the debt on the Congregational Church from \pounds_{5200} to \pounds_{2000} , so that a conditionally-promised sum of \pounds_{500} may become available.

Bro. Sir Thomas Brassey, K.C.B., M.P., pre-sided at the 23rd meeting, held in Westminster College Hall, on Saturday afternoon last, of the Working Men's Club and Institute Union, Bros. Lord Balfour of Burleigh, and Holland, M.P., were among those present.

Notice of motion was given at the Court of Common Council on Thursday, the 18th inst., to the effect that it be referred to the General Purposes Committee to provide a suitable tablet or brass to mark the place of interment in St. Paul's Cathedral of Bro. Alderman Nottage, the late Lord Mayor, the cost not to exceed f 100. £ 100.

At the Court of Common Council, on Thursday, the 18th inst., Bro. Altman submitted a statement of the accounts for the year 1884 of the City of London School Committee. The report, which was so far satisfactory that £ 1000 less than the previous year was asked to be transferred from the City's cash, was agreed to.

The Prince of Wales attended a meeting held at the Mansion House on Tuesday under the presidency of Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., P.G.W., in furtherance of the Beaumont Trust. His Royal Highness gave a cheque for \pounds too towards the object of the meeting. Bros. Alderman and Sheriff Whitehead, Alderman Cowan, and E. Terry were among those present.

By command of the R.W.P.G.M., Bro. Lord by command of the K.W.P.G.M., Bro. Lord Suffield, a Provincial Grand Lodge was held at the Town Hall, Yarmouth, on Thursday, at 12 a.m., to transact the business of the province. At 2.30 the brethren as-sembled in the Priory Hall, and from thence proceeded in their Craft clothing to Divine service at St. Nicholas Church, at three o'clock. A banquet was afterwards held at the Town Hall.

Bro. Sir J. McGarel Hogg, Bart., M.P., gave his annual dinner to the members of the Metropolitan Board of Works, at Willis's Rooms, on Saturday last, Bros. the Lord Mayor, Alderman and Sherifi Whitehead, Baron H. de Worms, M.P., the Right Hon. G. J. Shaw-Lefevre, M.P., Lord Egerton, Sir E. Watkin, Bart., M.P., Lord Brabourne, Sir G. Elliott, M.P., and Sir F. Herschell, Q.C., being among the principal guests.

Bros. Lord Claud Hamilton, M.P., Baron H. de Worms, M.P., Alderman Staples, Alderman Savory, Alderman and Sheriff Whitehead and Mrs. Whitehead, Alderman and Sheriit Whitehead and Mrs. Whitehead, Bro. Alderman and Mrs. Evans, Bro. Alderman and Mrs. Cowan, Bro. Sir W. A. and Miss Ogg, Bro. Lieut.-Col. T. Davies-Sewell, Bro. Major Joseph, Bro. G. P. Goldney (City Remembrancer), and Bro. S. da C. Andrade were among the guests at the complimentary dinner given at Grocers' Hall on Thursday, the 18th inst., to Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., P.G.W., and the Lady Mayoress. We are requested to appreciate the company

We are requested to announce that the second Summer Outing and Ladies' Day, of the Corinthian Lodge, No. 1382, is fixed to take place on Thursday, the 23rd prox. The rendezvous is again fixed at the Crown Gardens, Broxbourne, whither the brethren will repair in brakes, starting from Bro. W. Clark's, George Hotel, Millwall, at 9.30 a.m. prompt. Any profit that may accrue will be again devoted to Masonic Charities. Single tickets 12/6; double tickets, for lady and gentleman, 21/-; to be had at the George Hotel, or of the Honorary Secretary, Bro. S. G. Bonner, 2, The View, Millwall, E. Brethren are cordially invited to participate in the above mentioned outing.

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Prince Albert Victor will shortly take his com-mission in the roth (Prince of Wales's own) Hussars.

The Prince of Wales has accepted an invitation to visit Birmingham during the autumn for the purpose of opening the Suburban Hospital at Erdington.

The half-yearly election of children into the London Orphan Asylum took place on Monday at the Cannon Street Hotel.

Bro. T. B. Whytehead, of York, after a recess of some fifteen months, has been re-appointed manager and editor of the Yorkshire Gazette, one of the oldest newspapers in the North.

Bro. Thomas Clarke has purchased from the splendid stud of the late Earl of Dudley, a magnificent pair of carriage horses at the somewhat high price of $\pounds 650$.

pair of carriage horses at the somewhat high price of £650. Bro. H. B. Marshall, P.G. Treas., presided on Tuesday at the 41st anniversary of the Asylum for Father-less Children, Riedham. The report was very satisfactory, and the proceedings of the day most interesting. The Prince of Wales has appointed Captain the Hon. Alwyn H. Fulke Greville, of the King's Royal Riffe Corps, to be an Equerry in waiting to Prince Albert Victor of Wales.

Bro. Sir W. and Miss Ogg, and Bro. C. and Mrs. Barry, were among those present on Saturday last, at the celebration of the 280th anniversary of the foundation of Dulwich College.

Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., presided on Tuesday at Willis's Rooms at the anniversarsary festival of the London Fever Hospital, the amount of the subscriptions reaching $\pounds 2516$.

The brethren of Perseverance and Cabbell Lodges, having in mind their enjoyable summer trip to Cobham Hall in July, 1881, are desirous this year of taking an extended excursion by rail to Ipswich, and thence by the river Orwell to Harwich, on Tuesday, the 11th August next.

Bro. Lord Brooke, M.P., P.G.M. Essex, was bro. Lord Brooke, M.P., P.G.M. Essex, was to preside at the 55th anniversary festival of the Royal Infant Orphan Asylum on Thursday, among the stewards being Bros. J. Derby Allcroft, P.G.T., and Alderman Sir F. W. Truscott, P.G.W.

Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., and Miss Fowler, Bro. Tyssen-Amherst, M.P., and Mrs. Amherst, and others were present at Divine service in St. Margaret's, Loth-bury, on Sunday last, when the Bishop of Carlisle preached on behalf of the North-Eastern Hospital for Children.

Bro. T. Loveridge was heartily greeted on attending on Thursday, the 18th inst., for the first time since his serious illness the meeting of the Court of Common Council.

R.W. Bro. Lord Kensington, M.P., P.G.M. South Wales (West), and Lady Kensington were present on Tuesday when the Princess Louise laid the memorial-stone of a new out-patient wing of the Victoria Hospital for Children, Chelsea.

The following dinners took place at Freemasons' Tavern, for the week ending Saturday, June 27th. Monday-Staff College. Tuesday-Old Paulines' Club. Wednesday-Smeatonian Society of Civil Engineers; Manchester New College.

Bro. Lord Egerton of Tatton, and Lady Egerton, gave a dinner party at their residence in St. James's-square, on Thurday, the 18th inst., Bro. Sir Welby Gregory and Miss Welby, and Bro. Sir James Fergusson, being among the guests.

Bro. Alderman Savory, one of the Wardens of the company, and Bros. Justice Cave, P.G.W., E. Bowyer, P.G. Std. Br., and R. Gooding, M.D., P.G.D., were present at the annual dinner on the 17th inst. of the Court and Livery of the Poulters' Company.

Bro. the Lord Mayor, immediately on the news reaching him of the terrible colliery accident which occurred last week near Manchester, telegraphed to the Mayor of Manchester his readiness to open a subscription at the Mansion House for the relief of the sufferers by the calamity.

Bros. Lord Muncaster, Sir James Fergusson, Bart., Sir A Campbell, Bart., W. A. Burdett-Coutts, Alderman Sir R. Hanson, and Alderman Evans were among the guests at the banquet given by Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., at the Mansion House, on Friday, the 19th inst., to the Conservative candidates at the next election, who are not at present Members of Parliament.

Her Royal Highness the Princess Beatrice will be presented with a Grand Piano (made by Messrs, Brins-mead and Sons), at Buckingham Palace, on the 4th prox., when Bro. J. Brinsmead will attend to explain to the Princess its mode of construction. The piano, which is one of a new description with all the latest improvements, has during the week been inspected by several members of the Royal Family.

Bros. the Lord Mayor, M.P., P.G.W., Alder-Bros. the Lord Mayor, M.P., P.G.W., Alder-man and Sheriff Whitehead, Alderman Sir R. Hanson, P.G. Stwd., J. D. Allcroft, P.G. Treas., and H. B. Mar-shall, P.G. Treas., were among the stewards of the recent festival of the Sons of the Clergy, who were entertained at dinner at Lambeth Palace by the Archbishop of Canterbury on Wednesday, the 17th instant.

On Tuesday afternoon the Prince of Wales attended a meeting at the Mansion House, in support of the Beaumont Trust Scheme for providing amidst the dense population in East London, opportunities for rational amusement, by the erection of a library, reading-rooms, winter garden, concert hall, promenade, gymnasia and swimming baths, and for promoting technical education. Bro. the Lord Mayor presided.

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METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS. For the week ending Saturday, July 4, 1885.

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.

MONDAY, JUNE 29.

(No Meetings.)

(No Meetings.) LODGES OF INSTRUCTION. Loughborough, Cambria Tav., Cambria-rd., S.E. Strong Man, Excise Tav., Old Broad-st., at 7. Sincerity, Railway Tav., Fenchurch st., at 7. St. James's Union, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8. Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High-st., Camden Town, 8. Wellington, White Swan Hot., High-st., Deptford, S to 10. St. Mark's, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd. Rose of Denmark, Gauden Ho., Clapham-rd.-station. 7.30. Doric Chapter, Duke's Head, 70, Whitechapel-rd., at 6. Perfect Ashlar, Jamaica Taw., Southwark Park-rd., at 8. John Hervey, Albion Hall, London Wall, at 8. Hyde Park, Fountains Abbey Hot., 111, Praed-st., Paddington, W., at 8. Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202, Whitechapel-road, 7. Marquess of Ripon, Queen's Hot., Victoria-park-rd., E. Metropolitan, Moorgate Tav., 15, Finsbury Pavement, 7.30. United Military, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich. Royal Commemoration, Railway Hot., Putney, 8 till 10. West Smithfield, City Boundary Tav., 109, Aldersgate-st., at 7. Tredegrar, Royal Hot, Mile End.rd, at 8.

at 7. at 7. Tredegar, Royal Hot., Mile End-rd., at S. Kingsland, Cock Tav., Highbury, N., at 8.30. Coborn, Eagle Hot., Snaresbrook, at S. St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hot., W. Kensington, at S. Selwyn, East Dulwich Hot., East Dulwich, at S. TUESDAY, JUNE 30.

Lodge 255, Harmony, Greyhound, Richmond, Surrey.

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 Constitutional, Bedford Hot., Southampton Bdgs., at 7.
 St. George's, Public Hall, New Cross, at S.
 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st., at 8.
 Domatic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., at 7.30.
 Joppa, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., at 7.
 Israel, Rising Sun Tav., Globe-rd.
 Pilgrim (German language), Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st., E.C., 1st and 3rd Tues.
 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8.
 Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-st., Woolwich, 7.30.
 Prince Fredk. Wm., Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida-hill, 8.
 Lily, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8.
 South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Walham Green, 7.30.
 Dalhousie, The Sisters' Tav., Pownall-rd., Dalston, E., at 8.
 Finsbury, King's Head Tavern, 42, Threadneedle-st., at 7.
 Wandsworth, East Hill Hot., Alma-rd., S. W., at 8.
 Capper, Railway Tav., Angel-Iane, Stratford, at 8.
 Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tav., Plough-rd., Rotherhithe,8.
 Beacontree, Red Lion, Leytonstone, at 8.
 Emblematic, Red Lion, York-st., Jermyn-st., W., at 8.
 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30.
 Corinthian, George Hot., Cubitt Town, Poplar, at 7.
 Mount Edgcumbe, Three Stags, Kennington-rd., at 8.
 Islington, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., E.C., at 7.
 Henley, Three Crowns, Noth Woolwich, 27.30.
 Chaucer, The Old White Hart, High-st., Borough, at 8.
 Duke of Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, 8.
 New Cross, Chester Arms, Albany-st., N.W., at 8.
 Royal Naval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, at 8.
 Ravensbourne, George Inn, Rushey Green, Lewisham, 7.30.
 West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1.

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Fidelity, Alfred Hot., Roman-rd., Barnsbury, at 8.
Kent, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, Bishopsgate-st., 8.
United Mariners, Lugard Hot., Lugard-rd., Peckham.
Mt. Lebanon, Windsor Castle, Southwark-bridge-road, 8.
Pythagorean, Portland Hot., Greenwich, at 8.
Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-st., 7 till 9.
United Strength, Hope Tav., Stanhope-st., Regent's-pk., at8.
La Tolerance, Portland Arms, Gt. Portland-st., W., at 8.
Brownrigg, Sun Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames.
Pannure, Balham Hot., Balham, 7.
Merchant Navy, Silver Tav., Burdett-rd., Limehouse, 7.30.
New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8.
Southwark, Southwark Park Tav., Southwark Park, at 8.
Temperance in the East, Geo.the Fourth, Ida-st., E., at 7.30.
Burgoyne, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-st., at 7.
Finsbury Park, Cock Tav., Highbury, at 8.30.
Langthorne, Swan Hot., Stratford, at 8. Langthorne, Swan Hot., Stratford, at 8. Peckham, Lord Wellington Hot., 516, Old Kent-rd., at 8. Dukeof Connaught, Ryl. Edwd. Hot., Mare-st., Hackney, 8 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st. S. W. Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John-st., Mayfair, at 8. Eleanor, Trocadero Hot., Liverpool-st., E.C. Earl of Lathom, Station Hot., Camberwell New-rd., at 8. THURSDAY, JULY 2.

InuksDAY, JULY 2.
Lodge 10, Westminster and Keystone, Freemasons' Hall.
45, Strong Man, M.H. Tav., Basinghall-st.
913, Pattison, Assembly Rooms, High School for Boys, Brookhill, Plumstead.
1155, Excelsior, Sydney Arms, Lewisham-road.
1288, Finsbury Park, Cock Tav., Highbury, N.
1361, United Service, 8, Air-st., Regent-st.

Lodge 1445, Prince Leopold, Three Nuns Tav., Aldgate. , 1724, Kaiser-i-Hind, S, Air-st., Regent-st. , 1705, Trinity College, 13, Mandeville-pl., W. , 1700, Old England, M. H., Thornton Heath, Croydon , 1950, Southgate, Railway Hot., New Southgate. Chap.1507, Metropolutan, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st. Mark 197, Studholme, 33, Golden-sq. LODGES OF INSTRUCTION. Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich. Union Waterloo, Barl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich. Egyptian, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st., 7.30. Vitruvian, Bridge House Hot., London Bridge, at 8. Justice, Brown Bear, High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10. Salisbury, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8. Camden, Lincoin's Inn Restaurant, 305, High Holborn, at 7. High Cross, Coach & Horses, High-rd., Tottenham, at 8. City of London, Tiptree Tavern, 6, Leadenhall-st., 6.30. Royal Albert, White Hart Hot., Abchurch-lane, at 7.30. Southern Star, The Pheasant, Stangate, S.W., at 8. Duke of Edinburch. Bricklavers' Arms. Narrow-st., Lime-Duke of Edinburgh, Bricklayers' Arms, Narrow-st., Lime

Duke of Edinburgh, Bricklayers' Arms, Narrow-st., Limehouse, at 7.
Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-st., Oxford-st. Stockwell, Cock Tav., Kennington-rd., at 7.30.
Ebury, 12, Ponsonby-st., Millbank, at 8.
Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hot. (opposite Wimbledon Railway Station), at 7.30.
Highgate, Boston Hot., Junction-rd., N., at 8.
The Great City, M.H., Masons'-avenue, 6.30.
Leopold, Old White Hart, Borough High-st., at 7.30.
Covent Garden, Bedford Head Hot., Maiden-lane, Covent Garden, W.C., S.
Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's-gate, Clerkenweil, at 9.

Guelph, Blackbirds Inn, High-st., Leyton. Guelph, Blackbirds Inn, High-st., Leyton. Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Tottenham-ct.-road, at S. Victoria Park, Yorkshire Grey, High-st., Stratford, at 8. Burdett Coutts, Swan Tav., New Bethnal Green-road, at 8. Prince Frederick William Chapter, Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida unda Tao.

Maida-vale, 7.30. North London Chapter, Alwyne Castle Tav., St. Paul's-rd.,

Canonbury, at S. Creaton, Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-rd., Shepherd's Bush, W., at S.

FRIDAY, JULY 3.

Lodge 1815, Penge, Thicket Hot., Anerley.

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at 7.30. Kintore Mark, Stirling Castle, Church-st., Camberwell, 9.

SATURDAY, JULY 4.

General Committee Boys' School, at 4. Lodge 1494, Felix, Mitre Hot., Hampton Court. , 1567, Elliot, Railway Hot., Feltham. , 1929, Mozart, Greyhound, Croydon.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Manchester, 17, London-st., Fitzroy-sq., at 8. Percy, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8. Star, Five Bells, New Cross-rd., S.E., at 7. King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross, at 7. Alexandra Palace, Station Ho., Camberwell New-rd., at 7.30. Eccleston, Crown and Anchor 79, Ebury-street, Pimlico, at 7.

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