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The School Elections. WE beg to remind our readers that the Quarterly General Court of the Boys' School will be held in the great hall of Freemasons' Tavern to-day (Friday), when, in the event of Bro. A. F. GODSON's motion being carried, 24 instead of 21 boys, as originally announced, will be elected from an approved list of 75 candidates. The Girls' School Quarterly General Court will be held in the same place to-morrow (Saturday), when nine girls will be elected from an approved list of 63. At both Courts the chair will be taken at 12 noon precisely, and the poll will be closed precisely at 3 p.m.

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United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. MANY will rejoice to read the account we gave in the *Freemason* for last week, of the proceedings at the inauguration of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. Lord CARRINGTON, Past S.G.W. of England, is the first Grand Master, and all is looking so bright and happy for the future that we trust the insignificant minority of which we spoke will long ere this have melted away, and the whole of the lodges and brethren, amounting to nearly 200 of the former and some thousands of the latter, become one compact and united body. We shall soon have particulars of the installation of his lordship, the ceremony having been fixed for last month, and it is to be hoped that any little difficulty will be adjusted prior to that great event, so that the labours of our beloved Pro G.M., Bro. the Earl of CARNARVON, as well as those of the local Craft, will result in a permanent and complete union of the Fraternity in New South Wales. If one or more lodges "hold out," we are bound to say that they will be acting within their rights, and we feel assured full liberty will be granted them so to do, as in the case of South Australia; but for the sake of peace and harmony, for the prosperity of the Craft, and also for the good of the minority even, we ardently hope and trust that not one lodge, not even a solitary brother will refuse to join in the consummation of the "Blessed union" so long desired and so much needed.

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The Craft in West Yorkshire. It was a thoughtful act on the part of Bro. TEW, P.G.M. of West Yorkshire, to so arrange the date and place of the Autumn Communication of his Prov. G. Lodge that the former should coincide with the day appointed for the celebration of the Centenary Festival of the Royal Yorkshire Lodge, No. 265; and, as regards the latter, that the town of Keighley, in which the lodge is located, should be the trysting place of the brethren. By this arrangement, due honour was done to a worthy lodge, while what might otherwise have been a formal gathering was invested with all the attributes of an important provincial assembly. Moreover, Bro. TEW, as his custom is, improved the occasion by delivering one of those long and interesting addresses for which he has become famous, the burden of his speech—though it proved no burden either to him who made it or the brethren who listened to it with such rapt attention—being the virtues of the lodge which had just completed the first century of its existence, and was entering on its second century with so bright a prospect, of further and still greater good fortune. The Royal Yorkshire Lodge, which was warranted by the "Moderns" on the 23rd August, 1788, appears to have enjoyed an uninterrupted flow of prosperity. In 1822, when the records of West Yorkshire begin, it had a roll of 24 members, and for the last 15 years it has mustered an average of 62. It has also been conspicuous for the ability of its members, many of the ablest and most impressive exponents of our ritual having obtained their first glimmerings of Masonic knowledge within its precincts. Above all, it has shown itself in complete sympathy with our Charities and the several movements which have taken place in West Yorkshire with a view to benefiting those Institutions, its contributions to the three, exclusive of a substantial annual subscription to the Male Fund of the R.M. Benevolent Institution, being in excess of £300. Prov. G. Lodge has twice previously met under the auspices of this lodge, namely, in 1848 and 1855, and it is needless to say that on this, the third occasion of its being similarly honoured, every effort was made, both by the lodge itself and its visitors, in order that the Centenary meeting should be celebrated with the utmost

possible *éclat*. The Keighley Institute was engaged for the meeting of Prov. G. Lodge; the brethren attended Divine service in full Craft clothing in Keighley parish church, and a handsome offertory, amounting to some £20, was raised at the conclusion of the service for the Keighley Cottage Hospital; and, after Prov. G. Lodge had been closed, the brethren dined together at the Devonshire Hotel, under the presidency of their respected Prov. G. Master, who was well supported by his Prov. G. Officers and the representatives of about 60 of the lodges in the Province. Nor must we omit to mention that, in the course of the proceedings in Prov. G. Lodge, Bro. TEW presented Bro. LEE, W.M. of the Royal Yorkshire Lodge, with the Centenary Warrant, which had been granted by the M.W. GRAND MASTER, and was graced with his Royal Highness's signature, and afterwards invested him with the Centenary Jewel, which it is permitted to all subscribing members of the lodge to wear at our Masonic meetings. This graceful act of presentation and investiture by the Prov. G. Master may be looked upon as the public recognition on his part not only of the important event in the history of this private lodge, which the brethren had been called together to celebrate, but likewise of the sterling merits it had exhibited, and the services it had rendered to the Province and to Masonry generally in the course of a long and worthy career. We are convinced the members of the lodge must have appreciated the publicity thus given to their services by Bro. TEW, and we trust it will always retain the high character it has won among the constituent parts of the United Grand Lodge of England.

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Prov. G. Lodge of South Wales, East Division. THE Provincial Grand Lodge of the Eastern Division of South Wales had its annual field-day at Merthyr Tydfil on the 9th inst., when Bro. Sir GEORGE ELLIOT, Bart., M.P., Prov. G.M., and the members of the lodges he presides over met under circumstances that were more than usually encouraging. The year they were looking back upon had been one of great activity, and the brethren had had the opportunity—which it is needless to say they had turned to most excellent account—of exhibiting the respect they entertain for their chief and the love they bear towards our Charitable Institutions, by supporting the former as a Festival Chairman, and generously contributing to the funds of one of the latter. Bro. Sir GEORGE ELLIOT had presided at the Festival of the Benevolent Institution in February, and the Province, albeit one of moderate strength only, had raised the handsome sum of £870 as a contribution to its funds. It was also able to congratulate itself on the manner in which the duties of its various lodges had been fulfilled, and the favourable account which the Prov. Grand Treasurer was able to give of the financial condition of the Province. Indeed, the events of the past year had been, without exception, of a most gratifying character, while as regards the year on which the Province was entering there was every reason to hope that it would prove at least as successful as its predecessor. One announcement in particular appears to have been received with universal satisfaction—namely, that as regards the votes at its disposal for the elections into our several Institutions, the Province for the first time for many years had a balance in its favour with the Western Provinces Charity Association, and would therefore be in a better position to promote the success of its candidates. In short, the meeting at Merthyr Tydfil appears to have been in all respects a success, and we trust the authorities of the Eastern Division of South Wales may never have a less favourable account to render of their stewardship. It has an able and justly popular ruler in the person of Bro. Sir GEORGE ELLIOT, who is well backed up by his Deputy P.G.M., Bro. MARMADUKE TENNANT, and the Prov. Grand Officers generally, and it is only reasonable to infer that under the guidance of such as these the condition of the Province will be one of steady progress and prosperity.

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American Masonic Statistics. THERE was a time—and there are many still living who can easily recall it—when everything connected with Masonry was wrapped in the most profound mystery. Not only were the proceedings in our lodges—as, indeed, we rejoice to say, they are still—most religiously guarded from the knowledge of the general public, but the same secrecy was observed as regards our numbers and organisation, and the ramifications of our Society throughout the civilised world. Even now we occasionally meet with the most extraordinary estimates of our influence and numerical strength, many of those estimates being designedly circulated with a view to bringing us into disrepute, while others are started by the merest visionaries, and with no other purpose than to create astonishment in the minds of the persons they are addressing. But the Americans are a practical people. They go about their Masonry as they do about their business methodically, and, above all things, they are fond of having chapter and verse for everything they state. It is true they do not divulge those secrets of the Craft which they have solemnly bound themselves to keep. But they delight in telling everybody what they may lawfully tell,

and the novice, no matter how big a swell he may have been in private or public life at the time of his reception into our ranks, becomes great indeed when he finds himself a full-fledged member of the most ancient and honourable, as it is likewise about the most numerous, Society which has ever been established. He is, perhaps, occasionally wrong in his estimate of the true character of true Freemasonry, and he is apt to assign to it more special missions than were ever dreamt of, either in ancient or modern philosophy. But he survives the difficulties in which he involves himself by these pardonable eccentricities, and having exhausted his roll of missions, he betakes himself to a consideration of our numbers, which, under his skilful manipulation, becomes an almost inexhaustible subject for discussion. It is here, however, that he at once obtains the assistance of the Masonic statisticians, who are so versed in numbers, that they will tell you to a nicety almost the precise number of Masons to be found in every State, or even in the smallest sub-division of every State, in the civilised world. Bro. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, one of the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Maine, is probably at the head of these statistical experts in the United States, and the Tables he annually compiles of the distribution of the Brotherhood throughout the Union and the Dominion of Canada, are so many evidences of his indefatigable powers of research, of which he has every reason to be proud. The latest of these Tables are to be found in the published proceedings for the current year of the Grand Lodge and Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Maine, and the picture they present is certainly very wonderful. It seems there are in the United States of Canada no less than 55 Grand Lodges, and that the grand aggregate of subscribing brethren in the jurisdictions severally presided over by these Grand Lodges is 615,000, as against 605,000 in 1887, and 596,000 in 1886. At the head of these 55 jurisdictions is that of the Grand Lodge of New York, which has 72,000 Masons on its roll, Illinois being second, but at a very long interval, with 40,000. Pennsylvania stands third, with close on 38,000, and Ohio next, with nearly 34,000, Michigan and Massachusetts, each with upwards of 28,000, being fifth and sixth respectively. Missouri can boast of nearly 26,000, and there are four others of the United States Grand Lodges which muster upwards of 20,000. Canada has over 19,000, and nine others range between 11,000 and nearly 16,000, there being only eight out of the whole 55 that have less than 1000 subscribing members on the roll. As regards Royal Arch Masonry, we shall probably not be far wrong in our estimate if we set down the "Royal Archers" as mustering about 150,000. There were over 146,000 in 1887, as against over 142,000 in 1886, so that an allowance for increase of 4000 in this Degree will not be excessive. The Templars in the States and Canada number upwards of 76,000, the increase as compared with the previous year being about 3000, but of these 76,000 less than 1000 are enrolled under the Great Priory of Canada, the principal Grand Commanderies in the States being those of New York and Pennsylvania, each with close on 8000 members, Massachusetts and Rhode Island—together forming one Grand Commandery—with 7200; Illinois with nearly 7000; and Ohio with 5600. Such figures as these tell their own tale, and make it clear that Freemasonry in the United States is a very influential body, and must be doing in its quiet and unobtrusive way a vast amount of good. And we should esteem it still more highly in some of the jurisdictions if the brethren were careful to guard Freemasonry from being mixed up with missions, and studiously kept private certain ceremonies which were never intended to be performed in the presence of profanes.

#### WHYMPER'S "RELIGION OF FREEMASONRY."

Surely we are living in the age of Masonic publishing? What numerous works have been issued during the last 20 years, and how many are promised to us shortly? Not books simply, but really critical and invaluable works of reference, historical, exegetical and statistical, based upon well ascertained facts. There has never been a period during this century which has been so *constructive*, though in part *destructive*, Masonically speaking, as the present, and certainly none more suitable for the examination and testing of theories respecting the origin, history, and character of Freemasonry.

Critics and experts now abound, and books are printed, circulated, and then, after due trial, are either placed on the shelves for ever or become accepted and trusty guides. Short work is made of the matter. The level is soon found, and willing or unwilling the labours of the essayist are raised to honour or buried in oblivion. There is a guild of Masonic authors now to whom to appeal, and though the members are independent of each other as to their mode of research and wholly untrammelled as to their views (uniformity being as impossible amongst them as jealousy), they are united as the "heart of one man" in their welcome of new friends and faces within their ever increasing circle, and equally so in their opposition, when cowans seek to intrude and desire the "Hall mark" to be placed on unsuitable and uncongenial material.

Another new candidate has appeared for their suffrages. One who has already been elected as a member of 2076, so that his essay has not to seek, for it has obtained, the good wishes of many of the guild. We refer to Bro. H. J. Whympier, P.D.D.G.M. of the Punjab, and his work on "The Religion of Freemasonry," which has just been issued from the press of Bro. Kenning.

Bro. Whympier, P.M. 1448, is well-known to the brethren of the "Quatuor Coronati" Lodge, No. 2076, London, by whom he was elected a member of the "Inner Circle" on 6th January, 1888, an honour, beyond question, that was well deserved. Few, if any, of the distinguished Masonic Historians who belong to that famous Lodge are so competent as our Brother (who has returned to India) to write on the special subject which has engaged his pen, as he is so familiar with the numerous Religions of the Great Dependency where he resides, where, more than anywhere else, the matter must be practically dealt with, and ultimately prove the wisdom or the folly of the Cosmopolitan basis of the Fraternity.

Some brethren will not agree with the author in his inferences and deductions; but there will be no difference of opinion as to the merits of the

work, either as respects its conscientious research, its faithfulness, fairness, and, above all, its conspicuous sincerity.

A man may go astray in his theories, but, if he has laboured hard to discover the truth, honestly gives the facts on which he relies, and is ever courteous towards those who cannot accept his views, he cannot fail to command attention, respect, and consideration. This much, at least, can be said of Bro. Whympier, even by those who are "wide as the poles asunder" from his standpoint. There will be very many, however, who, on studying the Book for themselves, will warmly sympathise with the author and join him in his protest against the present condition of things, in India more especially, and generally under the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland. The fact is, that but few know what actually is the state of matters, mainly because no work has hitherto treated specifically on the subject. That deficiency is now supplied, and, in "The Religion of Freemasonry," we have a work of over 250 pages which deals with the whole question from early times down to the present era, and to such an extent that astonishment and surprise will be felt that so much can possibly be written on the point, without even wholly exhausting the accumulated evidence.

Bro. Whympier's views appear to us to be those of numerous brethren who support the "Hautes Grades," the Knights Templars, and other Bodies of what is known as *Christian Freemasonry*. Colonel McLeod Moore, of Canada, and Bro. E. T. Carson, of Ohio, have enunciated somewhat similar propositions, only in the present instance a mass of evidence is submitted, which is almost overwhelming in extent, and well-nigh exhaustive in character. All the known authors, whether favourable or otherwise, from Anderson to Oliver, and Preston to Gould, are summoned as witnesses, and even those who partially think with Whympier, such as Hughan and Mackey are not allowed to escape, their testimony being carefully noted, and the tendency of their opinions honestly stated.

The question "when put into a nutshell," amounts to this. Must we, because Freemasonry was originally and exclusively Christian, and, so far as Records go, has not been formally changed to a *Cosmopolitan* and *Universal Religious Society, continue on the old lines*, until either the Grand Lodges have duly decided otherwise, or an arrangement made for the holding of separate lodges for those who are neither Christians nor Jews, and, therefore, do not accept the "Volume of the Sacred Law" as their guide "Through Life to Immortality?" To many, the *Unsectarian* basis of the Fraternity is its chief attraction, whilst not a few undoubtedly accept that as the only possible foundation for our ancient and honourable Society.

The author quotes at length from the (a) old and new Constitutions, (b) English and foreign Constitutions of Grand Lodges and Records, &c., (c) the lectures, and (d) the ritual, to prove his case, and most suggestive chapters follow respecting (e) the Volume of the Sacred Law, (f) the growth of universality, (g) Is universality possible? (h) opinions of Masonic writers; and then he concludes the work with a brief summary of the whole subject, in which is recorded the provision he considers should be made to meet the present condition of things. He says: "We do not believe that, according to the spirit of the Masonic system, any one Constitution can be universal. In the case of the English Constitution a curious difficulty has arisen, owing to the expansion of the empire; instead of closing our eyes to this, it would be far preferable to face it manfully. It would not be inconsistent if to the original English Constitution there were attached a supplementary one, recognising in the fullest manner that there are now subjects of the empire who cannot agree with the strict teaching of English Masonry, formulated, as it was, without a thought being given to them."

By this means Bro. Whympier believes that "the Sacred Volume of the *non-Christian Mason* will take not a place of mere equality with other books in a lodge, but will assume that position which it is imperative the great light of Masonry should take, i.e., the "highest." The author sees a likelihood of objections being raised to such a course, but urges that "The right of visitation does away with any objection which may be raised on this head. The Grand Lodge of England has always insisted on the right of visitation as a landmark of our Institution, and so long as every lodge is open to visitation by all—the Christian lodge by the Hindoo, and *vice versa*—there can be no danger to the State."

Other difficulties will occur to the minds of our readers, such as "a lodge can have but *one* Great Light, and that this should be derived from the Constitution," and if the religion of any country is to be the standard, what volume can be adopted in India, where there are so many faiths? Bro. Whympier believes "the necessity would very speedily arise for Hindoo or other Grand Lodges" being started by which "a healthy stimulus would be given to Masonry by a proper recognition of its genuine principles."

Bro. Whympier thinks he can detect in the 1738 Book of Constitutions "an intention on the part of the author to more distinctly premise Christian principles." This may have been so, but the fancy did not last long, for in 1756 a return was made to the "Old Charges" of 1723, which from that period has in substance remained until now. Whatever may be inferred from the fact, the fact remains that the prayers offered in our lodges during the last century were often Christian in character, and though the Society was not then exclusively confined to professed Christians, there would appear to have been an enormous preponderance in that direction. This, we consider, was due to the Grand Lodge being formed in England, and hence its supporters were selected from a country wherein the great majority were the adherents of Christian churches in one form or other. Still, we are not aware that Jews were objected to officially, whatever may have been the local feelings in that respect, and we know that men of other faiths were welcomed even then into our Fraternity.

It will be news to many that in the lodges working under the Scottish Constitution, official bearers of the Koran—the Zendavesta, and of other books esteemed as sacred in various religions—have been appointed. In some lodges now, several of such sacred volumes are exposed at one and the same time, all being considered to be Masonically of equal importance. So that in India, in connection with Scottish Freemasonry, there are the *Bearers of the Zendavesta*, the Koran and the Shasters, as well as "*Bible Bearers*," which Bro. Whympier thinks strange or curious, as the Grand Lodge itself has no such office for any but a *Christian Minister*, though in its Provincial government it provides for the other Religions noted. Bro. Mackenzie's "Cyclopædia" is frequently quoted from, but that work is not always a correct representative of English Masonic opinion, as that lamented brother declares "Religion forms no part of the scheme of Masonry," the large volume by Bro. the Rev. A. F. A. Woodford (so long esteemed in this country for his labours) being much more in harmony with the usages and customs of the Fraternity as to that question.

Reference is made to the beautiful frontispiece by Cipriani, and engraved by Bartolozzi, in Constitutions of 1784, the work being distinctly Christian in tendency. Bro. Whympster does not seem to be aware that there is no lack of evidence as to the Masonic career of both those artists, they having been for some years members of the Lodge of the "Nine Muses," London. The plate in Bro. Whympster's work is certainly most curious and suggestive, and is quite new to us, and possibly refers to the Royal Arch.

Under the heading of "Lectures" and "Ritual," an immense amount of information is afforded, but we must not unduly extend our sketch of the work, or else we should refer at length to many of the details of these two interesting chapters, as also to the next, on "The Volume of the Sacred Law," as well as consider at length the interesting and curious illustration which adorns the work above noted.

We are pleased to see the statement from the author that he believes "the result of any enquiry will be to show that all Masonry in India, if not in Asia, has been imported from England," especially, so are we glad of such a verdict, as he knows well what he is writing about, but of late years it has been the fashion for some to talk as if a similar Society to our own has existed in India for centuries!

But the real pith of the work is to be found in the later chapters, to which we must refer our readers, so that they may judge for themselves. All we desire to say now is that there is nothing like the Book to be found elsewhere, it is *sui generis*, and what is still more, a sure guide to the views of all the trusted Masonic writers and historians for a century and a half or more, on the subject; and besides, above all, contains the matured and honest opinions of an enthusiastic Freemason, who sees "Rocks ahead," and has the courage of his convictions to speak out fearlessly and unmistakeably as to the causes of the probable difficulties that must be faced and dealt with sooner or later.

The volume has been ably edited by the indefatigable Secretary of the "Quatuor Coronati" Lodge, No. 2076 (Bro. G. W. Speth), as the author had to return to India, so the MS was placed in his hands and prepared for Bro. George Kenning, the Printer and Publisher. An introduction by Bro. W. J. Hugan, adds much to the interest of the handsome volume, which, if our Bro. Speth sees no objection to, we should like to print in full, as it indicates the views of a brother who was one of the first to write on the question.

The whole "get up" of the work is most creditable to all concerned.

## GRAND MASTERS, &c., OF IRELAND.

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### TRADITIONAL & RECORDED HISTORY OF THE IRISH CONSTITUTION.

Selected from ancient Authors, from Archives of the Grand Lodge.

A.D. 2736 (A.C. 1264) The Phœnicians are supposed to have settled in Ireland, and Masonry to have been introduced by Heber and Heremon, sons of Milesius, succeeded by Eochaid, styled the Ollamh Fodhlah, or the learned Doctor, who (A.C. 769) constituted triennial meetings at Tarah in Meath. But the constant warfare and aggressions of the Danes destroyed the ancient records, and discouraged all sciences. Though the eastern round towers and minarets which still exist, testify the labours of the era, corroborated by the opinions of Strabo—of Diodorus Siculus, and by the Sanconiaton referred to by Sir William Betham, in his 2nd volume of *Etruria Celtica*, assimilating the Masonic rites with the mysteries of Samothrace, and with the *Gobhan Saor*, or free Smith of Ireland. A.D. 306—St. Albans obtained the first Royal Charter for "Assemblies or Huttes of Masons to be holden in England." See *Preston's Illustrations*. A.D. 430—During the reign of King Leoghair, or Luoghaigh, St. Patrick founded the Priory of St. Avogat; Lochderg and St. Patrick's, at Ardmagh. A.D. 872—Alfred the Great promoted the Order, and the art much prospered. According to Bede, Alfred was initiated at the College in Mayo; and the letter of Eric, a celebrated philosopher of Auxerre, to Charles the Bald, about the middle of the 9th century, designates the Irish philosophers "*Servants of the wise Solomon*." The ruins of Kilmallock (the Irish Balbec), &c., &c., show the antiquity and varied fortunes of the Order, in those dark and troublous ages. A.D. 926—King Athelstan granted a charter to the Masons of England. A.D. 1014—Brian Borhoime of Heber's race at Clontarf, routed the Danes, who destroyed, plundered and carried away the records of the Order. A.D. 1118—The Knights Templars were instituted under the Grand Mastership of Hugo de Pagan or Payance. A.D. 1166—Dermod Mac Murrough built the Priory of All Saints or all Hallows. A.D. 1168—In the reign of Roderick O'Connor, the wonderful castle of Tuam was built. A.D. 1177—The Priory of Knight Templars, Kilmainham, was erected under the Earl Strongbow, Lord Warden and Grand Master. A.D. 1183—The Priors of Nedrum and St. John the Baptist were founded by Alured du Palmer. A.D. 1210—In the reign of King John, Henry de Loundres, or Launderes, Archbishop of Dublin and G.M., erected the Castle of Dublin; and the Priory of Kilkenny was built by William Earl of Pembroke. A.D. 1235—Subsidies were raised by the Order in Ireland for the Holy Land. A.D. 1220—Hugo de Lacy Earl of Ulster, G.M., founded Carrick-fergus, the Priory of Ards, and Trim Castle. A.D. 1464—Thomas Earl of Desmond is said to have encouraged the Art as G.M., aided by O'Donnell Mac William de Burgo as D.G.M. A.D. 1517—In the reign of King Henry VIII., the Earl of Kildare, as G.M., promoted the Art. See the Freemasons' *Quarterly Review*, page 289, vol. 9, for a statement respecting Baal's Bridge, Limerick. The Knights of Malta patronized the Order. A.D. 1591—Trinity College was founded where the Priory of all Hallows had been erected in 1166. A.D. 1600—In this century the Art flourished, as the Royal Hospital, the Tholsel, Stephen's Green, &c., testify; and Inigo Jones, G.M. of England erected the famous St. Paul's London. The Order, however, continued fluctuating, and subject to numerous vicissitudes, until the 17th century. A.D. 1726—The Books of the *P. Grand Lodge of Munster*, record the Hon. Colonel James O'Brien, G.M., Br. Springett Perm, Dep. G.M. A.D. 1728—The Hon. Colonel James O'Brien, G.M., Br. Robert Longfield, Dep. G.M. A.D. 1730—Colonel William Maynard, G.M., Br. Thomas Riggs, Dep. G.M. The Archives of R.W. the Grand Lodge record that A.D. 1728, 3d February reign of George II., the Order assisted Lord Carteret in laying the foundation stone of the Parliament House, Dublin. A.D. 1729—The Right Hon. James King, Lord Kingston, was elected and installed (A.D. 1730), Most Worshipful Gd. Master of Ireland, having filled the office of G.M. of England the previous year. A.D. 1731—Lord Viscount

Kingston, Gd. Master, Lord Viscount Netterville, Dep. Gd. Master. A.D. 1732—The Right Hon. Nicholas Netterville, Gd. Master, Lord Viscount Kingsland, Dep. Gd. Master. A.D. 1733—The Right Hon. Henry Barnwall, Lord Viscount Kingsland, Gd. Master, Lord Viscount Tyrone, Dep. Gd. Master. A.D. 1734—Ditto re-elected, James Brennan, Esq. M.D., Dep. Grand Master. A.D. 1735—James King, Lord Visc. Kingston, Gd. Master, James Brennan, Esq. M.D. Dep. Gd. Master. The Emperor of Germany initiated this year. A.D. 1736—Sir Marcus Beresford, Lord Viscount Tyrone, Gd. Master, James Brennan, Esq. M.D. Dep. Gd. Master. A.D. 1737—Do. do. do. His Royal Highness Frederick Prince of Wales initiated. 1738—William Stewart, Ld. Viscount Mountjoy Gd. Master, Cornelius Callaghan Esq. Dep. Grand Master. *The Committee of Charity* established by the Grand Lodge of Ireland. Frederick the Great initiated. A.D. 1739—Lord Viscount Mountjoy, Gd. Master, Cornelius Callaghan, Esq. Dep. Gd. Master. A.D. 1740—Lord Viscount Doneraile, Gd. Master, Cornelius Callaghan, Esq. Dep. Gd. Master. A.D. 1741—Lord Tullamore, Gd. Master, Cornelius Callaghan, Esq. Dep. Grand Master. A.D. 1742—Do. do. do. do. A.D. 1743—Lord Southwell Gd. Master, Cornelius Callaghan, Esq. Dep. Gd. Master. A.D. 1744—Lord Viscount Allen, Gd. Master, Cornelius Callaghan, Esq. Dep. Gd. Master. A.D. 1745—Do. do. do. do. June 5th, the Gd. Master died, and Lord Viscount Kingston was elected G.M. A.D. 1746—Lord Kingston, Gd. Master, Cornelius Callaghan, Esq. Dep. G.M. A.D. 1747—Sir Marmaduke Wyville, Bart. G.M., John Putland, Esq. Dep. G.M. A.D. 1748—Do. do. do. do. A.D. 1749—Sir Robert King, Lord Kingsborough, G.M., John Putland, Esq. Dep. G.M. *The Grand Master's Lodge* founded, and ordered precedence on the registry. A.D. 1750—Lord Kingsborough, G.M., John Putland, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1751—Do. do. do. do. 1752—Do. do. do. do. 1753—Hon. Thomas Southwell, G.M., Brinsly Butler, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1754, 1755, and 1756—Do. do. do. do. 1757—Lord Newton, G.M., Lord Moore, Dep. G.M. 1758—Lord Moore, G.M., John Bury, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1759—Earl of Drogheda, G.M., John Bury, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1760—Earl of Drogheda, G.M., Edward Martin, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1761—Sir Edward King, Bart., G.M. Edward Martyn, Esq. Dep. G.M. August 27 Frederick the Great King of Prussia, deputed his Deputy to convene a Grand Consistory of Princes of the *Royal Secret*, at Paris, to give a patent to Br. Stephen Morin to introduce that system in the New World. 1762—Sir Edward King, Bart., G.M. Edward Martyn, Esq. Dep. G.M. October 25th, Frederick King of Prussia proclaimed Sov. Gd. Insp. Gen. of the Ancient and Accepted Rite 33d ultimique gradus for both hemispheres. 1763—Sir E. King, Bart. G.M. Edward Martyn, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1764—The Earl of Westmeath, G.M., John Putland, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1765—Do. do. 1766—Lord Kingston, G.M. Holt Waring, Esq. Dep. G.M. The Dukes of York and Gloucester initiated. 1767—Lord Kingston, G.M., Holt Waring, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1768—Do. do. 1769—The Earl of Kingston, G.M., William Ruxton, Esq., Dep. G.M. 1770—do. do. 1771—William Robert, Marquess of Kildare, G.M. Joseph Keene, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1775, 1776—do. do. 1777—Garrett, Earl of Mornington, G.M., Joseph Keene, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1778—William, Duke of Leinster, G.M., Joseph Keene, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1779, 1780, 1781—Randal William, Earl of Antrim, G.M., Joseph Keene, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1782, 1783—The Earl of Mornington, G.M. John Handcock, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1784—Lord Muskerry, G.M., John Handcock, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1785, 1786—Lord Kilwarden, G.M. Joseph Keene, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1st May, Frederick the Great of Prussia, ratified the constitution of SS. GG II. GG. 33rd ultimique gradus. 1787—Lord Glerawly, G.M., Joseph Keene, Esq. D.G.M. *George IV. and the Dukes of York and Clarence initiated.* 1788—Lord Glerawly, G.M., Joseph Keene, Esq. D.G.M. 1789—Lord Donoughmore, G.M., Walter Wade, Esq. Dep. G.M., and annually re-elected to 1800. 1790—*The Duke of Kent was initiated; and December 7th, the Duke of Wellington was initiated in No. 494, at Trim, of which Lodge his Grace's father, grand father, and brother, Earls of Mornington, had severally been Masters.* In 1795, the *Irish Masonic Female Orphan School* was instituted in Dublin. 1795 *The Duke of Gloucester was initiated.* 1798—*The Duke of Sussex was initiated.* 1800—Lord Donoughmore, G.M., Alexander Jaffray, Esq. Dep. G.M. annually re-elected to 1808. 1808—Lord Donoughmore, G.M. the Hon. A. H. Hutchinson, Dep. G.M., re-elected to 1813. 1813—*The union of the Grand Lodges of Ireland\* effected, and the Duke of Sussex elected Grand Master of "the United Grand Lodge of England."* 1813—His Grace Augustus Frederick, Duke of Leinster, elected Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ireland, and appointed the Hon. A. H. Hutchinson his D.G.M. The Duke has ever since happily been re-elected. 1814—His Grace the M.W.G.M. appointed John Fowler, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1825—His Grace the M.W.G.M. appointed John Norman, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1820—His Grace the M.W.G.M. appointed William White, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1842—His Grace the M.W.G.M. appointed George Hoyte, Esq. Dep. G.M. 1847—His Grace Augustus Frederick Duke of Leinster, M.W.G.M., George Hoyte, Esq. R.W. Dep. G.M. and the R.W. the Grand Lodge of Ireland, assisted by the Provincial Grand Masters, and a grand array of the fraternity, assembled on the 11th of January, for the Dedication of the splendid Freemasons' Hall, Dame-street, Dublin, when, subsequent to the ancient solemn ritual, suitable prayer and exordium delivered by the Rev. R. H. Wall, D.D., Grand Chaplain, his Grace the Duke of Leinster presented the Order a magnificent Organ, built expressly in Brother Telford's best style.

## OLD WARRANTS—No. XXIX.

No. 300, MILITARY LODGE, (*Extinct*) A.D. 1758.  
Moore G.M. By the Right Worshipful Rt. Honble. Lord Moore Grand Master of all the Lodges of Free-Masons in the Kingdom of IRELAND; the Right Worshipful John Bury Esq. Deputy Grand Master, the Right Worshipful Major Edwd. Windus and Charles Gardner Esq. Grand Wardens.  
No. 300. Whereas our Trusty and Well-beloved Brothers James Kirkpatrick William Barker and ——— have besought Us that we would be pleased to erect a Lodge of Free-Masons in 16th Regt. of Foot commanded by Lieut. Gen. Handdsydd, of such Persons who by their knowledge and skill in Masonry, may contribute to the Well-being and Advancement thereof. We therefore duly weighing the Premises, and having nothing more at Heart than the Prosperity and true Advancement of Masonry and reposing special Trust and Confidence in our Trusty and Well-beloved Brothers the said James Kirkpatrick William Barker and ——— of whose Abilities and knowledge in Masonry We are satisfied: Do by these Presents of our own Knowledge and meer Motion, Nominate, Create, Authorize and

\* *Sic* in original. Doubtless *England* was intended.



Constitute the said James Kirkpatrick William Barker and ——— to be Master and Wardens of a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to be held by them and their successors lawfully admitted in the said Lodge for ever. And we do hereby Give and Grant unto the said James Kirkpatrick William Barker and ——— and their Successors, full Power and lawful Authority, from Time to Time, to proceed to Election of a new Master and Wardens, to make such Laws, Rules and Orders, as they from Time to Time shall think Proper and Convenient, for the well-being and Ordering of the said Lodge; reserving to Ourselves and our Successors Grand Masters or Grand Wardens of IRELAND, the sole Right of deciding all differences which shall be brought by Appeal before Us and our Successors Grand Masters or Grand Wardens of IRELAND. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our Hands and Seal of Office, this third of August in the year of our Lord God, 1758 and in the Year of Masonry, 5758.

Entered by me

JNO. CALDER, G.S.

The official Calendar has the name of Earl Drogheda as G.M. 1758, but Lord Moore did not succeed to the title until October of that year, the name being correctly given in Furnell's List of Grand Masters to 1847. Lord Moore is mentioned as a Grand Warden on extinct warrant of No. 235, in 1753, and in another—No. 271, of 1756—of which more anon.

W. J. HUGHAN.

## PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF NORTH WALES.

A Provincial Grand Lodge of the above province was held on the 17th inst. within the precincts of Carnarvon Castle, the Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Lord Harlech, presided, the other officers of Provincial Grand Lodge present being—

Bros. J. Ormiston, 1143, P.S.G.W.; R. M. Greaves, 1509, P.J.G.W.; Rev. W. L. Nicholas, 1674, P.G. Chap.; James Salmon, 1477, P.G. Treas.; T. E. Harris, 1438, 1849, and 384, P.G. Sec.; Samuel Griffith, 1509, P.S.G.D.; H. A. Steer, 1674, P.G. D.C.; W. C. Logan, 1988, P.A.G.D.C.; E. W. Thomas, 384, P.G. Org.; D. W. Williams, 384, P.P.G.D.C., P.A.G. Sec.; E. H. Davies, 1988 and 1583, P.G. Purst.; and H. B. Stubbington, 384, P.G. Tyler. Amongst the Past Prov. G. Officers were Bros. J. F. Eddisbury, 1336, P.P.J.G.W.; R. Roberts, 1509, P.P.S.G.W.; Col. T. L. Hampton Lewis, 1849, P.S.G.W.; John Hughes, 384, P.P.A.G. Sec.; C. K. Benson, 1336, P.P.S.G.D.; and T. G. Tuxford, 1509, P.P.G. Reg. Amongst the visiting P.G. Officers were Bros. Col. the Hon. W. E. West, 357, P.G. and W. G. England, P.G.M. Oxfordshire; and Charles H. Oliver, P.S.G.W. Monmouthshire. The attendance of Past Masters, Wardens, &c., included Bros. W. A. Nott, 1674; J. W. Poole, 606, P.P.A.G. Dir. of Cer.; Caradog Rowland, J.W. 606; R. J. Davies, P.M. 606; R. Owen, P.M. 684; T. Mills, S.W. 384; H. R. Greig Hughes, J.W. 1849; R. Hughes Pritchard, P.M. 755; W. R. Davies, 1988, P.G.P.; J. Williams, I.G. 606; W. Farren, 606; W. G. Matthews, 606; J. Davies, 384; T. G. Williams, 384; O. Evans, 606; R. J. Thomas, 606; R. W. Newton, J.D. 606; W. C. Whiskens, Stwd. 606; T. E. F. Barr, 735; H. J. Hughes, 597; T. J. Grey, Stwd. 597; E. Langtry, G. H. Taylor, 597; F. G. Hughes, 597; W. J. Bradshaw, 597, P.P.S.G.W.; C. Smith, 597; H. L. Richard, 241; F. M. Allen, 1861; G. Challinor, 606; G. Owen, 606; D. W. Davies, P.S.W. 606; E. G. Humphreys, S.W. 1113; S. Griffith, S.D. 1509; R. Ross, 1113; J. G. Hughes, 1509; E. T. Swift, P.M. 1477; J. T. Parry Jones, P.M. 1143; J. D. Miller, I.G. 1674; W. Jones, P.M. 1488; R. Jones, P.M. 1988; W. R. Davies, P.M. 1988; E. Jones, 384; Rev. J. Fairchild, 606; W. Winslow, 606; J. Hall, S.W. 597; James Wells, 597; W. H. Evans, 606; T. S. Roberts, I.P.M. 1509; D. Lloyd Jones, 1583; R. Lewis, 1509; W. Rowlands, J.W. 1583; W. Jones, S.W. 1509; S. Evans, J.D. 384; F. P. Lewis, I.P.M. 1594; R. G. Thomas, J.W. 1113; J. W. Roberts, 384; W. Watkins, Tyler 606; W. Farren, Rees Watkins, J. O. Morris, N. Bunnell, D. Edwards, H. Thomas, T. Williams, 606; D. Lloyd Jones, 1988; L. H. Aaronson, 384; W. R. Davies, J. Williams, 606; H. Savage, 384; R. Ross, J. Davies, W. Jones, 384; W. Jones, 606; G. J. Tuxford, Deganway, and others.

Bro. C. K. BENSON attended as London representative of the North Wales Charities Association, and presented a report showing that there was a steady increase in the voting power of the North Wales Province. This year 100 votes had been added to the former total. Now they had votes by the following provinces: West Lancashire, 238; Cheshire, 121 boys and 78 girls. There was an increase in the number of brethren and Stewards to the Charity, which he hoped would be doubled for the festival of 1889.

Bro. SALMON proposed the adoption of the report, which was agreed to.

The report of the North Wales Masonic Charitable Association showed there were 94 members, against 113 last year, the balance to the credit of the A Fund being £11 7s. 6d.; to the B Fund, £224 2s. 1d. Total subscriptions for the year were £29 18s. to the A or London Fund, and £39 9s. 11d. to the B Fund.

The report was adopted.

The report of the P.G. Secretary dealt with the work done by the Grand Lodge at Denbigh, and was also adopted. Bros. Eddisbury, Benson, and Corbett were re-elected Auditors of the P.G. Lodge. The Prov. D.G.M. returned his patent, his term of office having expired.

The PROV. GRAND MASTER, in felicitous terms, referred to the excellent services rendered to the Craft by Bro. H. Platt, and proposed his re-appointment, which was unanimously agreed to.

Bro. PLATT, in returning thanks, referred to the efforts made by the province to secure votes for the Institute for Girls. It was a matter of importance that the Grand Lodge should have an interest in that School. £500 were necessary, of which over £326 had been already subscribed. He had undertaken to collect the amount required, and hoped that he would not be left in the lurch. Several lodges had handsomely subscribed, while others had promised to do the same.

Bro. SALMON suggested that the Grand Lodge should contribute 50 guineas towards the object proposed by the Prov. D.G.M. when the sum subscribed would come within the 500 guineas.

On the motion of Bro. SALMON, seconded by the PROV. G. MASTER, a vote of thanks was accorded to the Prov. G. Secretary for his services.

Bro. Lord Harlech, as Prov. Grand Master, was re-installed with due honour, Bro. Col. Henry Platt having also conferred upon him the honour of Deputy Prov. Grand Master.

The other appointments connected with the Provincial Grand Lodge were as follows:

Bro. J. Lloyd Griffith, 597	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
„ Cornelius Davies, 606	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
„ Rev. James Smith, 1488	...	...	Prov. G. Chaps.
„ Rev. T. Hughes, 995	...	...	
„ James Salmon, 1477	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
„ R. H. Pritchard, 755	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
„ T. E. Harris, 384, 1488, and 1849	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
„ D. Wynn Williams, 384	...	...	Prov. A.G. Sec.
„ J. Parry Jones, 1143	...	...	Prov. S.G.D.
„ J. Pritchard, 384	...	...	Prov. J.G.D.

Bro. T. E. J. Young, 1326	...	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
„ R. Owen, 384	...	...	Prov. G.D. of C.
„ J. S. Hughes, 1509	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
„ J. R. Hughes, 1369	...	...	Prov. G. Swd. Br.
„ R. Jones, 1988	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Brs.
„ E. Humphreys, 1594	...	...	
„ E. W. Thomas, 384	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
„ F. Pryce Lewis, 1674	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
„ J. S. Swift, 1477	...	...	Prov. A.G. Purst.
„ James Wells, 597	...	...	Prov. G. Stwds.
„ H. Hardman, 606	...	...	
„ H. P. Stubbington	...	...	Prov. G. Tyler.

The P.G.M. announced that a requisition had been received urging upon the formation of a lodge at Llanberis.

The proceedings of the Provincial Grand Lodge being over, the officers and brethren marched in procession to Christ Church, where a Masonic service was held. Bros. the Rev. W. Nicholls and J. W. Wynne Jones, P.G. Chap. Monmouthshire, read the service, while an excellent sermon was delivered by Bro. the Rev. James Smith, P.G. Chap.

The music was under the superintendence of Bro. J. Williams, 606. At the Provincial Grand Lodge, however, the musical arrangements were conducted by Bro. E. W. Thomas.

In the evening a banquet was held in the Sportsman Hotel, the P.G.M., Lord Harlech, presiding. The catering was satisfactorily carried out by Bro. J. Pugh.

## CONSECRATION OF THE RYE LODGE, No. 2272.

The Rye Lodge, the latest for the London district, was consecrated last Monday, at the Peckham Public Hall, by Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, Grand Secretary, in the presence of a large number of brethren. Assisting the very worshipful brother in his duties were Bros. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., G. Reg., as S.W.; Dr. Turtle Pigott, P.A.G.D.C., as J.W.; the Rev. G. W. Weldon, P.G.C., as Chap.; Frank Richardson, P.G.D., as D.C.; and Pigott, of the Province of Surrey, as I.G.

The following brethren were also present:

Founders: Bros. Thomas Cray, T. G. Collier, W. Castledine, W. Cork, F. Dunn, S. Chatten Greenfield, J. W. Dewsnap, G. P. Nightingale, W. T. Warren, Edward Pettit, F. Templeman, and G. S. Manull. Visitors: Bros. L. F. Littell, P.M. 860, 1827, P.G.P.; H. Sadler, Grand Tyler; F. Hilton, P.M. 1475, 1622; J. Dickason, 1901; Robert Clitherow, 1304; George Scott, 1597; W. J. Noad, 2264; C. Venning Burgess, 206; Robt. Lym, 766; George Barson, 1669; Isaac Dunn, 1622; Alfred Bannister, I.P.M. 1632; J. Allsopp, P.M. 879; T. C. Corpe, P.M. 1839; H. Massey, P.M. 619, 1928; Wm. Jackbrough, 1597; Thos. Piper, 1597; H. H. Leonard, 905; R. Pierpoint, P.M. 177; A. C. Woodward, P.M. 1538; C. Hornby, Edwin Obron, 1347; Allen Cooper, 211; J. Newton, P.M. 174, 1607; Mostyn T. Pigott, 357, P.G.O. Oxon; J. Sadler Wood, P.M. 2024; F. T. Dubois, P.M. 142; H. C. Fickens, W.M. 1632; P. W. Hanson, 2182; W. Pearson, 1901; J. H. Paul, P.G.D.C.; J. Hodges, P.M. 1706; Thos. Kempton, P.M. 1706; Alfred Kenningham, 1706; O. L. Finch, W.M. 1641; and J. P. Rickman, P.M. 890.

The lodge having been formally opened,

Col. SHADWELL CLERKE, in his opening address to the brethren, said they were assembled in that room by command of the M.W.G.M. to take part in a very interesting and a very important Masonic ceremony, the consecration of a new lodge, a ceremony which, he ventured to say, many of those present had never witnessed. It happened that in that part of London there was a considerable area which was not occupied by a Masonic lodge, and a large number of Masonic brethren in the district had been anxious for some time past to have a lodge meeting in their midst. They therefore petitioned the Grand Master to grant a warrant for such a lodge. That petition, he was happy to say, had been favourably received, not as a matter of course, but because the reasons for it were considered valid. The petition was signed by a number of well-trying, well-skilled, and experienced brethren, who had recommended Bro. Dewsnap as their first W.M., and under him and the old Masons who were the petitioners, he was sure the lodge would be conducted well; but on all these occasions of consecrating new lodges, he felt it necessary to use a word of warning, that the brethren might not be in any hurry to rush forward in getting members for their lodge, but to carefully consider the character of every candidate, so that they might not be in the unpleasant position of having among them at a future time a brother who should prove himself unworthy of the ballot. The brethren should be careful in that respect, and, from what he knew of the signatories to the petition, he was sure the lodge would be conducted on the lines he had advised, and would ultimately prove a great success.

Bro. the Rev. G. W. WELDON, P.G.C. of Eng., addressed the brethren as follows: It may perhaps be some source of satisfaction to you to be told that although the Consecrating Officer has spoken to you of an oration, I shall not occupy your attention more than three or four minutes. I have to make a few remarks to you upon the nature and principles of the Institution, and those remarks I trust will be short and to the point. One cannot but feel that the consecration of a new lodge is an event which to every true Mason affords an honest, and I think I may safely add a sanctified satisfaction. It forms one link more in the mystic chain; it has the effect of binding together brethren whose main aim and purpose is to cultivate elevation of character, enlargement of spirit, and a correctness of moral feeling; and therefore the formation of a new lodge necessarily adds power to the Craft in general. And as Freemasonry has subsisted from time immemorial, from the earliest ages of human history, and as it proceeded has extended widely its beneficent mission among mankind, I think we may safely believe that it will continue to subsist to the end of time. It is not merely an Institution in our part of the world, it is a power whose influence is felt in every part of the globe wherever the English language is spoken, and far beyond the ordinary confines of geographical limits, among people whose language is strange to us. And before I sit down I should like to point out (although to some of the brethren here I feel it is quite unnecessary to do it) two things—first, the importance of thoroughly studying and making themselves master of the ritual. You heard to-night the words of our ritual in which we are taught to say that it is “with the centre”—not as you hear brethren sometimes say, casually and carelessly, “in the centre,” but “with the centre,” for it is there we are to find our lasting happiness and only true wisdom. I do not think the symbols of Masonry are studied with the care which they deserve. The symbols as recorded in the Sacred Law are in Masonry brought together, and built up into a solid, regular, and gorgeous pile of emblems, representing the cardinal graces which are so necessary and essential to the character of every true-hearted member of the Craft. Look for example at Jacob's mystic ladder. We see hidden beneath that external

symbol a magnificent truth, full of beauty, but only understood and seen by the eye of the soul. It reveals to us in the very simplest view of it the possibility, and under certain conditions the certainty, of ascending up to the very throne of God Himself. The ascent begins low down at the low level of man's natural state on earth, and it proceeds upwards through clouds and storms, terminating only where all is purity and peace. It is a symbol full of comfort for all who in this transitory life are in sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. It suggests rest to the weary, hope to the depressed, strength to the tempted, and consolation to all who rightly comprehend its meaning. And when we recollect that the clouded canopy is the symbolic covering of every lodge, does it not suggest to us that we should endeavour, by the eye of faith, to press through the clouds and storms of this lower atmosphere, until, we can pierce and enter into that higher, purer, and brighter region of the Grand Lodge above, where we hope at last to dwell? May this lodge become in every possible respect worthy of the traditions of the Craft, and may those of us here this evening, as we shall have passed, silently, one by one, into the tomb of transgression, arise out of it in due course of time, and by our life here spent upon earth, by the religious life, for that is the chief point in Masonry—may each, through the mercy of the Most High, shine, as the stars of heaven, for ever and ever.

The ceremony of consecration was then proceeded with and completed. The musical portion was performed in fine style under the direction of Bro. E. Pettit, assisted by Bros. J. Hodges, A. Kenningham, T. Hanson, and T. Kempton.

Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec., then installed as first W.M. of the new lodge Bro. J. W. Dewsnap, P.M. 188, who afterwards invested as his officers the following brethren: Bros. W. Cock, P.M., S.W.; F. Dunn, P.M., J.W.; G. S. Mansell, P.M., Treas.; T. G. Collier, Sec.; G. P. Nightingale, P.M., S.D.; P. G. Philps, P.M., J.D.; W. Castledine, I.G.; T. Cray, D.C.; S. C. Greenfield and W. T. Warner, Stewards; E. Pettit, Org.; and T. Bowler, Tyler.

A vote of thanks was then unanimously passed to the Consecrating Officers, who were at the same time elected honorary members of the lodge.

The lodge, after an acknowledgment of the compliment by Col. SHADWELL CLERKE, was closed, and the brethren adjourned to banquet, which was admirably supplied by Mr. Reed.

The usual toasts followed the banquet.

The W.M., in giving "The Pro G.M., the Deputy G.M., and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past," said the example set by the Grand Officers kept the Craft in its present state. Four or five Grand Officers were present that night. Whenever there was a lodge about to be consecrated, or any lodge wanted assistance in any ceremonies, brethren could go to Grand Lodge and get some one to come down and assist. The Rye Lodge was pleased to welcome the Grand Officers on that occasion, and they hoped to see them among them on many occasions. This was not a formal invitation, but meant sincerely, and the brethren hoped to see the Grand Officers soon with them again.

Bro. PHILBRICK said the W.M. had kindly given the brethren a hint that the speeches ought to be short, and he was quite right. He hoped every other speaker would do what he would do—endeavour to make them hearty as well, because on an occasion of this kind he was sure, from the M.W.G. Master to the veriest tyro initiated in the Craft, it would be summed up in one hearty good wish of success to the lodge that had been that day consecrated. On the part of the Grand Officers, whose presence that young lodge recognised, he begged to offer his sincere thanks. The recognition of those of place and dignity was always grateful to the Craft. Of the honoured names associated with that toast, the Earl of Carnarvon and the Earl of Lathom all Masons were proud, and legitimately proud, for no institution could boast noblemen as brethren who were more identified with them, and whose labours had been more ungrudgingly given for the best interests of the Craft than those distinguished noblemen. If he might venture, despite the authority of the W.M., to say one word which perchance might run contrary to what he said, they, as Masons, while they thoroughly recognised the honour that those distinguished noblemen had done them in joining the Craft, felt that in joining the Craft. They were on an absolute equality with them, and that, as Masons, they were equal, and while they felt proud that those of high position came and recognised the power of Masonry, they all knew Masonry was in itself a power, which could attract the highest, as well as the lowest, in the land. He thanked the brethren very much for the kindness with which the Grand Officers had been received. For those whose names had been included in the toast how much they wished prosperity and success to the new venture; how they trusted that coming through the Rye might always lead to harmony, and that the foundations that evening laid might be those of a lodge strong in its elements, respected in its constituents, thoroughly carrying out the great principles of Freemasonry, a success in its locality, and a model to all who desired to found other lodges.

The W.M. next proposed "The Consecrating Officers," the brethren who had taken so much trouble, and been at so great inconvenience, to take part in consecrating that lodge. One of them had travelled 150 miles to come to the lodge, and had to go that some distance back again before he got home. All those brethren they had known before, many of them exceedingly well, and the principal one, the respected Grand Secretary. He felt fully convinced that it was to him the lodge was indebted for its warrant. The Grand Secretary could not say no, or he did not say no, when he was asked. The brethren owed a great deal to the Grand Secretary for his great kindness at all times. He would always hear what brethren had to say, and they would always get a polite answer. All the Grand Officers they were pleased to see among them, and as long as the lodge lasted they hoped they would come to see them.

Col. SHADWELL CLERKE, replying, said he felt highly flattered by the very pretty remarks the W.M. had used about himself and his colleagues, but he must in the first place protest against the particular character he was pleased to give him when he said he could not say no. That was not the case. It devolved upon him very frequently in his official capacity to say no; but he thought the W.M. ought rather to thank the M.W.G.M. for not saying no. The brethren who were petitioners had given good reasons for establishing the lodge, and the G.M., with that justice for which he was celebrated, did not say no. He (Col. Clerke) very often said no; he was afraid he should often have to say no. His colleagues and himself were very much obliged for the kind way in which they had received their assistance that day. They had done their best to deserve the brethren's encomiums, and if the brethren thought they deserved them they were glad of it. He should not be worthy of his office if he did not receive with per-

fect courtesy all the brethren who came to see him. He did not have more than 200 or 300 before him in the course of the day, and if any one had 200 or 300 letters to read and answer they did not mind being interrupted by 200 or 300 callers; they rather liked it. If he did not slay the visitor on the spot, that visitor did not know his inward feeling. He felt that forbearance on his part deserved the recognition of the W.M. This was one of the pleasures of a man in an official capacity—having brethren coming from north, south, east, and west constantly. But he was extremely pleased to say he had had the assistance of some esteemed colleagues that night, without which he could not have gone through the ceremony so well. Altogether, he thought they had had a very good time of it; they had all pulled together very well, and had had a very fine innings.

Col. SHADWELL H. CLERKE next proposed "The First Master of the Rye Lodge." Bro. Philbrick had a good joke about going through the Rye, but he (Col. Clerke) thought his a better joke when he said "the bloom is on the Rye," because it was high festival that evening. On these occasions he generally made the same remark in proposing that toast—that, whilst it was a great honour for a brother in an ordinary way to go up to the chair, working his way to it from the lowest rung of the ladder, it was a greater honour to be chosen to be the first Master of a lodge. But it was an honour still greater in that Rye Lodge, because of it there were some 50 founders. From so large a number to be chosen the Master was a very unusual thing indeed, and therefore he thought Bro. Dewsnap should be very proud of being selected as the brother who deserved that high honour. Bro. Dewsnap was not an old Mason; he was only of about 12 or 13 years' standing; but still that was the third chair he had filled as W.M. That showed his services must have been good. He (Col. Clerke) had known him in certain Masonic capacities, and he was sure he would make a most excellent Master in the first year of the Rye Lodge. The brethren of the lodge were to be congratulated on having Bro. Dewsnap in the chair. Under his gavel the lodge would succeed in a most satisfactory manner. There was a good year before the lodge, and, as he had said earlier in the evening, there was a large area from which to supply members.

Bro. DEWSNAP, W.M., in responding, assured the brethren that words failed him to reply suitably to the flattering remarks of the Grand Secretary. It would be his endeavour as long as he was in the Rye Lodge to do his best to uphold the dignity of the lodge and of Freemasonry, which the Grand Secretary impressed upon them in the lodge. He should do his utmost in presiding at the banquet table to do it in such a manner as to obtain the brethren's approbation. They could not always do as they would, but the brethren would endeavour to provide accommodation and the good things of this world as far as possible to meet the wishes of the brethren and the pockets of the Treasurer. As to his being a prime mover in the business, he must explain that it was brought to his attention some time ago. Being associated with some brethren, of whom the S. and J. were principals, they put their hands and heads together, with the result which the brethren had seen that night. He did not take any credit to himself; he was not superior to anyone; but he was chosen to be the first Master, not for any merit of his own, but for the want of bashfulness of the J.W., and from the S.W. being the Master of another lodge.

Bro. the Rev. G. W. WELDON, P.G.C., proposed "Prosperity to the Rye Lodge," in a speech replete with droll allusions; but he foresaw, he said, that the success of the Rye Lodge, was already secured, by the energetic way in which the founders had put their shoulders to the wheel. If they carried on the good beginning, the Rye Lodge would take its place prominently among the lodges of the Craft. He would remind the brethren that they did not come together merely to engage in convivial festivity, as the uninformed and captious world of critics were pleased to think. If Freemasons' gatherings were promoted for the purpose of making provision for animal gratification, Masonry would long ago have vanished from the face of the earth. But Masons were human, and there was nothing human or Divine against a good dinner. But along with that the Charities came forth, and he thought Masons might challenge all other systems of the United Kingdom to produce at the end of the year such a magnificent result as was produced by the three Masonic Charities.

The SENIOR WARDEN responded to the toast, and said he was quite sure of the success of the lodge.

Bros. HILTON and LEONARD replied to the toast of "The Visitors," and the JUNIOR WARDEN to that of "The Founders and Officers," which was proposed by Dr. TURTLE PIGOTT.

The other toasts followed, and the brethren separated.

A beautiful selection of music was performed during the intervals between the toasts by the brethren, who performed the music in the lodge.

The lodge was furnished by Bro. George Kenning.

## CONSECRATION OF THE LOYAL MONMOUTH CHAPTER, No. 457, AT MONMOUTH.

A large gathering of Royal Arch Masons assembled on Wednesday, the 3rd instant, for the purpose of consecrating this new chapter. The ceremony was performed by Comp. S. G. Homfray, P.G.S.B. of England, P.G.H. Mon., as Z., assisted by Comps. Wm. Pickford, P.Z. 471, P.P.G.P. Mon., as H.; Henry J. Gratte, P.Z. 471, P.P.G.J. Mon., as J.; Wm. Watkins, P.Z., P.P.G. Treas. Mon., as D. of C.; R. B. Evans, P.Z., P.G.S.E. Mon., as E.; and Henry Richards, P.Z., as Janitor. Among the visitors present who rendered valuable assistance were Comps. J. Jones, M.E.Z. 471; J. Saunders, P.Z. 683; L. W. Paynter, J. 471; T. G. Jones, J. 683; A. S. Townsend, J. 120; E. G. R. Richards, 471; G. Driver, F. Phillips, and Henry Faulkner, of 683.

The founders of the chapter were installed to the following offices: Comps. H. G. Griffiths, Z.; T. R. Oakley, H.; F. A. Powell, J.; Champney Powell, S.E.; John Thomas, S.N.; T. R. Hyam, P.S.; Geo. Higgins, Asst. S.; and after a vote of thanks to the Consecrating Officers, they adjourned to dinner, presided over by Comp. H. G. Griffith, M.E.Z.

The usual Masonic toasts were duly honoured, and a pleasant evening spent.

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## FORMATION OF A UNITED GRAND LODGE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

### LORD CARRINGTON ELECTED GRAND MASTER.

An event of great significance in connection with the progress of Freemasonry in this colony took place on Thursday, the 16th August, at the University, in the shape of the first meeting of the newly-formed United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. The union of the various lodges which have hitherto worked under the English, Scotch, or New South Wales Constitutions will tend much to strengthen the position which Freemasonry holds in this colony, and the election of his Excellency the Governor to the exalted position of Grand Master will, we have no doubt, be received with general satisfaction by all Masons in this colony. The meeting of the Grand Lodge was held in the Grand Hall of the University, which was appropriately furnished for the occasion. The attendance was very large, and included Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, and Wardens from all the lodges which have signed the articles of union, upwards of 500 brethren altogether being present. To show the completeness of the union which has taken place, it may be mentioned that out of 186 lodges under the different Constitutions in New South Wales, all but five have signed the articles of union.

The lodge was opened by Bro. W. H. Simpson, Past District Deputy Grand Master (E.C.), assisted by the following officers: Bros. A. Henry (N.S.W.C.), S.W.; A. Rofe (E.C.), J.W.; and the Rev. E. D. Madgwick, Chaplain. The musical service was conducted by Bro. Gehde, Org.

The Grand and District Grand Lodge Officers of New South Wales then entered in due form, and were presented to the Deputy G.M. as follows: Bro. Dr. H. J. Tarrant, Past Grand Master (N.S.W.C.), presented by Bro. Hunt, Dep. G.M. N.S.W.; Bro. C. F. Stokes, Acting D.G.M. (E.C.), presented by Bro. F. Wright, P.D.D.G.M.; and Dr. Sedgwick, P.D.G.M. (S.C.), presented by Bro. F. B. Davidson, D.G.M. Depute.

The DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, in opening the business of the evening, expressed the hope that the brotherly feeling and unanimity which had prevailed amongst the councils of the brethren who had brought this movement forward to its present position would prevail at their meeting that evening, and that brethren would sink all personal considerations and work together to bring this grand object to a successful issue.

Bro. REMINGTON then read the following history of Freemasonry in New South Wales:—

The history of Freemasonry in New South Wales, and in fact in Australia, dating back to a period early in the present century, when the Government was that of a Crown Colony, it was natural that the early lodges should have been in direct and individual communication with the Grand Lodges of the Mother Country. And when passing years had increased their number, so that some form of local government became necessary, it was not to be wondered at that nothing was thought of but such a subordinate organisation as obtained in the counties of the United Kingdom in the shape of Provincial Grand Lodges. Nor even when the popular agitation for responsible government in the colony at large reached a head, and when the control of the Mother Country had been lightened till it became only a silken thread in the hands of the Governor, did the Freemasons of New South Wales seem to desire any more independent position than they had theretofore enjoyed. There had indeed been an increase of the powers of the local governing bodies by their being created "District" instead of "Provincial" Grand Lodges, and this is perhaps the proper place to record a passing reference to the services rendered by Bro. John Williams, the Past District Grand Master under the English Constitution, who, at interviews in the year 1856 with the Earl of Zetland, then Grand Master of England, obtained many important concessions for the benefit of the Craft in this colony. And it would ill become us on this auspicious occasion to refrain from a tribute of respect to the old conservative principles which actuated that right worshipful brother and the Right Worshipful District Grand Master of the Scotch Constitution, Dr. Sedgwick, in so long holding, at all hazards, to the original form of Masonic rule in Australia, even when times had changed and a new order of things was imminent. The first important movement in the direction of self-government was made by the establishment of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales in the year 1877, and its success during the last 11 years, including the complete absorption of the lodges under the Irish Constitution, among which was the oldest in the colony, is the best justification of its origin. But the yoke of England and Scotland was such a light one, grievances, if any, were so readily redressed, and the direct connection with the Mother Country was held to be such a valued distinction, that it was not till this Centennial year of Australia that any tangible step was taken by their lodges towards amalgamation. And even now it is not disloyalty, and not disaffection, which have led the brethren under these two Constitutions to join hands with the others in forming "The United Grand Lodge of New South Wales," which takes its first step as an established body to-night. What, then, is the cause of this new departure? Is not it a feeling that the continued existence of three governing powers would be an evidence of disunion, which might well make the world doubt the genuineness of the principles of brotherly love which we all profess to hold dear? Is not it the certainty that great as has been the progress of the Craft heretofore, it will be tenfold greater, and its influence be a hundredfold more, when it confronts its detractors as a strong, because united, band, powerful in its "brotherly love, relief, and truth," to "diffuse the light of wisdom, aid the strength of reason, dispense the bounties of Charity, and lessen the aggregate of human misery and vice?" It is not to be supposed that these feelings had no existence or found no expression during the long period of comparative estrangement. On the contrary, they were many times enunciated in our gatherings, and always applauded by the brethren, who deplored a state of affairs which they, however, saw no immediate way of remedying. For, by the form of government, under the English Constitution at all events, the rulers of District Grand Lodges were appointed by, and during the pleasure of, the Grand Master, and so long as they conscientiously opposed a change in our system, feelings of respect and affection, due to their advanced years and faithful service to the Craft, restrained even the most enthusiastic advocates of amalgamation from moving. It was, however, well understood that some change must be made when time and circumstances warranted, and the opportune moment arrived when during the visit to this colony of the Pro Grand Master of England, Lord Carnarvon, a few months ago, he recognised so fully the harm Freemasonry was suffering, and was likely to suffer, by disunion, that he urged immediate steps to end it; and, aided with valuable advice and encouragement, a Committee of brethren from various lodges under the different Constitutions, had taken upon themselves the task of drawing up a "basis of union." They duly submitted this to the Craft, but, it being viewed as scarcely broad enough to ensure all Constitutions meeting on an equal footing, resolutions were passed by the English, Scotch, and New South Wales Masons, referring the question to a conference of Past Masters, five from each Constitution. In the meantime, Right Worshipful Brother John Williams had resigned his position as District Grand Master, and the Grand Master of England had appointed his Excellency Lord Carrington, the Governor of this colony, as his successor; the New South Wales brethren, with the full approval of their head, Dr. Tarrant, had signified their intention of electing the same illustrious brother as their Grand Master; and it was known that his acceptance of the supreme rule would also be welcomed by the Scotch Masons. Lord Carrington himself, though Past Grand Senior Warden of England, was heartily in accord with the movement; and so everything was propitious for the success of the conference. Of the spirit in which these worshipful brethren met, the Craft has already had evidence. From the first it was manifest that brotherly feeling, mutual forbearance, concessions on minor points, and yet withal a determination to adhere closely to the landmarks of the Order, would guide their deliberations. Ten meetings in all have been held, and the "Articles of Union" agreed upon in June last, have since received the almost unanimous assent of all the lodges. They will now be read to you, as forming our authority for meeting here to-night to elect our Grand Master, and may the Great Architect of the Universe make our union perpetual.

Bro. C. F. STOKES then read the articles of union which had been agreed upon by the joint Committee appointed to arrange a basis of union among the different Constitutions. The articles of union contain provisions for the definition of the respective precedence of lodges and the ranks and appointments of all Past Grand Officers, the intention being that all such past ranks and appointments should be confirmed and retained. Provision is also made for the issue of warrants under the seal of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales to each lodge enrolled on the registers of the Grand and District Grand Lodges.

The United Grand Lodge was then formally opened, and an anthem was sung, after which his Excellency Lord Carrington was nominated for the office of Grand Master by Bro. Dr. TARRANT, the nomination being seconded by Bro. C. F. STOKES, and supported by Bro. Dr. SEDGWICK.

No other candidate being proposed, a formal ballot was taken, and Lord Carrington was declared to be duly elected Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. The announcement was received with great enthusiasm, and an anthem, specially composed for the occasion by Bro. Sedgwick, was sung.

Bro. REMINGTON then proposed, and Bro. F. B. DAVIDSON seconded, the following resolution: "That the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, being now duly and legally established according to Masonic precedent and custom, we do authorise our Most Worshipful G.M. elect to issue to each lodge a dispensation empowering it to continue Masonic work until such time as the more formal documents, referred to in the articles of union, shall have been executed and issued after his installation."

The resolution was agreed to unanimously.

Bro. STOKES proposed the following resolution: "That the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales adopt as its guide, until such time as Constitutions can be framed and submitted, the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of England, subject to such verbal alterations as may be obviously necessary, and also to such amendments as may be required to provide that—(1) the Grand Master shall have power to appoint a Pro Grand Master; (2) that all other Grand Lodge Officers shall be annually elected; (3) that their fees of office shall be one-half of those fixed in the Book of Constitutions; (4) that there shall be paid by, or on behalf of, each now existing lodge which shall have signed the articles of union within the six months prescribed therein the sum of £10 to the Grand Lodge fund."

The resolution was seconded by Bro. REMINGTON, and agreed to.

It was also decided, on the motion of Bro. C. F. STOKES, that the installation ceremony of the Grand Master should take place on the 18th September, the proposer mentioning that arrangements had been made to secure the Exhibition Building for that evening.

Bros. E. O. SMITH proposed, and J. HUNT seconded, the following resolution, which was agreed to:—"That the Ceremonial Committee consist of the members of the present conference, and that they also be empowered to act as a Board of General Purposes and Benevolence until such time as those bodies can be duly elected."

The election of officers of the Grand Lodge was then proceeded with.

Bro. Dr. TARRANT, at the conclusion of the proceedings, proposed a vote of thanks to the brethren composing the Masonic Union Conference for the manner in which they carried out their duties. He congratulated the Masonic Craft at the auspicious event which had taken place that evening, and considered that it was to be congratulated also upon the unanimous manner in which the United Grand Lodge had been established, and in which the officers had been elected.

Bro. D. SEDGWICK seconded the resolution, which was carried with great enthusiasm.

Bro. C. F. STOKES responded on behalf of the members of the Conference. Shortly afterwards the proceedings came to a termination.

## FREEMASONRY IN INDIA.

The "Masonic Record of Western India" for August last has reached me, and, as usual, there is much in its pages to interest and instruct the Craft of that great country.

The Editor acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Catalogue of Bro. H. J. Whymper's Masonic Library, and mentions that the collection comprises "perhaps some of the oldest works known on Masonry, many dating back to the sixteenth and seventeenth century. Bro. Whymper possesses perhaps the finest and most extensive library of Masonic books in India."

The compiler sent me one of these very useful publications, and I wish much that the example thus set by Bro. Whymper might soon be followed by the honorary librarians or curators of such fine collections of Masonic books, curios, and medals in Worcestershire and West Yorkshire, as well as by the owners of private Masonic libraries, cabinets, and museums, for it is only by such means, with Masonic Exhibitions from time to time in different parts of the country, that we can learn the character and extent of the treasures in this country. The same remark applies also to those invaluable collections held by so many Grand Lodges and brethren abroad, some of whom are nobly responding to the appeal.

The same excellent journal (*indispensable to Masonic India*) furnishes an account of the meeting of the District Grand Lodge of the Punjab (E.C.), the R.W. Bro. E. W. Parkers, Dist. G.M. The members of the District have rather diminished, owing to temporary circumstances affecting the "military elements," standing now at rather under 600. The address by the D.G.M. speaks volumes in favour of his rule, and also of those under his charge. R.W. Bro. E. W. Parkers advocates the formation of a Masonic Library for the District, and considers it to be "a slur on their efficiency" that one has not yet been established. "District Grand Lodge should possess a copy of all standard lodge works, and I consider that Masons should all contribute to that Library such works as they can spare."

Bro. Whymper, P.D.D.G.M., the District Grand Master says "has devoted much of his time while recently in England to Masonic literature, and has acquired a fine library; he has set us all an example by contributing the following valuable works out of his abundance to District Grand Lodge—our most sincere thanks are due to him for his handsome presents." The list comprises Constitutions, 1723, Gould's "History of Freemasonry," Lane's "Masonic Records, 1717—1886," and Sadler's "Masonic Facts and Fictions."

I hope this reference to our excellent Bro. Whymper will lead to the starting of more Masonic Libraries in connection with Provincial Grand Lodges, and to more aid being given to those already formed.

W. J. HUGHAN.



## BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Benevolence was held on Wednesday evening, at Freemasons' Hall. Bro. Robert Grey, President of the Board, presided. Bros. James Brett, Senior Vice-President, and C. A. Cottebrune, Junior Vice-President, occupied their respective chairs. The other brethren who attended were Bros. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec.; A. A. Pendlebury, Asst. G. Sec.; W. Dodd, and W. H. Lee attended from the office of Grand Secretary; and the other brethren present were Bros. H. Maudslay, David D. Mercer, J. B. Greaves, F. R. Spaul, Henry Garrod, Charles Dairy, J. M. Case, A. C. Woodward, Frederic Davison, Walter Hopekirk, L. C. Haslip, J. H. Matthews, Herbert J. Adams, Henry Greene, Frank Green, George A. Cundy, Henry J. P. Dumas, T. Cull, A. Barfield, John Herniman, R. W. Smithett, W. Dance, T. F. Peacock, Henry Baldwin, J. G. Hall, C. H. Webb, G. Bolton, E. W. Braine, J. G. Hopwood, R. P. Spice, Henry Massey, E. Gorely Johnson, W. Gorrie, T. Tedbury, J. J. Holland, J. Smith, P. M. 1192 and 45; James Perkins, F. C. Hesselt, E. Bond, W. F. Simmons, George R. Langley, J. Ma-on, Henry Cawte, R. Andrews, Wm. Carey, J. Wimble, E. A. Smith, James Salmon, Jas. Holah, T. A. Greene, George Gill, John Finch, H. J. C. Lapman, E. H. Bramley, A. Calver, H. Dickey, George Powell, H. L. Diprose, F. M. Bilby, George G. Bullmore, William Lake, J. H. Watts, F. J. Eedle, J. Buscall, John W. Ray, A. E. Hughes, A. Wills, James Hill, Charles Belton, W. Martin, and H. Sadler, G. Tyler.

The brethren first confirmed recommendations made at the former meeting in September, to the amount of £250. On the new list there were 48 cases, coming from the London District, from Portsmouth, Liverpool, North Shields, Havant, Sudbury, Plymouth, Bournemouth, Nottingham, Norwich, Sunderland, West Bromwich, Cambridge, Gosport, Carlisle, Sidcup, Budleigh Salterton, Surbiton, Stafford, Kingston-on-Thames, Marple, Sidney (N.S.W.), Colchester, Feltham, and Newquay.

In the course of nearly four hours' sitting, three of these were deferred, not being complete. The remaining 45 were relieved with a total of £1182, which was made up as follows: Two recommendations to Grand Lodge for £75 each, and two for £50 each; nine recommendations to the M.W.G.M. of £40 each, and five of £30 each; 13 grants of £20 each; six of £15 each; seven of £10 each; and one grant of £2.

## LAYING THE MEMORIAL-STONE OF THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AT LEICESTER.

On Tuesday, the 9th instant, the ceremony of laying the memorial-stone of the Children's Hospital for Leicester was performed by the Mayor of Leicester, Bro. Alderman T. Wright, in the presence of a large concourse of spectators, and under the most favourable auspices, the weather being beautifully fine, and the interest of the proceedings being much enhanced by the attendance of a large number of the Masonic brethren of the Province of Leicestershire and Rutland, who took part in the ceremonial with the accustomed ritual of the Fraternity. The assemblage of such a large gathering of the Masonic Fraternity, from all parts of the province, was not only a marked tribute to the esteem in which the Mayor is held by that body in which he has attained to the rank of Past Master and Past Provincial Grand Registrar, but was also a cordial recognition of the zealous and well directed efforts of his worship, to which Leicester entirely owes this valuable addition to its numerous organisations for the relief of our suffering fellow creatures.

When first the suggestion was made that the stone should be laid with Masonic honours, it was adopted with the utmost enthusiasm by the Fraternity, and the Prov. Grand Master was pleased to direct that a special meeting of Prov. Grand Lodge should be summoned for the purpose.

Accordingly the brethren assembled in a convenient portion of the present Infirmary Buildings, where the Provincial Grand Lodge was opened by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Bro. S. S. Partridge, P.A.G.D.C. England, in the absence of the P.G.M.

Amongst the brethren attending Provincial Grand Lodge were the following: Bros. Robert Brewin, P.P.J.G.W. Devon, acting Deputy Provincial Grand Master; S. Cleaver, Prov. S.G.W.; J. T. Thorpe, P.P.J.G.W., acting Prov. J.G.W.; the Revs. W. R. Hurd and Selwyn C. Freer, Prov. G. Chaps.; R. Waite, Prov. G. Treas.; the Rev. C. Henton Wood, P.P.S.G.W., Prov. G. Sec.; Miles J. Walker, P.P.J.G.W., Prov. G.D.C.; W. H. Lead, Prov. A.G.D.C.; G. Jessop, Prov. G. Swd. Br.; W. J. Freer, P.P.G. Swd. Br., G. Newsome, and J. E. Beazeley, Prov. G. Std. Brs.; C. Gorden, P.P.A.G.D.C., W. H. Barrow, Mus. Bac., F.C.O., Prov. G. Org.; John Young, E. Holmes, and R. B. Starkey, Prov. G. Std.; James Tanser, Prov. G. Tyler; Dr. W. Rhys-Williams, P.A.G.D.C. England; the Rev. S. W. Wigg, P.P.G.C.; F. J. Baines and T. W. Clarke, P.P.S.G.W.'s; Joseph Young, P.P.J.G.W.; J. H. Marshall, P.P.A.G.D.C.; R. S. Toller, P.P.G. Reg.; J. Hassall, W. A. Musson, R. Michie, J. H. Thompson, and J. O. Law, P.P.G.D.'s; F. B. Wilmer and T. Marson, P.P.G. Supts. Wks.; E. Simpkin, E. H. Butler, D. Challis, and J. Harrison, P.P.G. Std. Brs.; T. Laxton and W. T. Rowlett, P.P.G.O.'s; R. L. Gibson, P.P.G.P.; T. Colman, W.M. 1265; J. B. Fowler, W.M. 1560; J. G. Simpkin, W.M. 2028; T. Corcoran, W.M. 1007; I. G. Charlesworth, W.M. 523; J. L. West, W.M. 2081; J. Vaughan, P.M. 86; E. Dutton, P.M. 1432; F. G. Boden, P.M. 779; Col. C. Phillips, P.M. 13; W. H. Goodwin, P.M. 1265; S. Knight, P.M. 1391; W. Maurice Williams, S.W. 279; J. B. Waring, S.W. 523; G. C. Oliver, S.W. 1007; and W. H. Key, J.W. 2028.

In addition there was present a very large number of officers and brethren of the several Craft lodges.

After opening P.G. Lodge, and calling the rolls of officers and lodges, an interesting letter was read from Bro. W. Kelly, P.P.G.M., expressing his great regret that he was prevented by indisposition from taking part in the proceedings of the day, and from complying with the D.P.G.M.'s wish that he should conduct the Masonic ceremony.

Other business having been disposed of, the brethren were marshalled in procession, in the order prescribed in the Book of Constitutions, and marched to the site of the

new hospital, the general effect being much heightened by displaying the handsome banners of the several lodges.

The brethren having assumed their places, an appropriate prayer was offered up by the Provincial Grand Chaplain. A glass bottle containing local newspapers, documents, &c., was then placed by the Prov. Grand Treasurer in a cavity in the lower stone, and the Mayor spread the cement, after which the memorial stone was lowered, to suitable music rendered by the Police Band.

On completion of this operation, the acting PROV. G. MASTER addressed the spectators according to ancient custom.

The stone was then tried with the proper jewels of office, and the corn, wine, oil, and salt sprinkled with the customary formalities, the ceremony being completed by the acting P.G.M. handing the mallet to the Mayor, who, after striking with it three times upon the stone, declared the same to be laid in proper form.

The MAYOR then addressed the assembly, and in the course of his speech briefly explained the gratifying circumstances under which the movement had been started and carried to that advanced stage, remarking that he thought the success which had attended the efforts to raise the fund had been unprecedented, for in response to the first circular which was sent out, there was in six weeks a promise of subscriptions to the amount of £6000. The original idea was to raise £7000, which at the time it was thought would cover all expenses down to the opening of the building, but this was found to be insufficient, and the need for further help had only to be made known to bring in many more contributions from town and country, till the Mayor had the gratification to be able to announce on Tuesday that no less a sum than £8400 had altogether been promised, with a further sum of £105 as annual subscriptions towards the working expenses. When in full work it is estimated the cost of carrying on the Institution will be from £1200 to £1500 a year, but there can be little doubt that the benevolent public will readily contribute whatever sum is found to be necessary for such a laudable and valuable undertaking.

The silver trowel used in the course of the ceremony was next presented to the Mayor, as a memento of the occasion, and suitably acknowledged by his worship.

The procession then re-formed and returned to the lodge-room, where, after voting 10 guineas to the fund for the Children's Hospital, the P.G. Lodge was closed.

In conclusion, it is only just to state that the whole of the arrangements for the Masonic ceremony were undertaken and most ably carried out by the Prov. Grand Director of Ceremonies, Bro. Miles J. Walker, P.P.J.G.W., to whose untiring exertions the success of the entire proceedings was in great measure due.

## KAISER WILHELM II. AND THE FREEMASONS.

A German Correspondent sends us the following:

Some of the orthodox Catholic papers in Germany wrote in a most antagonistic spirit on the views of the present Emperor towards Freemasonry, going so far as to attribute to him the issue of an interdict on the Masonic Order in Court and military circles.

It is a well-known fact that the Catholic Press has always condemned Freemasonry as the enemy of religion; it can, therefore, hardly be surprising that at this moment the German Catholic Press should once more come to the front to disparage Freemasonry.

The following article appeared in a German daily paper, and will interest your readers, as it will throw some light on rumours which have found their way into English papers:

"Our two late Emperors, who, like all the Prussian Kings since Frederic the Great, stood at the head of Freemasonry in Germany, were only recently led to their last resting place, when the opponents of the Masonic Order raised their heads to calumniate Freemasonry and its numerous followers.

"Had not the late Emperors William and Frederic on many occasions openly expressed themselves of the high importance they attributed to Freemasonry, and had not almost the whole Press published these expressions, these slanders might be considered as mere ignorance, and as a proof of the unfounded prejudice against the Masonic Order. As it stands, the articles of some of the antagonistic papers show, however, a most unseemly breach of pietism and reverence for the great deceased Emperors.

"If the present Emperor is not connected with Freemasonry, and if he should choose not to occupy the high position in Freemasonry his predecessors held, it may be accepted as certain that he has other reasons for doing so than those attributed to him by some of the orthodox Catholic papers.

"It cannot be unknown to our present Emperor that his grandfather had up to the last moments of his life the warmest sympathies for Freemasonry, and that, according to his own expressions, he derived the greatest consolation in his sufferings through Freemasonry.

"Would those great Emperors, who will at all times live in the memory of all Germans as examples of truly religious men, have become the protectors of Freemasonry if good dinners were the principal occupations of Freemasons, as these papers will try to make people believe?

"Would they have taken part with the enthusiasm and the ardour as they have done in the work of the Masonic Order, if, as these same papers will tell us, membership only served to gain the favour of the superiors?

Would they have untiringly given their assistance in the work to build up Freemasonry, if there was nothing in the Masonic Order but antiquated secrecy, as these papers will express themselves?

"The high opinion the Emperor William entertained of Freemasonry is shown by his expressions in 1853, in the Magdeburg Lodge:

"It has been the greatest satisfaction to me to have become a Freemason, because Freemasonry is a Society of men of all positions and age, who are united in the pursuit of a great and noble aim. It has been remarked that I introduced my son in the Masonic Order. His way lies clear and distinct before him, if health and strength be granted him to follow it. I have entrusted him to the lodge, to secure the future of the lodges of Prussia, and in the firm conviction that he will find a true support in the lodge.

"No one—he may live in whatever a position that may be—can attain a thing by himself.

"Everyone requires the assistance of true fellow workers, who pursue with him the good and the true."

"In introducing his son to the lodge, the late Emperor William addressed him as follows:

"There is only one aim to attain in human life, to fully recognise its highest principles; to attain this the lodge will help you if it will be continually thy endeavour to follow its holy teachings and to practise these teachings' . . .

"Mayest thou become the great support to the Masonic Order, and thy future will not only be secured, but thou wilt feel the glorious satisfaction to have contributed to spread around thee that which is good and true."

"Often, and with the greatest pleasure, the late Emperor Frederic, when as Crown Prince, surrounded by all the pomp he enjoyed by right of his Royal position, used to visit the lodges, he put aside all the Royal distinctions and associated with his fellow creatures, deriving the greatest satisfaction in feeling in their midst as a simple human being, and doing honour to humanity by works of sincere Charity.

"The following is one of the many expressions of the late Emperor Frederic regarding Freemasonry:

"Freemasonry will not estrange people from the Church; on the contrary, no other Society will rouse more true religiousness and lead its members to the Church than Freemasonry."

"When the Grand Lodge of England, through its Grand Master, the Prince of Wales, sent an address of condolence to the Emperor Frederic, on the death of the Emperor William, the Emperor Frederic thanked, in his reply to the Prince of Wales, as follows:

"I received with a deep sensation and a brotherly feeling the expressions of sympathy which your Royal Highness, in the name of the United lodges of England, has presented to me, and I am convinced they represented their sincere feelings at the decease of my beloved father, the glorious Emperor William, who throughout the world was equally praised as monarch and as Freemason. Under his protection, Freemasonry has been able to uphold its name as a royal art.

"Pure and noble in his feelings, animating in words and in deeds the brother Masons who followed his high example on the road of culture, knowledge, and goodness, he was, up to his entrance into eternity, the brilliant example of all his brother Masons, who, though distributed over the world, are united in the royal art.

"In the same spirit as the late Emperor William, I shall endeavour to give my sincerest support to Freemasonry."

"Frederic William III. expressed himself one day as follows:

"The Freemasons are my best subjects."

"The Emperors William and Frederic found this sentence fully confirmed, for they knew that the love for the Emperor and the Empire was taught in the lodges.

"If at the present moment no German Emperor is at the head of Freemasonry, the latter will always be led by the high spirits of the two late Emperors.

"Great in thought, as in deed, were our two late Emperors in their enthusiasm for everything that is good, true, and beautiful, and so they stood firm to the Freemasons up to their last breath. All the lofty qualities of heart and mind, accompanied by the heroic spirit characteristic of the Hohenzollerns, have been transferred to the present Emperor William II. and his brother, Prince Henry.

"This is the reply we have to make to the malevolent attacks of an antagonistic Press."

## Knights Templar.

## MOUNT CALVARY ENCAMPMENT (D).

—This old encampment met at the Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's Inn Fields, on the 13th inst. Among those present were Sir Knights J. H. Dodson, E.C.; W. Paas, P.G. B.B., P.E.C., Treas.; T. C. Walls, P.G.C. of G., P.E.C., Reg.; H. J. Lardner, Expert; L. Steele, C. Slater, N. Prower, M.A., George Graveley, I.P.E.C.; F. W. Driver, M.A., P.E.C.; Thomas, and others. Sir Knight the Rev. W. Lemon, M.A., P.G. Prior of Devonshire, was a visitor.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and confirmed. Sir Knight Capt. Stohwasser was elected E.C., and Sir Knight W. Pass, Treasurer. A Past Eminent Commander's jewel was voted to the E.C. Comp. W. Hale-Hilton was balloted for, but was unavoidably prevented from attending to be installed. Apologies for absence were received from Sir Knights F. Binckes, P.E.C.; Glenn, P.E.C.; A. Williams, P.E.C.; C. Driver, P.E.C.; R. Berridge, P.E.C.; Capt. F. Stohwasser, Capt. Richardson, and others.

The encampment was then closed, and the sir knights adjourned to the banquet.

## Queensland.

## NEW MASONIC LODGE IN BRISBANE.

Nearly 30 brethren of the Craft were present at a meeting held in the Albion Public Hall, on Friday, July 27th, for the purpose of forming a Masonic lodge to work under the United Grand Lodge of England. Bro. the Hon. J. R. Dickson presided. It was resolved to petition the District Grand Master to constitute a lodge to be called the Albion Lodge, the first Master to be Bro. the Hon. J. R. Dickson. The Master elect appointed Bro. the Hon. C. Holmes A'Court to be S.W.; Bro. A. M'Nish Fraser to be J.W.; and Bro. G. A. Parmenter to be Secretary. The date for constitution was fixed for Monday, 13th August, and the Monday on or before the full moon was fixed as the regular meeting nights. The preparation of by-laws was entrusted to a Sub-Committee. A guarantee fund was formed, and Bro. H. Stanwix was appointed Treasurer "pro tem." Nearly the whole of the lodge furniture (jewels, regalia, and an American organ) were promised as gifts to the new lodge by several brethren, and there is every prospect that the Albion Lodge will start under the most favourable auspices. This will make the fifth lodge (E.C.) in Brisbane, the previous one being the General Gordon Lodge, No. 2119.

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NOTICE OF MOTION.

By Bro. C. J. PERCEVAL, Vice-President—

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## To Correspondents.

The following communications among others unavoidably stand over:—

CRAFT—Acacia Lodge, No. 1309; Wellington Lodge, No. 1521.

INSTRUCTION—Islington Lodge, No. 1471.

ROYAL ARCH—Star Chapter, No. 1275.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED RITE.—St. Cuthbert's Chapter, No. 96.

ROSICRUCIAN SOCIETY OF ENGLAND.—Metropolitan College.

Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Somerset.

Inauguration of a New Masonic Hall, at Leith.

Dedication of New Masonic Rooms, at York.

Annual Banquet of the Lewises Lodge of Instruction, No. 1209.

## BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED.

"La Revista Masonica del Peru," "Australasian Keystone," "Freemasons' Repository," "Masonic Advocate," "Victorian Freemason," "Die Bauhutte," "Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Maine," "Proceedings of the Grand Commandery of Maine," "Freemasons' Journal" (New York), "New Zealand Masonic Journal," "Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of All Scottish Freemasonry in India," "South African Freemason," "Freimaurer-Zeitung," "Keystone," "Boletin Oficial de Andalucia," "Boletin Oficial de la Liga Masonica del Uruguay," and "South Australian Freemason."



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1888.

## Original Correspondence.

THE ANGLO-AMERICAN LODGE.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

Your account taken from the American papers of our visit to America has been most gratifying to both of us, also your notices of the same. They convey but a faint idea of our generous and cordial reception, which will ever be a pleasant remembrance. We can truly say that nothing but brotherly kindness was manifested from the time of landing until we re-embarked.

To the Grand Master of Maryland (Bro. Thomas J. Shryock), the Grand Officers, Present and Past, the Baltimore brethren, Bro. C. E. Meyer and the Philadelphia brethren, and the Grand Secretary of New York (Bro. Ehlers), on behalf of the Anglo-American Lodge, we return our most sincere thanks, and we both hope that our visit has been the means of strengthening the link of fraternal Brotherhood between the two nations.—Yours faithfully and fraternally,

G. REYNOLDS, Secretary,

JOHN SKINNER, D.C.,

Anglo-American Lodge, 2191.

## Reviews.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF  
MAINE, 1888. Portland: Stephen Berry, Printer.  
1888.

This is a most complete and exhaustive report of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Maine at its 69th Annual Communication in May last, supplemented by a number of other reports, the most important of which are the statistical, which exhibit the present condition of Freemasonry in this jurisdiction, and the report on Foreign Correspondence. The whole forms a substantial 8vo volume of 320 pages, of which the report on Correspondence occupies about 180 pages. As regards the proceedings at the Annual Communication, without concerning ourselves about matters of purely local interest, we may state generally that the brethren met under very encouraging circumstances, Bro. Frank E. Sleeper, M.W.G.M., presided in person, and was well supported by the Grand Officers, both Present and Past, as well as by the representatives of 172 out of the 187 lodges on the roll. The Grand Master in his customary address referred to the principal occurrences of the past year, noting with regret the decease of several brethren of good standing, among whom were mentioned Bro. T. J. Murray, a Past Grand Master, Bro. Joseph R. Bodwell, Governor of the State of Maine, and the Emperor William of Germany. He congratulated the brethren on the flourishing condition of the Craft under his jurisdiction, and expressed himself hopefully as regards its future prospects. The G. Secretary's report was very satisfactory. From the statement of accounts submitted by the G. Treasurer, it appeared that after defraying the expenses of the year there remained a balance of cash in hand or on deposit of over 8000 dollars, and a total of investments amounting to 22,600 dollars. The Grand Secretary's report on returns shows a total membership of 20,261, as compared with 20,218 in 1887. The following brethren were elected to fill the principal offices in Grand Lodge for the ensuing year, namely: Bros. Frank E. Sleeper, M.W.G.M.; Albro E. Chace, Dep. G.M.; L. M. Kenniston, S.G.W.; Samuel G. Davis, J.G.W.; Frederick Fox, G. Treas.; and Ira Berry, G. Sec. On one of the days of meeting the work of the Third Degree was exemplified by the Master and officers of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 17, and a vote of thanks unanimously accorded to them for the exemplary manner in which they performed the task. On the third and last day of the Communication, Bro. Sleeper was re-installed as G. Master for the new year by Bro. Josiah H. Drummond, Past G. Master, after which the Report on Correspondence, in the compilation of which the latter had taken the chief part, was presented, and Grand Lodge closed with the usual formalities. The reports, which are included in these proceedings, contain a mass of instructive reading.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY  
OF MAINE, 1888. Portland: Stephen Berry,  
Printer. 1888.

The annual conclave at which the proceedings herein described took place was held at the Masonic Hall, Portland, on the 2nd and 3rd May last. Sir Knight William J. Burnham, Grand Commander, presided, and was well supported by Sir Knight Joseph A. Locke, Deputy Grand Commander, and the Grand Officers generally, as well as by the representatives of 15 out of the 16 commanderies on the roll. The Grand Commander, in his address, described the principal events of the past year, and the principal Grand Officers handed in their reports, that of the Grand Treasurer containing a very satisfactory statement of account, while the report on returns showed a total membership of 2065. The following were elected and installed as principal Grand Officers for the ensuing year, namely: Sir Knights Joseph A. Locke, G. Commander; Edwin M. Fuller, Deputy G. Commander; Arlington B. Marston, G.G.; John E. Avery, G. Capt. Gen.; M. Crosley, G. Prelate; Thomas P. Shaw, G.S.W.; W. J. Landers, G.J.W.; Charles Fobes, G. Treas.; and Ira Berry, G. Recorder. A vote of thanks to Sir Knight Burnham for his services as Grand Commander during the past year and the presentation of the report on correspondence by Sir Knight Stephen Berry brought the proceedings to a conclusion. In addition to the report on Correspondence are a number of statistical tables and returns, which contain the fullest information as to the condition of the Templar Order in Maine, and will be found valuable by those who give their attention to this branch of Masonic study.



## 502] BRO. PROFESSOR ROMAGNOSI.

In a footnote to that interesting work "My Ten Years' Imprisonment," by Silvio Pellico, as Englished by Thomas Roscoe (which I am glad to see included in Cassell's National Library, so that the reader can procure it for three pence), I find the following: "Gian Domenico Romagnosi, a native of Piacenza, was for some years Professor of Criminal Law in the University of Pavia. He is the author of several philosophical works, but more especially of the *Genesi del Diritto Penale*, which spread his reputation both throughout and beyond Italy. Though at an advanced age, he was repeatedly imprisoned and examined on the charge of having belonged to a Lodge of Freemasons; a charge advanced against him by an ungrateful Tyrolean, who had initiated him into, and favoured him as a fellow member of, the same Society, and who had the audacity actually to sit as judge upon his friend's trial." I will be glad to learn any further particulars of Bro. Romagnosi; also of the perjured and "ungrateful Tyrolean," whose infamy is alluded to, but whose name is not given in the note. It ought to be dragged to light, if possible, and held up as a scarecrow, to warn others from following such a perfidious example.

GEORGE MARKHAM TWEDDELL.

## 503] ROYAL YORKSHIRE LODGE, No. 265, KEIGHLEY.

In the address by R.W. Bro. T. W. Tew, P.G.D., Prov. G.M. of West Yorkshire, at the celebration of the centenary of the "Royal Yorkshire" Lodge at Keighley, on the 10th inst., he is reported to have stated that this lodge, having a warrant dated 23rd August, 1788, "changed its name the year it was opened at Halifax to 'Royal Yorkshire,' and was in 1789 known as No. 552," that in 1792 it became 461, in 1813, No. 517, and in 1832, No. 342, and that "it was removed to Huddersfield 20th March, 1837, and on the 18th January, 1863, it took at Keighley the number which it now holds, viz., 265, and the name 'Royal Yorkshire.'" I desire to state that the foregoing appears to have been compiled in error, for the facts are as follows: The lodge at Keighley was warranted, as stated, on 23rd August, 1788, as "The Milnes Lodge," and changed its name in the same year to the "Royal Yorkshire," appearing in the Calendar for 1789 as No. 530, "Royal Yorkshire Lodge, Devonshire Arms, Kighly, Yorkshire." I do not find that it was ever at Halifax or Huddersfield, but that it has always been at Keighley, its numbers since 1789 having been 439 in 1792, 503 in 1814, 332 in 1832, and 265 from 1863 to the present date. Some of the particulars given by Bro. Tew evidently belongs to an entirely different lodge, which was warranted on 6th November, 1789, and appears in the Calendar as No. 552, "Lodge of Harmony, Angel Inn, Halifax, Yorkshire." This lodge did remove to Huddersfield in March, 1837, where it is still located, as No. 275 on the Register.

JNO. LANE.



## Craft Masonry.

**CLERKENWELL LODGE (No. 1964).**—The installation meeting of this lodge was held, on the 13th inst., at the Holborn Viaduct Hotel. The occasion was one of special interest, from the fact that our esteemed Bro. James Terry had the satisfaction of placing in the chair of King Solomon his son, Bro. James E. Terry, whom he had initiated into Freemasonry exactly seven years before, during which time Bro. J. E. Terry had filled most of the offices of the lodge with much credit to himself and benefit to the lodge. It is needless to say that the ceremony was rendered in an absolutely perfect manner, and was listened to with the greatest interest and attention by all present.

There were present, at the opening of the lodge, Bros. John Tuck, W.M.; James E. Terry, S.W.; W. J. Halford, J.W.; Rev. Dr. Maguire, Chap.; Major Lambert, P.G.S.B., Treas.; Jas. Terry, P.G.S.B., Sec.; Rev. J. H. Rose, M.A., S.D.; C. W. Scott, J.D.; Capt. E. H. Bowyer, I.G.; T. H. Miller, P.M.; J. J. Goode, J.P., P.M.; Capt. Potter, P.M.; W. Davies, Schieb, Tucker, W. C. Clark, H. J. Chapman, Robson, J. Chapman, A. C. Wilks, Baker, Lieut. Lurcott, Wilkinson, Bellingham, Dr. Edwards, Major Rolfe, Capt. Gwinnell, H. M. Barnard, J. H. E. Ramsden, and Herbert Dale. Visitors: Bros. Tessier, P.M. 454 (S.C.), Newfoundland; John G. Stevens, P.M. 554; Robt. H. Halford, P.M. 1580, P.P.G.D. Herts; J. Newton, P.M. 174; H. Nuding, W.M. 1924; E. Howes, W.M. 1599; J. L. Mather, P.A.G.D.C.; J. A. Farnfield, P.A.G.D.C.; A. J. Dixie, P.M. 453, Prov. G.D. Essex; R. C. Sudlow, P.M. 263, P.P.G.D. Kent; J. J. Woolley, P.M. 15; W. Lake, P.M. 131, P.P.G. Reg. Cornwall; H. Sprake, 813; Jno. Phillips, 256; T. Fenn, Pres. B.G.P.; F. J. Hunt, P.M. 228; Sir John B. Monckton, P.G.W.; E. Letchworth, P.G.D.; W. J. Crutch, P.M. 1278, P.P.G.D. Herts; T. C. Walls, Prov. G.W. Middx.; W. Kipps, P.M. 1275, P.P.G. Org. Kent; J. Barnett, jun., S.D. 2192; H. G. Cubitt, 2020; A. Madell, 1201; and R. De Lacy, 1706.

After the reading of the minutes and other business, the W.M. proceeded to initiate two candidates, after which he vacated the chair in favour of Bro. James Terry, to afford him the privilege of installing his son, which ceremony having been performed, the W.M. appointed his officers as follows: Bros. W. J. Alford, S.W.; Rev. J. H. Rose, J.W.; Rev. Robt. Maguire, D.D., Chaplain; Major Lambert, P.G.S.B., Treas.; James Terry, P.G.S.B., Sec.; Chas. W. Scott, S.D.; A. C. Wilks, J.D.; Richd. Baker, P.M. 188, I.G.; H. J. Chapman, Stwd.; T. Hastings Miller, P.P.G. Org. Middx., D.C.; and A.

Walkley, Tyler. The new W.M. then proceeded to initiate a candidate, who, being a personal friend of the W.M., he was naturally desirous of having as his first initiate. On very rare occasions indeed is it permitted to a lodge to witness a ceremony so perfectly rendered by a newly-installed W.M. The son on this occasion showed himself a worthy successor to one, who, as an expounder of our ritual in the Craft and Arch, has few equals. A P.M.'s jewel was then presented to the retiring W.M., and the lodge was closed.

The brethren afterwards adjourned to an excellent banquet.

The toasts of "The Queen and the Craft" and "The M.W. Grand Master" having been proposed,

"The Pro Grand Master, and other Grand Officers," was given next, the W.M. remarking that they were fortunate in having several Grand Officers as visitors. He thanked those brethren for having greatly honoured him with a visit. In addition to the visitors, they had also many Grand Officers as members of the lodge. He called on Bros. Sir John Monckton, T. Fenn, and E. Letchworth to respond.

Sir John Monckton said he did not feel nervous at leaving anything unsaid, because some stalwart brethren were to follow him, and he would be brief; but he could not refrain from referring to the interesting proceedings they had witnessed in the lodge, where the son of one whose name had been so long familiar to them had been installed as W.M. It was a pleasure to them to see how worthily he had followed in his father's footsteps, and the candidate should consider himself specially favoured in having been initiated by one who was capable of rendering the ceremony so perfectly.

Bro. Fenn, in replying, referred to the visit of the Pro Grand Master to Australia, which had resulted in the union of the lodges in that Colony under one jurisdiction, and expressed an opinion that it would have an influence for good in other districts. One Grand Officer they missed from the lodge that day, namely, Bro. Edgar Bowyer—a brother whose charity was unbounded, and whose loss would be felt for years to come. He (Bro. Fenn) was especially pleased to be present, because, having been connected with the Emulation Lodge of Improvement for over 30 years, it was always a source of satisfaction to him when he found a pupil of that lodge attaining the position of W.M., after graduating in what he must be pardoned for saying he considered the best school of Freemasonry in the world.

Bro. Letchworth also replied.

The I.P.M., Bro. John Tuck, then gave the toast of "The W.M." They had all, he said, seen how able he was in the lodge, and how amiable he was at the banquet table, and he predicted a year of happiness and prosperity for the lodge under Bro. Terry's guidance.

The W.M., in reply, thanked all for the hearty greeting with which the toast had been received. He appreciated greatly the honour they had done him in placing him in that chair. He had endeavoured to qualify himself for the position by a diligent attendance at the Lodge of Emulation, and trusted he should perform his duties to their satisfaction.

The Worshipful Master then proposed the toast of "The Initiates," remarking that it had given him much pleasure that his first act in that chair was to initiate an old friend, whom he was glad to welcome there.

Bro. Arthur M. Barnard, in reply, said it was with a great amount of diffidence, but with a greater amount of pleasure, that he rose to thank them for the reception the brethren had given the toast. One regret he had, and that was—that he had not the privilege of joining the Order before, but he would now do his best to prove himself a worthy member of the Craft.

The toast of "The Visitors" next followed, which was responded to by Bros. Farnfield, J. L. Mather, and Tessier.

The W.M. then gave the toast of "The Past Masters," each of whom he described as a Book of Constitutions in himself; and he relied on them in every case, when he was in danger of going wrong, to put him right. He thanked Bro. Tuck for vacating the chair in favour of his father, than whom there was no man living he would rather have been installed by.

Bro. John Tuck, I.P.M., briefly returned thanks as the youngest P.M.

Bro. Hastings Miller also responded, and said he very much regretted to say he was the oldest Past Master, a position he had succeeded to by the death of his dearest friend, both masonically and privately—he referred to the late Bro. Edgar Bowyer. He congratulated the W.M. on his work. He had studied in the good school Emulation, and had proved himself a worthy pupil.

The Worshipful Master then proposed "The Health of the Treasurer and Secretary," two officers whom it would be difficult to match in any lodge. In Bro. Major Lambert they had not only an eminent Mason, but he was equally prominent in the Volunteer world and had held high Civic positions. As Prime Warden of the Goldsmiths' Company this year, it was his proud privilege to have his name handed down to posterity in connection with the princely gift that ancient Company had just made to London. With regard to the Secretary, he (the W. Master) was proud beyond measure that his father occupied the position of Secretary during his year of office, and he trusted he would fill that position for many years to come.

Bros. George Lambert and James Terry responded, and the toast of "The Officers of the Lodge" brought an agreeable evening to a close.

A quartet party, under the direction of Bro. Robt. De Lacey, contributed to the pleasure of the meeting by giving a selection of songs and glances.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the Duke of Westminster as Lord Lieutenant of the newly-created County of London.

To-day (Friday) the hundredth night of the popular drama, "The Still Alarm," will be reached, and to mark the occasion the American element will be entirely dispensed with in favour of the English. Mr. C. Glenney will play the part of Jack Manley, and Miss Grace Hawthorne will resume the part of the heroine of the piece. To complete the change a new fire engine by Messrs. Merryweather will be used in the famous engine house scene in place of the New York steamer. Captain Shaw and several of his staff have promised to be present at the performance.

## ANGLO-AMERICAN LODGE (No. 2191).

An ever-memorable evening was the outcome of the last meeting of the season of the Anglo-American Lodge, No. 2191, which was held at the Criterion, Piccadilly, on the 16th inst. As will be seen in the following report two presentations were made, one to the lodge and the other to Bro. Brackstone Baker, its first W.M., which must, if such a thing be possible, cement still further the fraternal tie already existing between the English brethren and the brethren on the western side of the Atlantic. The attendance of brethren was very large to witness the important ceremonies, and it was with universal regret the announcement was received that severe illness prevented Bro. Adolphus Clark, the W.M., from being present. For the passing of Bros. Edward Jackman, William R. Stretton, and Bernard R. Paul, and the raising of Bro. Emil Albert Rönasen, Bro. Charles Corby, P.M., an adept at the art, took the chair, and he performed these ceremonies in a style which is well known by the members of the St. James's Union Lodge of Instruction and a very large circle of Masonic friends.

At the conclusion of these ceremonies, Bro. George Lambert, P.G. Swd. Br., took the chair, at which time there were present, among others, the following brethren: Bros. Brackstone Baker, P.G.D., I.P.M.; Fred Kedg, S.W.; Theodore H. Tilton, J.W.; Rev. Studholme Brownrigg, P.G. Chap., Chap.; J. B. Cumming, Treas.; George Reynolds, Sec.; John J. Woolley, S.D.; George H. Reynolds, J.D.; J. Rayner, acting I.G.; J. Skinner, D.C.; H. Schartau, Org.; J. Woodward and A. Harris, Stewards; R. F. Potter, Tyler; Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke, Grand Sec.; R. J. Schüller, Dr. I. Zacharie, B. P. Paul, P. Rees, E. A. Rönasen, W. Hancock, J. B. Grieve, Jas. Rowe, C. O. Burgess, W. K. Stretton, John Allen, E. Jackman, A. Barnard, Dr. J. J. Wedgwood, F. A. Clark, F. Jackson, Dr. R. Cross, A. Mella, J. Coltart, E. Mills, F. W. Frigout, J. Williams, W. P. Clark, and W. Lincoln. The visitors were Bros. G. Holby, 1969; G. A. Tucker, 1944; P. Parson, P.M. and Treas. 749; J. Emmet Blackshear, P.G. Secretary Georgia, U.S.A.; Jno. A. Norton, 370, New York; C. S. Taylor, 766; Thos. C. Seary, 1987; P. Faher, 1471; R. Sparrow, 1614; A. L. Bullen, 1614; H. Massey, P.M. 619 and 1928; A. L. Pleiberg, John Church, P.S.W. 2; C. F. Hogard, P.G. Std. Br.; E. J. Moffat, T. C. Pratt, P.M. 957; C. Gills, 162; J. C. Smith, P.M. 1744; H. Steinem, 145; J. Willis, 1828; Cornelius Comes, 41; H. E. Sanders, 917; C. Hirsch, 917; W. H. Kempter, P.M. 890; W. Bellamy, 1627; E. J. Odell, 279; Franklin Clive, 1319; Edwin Child, P.M. 538; E. Humphrey, P.M. 1319; and W. Brindley, P.M. 1604.

Bro. George Reynolds, Secretary, rose and said: W.M.,—On the recent visit of Bro. John Skinner and myself to Baltimore the Grand Master of Maryland handed to me on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Maryland this loving cup (exhibiting the same) as a token of their appreciation of the welcome given by us to their Grand Master on his recent visit to England. At the banqueting table I shall have the pleasure of passing the cup to you, sir, and will, with the loving cup, deliver the message I was charged to deliver on the first occasion of its being passed round our banquet table.

Bro. George Lambert (the loving cup having been handed to him), said: On behalf of the Anglo-American Lodge, and as the appointed P.M. at the time of the visit of the American brethren to this country, I accept most gratefully the cup which is now placed in our hands. May we ever remember that those who were with us are of our own kith and kin, and let that which we fill the cup with be the cup of fraternity only; let us not abuse this cup, but use it to the best of our ability, and endeavour to cement that friendship which exists between Bro. Shryock and the Baltimore Masons and ourselves at the present time.

At the request of Bro. Lambert, Bro. Reynolds read the following inscription on the cup: "The M.W. Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M. of Maryland. At the Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of Maryland, held in Baltimore, November 16th, A.L. 5887, the following resolution, reported by the Committee, in the Grand Master's Address, was unanimously adopted: 'Anglo-American Lodge, No. 2191, F. and A.M. of England. The grateful acknowledgments of the Grand Lodge are tendered to the Officers and Members of Anglo-American Lodge for their cordial and fraternal courtesies extended our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Bro. Thomas J. Shryock, during his visit to England.'"

Bro. Brackstone Baker then rose, and said those very apposite and appropriate expressions the W.M. in the chair had just used found a repetition in expressions of Mr. Russell Lowell, whom he often quoted. Mr. Lowell said that between English-speaking nations there must be an affinity; there must be a friendship and alliance existing which is not felt so much among other nations which have not the same descent, do not speak the same language, and use the same literature. But in this case it was most fortunate, because just so much as blood is thicker than water, though that water might be the Atlantic ocean, so the friendship was cemented, and the affinity between the two countries must be much more earnest than was formed by travellers going from one country to the other. If any greater proof of this was wanting, it was to be found in the presentation of that beautiful loving cup. If in the lodge's establishment they entertained their American friends, they had had a peaceful invasion by Philadelphian and Baltimore Masons, and those brethren had remembered the kindness they had received, and extended it to brethren from this lodge when they visited the States. This presentation cup was such a token of brotherly affection between the two jurisdictions, that the lodge could not but receive it with feelings of gratitude. The lodges in Maryland were very ancient. The first lodge dated from 1763, long before the War of Independence, which dated from 1766. No. 1 was in Baltimore long before Baltimore was the property of Lord Baltimore. The jurisdiction they owned hailed from Philadelphia, because the District Grand Master dwelt in Philadelphia, and New York was joined with New Jersey for jurisdiction. But Maryland lodges, after this early establishment, had a sort of independence before; they established a Grand Lodge of themselves. Therefore the Grand Lodge of Baltimore went for more than 100 years. Their first warrant was granted by Lord Blaney in 1764 or 1765. When the War of Independence came Masonry prospered among the soldiers, especially the American



soldiers, and ultimately they threw off their English allegiance, and they threw it off for the reason that the geographical limit of the State should be the limit of the Masonic jurisdiction. Masonry had increased there since then, and there were now 182 lodges in the State springing from that single one. Masonry had gone on flourishing and improving, for the evidence of good feeling between the Masons of Maryland and the Masons of England was to be found in the presentation which had now been made to the Anglo-American Lodge. Appreciating as all the brethren must the kindness of the Maryland brethren, he begged to move the following resolution: "That heartiest thanks to the Master, Wardens, and brethren of the Anglo-American Lodge, No. 2191, in open lodge assembled, be and are hereby offered to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of Maryland, U.S., Bro. Thomas J. Shryock, for his magnificent gift to the lodge of an ornamental silver loving cup, with a view to perpetuate the remembrance of the loving fraternal courtesies, the Anglo-American Lodge was happy to have the opportunity of rendering to him not only as Grand Master for the third year in succession of a sister Grand Lodge, but also as the accredited representative at the Grand Lodge of Maryland of the Grand Lodge of England. Further, that this unanimous resolution be entered on the lodge minutes, and a copy thereof, formally certified by the Master and Secretary, be forwarded to Bro. Shryock, together with the thankful acknowledgment of the gratifying resolution of the Grand Lodge of Maryland at its annual communication held in Baltimore on November 16th, A.L. 5887, A.D. 1887, with reference to the recent visit of its Grand Master to England."

Bro. George Lambert seconded, and said the presentation was unique, there being no evidence of anything of this kind having been sent to a private lodge before.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Bro. Brackstone Baker moved, and Bro. Cummings, Treas., seconded the following further resolution: "That the thanks of the lodge be voted to Bro. Thomas Shryock and brethren of Baltimore, also Bro. Charles E. Meyer and brethren of Philadelphia, for the attention and hospitality shown to Bros. George Reynolds, Sec., and John Skinner, D.C., on their recent visit to America, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the respective brethren named. Also a vote of thanks to Bros. Reynolds and Skinner for their successful mission."

This motion was also unanimously adopted.

Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, Grand Secretary, next rose and said he had listened with the greatest gratification to the very interesting proceedings that had just taken place, and certainly, as the W.M. in the chair had said, it was peculiar and unique, nothing similar having happened previously. He could not refrain from offering his congratulations to the Anglo-American Lodge on having that very charming and beautiful present from the Grand Lodge of Maryland, and also on having so soon justified their existence by the way in which they had joined themselves—the English brethren with the brethren in America. When the worthy Secretary was in Maryland he, of course, as the brethren had heard, was introduced to the Grand Master, General Shryock, and on his return to England he called on him (Col. Shadwell H. Clerke), and informed him that General Shryock had placed in his hand a jewel, which he asked that he (Col. Shadwell H. Clerke) should place on Bro. Brackstone Baker's neck as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Maryland at the Grand Lodge of England. The brethren were probably aware that all Grand Lodges which were in amity with each other interchanged representatives, who were, so to speak, ambassadors at each other's courts, and Grand Lodge of England had at that moment a large number of representatives in America. But here, as there were few to represent the Grand Lodges of America, the result was that all the honours for America were showered down on one devoted head, and Bro. Brackstone Baker represented no less than 18 Grand Lodges at the present day. The brethren would therefore see what burden he had to bear on his shoulders. Not content with the former seventeen, they had thought it right to place this additional one on his shoulders, and lately our Grand Master the Prince of Wales had requested the Grand Lodge of Maryland to appoint Bro. Brackstone Baker as their representative. That request had been granted, and therefore, when Bro. Reynolds was in Maryland the other day, the official jewel of their representative was handed to him to convey to him (Col. Shadwell Clerke) for him to invest Bro. Brackstone Baker with in this Anglo-American Lodge as his jewel of office. He (Col. Shadwell Clerke) was there that day with the very greatest pleasure to perform that most important and necessary function. He therefore now placed the jewel round Bro. Baker's neck. Although Bro. Baker represented eighteen jurisdictions he did not bear jewels for them all. If he did he could not support the weight of them, and his life would be a burden; he would have to be heavily insured, or else locked up in a safe. He (Col. Shadwell Clerke) was delighted to place one more jewel round Bro. Baker's neck, and he hoped he might be spared many years to wear it, and represent the good old Lodge of Maryland. He congratulated Bro. Baker on this additional distinction which had been conferred upon him.

Bro. Brackstone Baker, in acknowledging the presentation, said, to repeat a well-worn quotation, some were born to honours, some achieved them, and some had honours thrust upon them. He was afraid he must be one who had honours undeservedly thrown upon him, because when the Grand Secretary called him a representative man, and presented him with that jewel, he might accompany it with the phrase that as long as he did not disgrace that jewel it would never disgrace him. To that, however, he would add that in case of any schism or of any un-Masonic proceeding on the part of any Grand Lodge he represented, his loyalty and sincerity were so great towards the Grand Lodge of England, that he should, as in the case of a Grand Lodge west of Maryland, throw up his representation; he would be the first to resign the office and hand the honour back again, and say—"Tis an honour which is unworthy of my holding." He was the first ambassadorial representative of the Grand Lodge of Maryland to the Grand Lodge of England, and he had some work to do in that capacity. He did not say he would go to Baltimore, as Bros. Reynolds and Skinner did. If he did, he would, perhaps, be overwhelmed with kindness as they were. But he must say that when the Anglo-American Lodge received the American visitors they unbundled their hearts, their pockets, and their larders. He thanked the Grand Secretary very much for what he had said, but he had some other thanks to return as well.

greatest misfortune that could befall a man had happened to him—the greatest and blackest cloud that could hang over a man—the greatest blank of life. But he must say he had found the kind feelings of the brethren, not only of this lodge, but of other lodges, and the Lodge of Emulation. For that tenderness towards him he could not be sufficiently thankful, and if there was anything which could lighten a heavy affliction it was the tenderness, kindness, and forbearance of the brethren when he was Master of the lodge, and their sympathy with him in his distress.

Lodge was then closed, and the brethren partook of a choice banquet, under the personal superintendence of Bro. G. P. Bertini.

The loving cup was, at the conclusion of the banquet, placed in the hands of Bro. George Lambert by Bro. Geo. Reynolds, Secretary, who said: W.M., I hold in my hand the loving cup mentioned in our lodge meeting. You, Sir, may not see it, but I am sure you will take my word as having seen it—that this loving cup, or kissing cup as it is called by our American brethren, bears upon it and within it the long kiss which we have brought across the Atlantic from them to you. The Grand Master of Maryland expressed a wish that we should use it constantly at our banquets as a lasting memorial of the fraternal link existing between them and us. In passing it to you, Sir, I have been charged to deliver this message—"May each kiss or sip taken from this cup be the means of cementing more firmly together the fraternal brotherhood of the two great nations."



After the loyal toasts,

Bro. George Lambert, P.G. Swd. Br., proposed "The Sister Grand Lodges of the United States and the Dominion of Canada." He said the brethren ought to drink that toast right royally, as the brethren of the lodge were indebted to the Grand Master of Maryland, Bro. Shryock, for the elegant cup which had been presented that night. The cup was presented in recognition of Bro. Shryock's reception by that lodge when he was in England. It would ill become him to say why the country of Maryland was called Maryland in preference to any other country, though it was named after the daughter of Charles I.—Princess Mary—and Baltimore was really New England.

Bro. the Rev. J. S. Brownrigg, P.G.C., next said he was fortunate to find that accident had placed in his hands certainly one of the toasts of the evening. Accident, he said, because at present the number of P.M.'s was limited, and, although he happened not to be a P.M. of the lodge, he was the senior in rank left. The brethren would wish him to rise equal to the occasion; he did not often do so; but if he ever did it was in the presence of the Anglo-American brethren. They first deeply regretted the absence of the W.M., through illness, but they could only express the hope he would shortly regain his perfect capacity to be with them. His place, however, was well filled by Bro. Lambert, of whom, whether English or Americans, they were all justly proud. Whether they looked upon him as a descendant of the Huguenots, the men who struggled for religious freedom and liberty, or as a representative of the great City Companies as Warden of the Goldsmiths' Company, they recognised in him a man of European reputation. If he could surpass the freedom of his ancestors or of the great City of London, it was in a Masonic lodge, where they gathered together French, American, or men of any nationality.

Bro. George Lambert replied, and said he should write to the W.M., telling him of the sympathy which was felt for him in his illness.

The toast of "The Visitors" followed, to which Bro. C. F. Hogard, P.G. Std. Br., replied.

Among the replies to the toast of "The P.M.'s," was one reply by Bro. George Reynolds, who said that the work entailed on him and Bro. Skinner by their mission to America was only a labour of love. They took with them the illuminated copy of the vote of thanks for the jewel the Grand Master of Maryland presented. If the brethren had seen Bro. Shryock at the dinner given to them at Baltimore, they would never have forgotten it, for he had never seen a brother so delighted with a piece of parchment, which had been brought 3300 miles. It was a proof, Bro. Shryock said, that there was an affection between the Anglo-American Lodge and himself. Bro. Skinner and he (Bro. Reynolds) felt that they had done more than any amount of letter-writing could have done in cementing the great fraternal brotherhood between the two great nations. One American brother said at the lodge, "How did you call it Anglo-American Lodge; how many Americans have you in it?" He replied, "Our Grand Master, the Prince of Wales, would not grant a charter or warrant to us unless we could prove to him we had a certain number of American brethren amongst us;" and when he was informed that Bros. Clark (their W.M.), Tilton, and

Cumming were Americans, with their Consul-General, Bro. T. M. Walker, he was convinced that the lodge was not a mere sham, but that it was an Anglo-American lodge. Bro. Shryock told him he was going to found an American-Anglo lodge, and Bro. Skinner and himself (Bro. Reynolds) wished to become founders. It was a great grief to the American brethren that there were not more English present to take part in the wonderful greetings given to the English brethren who were two days behind time at New York. Bro. Meyer, of Philadelphia, was so anxious about the visitors that he travelled down to New York and waited two days for them. That was a grand proof of the love of the American brethren for them. Bro. Meyer took them across and gave them a dinner, and said, "You must not stop here, you must come to Philadelphia for two or three days." They pleaded that they had no money of the country, and must get change, but that was no bar, and then they passed on to Baltimore. At Maryland the Grand Master met them in his carriage, took them to the hotel, and entertained them three days. The brethren there were not only ready to entertain them (Bros. Reynolds and Skinner) but the whole of the Anglo-American Lodge. It had been a glorious time! They began at nine in the morning and left off about two or three the next morning. He was an old Steward himself, but he could not have stood it much longer. Referring to the toast, he said it was a great pleasure to him to act as Secretary of the lodge, and as long as he was spared it would be a gratification to do so. The lodge was doing wonderfully well, but the great thing it was doing, of which they would always be proud, was that through it the great link of fraternal brotherhood would grow between them and America firmer and firmer than ever.

The other toasts were honoured, and the brethren, who had enjoyed a charming musical entertainment, under the direction of the Organist of the lodge, Bro. Schartau, by Bro. Franklin Clive and Bro. Odell, separated before midnight.

**CATOR LODGE (No. 2256).**—The third regular meeting of this new lodge was held at the Railway Hotel, Beckenham, on Wednesday, the 17th inst. There was a large attendance, including Bros. J. Hill, P.M., P.G.S. Surrey, W.M.; Fox, P.M., S.W.; R. C. Davis, J.W.; G. B. Carlton, Sec.; Griffier, S.D.; Osterstock, J.D.; Scriven, I.G.; Reinhardt, Tyler; Klyne, Hornsby, Hewett, Ralli, Bright, Thornton, Lovelock, Adams, Jones, Dr. Medcalf, P.M.; Chalk, Ponsford, Cook, F. Hilton, P.M., P.Z. 1275; Frye, and Carr. Visitors: Bros. W. Munday, P.M. 1201; and C. Woods, 1869.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ballot was taken for Bros. T. Whiffen, 1815, and H. Springett, 766, as joining members, also for Messrs. W. D. Carr and T. W. Jones, as initiates, which in each case proved unanimous. Bro. Hewett was invested as Asst. D.C. Bros. Chalk, Thornton, Klyne, Ponsford, Cook, Bright, and Cumberland were raised to the Sublime Degree of M.M. Bros. Ralli and Bryce were passed to the Second Degree. Messrs. Carr and Jones were initiated. The work in each instance was done in a most masterly manner, reflecting great credit upon the officers. The report of the Committee on the lodge of instruction was received and adopted, as was the report of the by-laws Committee. The Secretary read several apologies for absence and other communications, after which the lodge was closed.

**CARNARVON.—Segontium Lodge (No. 606).**—The annual installation in connection with the above lodge took place on the 17th inst., on which occasion Bro. H. Hardman, the I.P.M., acted as the Installing Master. Bro. E. Roberts, M.A., H.M. Sub-Inspector of Schools in North Wales, was installed W.M. of the lodge, and appointed his officers as follows: Bros. C. Rowland, S.W.; W. Jones, J.W.; Rev. W. Morgan, P.M., Chap.; R. W. Newton, S.D.; J. Williams, J.D.; W. C. Whiskin, I.G.; Dr. W. G. Owen, Org.; George Challinor and W. Hamer, Stwds.; D. Davies, D.C.; and W. Watkins, Tyler.

There was a large number of visiting brethren.

**MANCHESTER.—Blair Lodge (No. 815).**—The installation of Bro. H. W. Riley took place and the St. John's Festival was celebrated in the Hulme Town Hall on Friday, the 12th inst. Present: Bros. Bryce Blair, W.M.; H. W. Riley, S.W.; W. R. Sowter, P.M., Treas.; J. Wrigley, Sec.; W. W. Wain, S.D.; S. C. Lowe, J.D.; J. Sly, Tyler; H. L. Rocca, P.M., P.P.G.D.; E. Harris, P.M.; W. H. Hopkins, P.M., P.P.G.D.C.; J. Sheldrick, P.M.; W. Davies, J. McEwen, S. Cox, J. W. White, W. Harrison, D. MacLennan, J. Binns, W. Peel, and J. Wray. Visitors: Bros. J. W. Allison, P.M. 993, P.G. Treas.; W. H. Vaughan, P.M. 1030, P.G. Reg.; Rev. E. Bigoe Bagot, P.P.G.C. Cheshire, P.G. Chap. East Lanc.; W. Bagnall, P.M. 204, P.S.G.D.; J. M. Sinclair, P.M. 163, P.P.S.G.D.; J. Barker, P.M. 1134, P.P.G.T.; J. L. Aspland, P.M. 633, P.P.G. Reg.; R. L. Lisenden, P.M. 317, P.G. Steward; N. Dumville, P.M. 152, P.P.G. Steward; H. Vollmer, P.M. 1140, P.P. S.G.D. W. Lanc.; R. Davies, P.M. 1387, P.P.G.S.B. W. Lanc.; J. Hoyle, 1936; C. Crowther, S.W. 992; T. P. Higgins, P.M.; J. K. Blair, I.P.M. 1387; T. R. Langtry, 163; J. Thistlethwaite, 1387; F. Cott, late 815; T. G. Berry, 44; G. Driver, J.D. 163; and A. B. Outram, P.M. 1052.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. H. L. Rocca, P.M., P.P.S.G.D., having taken the chair, the W.M. elect, Bro. H. W. Riley, was duly presented, after which the W.M., Bro. Bryce Blair resumed his duties, and raised Bro. Cox to the Sublime Degree of a M.M. Bro. Ephraim Harris, P.M., then took the chair, and installed Bro. W. H. Riley into the chair of K.S. The W.M. then invested his officers for the ensuing year as follows: Bros. E. Harris, S.W.; J. Wrigley, J.W.; W. R. Sowter, P.M., Treas.; W. W. Wain, Sec.; S. C. Lowe, S.D.; J. W. White, J.D.; W. Peel, I.G.; and J. Sly, Tyler. The three addresses were delivered by the oldest P.M. of the lodge, viz., Bro. Towle.

Before the lodge was closed, Bro. H. L. Rocca, P.M., P.P.S.G.D., presented the lodge with a very fine engraved portrait of Bro. Col. Le Gendre N. Starkie, Prov. G.M., which was acknowledged with grateful thanks, after which "Hearty good wishes" were expressed by the numerous visitors, and the lodge was closed.

The brethren afterwards celebrated the Festival of St.



John with a banquet, after which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and responded to.

Bro. Sowter, P.M., in a humorous speech, proposed "The Health of the W.M., Bro. H. W. Riley," which was well received and responded to by Bro. Riley, who, before sitting down, proposed "The Health of the I.P.M., Bro. Bryce Blair," and presented him, in the name of the lodge, with a P.M.'s gold jewel.

Other toasts were proposed and responded to, and a pleasant evening was spent.

The jewel was manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, 47, Bridge-street, Manchester.

**KINGSTON-ON-THAMES.**—Dobie Lodge (No. 889).—The meetings of the above lodge were resumed on Wednesday, the 17th inst., at the Griffin Hotel, after the summer vacation. The W.M., Bro. W. Drewett, opened the lodge, supported by Bros. Chapman, I.P.M.; F. J. Hayward, S.D., as S.W.; Colbron, P.M., J.W.; Long, P.M., Treas.; Elsam, P.M., Sec.; and A. M. Levy, as I.G.

There was no working to be done, and the attendance of members, as is generally the case at the October meeting, was but small. The W.M. drew the attention of the brethren to the appearance of the I.P.M. in the purple and gold of Provincial G. office, and congratulated him upon the honour conferred upon him by the Prov. G.M. Two propositions were made for election and initiation, and, after hearing a highly satisfactory report from Bro. Long as to his Stewardship at the Girls' Centenary, the lodge was closed, and the brethren partook of refreshment. The presence of Bro. Sebastian Hart, P.M. and Org. 3, helped to pass a most pleasant evening.

**SOUTHEND.**—Priory Lodge (No. 1000).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Thursday, the 18th inst., at the Middleton Hotel, when there were present Bros. G. R. Dawson, P.M., P.P.S.G.D., as W.M.; G. J. Glasscock, P.M., 1817, P.P.G.B., S.W.; W. E. Bridgland, P.M., 933, J.W.; Rev. T. W. Herbert, P.M., 313, P.P.G.C., Chap.; F. Wood, P.M., P.P.S.G.W., Treas.; A. Lucking, P.M., P.G.P., Sec.; B. Thomas, J.D., as S.D.; T. F. Barrett, P.M., P.P.G.R., D.C.; A. Vanderoord, I.G.; A. W. Martin, Tyler; E. B. Durham, W. Trigg, J. Hobday, E. F. Wood, C. H. Bowmaker, A. U. Higgins, and J. A. Dyling, W.M. 160. (visitors.)

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. A. U. Higgins was passed to the Second Degree. A candidate for initiation proposed, lodge closed, and the brethren adjourned to refreshment.

**MANCHESTER.**—Derby Lodge (No. 1055).—The installation of Bro. Thomas E. Rigby took place, and the St. John's Festival celebrated, on Thursday, the 11th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Bedford-street, Bury New-road, when there were present Bros. Walter Owen Pettitt, W.M.; Chas. Smith, J.W.; E. G. Hughes, P.M., P.P.G.D., Treas.; J. Heywood, Sec.; J. Challenger, S.D.; J. W. Hallam, J.D.; J. B. Peace, I.G.; C. R. Hardman, Org.; R. Williamson, P.M., P.P.G.P.; T. E. Rigby, P.M. 287; A. Morrison, P.M.; J. Haworth, F. Hilton, G. Chappell, J. Chapman, G. McWilliams, J. M. Grierson, T. Dearden, J. R. Smith, G. W. Simpole, H. Grimshaw, T. Westbitt, J. Hilton, P. W. Ohlmus, J. Featherstone, and T. Smith. Visitors: Bros. R. Newhouse, Prov. G. Sec. Cheshire; J. J. Meakin, P.M. 992, Prov. J.G.W.; W. W. Dawson, P.M. 1219, P.P.A.G.D.C.; W. Nicholl, P.M. 317, 1170, P.P.G. Treas.; J. W. Abbott, P.M. 1459, 1030, P.P.G.D.C.; S. Myerscough, P.P.G. Org.; R. R. Lisenden, P.M. 317, P.G. Stwd.; N. Dumville, P.P.G. Stwd.; Allen Avison, W.M. 2156; J. Chadwick, 1387; W. H. Maddock, 1011; A. S. Kinnell, 2156; Cuthbert Blacow, 2156; C. Turner, P.M. 1011, 2156; W. Dumville, 2156; J. Garside, P.M. 317; Geo. McClelland, W.M. 287; P. Stopford, W.M. 1077; John Wardle, W.M. 1534; A. Grice, W.M. 992; J. Turner, P.M. 462; and J. W. Leathley, J.W. 1126, 2231.

The lodge was opened, and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed. The W.M. elect, Bro. Thos. Emanuel Rigby was presented by Bro. A. Morrison, P.M., to the Installing Master (Bro. Walter Owen Pettitt), and after the usual preliminaries, he was installed into the chair of K.S. with all due rite and ceremony. The new W.M. was subsequently proclaimed and saluted in the usual manner. The following brethren were invested officers for the ensuing year: Bros. W. O. Pettitt, I.P.M.; C. Smith, S.W.; J. Challenger, J.W.; G. Chappell, Treas.; J. Heywood, Sec.; J. W. Hallam, S.D.; J. Peace, J.D.; H. Grimshaw, Org.; and C. R. Hardman, I.G. The addresses to the W.M. and brethren were delivered by Bro. J. J. Meakin, P.M. 992, P.J.G.W., and to the Wardens by Bro. A. Morrison.

"Hearty good wishes" having been expressed by the visitors, the lodge was closed. The Festival of St. John was subsequently celebrated, and a capital banquet, supplied by Mr. Skinner, of the Atlantic, gave universal satisfaction.

After dinner, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, including "The W.M.," "The I.P.M.," "The Visitors," "The Officers," "The Executive Committee," &c., and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

A handsome gold jewel was presented to Bro. Walter O. Pettitt, manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, 47, Bridge-street, Manchester.

The following well-known local talent contributed valuable aid to the brethren's enjoyment with a choice selection of glees, songs, &c.: Bros. N. and W. Dumville, C. Blacow, A. S. Kinnell, and Charles Turner.

**NEWHAM-ON-SEVERN.**—Royal Forest of Dean Lodge (No. 1067).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Tuesday, the 16th instant, at the Town Hall, when there were present Bros. W. G. Roberts, W.M.; S. W. Hadingham, S.W.; J. T. Nundy, J.W.; Thos. Cadle, P.M., Treas.; M. F. Carter, P.M., Sec.; W. Spence, S.D.; J. Shaw Carleton, P.M., J.D.; John Shiles, acting I.G.; Job Webb, Tyler; S. W. Woods, I.P.M.; A. Parker, P.M.; J. S. Bradstock, P.M.; Chas. A. Gould, A. M. Irwin, A. D. Pringle, and Chas. Carlisle.

The lodge having been opened, Bros. Pringle and Carlisle were passed to the Second Degree, the ceremony being performed by the W.M.

The brethren then adjourned to the banqueting room, where the evening was spent in harmony.

**BATTLE.**—Abbey Lodge (No. 1184).—The usual monthly meeting of this lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, on Thursday, the 18th inst., when there were present Bros. W. T. Jordan, W.M.; Robt. Hughes, I.P.M. and Sec.; R. T. Davison, M.D., S.W.; T. J. Walder, J.W.; Rev. E. R. Currie, D.D., P.M., Prov. G. Chap.; W. Lamborn, P.M., P.P.G.P., D.C.; H. G. F. Wells, P.M., P.P.G.P., Treas.; T. W. Avis, acting Sec.; J. B. Foster, S.D.; W. A. Raper, J.D.; J. W. Pepper, I.G.; C. Leary, Tyler; J. B. Sargent, P.M., P.P.G.P.; W. C. Till, C. Martin, G. Farley, F. G. Ticehurst, F. W. Hotham, J. Chance, and C. J. Honisett. Visitor: Bro. E. J. McCormick, 40.

The minutes of the last meeting having been confirmed, the W.M. expressed his very great regret at the loss which Bro. R. Hughes, I.P.M. and Secretary, had sustained by fire, and Bro. Rev. E. R. Currie moved that a vote of sympathy with Bro. Hughes should be recorded on the minutes; this was seconded by Bro. Dr. Davison, S.W., and carried unanimously, and Bro. Hughes feelingly returned his thanks. The W.M. then congratulated Bro. Currie on having for the third time been appointed Prov. Grand Chaplain. A ballot was next taken for Mr. Superintendent Smith, and he, being approved and within hail, was admitted and initiated, the ceremony throughout being performed by the W.M., Bro. Jordan, in a masterly manner. A long discussion then took place on a motion by Bro. Currie, which necessitated an alteration of the by-laws, and ultimately a Committee was appointed to consider a general revision of the by-laws. All business being ended, the lodge was closed.

**SEACOMBE.**—Warren Lodge (No. 1276).—The installation meeting of this lodge was held on Tuesday, the 16th instant, at the Seacombe Hotel. There was a numerous attendance of visitors and members. Amongst the visitors were Bros. F. Gamlin, W.M. 605, P.P.G.S.; T. Wilson, 1289; W. Clark, W.M. 832; T. Roberts, P.M. 673; T. Sheen, P.M. 856; S. S. Fisher, 220; Jas. T. Lee, 605, P.P.G. Supt. of Wks.; T. G. Brown; W. R. Roberts, 673; R. C. Monk, 1264; John Howarth, 10 (U.S.A.); P. R. Barrow, S.W. 1570; J. Caldwell, I.G. 1570; J. Fussell Jones, P.M. 1276; J. C. Robinson, P.M. 249, P.G. Stwd. W. Lancs.; and a large number of brethren of the lodge. Letters of apology were read from Bros. Lord Egerton, P.G.M.; Thos. Marwood, P.P.S. G.W.; J. Newell, P.P.G. Supt. of Wks.; and others.

The lodge being opened by the W.M., Bro. H. Matthews, P.M., P.P.G.S., took the chair, and installed Bro. Alfred Fay, S.W., as W.M. for the coming year; after which the newly-installed W.M. appointed and invested the following brethren as his officers: Bros. R. Luke, I.P.M.; R. Parry, S.W.; D. B. Risk, J.W.; E. G. Mason, Treas.; W. Cloves, Sec.; W. W. Mellor, S.D.; W. Ellison, J.D.; W. Davidson, I.G.; Thos. B. Hughes, P.M., D.C.; H. W. Barlow, S. Jones, F. E. Sharpe, and C. C. Nicholls, Stwds.; and A. Seaton, Org.

The business being concluded, the brethren adjourned to the banqueting room, where a banquet was served, after partaking of which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed.

In giving the toast of "The Past Masters," the W.M. referred in flattering terms to the able services rendered to the lodge by the I.P.M. (Bro. Luke), at the same time presenting him, on behalf of the lodge, with a handsome P.M.'s jewel (manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, 2, Monument-place, Liverpool), in recognition thereof, for which he returned thanks.

The evening was agreeably enlivened by the excellent rendering of several songs by Bro. George Barton. Bros. Mason, Parry, Risk, Day, and others also interspersed the proceedings with a selection of music, songs, and recitations.

**TWICKENHAM.**—Era Lodge (No. 1423).—The election meeting of this lodge was held at the Albany Hotel, on Saturday, the 13th inst., when the following were present: Bros. Raymond Thrupp, D.P.G.M.; J. Beresford Ryley, M.D., P.M., P.P.S.G.D., acting W.M.; J. T. Moss, P.M., P.P.G.R., acting S.W.; D. Hart Davis, acting J.W.; J. Faulkner, P.M., P.P.J.G.D., Treas.; E. W. Devereux, P.M., P.P.A.G.D.C., Sec.; Francis Tallack, I.G.; Francis Wm. Tallack, D.C.; H. T. Tallack, Org.; G. L. Wingate, P.M.; H. Perkins, J. Kanitz, C. Beke Robinson, C. Kingsley Millbourne, and H. Saunton.

The earlier business consisted in the passing of Bros. Kanitz and Perkins, and the initiating of Messrs. Saunton and Millbourne, after which the brethren proceeded to the election of Master for the ensuing year, the result being that Bro. J. Faulkner, P.M., was duly elected. Bro. J. Beresford Ryley, M.D., P.M., was elected Treasurer, Bro. John Gilbert re-elected Tyler, and the Audit Committee appointed.

After the lodge was closed, the brethren adjourned to banquet. The usual toasts were duly given and honoured. Much regret was expressed that the W.M., Dr. Wm. Faulkner, was precluded from being present through a professional engagement of much urgency.

**CANTERBURY.**—Royal Military Lodge (No. 1449).—The annual investiture in connection with this lodge always brings together a large number of the Craft, and on Monday, the 8th inst., at the installation of Bro. Major H. W. Maclear, the Masonic Temple, in St. Peter's-street, was filled to its utmost with a brilliant gathering. The chair was filled at the commencement of the proceedings by the outgoing W.M., Bro. A. Develin, the various other offices being filled by Bros. G. Page, P.M., P.P.J.G.D., S.W.; Major W. F. Moor, W.M. 2195, J.W.; Sibert Saunders, W.M. 1915, S.D.; W. A. Vallon, 1209, J.D.; F. Hall, W.M. 709, I.G.; and E. Plume, P.M. 972, D.C. There were also present Bros. H. T. Naylor, P.M., P.P.G. Svd. Br.; Edwin Beer, P.M., P.P.J.G.D.; Joseph Plant, P.M., P.P.G.O.; J. E. Wiltshire, P.M., P.P.G. Supt. of Wks.; Edward Plume, P.M.; T. H. Blamires, P.M.; J. Vautier, P.M.; and E. Cockersell, P.M. Amongst the visitors were Bros. H. J. Sturgeon, W.M. 429; C. Gurr, 1915; T. W. Porter, S.W. 1915; W. O. Kennett, P.M. 1208; T. Crump, P.M. 972; H. F. Pringuer, S.W. 972; C. Davies, 1994; J. Wood, 1915; G. Pilcher, P.M. 972; A. H. Hale, P.M. 1209; A. Harrison, 1915; S. Newman, I.P.M. 972; A. Pilcher, J.W. 972; J. J. Wright, W.M. 1208; R. Westwood, W.M. 972; G. Beal, W.M. 1096;

W. Bowles, S.W. 1096; T. B. Rosseter, P.M. 972; A. Moulding, 972; J. H. Higgins, 972; T. A. Kearns, 1331; R. W. Mercer, W.M. 31; and others.

The lodge was opened, and the minutes of the last regular lodge were read and confirmed, after which the W.M. vacated the chair of K.S., and it was filled by the Installing Officer, Bro. H. T. Naylor, P.M., P.P.G. Svd. Br. The W.M. elect, Bro. Major W. H. Maclear, was presented by Bro. Edward Plume, P.M., and the ceremony was performed with remarkable judgment and ability. Subsequently, the W.M. invested his officers as follows: Bros. A. Develin, I.P.M.; W. T. Claydon, S.W.; T. Beckett, J.W.; E. Plume, P.M., Treas.; E. Cockersell, P.M., Sec.; D. Laing, S.D.; J. Y. Naylor, J.D.; J. Plant, P.M., P.P.G.O., Org.; T. H. Blamires, P.M., D.C.; A. Anderson, A.D.C.; W. B. Pring and Geo. Pope, Stwds.; and R. Blake, P.M., Tyler. Before the closing of the lodge, the W.M. presented to the I.P.M. the jewel, which had been voted out of the lodge funds, in recognition of the able manner in which he had performed his duty during his year of office. The gift was suitably acknowledged.

Routine business followed, after which the lodge was closed, and the brethren, to the number of 67, adjourned to the Royal Fountain Hotel, where a sumptuous banquet was admirably served by Bro. H. Ward. The W.M. presided, supported by his officers.

At the conclusion of the banquet, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and suitably acknowledged.

The singing of Bros. Plant, Moulding, Kennett, and Higgins greatly contributed to one of the most successful installations in the annals of the Royal Military Lodge.

The Tyler's toast brought this most enjoyable event to a close.

The jewel was manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, and was greatly admired by the brethren for the beauty of design and workmanship.

**TWICKENHAM.**—Sir Francis Burdett Lodge (No. 1503).—This distinguished lodge met at the Albany Hotel on the 11th inst., when there were present, among others, Bros. E. Jenkins, W.M.; Capt. A. Bunn, S.W.; H. W. Jenkins, J.W.; the Rev. S. G. H. Saunders, P.M., P.P.G. Chap., Treas.; T. C. Walls, P.M., P.G.W., Sec.; Toulmin, S.D.; Lieut.-Col. Cuming, J.D.; Perry, I.G.; J. T. Briggs, P.M., P.P.G.D.; A. Gurney, P.M.; and others. Bros. Warner, P.M. 1703, P.A.G.D.C.; and Major-General Cuming, P.G.S. Wales, were visitors.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. A. R. Murphy was passed to the Second Degree. The ballot was then taken on behalf of Messrs. H. G. Bennett and Norman Roberts, and, it proving to be unanimous, they were ably initiated into Craft mysteries by the W.M. Bro. Capt. A. Bunn was unanimously elected W.M., Bro. the Rev. S. T. H. Saunders, Treas., and Bro. Harrison Tyler for year ensuing. Bros. Murphy and Bennett were elected Auditors. A Past Master's jewel was voted to Bro. E. W. Jenkins. Letters regretting non-attendance were received from Bros. W. H. Saunders, P.M.; W. Taylor, P.M.; Cama, P.G. Treas.; Davison, and others. The lodge was then closed, and adjourned.

The customary banquet followed, and, upon the removal of the cloth, the usual toasts received full justice.

**HAMPTON COURT.**—Hemming Lodge (No. 1512).—This lodge met for the first time at its new habitation, the Greyhound Hotel, on the 18th inst. Among those present were Bros. R. Eales, W.M.; Ransford, S.W.; Tucker, P.M. 1733, acting J.W.; J. C. Jessett, P.M., P.P.G.S.B., Treas.; T. C. Walls, P.M., P.G.W., Sec.; Clark, S.D.; Scholding, J.D.; J. W. Clarke, acting I.G.; W. Fisher, P.M., D.C.; Kent, Asst. Org.; W. Spearing, P.M.; Harry Wheatley, P.M.; J. Smith, A.D.C.; A. Bushell, Stwd.; H. Robinson, S. Trotter, Hopkins, Moss, Cronin, G. J. Tagg, Sanders, C. Wheatley, C. Davis, Foes, Scott, Gale, Gilbert, Tyler; and others. Amongst the visitors were Bros. F. Chandler, P.M. 1656; P.A.G.P.; Plimsaul, P.M.; 1194; Mella, 1597; A. Tucker, P.M. 1733; Hatch, Fisk, H. Allen, Chambers, and F. Bridge, all of 1733; and Wheeler, 2032.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The ballot was taken on behalf of Messrs. G. H. Humphries and R. Carter, and, it being unanimous, they were impressively inducted into Craft mysteries, the ceremony being most ably performed. Ballot was also taken for Bro. J. B. Mella, 1597, as a joining member. The resignation of Bro. Proctor, P.M., was received with regret. The Treasurer reported that since their last meeting Bro. T. C. Walls had been appointed a Provincial G. Warden of Middlesex, and called upon the lodge to salute him, which was done. Communications were received from Bros. Ockenden, P.M., P.P.G.D.; Bates, and others, pleading inability to attend.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, which was genially presided over by the W.M., and a most agreeable evening was spent.

The catering of Bro. Mella was highly commended and his health was drunk most enthusiastically.

**DUNMOW.**—Rosslyn Lodge (No. 1543).—The installation meeting of this lodge took place on the 17th inst., at the Saracen's Head Hotel, when Bro. the Rev. F. B. Shepherd, P.M. and founder of the lodge, P.P.S.G.W., P.P. G.C., was installed into the chair of K.S. by the outgoing W.M., Bro. E. F. Ferris. The following are the officers for the ensuing year, those present being invested by the W.M.: Bros. Dr. R. C. Lyle, S.W.; J. L. L. Franklin, J.W.; F. J. Snell, P.M., P.P.G.R., Treas.; G. D. Clapham, P.M., P.P.G.R., Sec.; D. Millbank, S.D.; R. Marsh, J.D.; Capt. A. Nicols, P.M. 1974, P.D.G.S. of W. Punjab, D.C.; J. M. Welch, A.D.C.; A. S. Reakes, A.R.A.L., Org.; J. Wright, I.G.; W. Rivers and J. Smith, Stwds.; and F. W. Warner, Tyler.

Among those present were Bros. W. Rowe, I.P.M.; J. P. Lewin, P.M., P.P.G.S. of W.; H. E. Dehane, P.M., P.P.S.G.D.; R. T. Scarr, R. Brazier, and C. Birt. Bro. T. R. Adams, 2136, was a visitor.

After the minutes had been confirmed, Mr. A. Reakes was initiated into the Order. Bro. Shepherd was elected to represent the lodge on the Provincial Charity Committee, and announced his intention of going up as Steward to one

of the Charities. A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Installing Master. The advisability of having a ball under the auspices of the lodge was discussed. After "Hearty good wishes" the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to a banquet.

After the usual loyal and Masonic toasts had been duly honoured, the W.M., in proposing the toast of "The I.P.M.," expressed his warm thanks to him for the very able manner he had performed the duties of Installing Master, remarking he had been present many times on such occasions, but had seldom heard the beautiful ritual given more ably.

The I.P.M., Bro. Ferris, acknowledged the compliment, and his gratification and that of the brethren at the advent to office of Master of Bro. Shepherd for the third time in the Rosslyn Lodge, and felt sure under the guidance of so experienced a brother, the affairs of the lodge could but prosper.

"The Initiate" was given, the W.M. pointing out to him some of the beauties of our Order, and prophesied that Bro. Reakes' name would soon be known in the province on account of his undoubted musical talents, which had given so much pleasure to them all during the evening.

Bro. Reakes thanked the brethren for their kindness, and expressed his deep sense of the impressiveness of the ceremony he had just gone through, and hoped he should prove both good and true.

The toasts of "The P.M.'s" and "Officers" were duly acknowledged by Bros. Clapham Lyle and Franklin.

Bro. Adams replied for "The Visitors," paying a marked tribute as to the working of the lodge.

"The Charities" was given, Bro. Shepherd dwelling on their utility, saying there existed no such Institutions in the world, and he coupled with the toast Bro. Dehane, one of the Provincial Charity representatives, who endorsed fully every word that had fallen from the W.M., and entered into some details about the candidates for the forthcoming elections, urging upon all to secure their success by supporting the Committee in their endeavours.

The Tyler's toast concluded a most pleasant gathering.

The harmony of the evening was conducted to by Bros. Lewin, Lyle, Franklin (The Entered Apprentice's song), Reakes, and others.

**LEEDS.—Prudence Lodge (No. 2069).**—On Saturday, the 13th inst., the usual monthly meeting of this very prosperous lodge was held in the Masonic Hall, Great George-street. It was a scrolling meeting, and occasion was taken of that most interesting circumstance to impress upon the W.M., Bro. Tudor Trevor, P.M., the deep feelings of personal regard with which he is regarded by the brethren, for, during his most happy year of office, not one cloud has threatened to mar the harmony and unanimity which is one of the most noteworthy characteristics of the lodge. The W.M. (Bro. Tudor Trevor) was supported by Bros. C. L. Mason, P.M., P.P.G. Treas., I.P.M.; Dr. Cartwright Smyth, P.G. Chap., P.M.; Watson, P.M., S.W.; Middleton, J.W.; R. Abbott, Treas.; the Rev. J. H. Evans, as Chap.; S. Scott Young, Sec.; J. J. Fretwell, S.D.; T. Atkinson, J.D.; Butterworth, I.G.; B. S. Bailey, Stwd.; L. Howard, Org.; Begbie Abbott, R. W. Smithson, Thornton Jones, the Rev. J. E. Bentley, Bentley, Cryer, Wilkinson, Edward Ellis, R. Craig, P.M., P.P.G.D.; F. G. Dimery, P.M.; José Rickard, W.M. 304; Flockton, P.M. 1402; and many others.

The lodge having been opened, Bro. Geo. Pratt was raised to the Sublime Degree by the W.M., assisted by Bro. C. L. Mason. The scrolling for the incoming W.M. was then proceeded with, Bro. Watson, S.W., receiving a unanimous call to that exalted honour, a cloche which as much redounded to the credit of the lodge as to Bro. Watson, whose fame as a Masonic author and authority is known far beyond the limits of Leeds. This will be the third time Bro. Watson has been called upon to fill the chair of K.S. Bro. Robert Abbott was again unanimously chosen as Treasurer of the lodge, the announcement of his election being received with the liveliest expressions of satisfaction. Bro. S. Barrand was also re-appointed Tyler of the lodge, a post which he has hitherto filled with marked ability. Bros. Watson and Middleton were elected Auditors of the lodge funds, the W.M. nominating Bro. Fretwell as his representative. Bro. Craig then moved that a P.M. founder's jewel of the lodge pattern should be presented to the W.M. out of the lodge funds, and this, on being seconded by Bro. Mason, was carried with acclamation, and suitably acknowledged by Bro. Tudor Trevor. Bro. Trevor then read a short valedictory address from the chair. He said: "It is now my duty to render an account of my Stewardship during the past year, and I feel very that it is a satisfactory account that I can give to you. During the year of my Mastership I have had the satisfaction of initiating six new members of the lodge and of enrolling two new joining members. On the 14th of January we voted 10 guineas to the R.M.B.I. On February 14 Bro. Watson was appointed Hon. Curator and Librarian of the provincial library and museum, and as an evidence of the way in which he has discharged his duties in that connection, I will refer you to the forthcoming report of the Provincial Grand Lodge held at Keighley. On the 10th of March we signalled the silver wedding of the Prince and Princess of Wales by sending a congratulatory telegram to their Royal Highnesses, to which a suitable and gracious reply was received. On April 14th we received the sad announcement of the death of the Rev. T. Greenbury, 304, Provincial Grand Chaplain, and the following month we were called upon to deplore the decease of another clerical brother—the Rev. E. W. Makinson, P.M. 289, P.P.G. Chap. On July 14th you were kind enough to sympathise with me on the loss of my dear father—the late Canon Trevor, D.D., Rector of Beauford. The manner in which your sympathy was expressed to me I shall never forget, and the engrossed resolution will ever be one of the most prized and cherished of my possessions. So much for the history of the lodge, and if it has been a successful history it is because you have made it so; it is because you have recognised your responsibilities, and because you have recognised the subordination you owe to the various officers of the lodge. You have, by your help and consideration, made the ruling of this lodge practically a very easy task during the past year. I feel tonight very much like the captain of a ship on returning to England after a long voyage. I have brought my ship into port after a prosperous voyage. I thank the Great Architect of the Universe that he has given me health and

strength to bring my ship so splendidly into harbour as I have done to-night, and I also thank Him for the pleasure He has afforded me in having so completely won your esteem and affection. I now must formally bid you all good-bye. I thank you again and again for your constant kindness, your persevering kindness. It has been a most happy and successful year, though I take no credit personally that it has been so; any credit there may be is due to you. Let me, then, in conclusion, ask you, in all earnestness and sincerity, indelibly to imprint upon your hearts and minds that sentence which is the very incarnation of the true spirit of Masonry—"Behold how good and joyful a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

"Hearty good wishes" were passed round, visitors vying with brethren of the lodge to show to their outgoing W.M. the sincerity of their sentiments of affection and esteem. After high tea the W.M. elect was heartily congratulated upon his selection, and he and all the officers tendered to Bro. Trevor the earnest assurance that the Masonic year just ended had been one of the happiest in their experience. The usual toasts were interspersed with songs, not the least interesting contribution being that of Bro. Culleyn, of Richmond, Virginia, U.S.A., who gave a fraternal invitation to brethren who might cross the Atlantic.

**SEACOMBE.—Egerton Lodge (No. 2132).**—The installation meeting of this lodge was held on Thursday, the 11th inst., at the Seacombe Hotel. The meetings of the lodge have been hitherto held at the Egremont Institute, but a decision was recently arrived at to remove thence to the Seacombe Hotel. Thursday was the first night of the new arrangement. The Egerton is a young lodge, having been consecrated so recently as 1885, but it has already obtained a position which gives every promise of future success. Among the visitors and members present on Thursday were Bros. J. P. Platt, Zetland Lodge, P.P.J.G.W.; G. Brown, W.M. Zetland Lodge, P.G.D.C.; H. B. Brown, P.J.G.D.; J. G. Parker, P.P.J.G.D.; C. S. Dean, P.M. 1289 and 2132; E. K. Ellison, P.M. 1350; W. Danger, P.M. 1276; R. Carruthers, P.M. 1350; G. B. Richmond, W.M. 1576; Dr. Napier, E. Roberts, Robinson, and others.

The installation ceremony was effectively performed by Bro. C. S. Dean, P.M. 1289, who was the first Master of the Egerton Lodge. The W.M. elect was Bro. C. Leighton, S.W. and P.M. 1350, and he invested his officers as follows: Bros. H. B. Brown, I.P.M.; E. King Ellison, S.W.; Dr. Napier, J.W.; Robinson, Sec.; C. Roberts, S.D.; E. Roberts, J.D.; and J. Simpson, I.G. Bro. Sergeant-Major Crafts was unanimously elected Tyler.

The lodge having been closed, the brethren adjourned to the banquet, where the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

The retiring W.M., Bro. H. B. Brown, was presented with a silver cigarette case, for which he suitably thanked the brethren.

The evening's enjoyment was enhanced by songs and recitations contributed by Bros. King Ellison, C. S. Dean, G. B. Richmond, and others.

## INSTRUCTION.

**JUSTICE LODGE (No. 147).**—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 18th inst., at the Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford, when there were present Bros. Whibley, W.M.; Prior, S.W.; Leng, J.W.; Hutchings, P.M.; Preceptor; Speight, P.M.; Sec.; J. H. Morgan, S.D.; Dandridge, J.D.; Mansfield, I.G.; Thomas, P.M.; Davis, F.M.; Penney, P.M.; Penrose, Amos, Trinder, Priest, Sayers, and Emblin.

The lodge was opened in the First Degree, and, after the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, the usual questions leading to the Second Degree were duly answered by Bro. Sayers. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed. The lodge was called off, and, on resuming, the usual questions leading to the Third Degree were answered by Bro. Priest. The lodge was advanced to the Third Degree, and the ceremony of raising rehearsed. The lodge was resumed in the First Degree, and Bro. Prior, S.W., was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and appointed the officers in rotation. All business being ended, the lodge was closed.

**PRINCE FREDERICK WILLIAM LODGE (No. 752).**—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 23rd inst., at the Eagle Tavern, Clifton-road, Maida Vale, W. Present: Bros. J. Page, W.M.; W. J. Stratton, S.W.; C. Coleman, J.W.; F. G. Baker, P.M., Treas. and Preceptor; J. J. Thomas, Sec.; W. T. Dillon, S.D.; H. E. Campbell Beaver, J.D.; J. R. Hill, I.G.; N. Turner, P.M. 72; R. Dillon, W.M. 1567; L. N. Norwich, W. Death, V. Shaw, R. T. Redfern, J. W. Manktelow, J. H. Taylor, and S. B. Nightingale.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Manktelow candidate. The lodge was called off and on. Bro. Page vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Death, who invested his officers, after which Bro. Page resumed the chair, and opened the lodge in the Second and Third Degrees, and the 1st Section of the Lecture was worked by the Preceptor, assisted by the brethren. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. Bro. Stratton, S.W., was elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and appointed his officers in rotation. A vote of thanks was unanimously passed, and entered on the minutes, to the W.M. for the able and efficient manner in which he presided over the lodge for the first time. Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, the lodge was closed.

**RANELAGH LODGE (No. 534).**—A meeting was held on the 19th inst. at the Six Bells Hotel, Queen-street, Hammersmith. Present: Bros. R. H. Williams, W.M.; W. W. Williams, S.W.; A. Williams, J.W.; J. Sims, P.M.; Preceptor; D. S. Long, S.D.; C. J. C. Walker, J.D.; F. Craggs, I.G.; Rice, Pattison, E. Lucas, H. Cotton, and E. Nash.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Rice being the candidate. The 3rd Section of the Lecture was worked by the brethren, under the direction of the Preceptor. The 4th Section was worked by the W.M., and the 5th by Bro. Long, under the direction of the Preceptor. The W.M. having risen, Bro. W. W. Williams was elected W.M. for the next meeting. "Hearty good wishes" having been given and acknowledged, the lodge was closed.

**HYDE PARK LODGE (No. 1425).**—A meeting was held on Monday, the 22nd inst., at the Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square, Paddington, W. Present: Bros. W. J. Hakim, W.M. elect 141, W.M.; C. W. Francis, S.W.; C. G. Wetzler, J.W.; G. Read, P.M. 511, Treas.; H. Dehane, P.M. 1543, Sec.; C. J. Conway, S.D.; W. J. Mason, J.D.; S. Barrow, I.G.; J. H. Taylor, Stwd.; W. H. Chalfont, P.M. 1425; J. H. Wood, P.M. 1643; W. Death, W.M. 511; T. Grant, W. C. Edwards, H. Robinson, and O. W. Battley. Bro. J. Van Praagh was a visitor. 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. After the usual preliminaries, the ceremonies of initiation and passing were rehearsed, Bros. Van Praagh and

Battley being candidates respectively. The 1st and 3rd Sections of the Second Lecture were worked by Bro. Read, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Van Praagh was unanimously elected a member. Bro. Francis was elected W.M. for the next meeting, the officers to be in rotation. After "Hearty good wishes," the lodge was closed.

**COVENT GARDEN LODGE (No. 1614).**—The usual weekly meeting of this lodge was held at the Criterion, Piccadilly, S.W., on Thursday, the 18th inst. Present: Bros. F. M. Noakes, W.M.; J. Greenway, S.W.; F. Kedge, J.W.; W. Brindley, Preceptor; G. Reynolds, Sec.; J. Rowe, S.D.; W. Hancock, J.D.; G. C. Stafford, I.G.; T. E. Weeks, Tyler; R. J. Harnell, J. D. Graham, F. Buxton, F. Jackson, A. E. Gladwell, T. C. Seary, R. Clare, O. Lamare, E. Morrison, J. C. Fort, S. Lazarus, J. R. Joseph, G. Smith, E. C. Talbot, S. Lichtenfeld, W. Hammond, and the Rev. J. N. MacGonigle, P.M. 363, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. W. Brindley worked the 4th Section of the First Lecture. Bro. P. Josephs having offered himself as a candidate for initiation, the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bros. J. Greenway, S.W., and W. Brindley worked the 1st and 2nd Sections of the Second Lecture respectively. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and closed in the Third and Second Degrees. Bro. S. Lichtenfeld worked the 3rd Section of the First Lecture. On rising for the first time, the following brethren were unanimously elected joining members: Bros. G. Smith, 65; R. Clare, and O. Lamare, 1922. On rising for the second time, Bro. J. Greenway, S.W., was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week. The W.M. elect was pleased to appoint his officers in rotation. On rising for the third time, Bro. G. Reynolds, Sec., proposed that a vote of thanks be accorded on the minutes to Bro. R. J. Harnell for his kindness in undertaking the duties of Secretary during his absence in America. Bro. R. J. Harnell, he was sure, had given every satisfaction to the brethren, and he (Bro. G. Reynolds) was pleased to say that the books connected with the lodge of instruction had been most carefully kept, and were a great credit to Bro. R. J. Harnell. He begged also to thank the brethren for the hearty and cordial manner in which he was received amongst them on the previous Thursday. It was a great proof of their good feeling towards him, which he much appreciated. He hoped now to be regular at his duties as Secretary, and trusted the brethren would continue to support the lodge of instruction, and give him plenty of work to do. Since his return he had been most fortunate in introducing American brethren to lodges, and he then felt it a pleasure of introducing to them Bro. the Rev. John N. MacGonigle, a P.M. and P. H. Priest, and a dear friend and brother of Bro. C. E. Meyer, of Philadelphia, whose kindness—with many other brethren—during their recent visit to America Bro. John Skinner and himself would long remember with pleasure. Bro. the Rev. John N. MacGonigle expressed great pleasure at what he had witnessed of the working of the Covent Garden Lodge of Instruction, congratulating and complimenting the brethren upon their readiness and efficiency, at the same time pointing out some difference in the method of working, and referred to the absolute similarity or unity of the essential principles of English and American Masonry, and said: "The great majority of Americans find their mother country in some section of the United Kingdom. A perpetual peace and brotherhood between the two nations is a foregone conclusion, for every intelligent American knows we have one common law, one common language, and we are but parts of the imperial race which shall yet make conquest of the world, and, in making that conquest and binding the two nations together, there can be no more potent element than true Masonic brotherhood, which gives to every American Mason a warm and hearty welcome to England, and assures to every English Mason a return of the same hospitality and fraternal cheer in America." Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, the lodge was closed.

**KENSINGTON LODGE (No. 1767).**—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 23rd inst., at the Scarsdale Arms, Edwardes-square, Kensington, W. Present: Bros. J. H. Wood, P.M., W.M.; W. Fayers, S.W.; J. R. Hubbard, J.W.; George Read, P.M., Preceptor; R. H. Williams, P.P.J.G.D. Middx., Treas.; F. Craggs, Sec. (pro tem.); J. H. Neville, S.D.; T. W. Heath, J.D.; G. Fuelling, I.G.; James Sims, P.M.; W. C. Williams, P.G. Std. Br. Middx.; and C. E. Betts.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was then rehearsed in Bro. Wood's well-known and highly appreciated manner, Bro. Betts acting as candidate. The 1st Section of the Lecture was worked by the Preceptor, assisted by the brethren; the 4th was worked by Bro. R. H. Williams, the questions being put by the Preceptor; and the 5th was worked by Bro. Sims, the questions being put by the Preceptor. Bro. W. Fayers was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and, being the first time he has been elected to that office, will be pleased to see a good muster of the members on Tuesday next.

**CREATON LODGE (No. 1791).**—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 18th inst., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's Bush, W. Present: Bros. Vandyk, W.M.; Jennings, S.W.; Dresden, J.W.; James Sims, P.M., Deputy Preceptor; E. Austin, P.M., Treas.; Chalfont, P.M., Sec.; Craggs, S.D.; Cotton, J.D.; Woodard, I.G.; Cavers, Stwd.; W. Williams, P.M. 1791; Wood, P.M.; Cubitt, P.M.; Josey, P.M.; Purdue, P.M.; Stonnill, Cox, Higginson, Nash, Johnston, Head, West, and Sansom.

Lodge was opened, and the minutes were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Nash candidate. The 2nd and 3rd Sections were worked by Bro. Sims, P.M., assisted by the brethren. Bro. Jennings was elected W.M. for the next meeting. In consequence of Bro. J. Davies, Preceptor's illness, the Fifteen Sections will be postponed until another date. The lodge was then closed.

**ST. AMBROSE LODGE (No. 1891).**—A meeting was held at the Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington, on Monday, the 22nd inst. Present: Bros. Fredk. Craggs, Sec., W.M.; W. C. Williams, P.G. Std. Bearer Middx., S.W.; G. Swann, J.W.; J. Collings, P.M., Preceptor; W. Dresden, S.D.; J. Blake, J.D.; M. R. Rice, I.G.; James Sims, P.M.; David Stroud, A. Saunders, and J. B. Cory. Visitor: Bro. Gracie.

The lodge having been opened in due form, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Gracie being the candidate. Bro. Saunders offering himself as a candidate for passing, he was, therefore, examined and entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony was completed. Bro. W. C. Williams gave the lecture on the tracing board. Lodge having been resumed to the First Degree, Bro. W. C. Williams was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and Bro. J. B. Cory was elected a joining member.

**CHISWICK LODGE (No. 1012).**—A meeting was held at the Windsor Castle Hotel, King-street, Hammersmith, on Saturday, the 13th inst. Present: Bros. D. Long, W.M.; Speigel, P.M., S.W.; J. Wood, P.M., J.W.; E. Ayling, P.M., Preceptor; J. Brown, Sec.; E. Aslete, S.D.; C. Hopkins, J.D.; T. W. Biggs, I.G.; J. Sims, P.M.; Cartnoll, P.M.; W. Hyde, F. Craggs, R. Wimpey, and W. W. Williams. Visitors: Bros. Skinner, 2012, and Fox, 1275.

The lodge was opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the Second and Third Degrees. The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of raising, Bro. Hyde candidate. The W.M. rehearsed the traditional history. Lodge was resumed to the Second Degree, and the 1st Section of this Lecture was worked by the brethren, under the direction of the W.M. Lodge was resumed to the First Degree. Bro. Speigel, P.M., was unanimously elected to occupy the chair at the next meeting. Bro. Skinner was elected a joining member.

A meeting was also held at the above address on Saturday, the 20th inst. Present: Bros. M. Spiegel, P.M., W.M.; J. Wood, P.M., S.W.; C. Hopkins, J.W.; E. Ayling, P.M., Preceptor; G. Gardner, P.M., Treas.; J. Brown, Sec.; Biggs, S.D.; R. Wimpey, J.D.; D. Long, I.G.; J. Sims, P.M.; Stroud, P.M.; H. Clark, and W. Hyde.



The lodge was opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. W. Hyde offering himself as a candidate for passing, was examined and entrusted. Lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of passing, Bro. Hyde candidate. Lodge was resumed to the First Degree, and the W.M. worked the 2nd and 3rd Sections of the Lecture, assisted by the brethren. On the second rising, Bro. J. Wood, P.M., was unanimously elected W.M. for the next meeting.

**THE ABBEY (WESTMINSTER) LODGE** (No. 2030).—A meeting was held on Friday, the 19th inst., at the King's Arms, Buckingham Palace-road, S.W. Present: Bros. Roberts, W.M.; Molony, S.W.; Mann, J.W.; Boulton, P.M.; Preceptor; Gibson, P.M.; Treas.; Coughlan, P.M.; Sec.; Evans, S.D.; Harvey, J.D.; Stutfield, I.G.; Brindley, P.M.; Brandon, P.M.; Goffin, P.M.; Ray, J. Purnell, Edwards, and Tucker.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Tucker candidate. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bro. Ray, a candidate to be raised to the Third Degree, answered the usual questions, and was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and the ceremony of raising rehearsed, Bro. Ray being the candidate. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree, and Bro. W. A. Green was unanimously elected a joining member. Bro. Molony was unanimously elected W.M. for the next meeting. Nothing further offering, the lodge was closed.

A meeting of the Charitable Association was afterwards held, and three ballots were taken, which proved favourable to Bros. Gammon, Cox, and Hayler.

**LOUGHBOROUGH LODGE**.—The usual weekly meeting was held on Monday, the 19th inst., at the Gauden Hotel, Clapham-road Station (L.C. & D.R.), when there were present Bros. Grover, W.M.; Smith, S.W.; Hill, J.W.; Westley, Preceptor; J. Andrews, Sec.; Steele, S.D.; Esling, J.D.; Poole, I.G.; Fuhr, Georgel, Jones, Folkard, Winny, Russell, Heathcote, Limozen, Biorn, Livett, King, and W. Spencer.

Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and Bro. Folkard, being a candidate for raising, answered the usual questions in a faultless manner, and was entrusted. Lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and the 1st Section of the Lecture worked by Bro. Andrews, assisted by the brethren. The ceremony of raising was worked by the W.M., with Bro. Folkard as candidate. Lodge was resumed to the Second Degree, and the 1st Section of the Lecture worked by Bro. Andrews, assisted by the brethren. Lodge was resumed to the First Degree, and the W.M. rose for the first time, and Bro. Georgel, 1563, was elected a joining member. Bro. Georgel returned thanks, and the dues were collected. The W.M. rose for the second time, and Bro. Smith was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Bro. Smith duly responded, and appointed the officers in rotation. The W.M. rose for the third time, and several announcements having been made, the lodge was closed.

A meeting was also held at the above address on the 22nd inst. Present: Bros. Smith, W.M.; F. Hill, S.W.; Steele, J.W.; Esling, S.D.; Poole, J.D.; Wood, I.G.; Westley, Preceptor; J. Andrews, Sec.; Limozen, Georgel, J. Wright, Hudson, Jones, Chapman, Winny, West, Livett, Russell, Fuhr, Stokes, Stone, Templeman, Churcher, Grover, Folkard, Stubbs, and Cochrane.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The 1st Section of the Lecture was worked by the Secretary, assisted by the brethren; the 2nd by Bro. Westley, assisted by the brethren; and the 3rd by Bro. Andrews, assisted by the brethren. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed by the W.M., with Bro. Chapman as candidate. The W.M. rose for the first time, and Bros. Cochrane, 1056; Churcher, 1744; and Stone, 72, were elected joining members, for which they returned thanks. The dues having been collected, the W.M. rose for the second time, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to him for the really able manner in which he had performed the duties of the chair for the first time in his Masonic career. Bro. Smith having suitably responded, Bro. Hill, S.W., was elected W.M. Master for the 5th prox., Monday next being Preceptor's night, when the worthy Preceptor, Bro. Westley, purposes to rehearse the ceremony of installation, which, from his well-known careful working, can hardly fail to afford a grand evening to the members and friends. Bro. Hill returned thanks, and appointed his officers in rotation. The W.M. rose for the third time, and received the "Hearty good wishes" of the brethren, after which the lodge was closed.

A ballot was then taken for £5 5s. out of the surplus lodge fund for a Life Subscription to one of the Masonic Charities, which fell to Bro. Partridge, out of 12 participating.

## Royal Arch.

**JERUSALEM CHAPTER** (No. 185).—This old and prosperous chapter met at Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-street, on the 9th inst. Among those present were Comps. A. E. Staley, M.E.Z.; G. Davis, P.Z., acting H.; Kimpton, J.; T. Davis, S.E.; E. A. Harris, S.N.; Hardy, Prin. Soj.; Isaacson, 1st Asst. Soj.; H. Harris, 2nd Asst. Soj.; Harfeld, P.Z., Treas.; T. C. Walls, P.Z., P.P.G. Prin. Soj. Middx.; N. Moss, P.Z.; Cleghorne, P.Z.; and others. Among the visitors were Comps. Greenaway and Bellerby.

The minutes of the previous convocation were read and confirmed. The ballot was then taken on behalf of Bros. D. Hill, Isaac Lazarus, and Gustave Schlessinger, and it proving to be unanimous, they were impressively exalted as Royal Arch Masons by the I.P.Z. Comp. E. Mallett having been appointed Janitor "pro tem," vice Comp. Parkinson, deceased, the chapter was closed, and the companions adjourned to the banquet.

The usual toasts were given pertinently, but commendably brief, by the M.E.Z., and the proceedings terminated at an early hour.

**MARYPORT**.—Nicholson Chapter (No. 371).—The quarterly convocation of this chapter was held on Wednesday, the 17th inst., when there were present Comps. A. Walters, P.P.A.G. Soj., Z., presiding; G. Dalrymple, P.G.H., as H.; E. B. Penrice, J.; Jas. Dickinson, S.E.; J. Nicholson, P.Z., P.P.G.J., as S.N.; P. de E. Collin, P.Z., P.P.G.H., Treas.; J. C. Thompson, P.S.; E. B. Mitchell, 1st A.S.; J. Gibson, 2nd A.S.; J. Smith, P.P.G. Org.; J. Messenger, P.P.G. Janitor, Janitor; and others.

The minutes were read and confirmed, when Bro. Thos. Dacres, who had been balloted for at a former chapter, was in attendance, and exalted to the Supreme Degree.

There being nothing further, the chapter was closed.

**PLUMSTEAD**.—Pattison Chapter (No. 913).—The first meeting of the above powerful chapter under the rule of Comp. R. J. Cook, M.E.Z., took place on Thursday, the 18th inst., at the new Masonic Hall, and was well attended. The M.E.Z. was present, and was assisted by the following officers and companions: Comps.

J. H. Roberts, H.; E. Palmer, J.; E. B. Hobson, I.P.Z.; A. Penfold, P.Z., P.P.G. 1st Asst. Soj., Treas.; H. J. Butter, P.Z., P.P.G.P.S., Scribe E.; C. H. Lawson, P.S.; E. Morris, 1st Asst. Soj., acting S.N.; W. J. Lardner, Janitor; C. Coupland, P.Z., P.P.G.J.; E. Denton, P.Z., P.P.G.P.S.; Major Eugene Sweney, P.Z., P.G.R.; H. Mason, P.Z., P.P.G. Std. Br.; C. Jolly, H. 1472 (Hon. Member); H. Ough, W. C. Taylor, J. Topp, D. Campbell, G. H. Letton, G. H. Porter, C. Clapham, G. Nichols, D. C. Capern, J. Hooton, and H. Syer, 13.

The minutes of the previous convocation having been read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for Bro. Leon C. Chasteaneuf, J.W. 13, and, being unanimous, that brother was, with full Pattisonian ritual, exalted to the Supreme Degree.

The chapter was then closed, and the companions sat down to an admirably served banquet, for the success of which all credit is due to Comp. Mason, whose catering was perfect.

The cloth having been cleared, the usual loyal and Grand Chapter toasts were honoured. "The Health of Earl Amherst, Grand Superintendent of the Province of Kent," followed, and was drunk with the utmost enthusiasm.

The M.E.Z. then said there was another toast for them to do honour to before they indulged in the soothing smoke, that needed no apology on his part for introducing it to their notice. It was one that always received at the hands of both the Pattison Lodge and Chapter a cordial and hearty reception. It was that of their esteemed "Comp. Eastes, G.H. of the Province of Kent, and the rest of the Prov. Grand Officers, Present and Past." Their chapter had been especially honoured with the collars of Grand Chapter, and they were proud to see such an array present that night. He therefore asked them to drink the toast with enthusiasm.

Comp. Sweney having responded, The I.P.Z., Comp. Hobson, proposed the toast of "The M.E.Z.," and said that now their Comp. Cook had passed the ordeal of a first exaltation, it was only right they should compliment him upon the admirable and almost faultless manner in which he had worked the ritual. It was not only satisfactory to the Past Principals, but must be very gratifying to the companions to know that the prestige of the chapter was deposited in such good keeping, and showed how deeply and well their M.E.Z. had studied to make himself proficient. He simply expressed their opinion when he said that he was delighted with the manner in which the ritual had been rendered that night. He trusted their M.E.Z. would have a good year of office, and assured him of their hearty support.

The M.E.Z., in response, said it was a fact that no sooner was a brother placed in the chair of their lodge, or a companion in that of their chapter, than he was expected to be perfect in the working of the ceremonies attached to either; that being so, he was fully aware that he had to render their ritual that night before excellent critics and good judges, and they, being critics and judges, were bound, through the mouth of their I.P.Z., or at least one or more of the P.Z.'s, to give their verdict for or against him. Now, Comp. Hobson had said that he (Comp. Cooke) had done his duty to their satisfaction, and had worked the Pattison ritual in a manner worthy of their approval. He thanked him for it, and them for their hearty response to the toast. He had no more to say, but that he should endeavour to prove himself, to the end of his term of office, worthy of their confidence and commendation.

The toast of "Comps. H. and J., the 2nd and 3rd Principals" having been drunk, Comp. Roberts said they all knew how hard their esteemed 1st Principal had worked, both for that chapter and Freemasonry in general, while a more genial and kind-hearted brother never lived. As for himself, he had done his best, and as time went on, bringing with it higher duties and heavier responsibilities, he should continue to deserve their approval by every means in his power.

Comp. Palmer said it gave him a great amount of pleasure to be their 3rd Principal, because of the opportunity of being with them, and seeing that by endeavouring to do one's duty, the approbation of the companions was freely given as a reward. It also gave him a slight amount of pain, as they might imagine from the *basso profundo* tone of his voice. That, however, he trusted to get rid of before their next meeting, when he hoped to do his work worthy of the chapter and his position as Third Principal.

Comp. Hobson, who was in his several offices a splendid worker, in responding for "The Past Principals," comically assured the companions that he was exceedingly glad that he had arrived at the position of a Past Principal, and also, amid much laughter, that now he had so arrived, they would find him one of the best among them, especially as the work there was put out.

Comp. Butter, by special request, proposed the toast of "The Exalte," and in so doing said he had known Comp. Chasteaneuf from his boyhood, and had always taken a great interest in him and his welfare, and had, therefore, many opportunities of noticing his sterling qualities and excellent conduct, and was proud of helping him on in life, and more so of proposing him as a member of that chapter. He felt sure they would find Comp. Chasteaneuf to be a gentleman, a good Mason, and an excellent Royal Arch Mason. Their Comp. Chasteaneuf had a history—a family history—that was in some respects both peculiar and interesting. One of his ancestors was Court physician to the unfortunate Louis XVI., in 1788. At that time the *Sans Culottes* of Paris had a peculiar way of testifying their hatred of all things courtly and aristocratic; and so, in one of their playful moods, they strung up poor Physician Chasteaneuf to a lamp-post, *à la lanterne*, as they called it. Comp. Chasteaneuf's great grandfather fought with the French (as a midshipman) at the Battle of Trafalgar, and was taken prisoner there, and brought to England, where he ultimately married, and founded a family, of which Comp. Chasteaneuf was one of the results. Another result was that they had that night exalted into Royal Arch Masonry a most excellent Mason, and he only wanted the companions knowing Comp. Chasteaneuf to admire him as much as he did. He therefore had great pleasure in asking them to drink his health with all the cordiality in their power.

Comp. Chasteaneuf having responded, The toast of "The Officers," eloquently responded to by Comp. Lawson, and the Janitor's toast concluded the proceedings, which were enlivened by some splendid singing by Comp. Hobson, Mr. Mason, jun., and others. Bro. F. Tyler presided at the piano.

**ROMFORD**.—Francis White Chapter (No. 1437).—The installation meeting of the above chapter took place on Thursday, the 11th instant, at the Golden Lion Hotel, when Comp. H. Mason, P.Z. 913, and M.E.Z. elect, was installed as Z.; Comp. Rev. T. Cochrane, P.Z., &c., H.; and Comp. R. J. Warren, P.Z. 1472, as J. The officers invested were as follows: Comps. H. V. Clements, P.Z., Treas.; T. Humphreys, S.E.; T. Beeson, S.N.; A. E. Albert, P.S.; G. B. Gilby, 1st Asst. S.; Theo. Davey, 2nd Asst. S.; R. Jennings, Stdw.; and A. G. Young, Janitor.

Comp. Francis A. White, M.E.Z., after whom the chapter was named, opened it, and acted as Installing Officer, for which he was accorded a vote of thanks, the same to be inserted on the minutes of the chapter. He was also presented with a handsome and valuable P.Z.'s jewel, for which he suitably returned thanks.

There were a goodly array of visitors present, and the banquet, served by Bro. Peter Reynolds, was all that could be desired.

The usual loyal, Grand, and provincial toasts were honoured, also those of "The M.E.Z. and his Officers," and other toasts.

The harmony was admirably sustained under the direction of Comp. E. Jennings, and the whole affair was a great success.

**TWICKENHAM**.—Sir Francis Burdett Chapter (No. 1503).—This chapter met at the Albany Hotel on the 17th inst. Among those present were Comps. the Rev. S. T. H. Saunders, M.A., P.P.G.J., P.Z., acting M.E.Z.; the Rev. R. F. Hosken, M.A., H.; Dunkley, P.P.G.O., J.; T. C. Walls, P.P.G. Prin. Soj.; and Harrison, Janitor.

The minutes of the previous convocation were read and confirmed. The following elections then took place:—Comps. the Rev. R. F. Hosken, M.E.Z.; Dunkley, H.; T. C. Walls, S.E.; W. Taylor, P.Z., Treas.; A. Gurney, J.; E. W. Jenkins, S.N.; H. Jenkins, Prin. Soj.; Capt. A. Bunn, 1st Asst. Soj.; J. K. Cama, 2nd Asst. Soj.; and Harrison, Janitor. A Past Principal's jewel was voted to Comp. Smiles, M.E.Z. Comp. R. H. Thrupp, P.G.H., was then elected an honorary member. Comps. D. P. Cama, P.Z., P.G. Treas.; W. Taylor, P.Z.; W. H. Saunders, P.Z.; J. F. H. Woodward, P.Z. (Honorary Member); E. and H. Jenkins, Lambert, and J. K. Cama sent letters of apology for absence.

The chapter was then closed, and the companions adjourned to the banquet.

## INSTRUCTION.

**STAR CHAPTER** (No. 1275).—The usual weekly meeting of this chapter was held on Friday, the 19th inst., at the Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell. There were present Comps. T. Grammont, P.Z. 1275, M.E.Z.; C. Wilson, 1329, H.; V. T. Murché, A.S. 1329, J.; F. Hilton, P.Z. 1275, Preceptor; C. H. Stone, S.N. 1275, S.E.; Stone, S.N.; Wingham, 25, P.S.; J. Addington, H. 1275; and Briant, 1329.

The minutes of the last convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Addington personating candidate. The M.E.Z. rose for the first time, and the dues were collected. The M.E.Z. rose for the second time, and Comp. Wilson was elected M.E.Z. for the next meeting. The M.E.Z. rose for the third time, and a vote of thanks was accorded to Comp. Wilson for the way in which he had filled the Third chair on the 28th ult. and the Second chair that evening, being in each instance the first time in the chapter. The chapter was then closed.

## Mark Masonry.

**PRINCE OF WALES LODGE** (No. 4).—A meeting was held on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 8A, Red Lion-square, when there were present Bros. C. J. Axford, W.M.; Scurrah, S.W.; Fountain, Treas.; C. Pulman, P.M., Sec.; John Read, P.M. 22, P.G. Org.; D. P. Cama, as M.O.; C. B. Cooper, as S.O.; A. Scurrah, as J.O.; Mills, Tyler; Heath, Lovegrove, and others.

The lodge was opened, only formal business was before the W.M., when it was closed, and the Lodge of Ark Mariners opened. Bro. T. C. Edmonds, as W.C.N.; Bro. John Read, P.G. Org., was elected a joining member. Three other brethren were elevated to this Degree.

Nothing further offering it was closed, and some of the brethren adjourned to the Holborn Restaurant for banquet.

After dinner the proceedings were agreeably enlivened by a programme of excellent music, performed by Miss Edith Luke, Miss Kate Luke, Mr. Page Hannant, and Bro. John Read, P.G. Org., which gave great satisfaction. Mrs. Read acting as an able and accomplished accompanist.

## Ancient and Accepted Rite.

**LEEDS**.—Leodiensis Chapter (No. 77).—This chapter was opened by the M.W.S., E. and P. Bro. F. W. Fourness, on Tuesday, the 16th instant, at the Freemasons' Hall, Great George's-street, assisted by his officers. Ill. Bro. Charles James Banister S.G.I.G., 33°, was received under an arch of steel and saluted.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. E. and P. Bro. A. Hess was elected M.W.S., and returned thanks to the brethren for the high honour conferred. E. and P. Bro. J. D. Kay was re-elected Treasurer. Business of the chapter concluded, it was closed.

The brethren dined together under the presidency of the M.W.S., having on his right Ill. Bro. C. J. Banister, 33°, Inspector of the District; E. and P. Bro. N. J. Beck; E. and P. Bro. Gerrard, and others; and on his left Ill. Bro. Richard Wilson, 30°; E. and P. Bro. H. Warwick, P.M.W.S.; E. and P. Bro. Hess, M.W.S. elect, and others.

The usual loyal toasts were proposed by the Chairman and duly honoured.

The M.W.S. proposed "The Health of the Supreme Council," coupling the name of their old and valued friend, Ill. Bro. Banister, 33°, which was heartily received, and in reply Bro. Banister gave the brethren some excellent advice, and before sitting down proposed "The Health of the Newly-elected M.W.S., E. and P. Bro. Hess," which was received with acclamation, and responded to in a very neat speech.

Other toasts were proposed and responded to, and the brethren separated with the hope that next year may be a successful one.





The annual Provincial Grand Lodge of Cumberland and Westmorland will be held at Workington, on Tuesday, the 30th inst., when the Eden Lodge, No. 2285, will be consecrated by Bro. L. F. B. Dykes, P.G.D. of Eng., D.P.G.M., assisted by several Provincial Grand Officers; and the corner-stone of Workington Parish Church (St. Michael's) will be laid with Masonic ceremonial at 2.45 p.m. the same day.

The lodge of instruction meeting under the warrant of the Mount Edgcumbe Lodge, No. 1446, will now assemble at Bro. White's, the Crown Tavern, Lambeth-road, S.E.

The new hall erected for the Trafalgar Lodge, No. 223, in St. Anthony-lane, Leith, is now completed, and was opened on Monday evening last by the brethren of the lodge, who marched in procession from their old meeting place in Bernard-street, bearing the emblems of their Order, and carrying torchlights. As stated on the occasion of the laying of the foundation-stone, the building is of a very ornate appearance. The façade is in the Gothic style, and over each of the three dormer windows are erected carved finials representing the "Sun," "Moon," and "Stars," respectively. The interior of the hall is well ornamented, the ceiling being in blue, and spangled with gold stars, to which an open timber roof lends considerable effect. The hall is capable of seating 500 persons.

Bro. Henry Lynn, 217, is a candidate for re-election in the West Lambeth Division of the London School Board.

The Prince of Wales visited Newmarket on Tuesday for the purpose of witnessing the contest for the Cambridgeshire, and took up his quarters at the Jockey Club Rooms. Among those present in the Grand Stand with his Royal Highness were Bros. the Earl of Zetland, the Marquis of Hartington, and Lord Randolph Churchill.

Bro. Lord Chancellor Halsbury, after receiving Bro. Alderman Whitehead, Lord Mayor elect of London, left town for Exeter, in order to attend the funeral of his brother, Mr. Giffard, Judge of the Exeter County Court.

We regret to hear of the death of Mr. J. W. de L. Giffard, judge of the Exeter County Court and a brother of Bro. Lord Halsbury, the Lord Chancellor.

The 20th annual National Cat Show was opened at the Crystal Palace on Tuesday, when about 500 fine specimens of the feline tribe of various kinds were found gathered together.

Thursday was the 34th anniversary of the Battle of Balaclava, and there are still some five and twenty officers surviving who took part in the charge of the Light Brigade. The anniversaries of the Battles of Trafalgar (21st October, 1805) and Camperdown (11th October, 1797) were commemorated by the Royal Naval Club of 1765, with the customary banquet at Willis's Rooms, St. James's, on Tuesday evening, Admiral Sir R. Vesey Hamilton being the chairman of the day.

Bro. Earl Granville was entertained at dinner by the Liverpool Reform Club on Saturday last, and among others who attended meetings the same evening in other localities was Bro. J. G. Shaw Lefevre, M.P.

The 10th annual exhibition of appliances relating to brewing, distilling, the wine and spirit trade, and mineral waters manufacture has been open at the Royal Agricultural Hall during the present week. The high character of the display has been fully maintained.

Bro. the Marquis of Hartington concluded his visit to Belfast on Saturday last. On his way through the streets to the railway terminus his lordship was received with hearty cheers.

Bro. the Earl and Countess of Jersey arrived in town from Middleton Park, Bicester, early in the present week, and will be very shortly on their way to Bombay via Marseilles, for a tour in India.

Her Majesty, with the Prince and Princess Henry of Battenberg and the members of the Court, are expected to arrive at Windsor from Balmoral on Wednesday, the 14th prox.

The Fishmongers' Company have presented a donation of £250 to the funds of the National Sea Fisheries Protection Association.

It is with very great regret we hear that the illness of Bro. the Earl of Rosslyn is the cause of the deepest anxiety among his family and friends, the former of whom have assembled at the house in Stamford where his lordship is residing.

Bro. Robt. Hughes, of Hastings, I.P.M. and Secretary of the Abbey Lodge, No. 1184, Battle, and a member of the Correspondence Circle of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge, has had a severe shock and loss through fire. He and his family had to make a hurried escape from the house in the night, but fortunately the fire was extinguished before it could spread beyond the room in which it originated. His lodge papers are safe, but he has lost a valuable collection of books and Masonic items.

At a meeting of the members of the Unanimity, Sincerity, and Philanthropic Lodge, No. 191, of Mark Master Masons, held at the Royal Clarence Hotel, on Monday evening, the 15th inst., the S.W., Bro. E. Fry Wade, was unanimously elected W.M. of the lodge for the ensuing year, as successor to Bro. A. Duckett.

**GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL.**—The tentative colouring on the handsome stone reredos erected by the brethren of the Province of Gloucestershire, being considered satisfactory, it has been decided to proceed with the work of colouring and gilding the entire reredos; the cost, computed at about £300, is expected to be raised by the brethren. An attempt is being made to induce Messrs. Willis to commence at once the work of restoring the Cathedral organ, which had been postponed until after Christmas, in consequence of the pressure of other engagements on that firm.

The Treasurer of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys has received from the executors and trustees of the will of the late Miss Louisa McKellar, of Argyll Lodge, Clapham Park, a donation of £250.

A small but active lodge of instruction is held at the Lugard, Lugard-road, Peckham. The Preceptor, Bro. Eedle, is most energetic in his endeavours to give fullest instruction. Bro. Walter Martin, Bro. Wimple, Bro. Scudder, and several other brethren are usually in attendance to assist young members.

On the 19th inst., the Lodge of Fidelity, No. 269, celebrated its centenary. The lodge was opened in the Town Hall, Blackburn, in the afternoon, when Bro. Preston delivered an address on the history of Freemasonry in the town, and a centenary warrant was presented by Col. Starkie, Provincial Grand Master. The brethren afterwards went in procession to the parish church, where a special service was held, the sermon being preached by Bro. the Rev. E. Bigoe Bagot, Provincial Grand Chaplain of East Lancashire.

Bro. Jas. Pengelly was elected W.M. for the ensuing year at the last meeting of the Mount Edgcumbe Lodge, No. 1544, at Camborne.

The festival of St. John, in connection with the Cope Lodge, No. 1357, Sale, was held at the Brooklands Hotel, on the 19th inst., when Bro. W. Campbell was installed W.M. for the ensuing year.

A lecture on the First Degree was delivered on the 18th inst., in St. Mark's Hall, 213, Buchanan-street, Glasgow, by Bro. W. Ferguson, P.M. 581, to a full attendance of the brethren belonging to Lodge St. Mungo, No. 27, and sister lodges. The lecture, which was exceedingly interesting, was received with much approbation, and at its close the lecturer received a hearty vote of thanks. Bro. James Dick, R.W.M., presided.

The annual installation meeting of the Sir Watkin Lodge, No. 1477, has been held at Mold, where Bro. Sydney Freme Clement, the W.M., installed Bro. J. E. Davies as his successor, he having been unanimously elected at a previous regular meeting of the lodge. Bro. J. E. Davies invested Bro. Clement as I.P.M.; Bros. J. D. Bolton, S.W.; T. S. Adams, J.W.; Protheroe, Chap.; J. Corbett, Treas.; Roberts, Sec.; Young, Org.; W. P. Jones, S.D.; S. Beresford, J.D.; S. Edwards, I.G.; Oliver, Ellwood, and W. H. Bellamy, Stwds.; and Smith, Tyler. Bro. Clement was presented with a handsome P.M.'s jewel. In the evening the brethren attended the annual banquet at the Black Lion Hotel.

The Prince of Wales has accepted an invitation to visit Middlesbrough in the course of the month of January next, when his Royal Highness will open the new Town Hall and municipal buildings.

The sixth annual dinner of the Metropolitan Beer and Wine Trade Protection Society was held in the Venetian Room of the Holborn Restaurant on Wednesday evening, the subscriptions amounting to about 200 guineas.

The Turners' Company opened their 20th Annual Exhibition of Turnery, at the Mansion House, on Wednesday, the exhibits being, as usual, divided into four classes—diamonds, glass, stone, and pottery, and were most interesting. The prizes, which consist of silver and bronze medals, the freedom of the Company, and money prizes, are to be distributed by Bro. Lord Mayor De Keyser to-day (Friday).

The Secretary of the Great Northern Central Hospital, Holloway-road, which was recently opened by the Prince and Princess of Wales, has had the good fortune to acknowledge receipt of a bequest of £1000 to that institution, under the will of the late Miss Louisa McKellar.

Bro. Lord Halsbury, Lord Chancellor of England, arrived in London from Pendrucombe, his seat in Cornwall, on Tuesday, and the following day received the Lord Mayor elect, Bro. Alderman Whitehead, and the Judges and Queen's Counsel at his residence at the House of Lords.

The Exchange Telegraph Company states that Alderman Whitehead, the Lord Mayor elect, had an interview with Mr. Stanhope at the War Office, on Thursday, in connection with the proposed participation of the Metropolitan Volunteer Corps in the approaching Lord Mayor's Show. The Exchange Telegraph Company learns that as a result of the interview the project will be abandoned.

The chief corner-stone of Workington Parish Church will be laid with Masonic ceremonial by Bro. L. F. B. Dykes, D.G.M. of the province of Cumberland and Westmorland on Tuesday next.

**MASONIC LECTURE.**—In Lodge Glasgow St. John, No. 3 bis, the first of a course of Masonic lectures was delivered by Bro. James Jack, R.W.M. 129, to a goodly turn-out of brethren. The subject was "Early Masonry," and the lecturer, while admitting that authentic lodge records did not exist prior to 1599, maintained that the present organisation was at least three centuries earlier; that the "Steinmetzen," or mediæval architects and Craftsmen, had a precisely similar organisation, of which the present was the outcome; and that these Steinmetzen derived their art and its secrets from Constantinople, and it, in its turn, from Italy and Rome. The Roman collegia or craft-guilds were in all but name Masons, and their prototypes were the Greeks, who, in turn, derived their Masonic secrets from Egypt—the land of Masonry, mysteries, and hieroglyphics. Light and learning came from the East—Egypt gave the greater part, Palestine a good deal. The Essenes were a set of monkish Masons, and the light of Masonry was even found in China.

**HOLLOWAYS PILLS.**—Nothing Better.—After all that has been talked or written about the removal of nervous infirmities ample experience has fully demonstrated that these invaluable Pills exercise a greater and more beneficial influence over these multifarious and disheartening disorders than any other medicine. The action of Holloway's Pills is thoroughly consonant with reason. They completely cleanse the blood, relieve both head and stomach of all faulty functions, expel all oppressive accumulations from the bowels, and purify both solids and fluids. With the blood perfect, and all poisons purged from the system, regularity must prevail throughout the body, aches and pains must cease, healthful energy must supplant weariness, and the shaky nerves must regain their wholesome tone.—ADVT.

The consecration of the Eden Lodge, No. 2285, will take place at the Green Dragon Hotel, Workington, on the occasion of the meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Cumberland and Westmorland, on Tuesday next.

The opening meeting of the eighth session of the Browning Society will take place to-day (Friday), at University College, Gower-street, when Dr. E. Berdoe will read a paper on "Paracelsus." The Rev. Mark Wilks will take the chair.

The Prince of Wales will arrive at Balmoral to-day (Friday), on a visit to the Queen. His Royal Highness is expected to reach Aberdeen in the morning, and will leave immediately afterwards for Deeside.

The mail boat Hilda, due at Guernsey early on Wednesday morning, and detained at Southampton by a dense fog, arrived at the former port at eleven o'clock that night, and proceeded for Jersey an hour afterwards. She left Jersey with mails and passengers for Guernsey and Southampton, at nine Thursday morning.

Mr. Sam Deard, patentee and manufacturer of the Dry Glazing for Greenhouses, &c., has opened new offices at 16, Dashwood House, E.C.

The 15th Annual Communication of the G. Lodge of Prince Edward Island was held at Charlottetown on the 26th June last, under the presidency of Bro. John Yeo, M.W.G.M., the Grand Officers and 10 out of the 12 lodges on the roll being well represented. The various reports were submitted, and the Grand Secretary announced that, by directions from the Grand Master, he had been successful in reviving and starting on the road to prosperity a lodge which had lost its hall, furniture, and books. Grand Lodge refused to prohibit public installations. From the statistical and financial returns it appears that there are 12 lodges on the roll, with a membership of 495, and that the expenditure—necessarily on a limited scale—is well within the modest income of the Grand Lodge. Bro. John Yeo and Bro. B. Wilson Higgs have been re-invested Grand Master and Grand Secretary respectively for the new year.

Lodge Charity, No. 223, has existed for nearly a century. It was instituted as a Cornish lodge, but was consecrated at Plymouth. Its history has been full of varied fortunes. Some months since its Secretary, Bro. W. Browning, P.P.G.D.C., undertook to compile from its records a synopsis of its history for the information of the brethren. His work has been much appreciated, and at the regular meeting of the lodge recently, as a mark of that appreciation, Bro. Browning was presented with a pair of handsome gold mounted spectacles enclosed in a case with the inscription on a silver plate—"Presented to W. B. Browning, P.M., P.P.G.D.C., Secretary, by Lodge Charity, 223, to commemorate his ability and zeal in the compilation of the history of the lodge from its formation. October, 1888. P. H. Bridgman, W.M."

**THE ARMADA EXHIBITION AT DRURY LANE.**—The enterprise of Bro. Augustus Harris seems to have no bounds—not content with producing the most colossal spectacular drama that even the stage of Drury Lane has seen, he has undertaken to transplant the large and interesting collection of Armada relics which formed the Exhibition at Plymouth some time since to the Saloon of Drury Lane Theatre, adding thereto a large number of exhibits which were not included in that collection, bringing the total up to over 500. The opening ceremony, which was of a very interesting character, was performed by the Earl of Winchilsea and Nottingham, who delivered an admirable address, and amongst others present were Lord Alcester, Prince Malcolm Khan, Sir Morell Mackenzie and Lady Mackenzie, Mr. Henry Oppenheim and Miss Oppenheim, Mr. Dixon-Hartland, M.P., and Mrs. Dixon-Hartland, Sir John Puleston, M.P., and Lady Puleston, Sir Albert Rollit, M.P., Sir William Hardman, Miss Emily Faithfull, and Dr. Drake, and Major Frobisher, descendants of the heroes of Elizabethan days. Several of the exhibits are paintings, mostly portraits. Queen Elizabeth is represented on several canvasses as she appeared at different ages. There are also portraits of Howard, Raleigh, Drake, and Forbisher. Mr. Lucas has lent Sir Oswald Brierly's "The Armada Sailing from Ferrol," and "The Decisive Action off Gravesend." Amongst the engravings we noticed a fine set of 17 plates, depicting various phases of the great sea fight, by Pine, a name familiar to Masons, as the engraver of the list of lodges and other prints. Amongst other features of the exhibition is a fine collection of armour and weapons, both English and Spanish, many of very finely tempered steel. There are also curious coins and medals, and several manuscripts, all of interest to the student of the history of the period. Several articles said to have been taken from the torture chamber of the Inquisition came in for a good deal of curious inspection. At the conclusion of the opening proceedings Bro. Harris moved a vote of thanks to Lord Winchilsea, which was, it need scarcely be said, carried unanimously, and subsequently under the direction of Mr. Walter Slaughter a selection of music was played by the Drury Lane orchestra.

**NORTH-WEST LONDON DENTAL INSTITUTE.**—Extract from *Kentish Town Magazine*, for April, 1886.—"The above-named Institute, under the special patronage of the Clergy, Medical Men, Gentlemen and Ladies of the N. and N.W. districts, affords in its daily and extensive practice, wondrous exemplification of the great progress that has been made in the science of dentistry during quite modern days, and also proves indisputably the great boon which the above-named Institute confers daily upon numerous sufferers. Defective teeth and gums are well known to be the foundation of the most painful complaints that afflict mankind, and that the several ailments of the mouth need the skilled attention of eminent scientists, if they are to be cured, or even alleviated, and in order that such skilled attention might be within the reach of all grades, the NORTH-WEST LONDON DENTAL INSTITUTE was established. Situated at 80, Fortress-road, Junction-road, Kentish Town, under the superintendence of Mr. A. W. FURBER, L.D.S., Royal College of Surgeons of England, assisted by a staff of skilled and qualified gentlemen, this Institute supplied artificial teeth; latest scientific improvements; extracts teeth, and performs all other necessary operations painlessly, and bestows benefits that cannot be over-estimated upon this portion of our largely-populated suburbs that would not seek the aid of Hospitals and Charities in the Metropolis. We may add that Mr. A. W. FURBER, L.D.S., R.C.S.E., has had 20 years' experience in hospitals and private practice, is of a very kindly disposition, and eminently fitted for the position that he holds, where he has earned the golden opinions of all who have consulted him. Mr. FURBER is also a well-known benefactor, having devoted ten years of his early practice to serve the poor, during which period his well-tutored and able hand relieved [free of cost] no less a number than 20,000 suffering patients."—Fees at this Institute are moderate, and Free to "the Unemployed."

## METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS

For the week ending Saturday, November 3rd, 1888.

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

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27.

## CRAFT LODGES.

Audit Committee Boys' School, at 4.  
1293, Burdett, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court.  
1297, West Kent, Crystal Palace, Sydenham.  
1541, Alexandra Palace, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct.  
1706, Orpheus, Holborn Restaurant.  
1777, Royal Hanover, Town Hall, Twickenham.

## LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Alexandra Palace, Station Hotel, Camberwell New-road, at 7.30.  
Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King-street, Hammersmith, at 7.  
Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-street, Pimlico, at 7.  
Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8.  
King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross, at 7.  
Manchester, Blue Posts, Charlotte-street, Fitzroy-square, at 8.  
Percy, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8.  
Star, Five Bells, New Cross-road, S.E., at 7.  
Industry Chapter, Prince Regent, Dulwich-rd., Herne Hill, at 7.30.

## ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

1329, Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 29.

## CRAFT LODGES.

79, Pythagorean, Ship Tavern, Greenwich.  
1615, Bayard, 33, Golden-square.

## LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Beaconsfield, Chequers Hotel, High-street, Walthamstow, at 8.  
Coborn, Eagle Hotel, Snaresbrook, at 8.  
Eleanor, Seven Sisters Tavern, Tottenham, at 8.  
Hyde Park, Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square, Porchester-terrace, Paddington, at 8.  
Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30.  
Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, S.W., at 7.30.  
Marquess of Ripon, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8.  
Metropolitan, Moorgate Tavern, 15, Finsbury-pavement, at 7.30.  
Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202, Whitechapel-road, at 7.  
Queen's Westminster and St. Marylebone, The Criterion, Piccadilly, W., at 8.  
Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, Putney, 8 till 10.  
St. Ambrose, Barons' Court Hotel, West Kensington, at 8.  
St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.  
St. Mark's, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New-road.  
Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, at 8.  
Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch-street, at 8.  
Strong Man, Bull and Bell, Ropemaker-st., Moorgate-st., E.C., 7.  
Upper Norwood, White Hart Hot., Church-rd., Upper Norwood, 8.  
Upton, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate, E., at 8.  
Wellington, White Swan Hotel, High-street, Deptford, 8 to 10.  
West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, E.C., at 7.  
Zetland, York and Albany, Park-street, Regent's Park, at 8.  
Doric Chapter, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-road, at 6.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30.

## CRAFT LODGE.

141, Faith, Anderton's Hotel.

## LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich-road, Herne Hill, at 8.  
Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Kingston Hill, at 8.  
Camden, Lord Northbrook Hotel, Lee, at 8.  
Capper, Railway Tavern, Angel-lane, Stratford, at 8.  
Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton Buildings, at 7.  
Chaucer, The Old White Hart, High-street, Borough, at 8.  
Corinthian, George Hotel, Cubitt Town, Poplar, at 8.  
Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Corner of Queen's-road and Middleton-road, Dalston, N.E., at 8.  
Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New-road, at 7.30.  
Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, Queen-street, Cheapside, at 7.  
East Surrey Lodge of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, High-street, Croydon, at 7.45.  
Emblematic, Red Lion, York-street, Jermyn-street, W., at 8.  
Enfield, Rose and Crown, Church-street, Edmonton, at 8.  
Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tavern, Plough-road, Rotherhithe.  
Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street, at 8.  
Finsbury, London Coffee House Tavern, Ludgate Hill, at 7.  
Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-street, Woolwich, at 7.30.  
Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30.  
Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 7.30.  
Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.  
Kensington, Scarsdale Arms, Edward-square, Kensington, at 8.  
Mount Edgumbe, Crown Tavern, Lambeth-road, S.E., at 8.  
New Cross, Chester Arms, Albany-street, N.W., at 8.  
New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav., Finsbury Park, at 8.  
Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida-vale, 8.  
Pilgrim (German language), Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C., 1st and 3rd Tues.  
Royal Naval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, at 8.  
South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Walham Green, S.W., at 7.30.  
St. George's, Public Hall, New Cross, at 8.  
Wandsworth, East Hill, Hot., Alma-road, S.W., at 8.  
Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8.  
Camden Chapter, The Moorgate, Moorgate-street, at 8.  
Earl of Carnarvon Chapter, Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove-road, Notting-hill, at 8.  
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Abchurch-lane, at 6.30.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31.

## CRAFT LODGE.

898, Temperance-in-the-East, 6, Newby-place, Poplar.

## LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, 7 till 9.  
Crays Valley, National Schoolroom, St. Mary Cray, 8.  
Duke of Albany, Rock Tavern, Battersea-park-road, at 7.30.  
Duke of Connaught, Ryl. Edwd. Hot., Mare-street, Hackney, 8.  
Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New-road, at 8.  
Fidelity, The Alfred Tavern, Roman-road, Barnsbury, N., at 8.  
Hendon, Lower Welsh Harp, Hendon, at 8.15.  
Langthorne, Swan Hotel, Stratford, at 8.  
La Tolerance, Portland Arms, Great Portland-street, W., at 8.  
Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John-street, Mayfair, at 8.  
Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, Limehouse, 7.30.  
Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High-street, Boro., 7.30.  
New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8.  
Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7.  
Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516, Old Kent-road, at 8.  
Plucknett, Bald Faced Stag, East Finchley, at 7.45.  
Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, Greenwich, at 8.  
Ravensbourne, George Inn, Catford, at 8.  
Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery-lane, at 8.  
St. Leonard, Pr. of Wales Hotel, Bishop's-road, Victoria Park, 8.  
Stockwell, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons'-avenue, E.C., 6.  
Temperance in the East, Greenwich Pensioner, Bow-lane, Poplar, 7.30.  
United Mariners, Lugard Hotel, Lugard-road, Peckham.  
United Strength, Hope Tavern, Stanhope-st., Regent's-pk., at 8.  
Vitruvian, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, at 8.  
Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street, S.W.  
Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8.  
Domestic Chapter, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8.

## ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

13, Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, William-street, Woolwich.  
435, Mount Lebanon, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.  
820, Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond.

## MARK LODGE.

176, Era, 8a, Red Lion-square, W.C.

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

## CRAFT LODGES.

27, Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel.  
45, Strong Man, Masons' Hall, Basinghall-street.

192, Lion and Lamb, Cannon-street Hotel.  
227, Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.  
231, St. Andrew's, Freemasons' Hall.  
538, La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall.  
554, Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney.  
822, Victoria Rifles, Freemasons' Hall.  
913, Pattison, High School for Boys, Brook-hill, Plumstead.  
1288, Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury.  
1351, St. Clement's Danes, 225, Strand.  
1425, Hyde Park, 1, Craven-road, W.  
1445, Prince Leopold, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate.  
1539, Surrey Masonic Hall, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.  
1672, Mornington, Imperial Hotel, Holborn-viaduct.  
1707, Eleanor, Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool-street.  
1724, Kaiser-i-Hind, Café Royal, Regent-street.  
1765, Trinity, College, 13, Mandeville-place, W.

## LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Burdett Coutts, Swan Tavern, New Bethnal Green-road, at 8.  
City of London, City Arms Restaurant, St. Mary Axe, 6.30.  
Covent Garden, The Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.  
Creaton, Wheatheaf Hot., Goldhawk-rd., Shepherd's Bush, W., 8.  
Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's-gate, Clerkenwell, 9.  
Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern (opposite Limehouse Church, E.), at 7.  
Ebury, Greyhound Hotel, Streatham Common, at 8 p.m.  
Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, 7.30.  
Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham.  
Guelph, Town Hall, Leyton, 8.  
Highgate, Bull and Gate, Highgate-road, N., at 8.  
High Cross, Coach and Horses, High-road, Tottenham, at 8.  
Ivy, Railway Tavern, Battersea Rise, S.W., at 8.  
Justice, Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford, 8 to 10.  
Langton, White Hart, Abchurch-lane, E.C., at 5.30.  
Leopold, Blackwall Railway Hotel, 7, London-street, Fenchurch-street, E.C., at 7.  
Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House, London Bridge, at 7.  
Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Tottenham-ct.-rd, 8.  
Royal Albert, White Hart Hotel, Abchurch-lane, at 7.30.  
Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel (opposite Wimbledon Railway Station), at 7.  
Rose, Sterling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, at 8.  
Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, at 8.  
Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tavern, Liverpool-road, 8.  
Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New-road, 8.  
Southern Star, Sir Sydney Smith, Chester-street, Kennington.  
The Great City, M.H., Masons'-avenue, E.C., 6.30.  
Tredegar, Wellington Arms, Wellington-road, Bow-road, 7.30.  
Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-street, Woolwich.  
Victoria Park, George Tavern, Broadway, Stratford, at 8.  
West Middlesex, Bell Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30.  
Prince Frederick William Chapter, Eagle Tavern, Clifton-road, Maida-vale, 7.30.

## ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

181, Universal, Freemasons' Hall.  
1507, Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel.

## MARK LODGE.

244, Trinity College, 13, Mandeville-place, W.

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

## CRAFT LODGES.

706, Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-street, Woodwich.  
890, Hornsey, Anderton's Hotel.  
1159, Marquis of Dalhousie, 33, Golden-square, W.  
1697, Royal Kensington, Freemasons' Hall.  
1815, Penge, Thicket Hotel, Anerley.

## LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Albion, The Mitre, 125, Chancery-lane, at 7.30.  
All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.  
Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, at 8.  
Burgoyne, Essex Head, Essex-street, Strand, at 7.  
Chigwell, Loughton Public Hall, at 7.30.  
Clapton, Lord Stanley, Sandringham-road, Hackney, at 8.  
Doric, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-road, at 8.  
Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting-hill, at 8.  
Emulation Lodge of Improvement (for M.Ms.), F.M.H. at 6.  
Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-street, Strand, at 8.  
Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington Park, S.E., at 8.  
Loyalty, Private Rooms, 206, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8.  
Metropolitan (Victoria), Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7.  
Ranelagh, Six Bells, Queen-street, Hammersmith, W., at 8.  
Robert Burns, Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden-lane, Covent Garden, W.C., at 8.  
Royal Standard, Builders' Arms, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, N.  
Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8.  
St. George's, Globe Tavern, Greenwich, at 8.  
St. James's, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-road, S.E., at 8.  
St. John's, York and Albany Hotel, Regent's Park, N.W., at 8.  
Stability, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons' Avenue, at 6.  
Temperance, Railway Tavern, New Cross-road, at 8.  
The Abbey, King's Arms, Buckingham Palace, at 7.30.  
Ubique, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street, at 7.30.  
United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-road, at 7.30.  
Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8.  
Wm. Preston, St. Andrew's Tavern, George-street, Baker-st., W.  
Hornsey Chapter, Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square, Paddington, at 8.  
Lily of Richmond Chapter, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, at 8.  
Pythagorean Chapter, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich.  
Star Chapter, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church-st., Camberwell, at 8.  
Royal Savoy (Mark), The Moorgate, 15, Finsbury Pavement.

## ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

3, Fidelity, Freemasons' Tavern.  
95, Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.  
1489, Ezra, Metropolitan Asylum, Ball's Pond-road.

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3.

General Committee Boys' School, at 4.

## CRAFT LODGES.

142, St. Thomas, Cannon-street Hotel.  
1567, Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham.  
1572, Carnarvon, Albion Hotel.  
1622, Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.  
2182, Sterndale Bennett, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.  
2202, Regent's Park, York and Albany Hotel, Gloucester-gate, W.

## PROVINCIAL MASONIC MEETINGS

For the week ending Saturday, November 3, 1888.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 29.

## CRAFT LODGES.

62, Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester.  
79, Pythagorean, Ship Tavern, Greenwich.  
148, Lights, Masonic Rooms, Sankey-street, Warrington.  
377, Hope and Charity, Masonic Hall, Kidderminster.  
1110, Tyrian, Gilridge Hotel, Eastbourne.  
1177, Tenby, Masonic Hall, Tenby, Pembrokeshire.  
1218, Prince Alfred, Commercial Hot., Mossley, Ashton-u-Lyne.  
1258, Kennard, Masonic Hall, Pontypool.  
1753, Obedience, White Hart Hotel, Okehampton, Devon.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

74, Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham, at 7.  
184, United Chatham, Ass. Ro., Old Brompton, Chatham, 7.30.  
213, Perseverance, 47, St. Giles-street, Norwich.  
292, Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool, at 7.  
302, Hope, Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford.  
378, Loyal Welsh, M.H., Queen-street, Pembroke Dock, at 7.30.  
382, Royal Navy, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge, at 8.  
429, Royal Navy, Shipwrights' Arms, Ramsgate, at 8.  
521, Truth, F.M.H., Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield, at 8.  
962, Sun and Sector, Ass. Ro., Portland-sq., Workington, at 8.  
1071, Zetland, M.H., Alexandra-square, Saltash, Cornwall, at 8.  
1174, Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham.

1218, Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossley, at 7.  
1221, Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds.  
1444, Brownrigg, King's Arms Hotel, Old Brompton, Kent, 7.30.  
1449, Royal Military, 38, St. Peter's-place, Canterbury, at 8.  
1479, Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans, at 7.  
1556, United Military, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich, at 7.30.  
1600, Hamilton, Masonic Hall, Chapel-street, Alford, at 8.  
1776, Unity, F.M.H., 79, Commercial-road, Landport, at 7.  
1799, Arnold, Portobello Hotel, Walton-on-the-Naze, at 8.  
1804, Coborn, Eagle Hotel, Snaresbrook, at 8.  
1981, Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Park-road, Norbiton, at 8.  
2134, Wilberforce, 55, Charlotte-street, Hull, at 8.

## ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

302, Charity, Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford.  
310, Union, Masonic Rooms, Castle-street, Carlisle.  
730, Earl of Lathom, Town Hall, Chorley, Lancashire.  
941, De Tabley, Royal George Hotel, Knutsford.

## MARK LODGES.

109, Keystone, Masonic Hall, Newport, Monmouthshire.  
317, Youell, St. Andrew's Hall, Gorleston.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30.

## CRAFT LODGES.

299, Emulation, Bull Inn, Dartford, Kent.  
310, Union, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle.  
335, Rectitude, Methuen Arms, Corsham, Wilts.  
859, Isaac Newton University, Red Lion Hotel, Cambridge.  
1007, Howe and Charnwood, Bull's Head Hotel, Loughboro'.  
1358, Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton.  
1479, Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans.  
1566, Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead.  
1636, St. Cecilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.  
1650, Rose of Raby, Scarth Memorial Hall, Staindrop.  
1774, Mellor, Red Lion, Hooley-hill, Audenshaw, nr. Manchester.  
1779, Ivanhoe, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.  
1896, Audley, Public Hall, Newport, Salop.  
1942, Minerva, Public Hall, Fenton.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

119, Sun, Square, and Compasses, F.M.H., Whitehaven, at 7.30.  
371, Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall, Englefield-st., Maryport, 8.  
463, East Surrey Lodge of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, at 7.45.  
591, Buckingham, Masonic Hall, Aylesbury, at 8.  
603, Zetland, Masonic Hall, Cleckheaton, Yorkshire.  
820, Lily, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, Surrey, at 8.  
855, Sympathy, Swan Hotel, Wootton-under-Edge.  
897, Loyalty, Masonic Rooms, Hall-street, St. Helens.  
1119, St. Bede, Masonic Hall, Grange-road, Jarrow, at 8.  
1358, Torbay, Town Hall, Paignton.  
1390, Whitwell, Masonic Hall, Millom, Cumberland, at 7.30.  
1473, Henley, Three Crowns Hotel, North Woolwich, at 7.30.  
1528, Fort, Gover-lane, Newquay.  
1618, Handyside, Queen's Hotel, Saltburn-by-the-Sea.  
1638, Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Kingston Hill, at 8.  
1783, Albert Edward, F.M.H., Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield, 8.  
1837, Lullingstone, Masonic Hall, Wilmington, Dartford.

## ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

47, Abbey, Masonic Hall, Goldsmith-street, Nottingham.  
94, De Lambton, Freemasons' Hall, Sunderland.  
418, Staffordshire Knot, Freemasons' Hall, Hanley.  
721, Grosvenor, Masonic Rooms, Eastgate-row, Chester.  
1334, Norman, Masonic Hall, Durham.

## MARK LODGES.

348, Fidelity and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Taunton.  
70, Morganwg, Masonic Hall, Caer-street, Swansea.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31.

## CRAFT LODGES.

76, Economy, Masonic Hall, Winchester.  
103, Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.  
304, Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.  
321, Unity, Crewe Arms, Crewe, Cheshire.  
439, Scientific, Masonic Rooms, Bingley, Yorks.  
461, Fortitude, Commercial Hotel, Newton Moor, Cheshire.  
540, Stuart, Swan Hotel, Bedford.  
996, Soudes, Masonic Hall, East Dereham.  
1083, Townley Parker, Grand Hotel, Manchester.  
1119, St. Bede, Masonic Hall, Jarrow, Durham.  
1219, Strangeways, Old Boar's Head, Corporation-st., Manchester.  
1242, Tynwald, Masonic Hall, Douglas.  
1283, Ryburn, M.H., Central-buildings, Sowerby-bridge, Yorks.  
1714, Albert Edward, Cambridge Hotel, Camberley, Surrey.  
1775, Leopold, Commercial Hotel, Church, near Accrington.  
1953, Prudence and Industry, M.H., George Hotel, Chard.  
1980, Stirling, Market Hall, Cleator Moor, Cumberland.  
2064, Smith Child, Town Hall, Tunstall, Staffs.  
2186, Strigill, Masonic Hall, Nelson-street, Chepstow.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

20, Royal Kent Lodge of Antiquity, Mitre Hotel, Chatham.  
117, Salopian, Music Hall Buildings, Shrewsbury.  
128, Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bury, Lancashire.  
175, Vectis, Masonic Hall, John-street, Ryde, Isle of Wight.  
186, Industry, Railway Hotel, West Hampstead.  
298, Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Drake-street, Rochdale.  
409, Scientific, Masonic Rooms, Fleece Inn, Main-st., Bingley, 7.  
464, Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Haverfordwest, at 7.30.  
851, Friendship, Steyne Hotel, Worthing.  
1085, Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby.  
1601, Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham.  
2099, Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Herne Bay, at 8.

## ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

151, Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport (Isle of Wight).  
268, Union, Queen's Arms, George-street, Ashton-under-Lyne.  
287, Stone of Friendship Ezel, Dog & Patridge Inn, Churchgate, Stockport.  
430, Fidelity, Astley Arms Inn, Duckinfield, Cheshire.  
1073, Greta, Keswick Hotel, Keswick.

## MARK LODGES.

24, Roberts, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street, Rochdale.

## ROSE CROIX CHAPTER.

102, Border, Keswick.

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

## CRAFT LODGES.

24, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Masonic Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle.  
31, United Industrious, Masonic Temple, St. Peter's-street, Canterbury.  
38, Union, Council Chambers, North-street, Chichester.  
41, Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-st., Bath.  
114, British Union, Freemasons' Hall, Soane-street, Ipswich.  
123, Lennox, Masonic Hall, Newbiggin-st., Richmond, Yorks.  
195, Hengist, Masonic Hall, St. Michael's-road, Bournemouth.  
230, Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Granby-street, Devonport.  
249, Mariners, Masonic Hall, 22, Hope-street, Liverpool.  
266, Naphtali, Navigation Inn, Heywood, Lancs.  
269, Fidelity, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blackburn.  
289, Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds.  
294, Constitutional, M.H., Register-square, Beverley, Yorks.  
295, Combermere Union, Macclesfield Arms, Macclesfield.  
300, Minerva, Pitt and Nelson Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne.  
305, Apollo, White Lion, Small Gate-street, Beccles.  
309, Harmony, Red Lion, West-street, Fareham.  
317, Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.  
360, Pomfret, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton.  
362, Doric, Private Room, St. Peter's-hill, Grantham.  
412, Holy Temple, Swan Inn, Longtown, Cumberland.  
419, St. Peter's, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.  
446, Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somerset.  
509, Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Wellington-rd., Stockton-on-Tees.  
531, St. Helen's Masonic Hall, Regent-square, Hartlepool.  
539, St. Matthew's, Dragon Hotel, High-street, Walsall.