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QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

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HE business to be transacted in Grand Lodge on Wednesday next, the 5th September, will be, as is usually the case on each recurring assembly of the Parliament of the Craft at this season of the year, of but small moment; and we are not likely to see so large a gathering of distinguished Metropolitan and Provincial brethren as has of late filled the Grand Hall to overflowing.

The following Agenda of business has been issued:—

- 1.—The Minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 6th June for confirmation.
- 2.—To read a letter addressed to Her Imperial Majesty The Empress Frederick of Germany, Crown Princess of England, by His Royal Highness The Most Worshipful Grand Master, tendering to Her Imperial Majesty the Condolences and Sympathy of the Grand Lodge of England, on the recent death of Her Illustrious Consort, the late Emperor Frederick III., and also to read the gracious reply of Her Imperial Majesty thereto.
- 3.—To report that a complete set of the Clothing of a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England had been prepared and transmitted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, in the name and on behalf of Grand Lodge, to His Majesty Oscar II., King of Sweden and Norway, K.G., Grand Master of Sweden, for the gracious acceptance of His Majesty, in commemoration of his recent appointment as Past Grand Master of England.

4.—Report of the Board of Benevolence for the last quarter, in which are recommendations for the following Grants, viz.:—

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5.—Report of the Board of General Purposes—To the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons The Board of General Purposes beg to submit a Statement of the Grand Lodge Accounts, at the last meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Friday, the 17th day of August instant, showing a balance in the Bank of England (Western Branch) of £6,574 1s, 9d., and in the hands of the Grand Secretary for Petty Cash £100. and for Servants' Wages £100, and balance of Annual Allowance for Library £33 1s. 4d. (Signed) Thomas Fenn. President, Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C., 21st August, 1888.

List of Lodges for which Warrants have been granted by the M.W. Grand Master since the last Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge.

No. 2267—The Laidley Lodge, Laidley, Queensland. 2268—The Hallamshire Lodge, Sheffield, West Yorkshire. 2269—The "Peace" Lodge, Wigan. West Lancashire. 2270—The Carnarvon Lodge, Bowrae, New South Wales. 2271—The St. Pancras Lodge, St. Pancras, London. 2272—The Rye Lodge, Peckham. 2273—The Natimuk Lodge, Natimuk, Victoria. 2274—The Werriger Lodge, Werracknabeal, Victoria. 2275—The St. John's Lodge, Leichhardt. New South Wales. 2276—The Barrier Lodge, Broken Hill, New South Wales. 2277—The St. Paul's Lodge, Limassol, Island of Cyprus.

The Calendar Committee direct the attention of Masters of Lodges and Principals of Chapters to the necessity of communicating to the Grand Secretary any change in the day or place of meeting of Lodges or Chapters so soon as the resolution for effecting such change shall be confirmed.— Vide Book of Constitutions, Articles 162, 167, 168, 169, 170; Edition 1884.

Ludge Officers.

THEIR QUALIFICATIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

The Senior Wayden.

"When the Senior Warden, standing in the West, Calls us from our LABOURS to partake of rest, We unite, whilst he recites The duties of a Mason. On the level meet, on the square we part, Repeats each worthy brother; This rule in view, we thus renew Our friendship for each other,"—WEBB.

F all the appointments to office which it is in the power of a newly-installed Worshipful Master to make there is not one in any respect of so much importance as that of the Senior Warden. The choice of the probable, though not assured, successor to the exalted dignity and grave duties connected with the chair of K.S., is one that demands most careful consideration, and should not be made in any perfunctory manner. The elevation of a Brother to the position of second officer in the Lodge should not, as unfortunately is too frequently the case, depend upon mere rota unaccompanied by any evidence of zeal and earnestness in the attainment of proficiency for command and ability to teach. And that Master of a Lodge most faithfully and efficiently discharges his first duty to the Craft who has the judgment to determine where merit should receive promotion, and the courage to exert such judgment in the best interests of the Lodge notwithstanding any supposed right of prescription by service in subordinate capacities. The Senior Warden is the selection of one individual to whom has been, by the suffrages of the Brethren, entrusted a power which may tend to either make or mar their future prospects; and the Brother who looks to be the object of the W.M.'s choice should take care that he has fully qualified himself in every respect for the promotion he desires, and is able to be truly that Pillar of Strength to the Lodge which is required in the West. On the other hand, if during his service in the less important offices of the Lodge he has negligently omitted to make the requisite progress, and .given reasonable cause for doubting his efficiency, he ought not to be either surprised or annoyed if the "fountain of honour" in his Lodge bars his further advancement, and the Brethren generally approve of their Master's decision. He will have failed to reap because he had not sown, and to complain of the natural result of his negligence, and to designate it as an injustice done to him, would but proclaim that, in his opinion, his self aggrandisement was of much more importance than a consideration of the best

interests of Freemasonry.

We have spoken of the Senior Warden as the Pillar of Strength, the second of the Three Great Pillars which support a Lodge. His prototype is Hiram, King of Tyre, who so effectually supported King Solomon in providing materials for the building of the Holy Temple at Jerusalem. His symbol is the Doric Column of Architecture, strong and massive, and represents that as King Hiram so assisted King Solomon, the Senior Warden's duty is to support the authority of the Worshipful Master—to facilitate his designs, and to see that his commands are carried into full and permanent effect. For all purposes in relation to the ruling of the Lodge and the transaction of its business, except only in that of initiating candidates or conferring degrees, the Senior Warden in the compelled absence or incapacity of the Worshipful Master is the supreme authority, as under similar circumstances affecting the Master and himself at the same time would be the Junior Warden in the absence of both. However much it was a former custom in Freemasonry that failing the presence of the W.M. his authority reverted to the I.P.M. or Senior Past Master then attending the Lodge, it has been now settled that the governing powers of the absent W.M. devolve on the Senior, and in his absence also on the Junior Warden. It should not be forgotten that the Warrant of Constitution is granted to the Master and Wardens and their successors in office, and not to the members of a Lodge; and that therefore the Lodge cannot be legally congregated without the We may, however, say, authority of at least one of these officers. in parenthesis, that in cases where the Warden is himself an Installed Master, he can perform all ceremonies and discharge all duties ordinarily devolving on the Master, but it is generally, out of respect and courtesy, customary for that officer to resign the Chair to a Past Master of the Lodge who, however, derives his authority from the Warden. To meet any possible, though certainly most unlikely, contingency resulting in the removal or absence of all three principal officers, the Constitutions of the Order (Sec. 141) the Lodge, and conducting the ceremonies and business by a subscribing Past Master of or in the Lodge.

In view of the foregoing, it is not too much to say that the necessary qualifications of a Brother for the office of Senior Warden do not fall far short of those which should be absolutely possessed by the Worshipful Master. He should be perfect in ritual and ceremonial, "that the Brethren may not suffer from want of proper instruction," and should be well acquainted with the laws and constitutions of the order, "that he may be enabled to induce the Brethren to hold our ancient usages and customs in veneration." All his attainments should be directed to the support of the Master, whether it be to assist him in some portions of his ceremonial labours, or in obtaining a thorough knowledge of the ability and earnestness of those concerned in the work, and over whom he may in his turn, if found worthy, be called upon to rule. An old charge to Wardens calls upon them to be careful to instruct those whom the Master may place under their care, "neither to palliate nor aggravate their

offences, but, in all cases, to judge with candour, admonish with friendship, and reprehend with mercy." In former days, doubtless, the Senior Warden had more scope for the exercise of a governing power, more to do with the work than at present seems to be granted to him in many Lodges. In some, however, the laudable practice of permitting the Wardens to share the W.M.'s work obtains, and some of the addresses, explanations of the working tools and charges are delivered from their respective pedestals, affording to the Brethren generally a pleasing variation, to the Master himself a sometimes sorely needed relief, and above all to those who are qualifying for the chair of K.S. incitement to a perfect understanding of our symbols and allegories, and a confidence which, in the higher station, will be found of inestimable advantage.

The jewel of office of the Senior Warden indicates his duty. It is the symbol of equality, the level, the moral tendency of which, as a speculative emblem is so graphically expressed in the course of our Sectional Lectures, demonstrating our common origin as members of the same human family, "partaking of the same nature, and sharing in the same hope." It is the type of that platform upon which all Freemasons meet, "yet taking no honour from a man that he had before," and reminds him that strict impartiality, without respect of persons, should govern his distribution of that "just due" which the Master has, through him, to render unto every man engaged in the Lord's work. He stands in relation to the work of speculative Masonry in similar position to that of the overseer of the work in Operative Masonry, and that his support of the Master should be effective, a regularity of attendance at commencement of proceedings as well as a continuance of supervision until their close, is an essential part of his obligation and responsibility. His presence is required both at the rising and the setting of the sun that a full day's labour may be the result. Of the nature of most of the Senior Warden's further duties the ritual of the order itself affords information, and there are portions of the Ancient Charges particularly relating to his office with which he should make himself acquainted. We shall have occasion, most probably, to refer incidentally to some points in ritual, in respect of which the Senior Warden is more immediately concerned, and which may possibly prove interesting to that officer. Until such opportunity arises, it may suffice to suggest to those who at present occupy that station a consideration of much that they have to say as well as do in the discharge of their functions, with a view to the correction of many solecisms and contradictions which have perverted the beautiful language and expressive meaning which their portion of ceremonial originally contained.

In support of the article of our esteemed contributor on the duties and responsibilities of the Worshipful Master of a Lodge, which appeared in our last number, we cull the following from ' Century of Aphorisms," by the late Bro. The Rev. G. Oliver, D.D.,

Century of Aphorisms," by the late Bro. The Rev. G. Oliver, D.D., in "The Book of the Lodge":—

"Is the Master of a Lodge beloved by the Brethren? You may be sure he is a just, and elever, and amiable man."—Aph. 36.

"Before you pronounce a man a good Mason, let him pass the Chair. That is the test which will infallibly display both virtues and failings, mental imbeeility and moral strength. If he pass through his year of honour, but real trial, creditably, he will have nobly earned the character of a worthy and intelligent Mason."—Aph. 59.

"In the Master of a Lodge some degree of eloquence is necessary to enable him to explain symbols, to illustrate allegories, and instruct the Brethren in the general principles of Masonry, as well as to perform the routine business of the Lodge. His manner of speaking should be clear, brief, and to the purpose. Declamation, ornaments or figures of speech, will but confuse the orator without producing any beneficial effect upon the hearers. Plain grammatical language is all that is required."—Aph. 74.

"When a Lodge becomes disorderly, it is lost. Would you subdue turbulence

required."—Aph, 74. "When a Lodge becomes disorderly, it is lost. Would you subdue turbulence and restore harmony? Dismiss the Master."—Aph, 77.

We commend a consideration of the above to all whom it may

A Copy of this Number of The Masonic Star has been

addressed and posted to the Senior Warden of each Lodge under the English Constitution at home and abroad. If any one of those Officers fail to receive same in due course, a communication to the Editor is solicited, and the omission shall be rectified.

Secretaries of Lodges and Scribes of Chapters, &c., will greatly oblige us by forwarding notices of forthcoming meetings, and information relating to Masonic matters of local or general interest to the Craft. Every attention shall be given to their requirements in respect of same, and we shall be happy at all times to reciprocate their favors to the full extent of our power. We respectfully solicit the support of each regular Lodge and Chapter and each Lodge and Chapter of Instruction by subscription for at least one copy. to be regularly forwarded.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked at the Doric Lodge of Instruction No. 963, at the "Duke's Head," Whitechapel Road, E., on Monday, 3rd September, at 7. Bro. B. Da Costa, S.D., No. 1349, Preceptor, presiding as W.M. The Sections will be worked in the following order :-

FIRST LECTURE.—Ist Section, Bro. M. Corper, No. 1349; 2nd, Bro. A. Jacobs, I.G., 1349; 3rd, Bro. Shoesmith, W.M., 1349; 4th, Bro. L. Da Costa, S.W., 1349; 5th, Bro. J. De Casseres, J.W., 1349; 6th, Bro. J. Maloney, J.W., 1625; 7th, Bro. W. Bishadana, I.W. Maloney, J.W., 1625; 7th, Bro. J. Control of the C W. Richardson, J.W., 174.

SECOND LECTURE.—1st Section, Bro. C. Fox, J.D., No. 1349; 2nd, Bro. L. Simmons, 185; 3rd, Bro. Oxley, J.W., 1306; 4th, Bro. D. Moss, P.M., 1275; 5th, Bro. D. Shuter, 1349.

THIRD LECTURE.—1st Section, Bro. H. Marks, P.M., No. 1349; 2nd, Bro. W Musto, P.M., 1349; 3rd, Bro. Harris, 1349.

The Masonic "Poet's Corner."

(Original and Selected.)

IN WHITE ARRAY.

Poem, composed and respectfully inscribed to M. W. Thomas Clark. Grand Master of Masons, and read before the assembled Grand Lodge of Manitoba at Winnipeg, February 8, 1888,

BY ROB. MORRIS, LL.D.,

Of La Grange, Ky., Masonic Poet Laureate.

What are these which are arrayed in white robes, and whence come they?-Rev. vii. 13.

> What are these, in white array, Gathered round yon Book of God? While the pictured walls display Emblems, ancient and adored:
> Whence are these, whose practised skill Waits upon the MASTER'S hand, Prompt to do the Master's will And obedient to command? What are these, in aprons white? Whence are these, thus met to-night?

These, from many a land and clime, These, from many a home, have met: Age, and youth, and middle time, Mingle here in concord sweet: In one solemn, holy vow, They are bound for others' good; Heart and hand are woven now In the world-wide BROTHERHOOD. Age on age has come and gone Since this white-robed band was born.

Masons these! their Fathers built On Moriah's Mount, their Fane; There, in prayer devout, they knelt, There, in prayer devout, they knelt,
And Jehovah spoke again:
These have learned their Fathers' Faith,
These enjoy their Fathers' Hope,
And in Charity, till death
They will build their Temple up.
By the Level, Plumb, and Square, All their Ashlars fashioned are!

In how many an honored tomb, Sleep Freemasons such as these! Plants immortal o'er them bloom, Teaching greatest mysteries: Waiting, waiting, till the Word Calls them from their lowly rest, And th' omnipotence of God Draws them to their FATHER's breast. Happy they, so sure to be Joined in bright eternity!

So, the coming years will sweep Us, who congregate to-night: Low in mother earth to sleep And await the Eastern light: Craftsmen, let us then be true, True to every sacred vow, Quick to plan and prompt to do, As our Master's will we know. Doubtless He will give reward, Ample wages will afford.

Under date of 22nd March, 1888, our deeply lamented friend and Brother, Rob. Morris forwarded to us, in a letter full of encouragement and good wishes, a proof slip of the above exquisite poem, which, if not the very last, is almost certainly one of the very latest of his admirable Masonic productions. "In White Array" has now, in connection with his recent decease (July 31st), an even greater interest to ourselves than it would have had under other circumstances; and we believe that many of our readers will share our feelings of deep regret for the loss of this excellent Freemason. In accordance with his permission, which in its expression was almost in the nature of a request, we shall carry out the promise contained in our first number, and week by week select from his "Poetry of Freemasonry" one of his brilliant compositions.

As our own words would inevitably fail in any attempt to record the Masonic life of our departed friend, we subjoin the following from the pages of the New York Dispatch :-

THE LATE BRO. ROBERT MORRIS.

Death, which comes but once, yet comes to all, has made fearful havoe in our ranks during the past year, and has taught us again and again, if we heed the lesson, what shadows we pursue. Many of our sir knights have fallen by the wayside, weary with the march of life. Life is too short, there is too little of it, to have its days or even its hours wasted in doing else than rendering to our fellows all the good we can while journeying through this earthly pilgrimage.

Bro. Morris was born in Oxford, Miss., Aug. 31st, 1818, and died on Tuesday, the 31st ult., at his home at La Grange, Ky., from

Bro. Morris received a good school education, and devoted much

of his early life to duties as a teacher. He was initiated into Freemasonry in 1842. The system and purposes of the Institution so pleased him that he devoted the balance of his life to work as a writer and lecturer to the Order. He was a ready, graceful, and fluent writer and speaker. He established several magazines, the most successful of which is the "Voice of Masonry" now published in Chicago. He was the author of many works on Masonry and of more than 300 poems on Freemasonry and kindred subjects, some of which are of high required. which are of high merit, the most popular with the Fraternity being "The Level and Square." In 1858-9 he was Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky, and received the Degree of Doctor of Laws in the University of Kentucky in 1860. In 1867 he was delegated by the Grand Lodge of Canada to establish a Masonic lodge in Jerusalem, which was notably successful, and again in 1884 he visited the Holy Land to explore the origin and foundation of the Craft. On his return to America he published his "Travels in the Holy Land," a remarkably interesting work, of which many thousands of copies were sold. In 1885 he was crowned "Poet Laureate of Freemasonry" in the Grand Lodge Room of the Masonic Hall, New York City, by Grand Master William A. Brodie, assisted by the Grand and Past Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge, in the presence of a large assemblage of the Fraternity from various parts of the country.

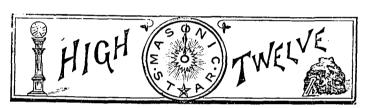
Bro. Morris has contributed an almost endless mass of writings

to Masonic literature. During the past two years he devoted himself almost entirely to preparing an annotated edition on the life and poems of Robert Burns, of whom he was a great admirer. For this purpose he visited the birthplace of Burns several times, and collected numerous works on his life and writings. His work in this direction was comprehensive, and at the time of his death

was unfinished.

His wife and five children survive him

"Who fell like autumn fruit that mellowed long, Even wondered at because he dropped no sooner."



"Cease labour and go to refreshment."

The glorious sun has attained its meridian lustre in the South, and declares the hour of high twelve. The Junior Wardens' column assumes the perpendicular, to continue in that position only whilst labour is suspended for the purposes of refreshment, and to be lowered at all other times. The plumb rule rests against the rough and imperfect material to await the return of the workmen to their several tasks.

Bro. LORD HERSCHELL, in a very genial speech delivered by him on the occasion of the Installation of Bro. SIR JOHN SOMERS VINE, W.M. of the Savage Club Lodge (No. 2190) a few months since, remarked that "Dinner is one of the most excellent institutions which Savages have handed down to modern times, but after-dinner speeches are perhaps one of the worst products of a mischevious civilization." We are somewhat disposed to agree with him, but not entirely so. Without some amount of talking after dinner the Junior Warden would have in charge frequently a very dull company indeed. The stereotyped style of post-prandial speechifying is certainly to be condemned; but much pleasure and instruction can be, and often is, derived from the terse and epigrammatic elocution of many of our talented brethren, particularly when called upon as Visitors.

THE ALBERT LODGE.—No. 854—Bro. J. D. Bamford, W.M. held its annual summer outing on the 15th instant, the members enjoying a most delightful trip in bright and cheerful weather. Leaving Oldham soon after eight by train they reached Worksop before eleven and there breakfasted. Thence they drove to the Dukeries, passing through Clumber Park, the seat of His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, and Thoresby Park, the residence of Earl Manvers, to Sherwood Forest. After luncheon the drive was continued to Welbeck Abbey, and at Worksop, on the return journey, dinner was served. The Brethren separated at Oldham after a very pleasant re-union, greatly gratified with the proceedings of the day.

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH-No. 1182-Bro. J. D. Galloway. W.M., held its annual outing on the 16th instant, visiting Rudyard for high festival, and spending a very enjoyable day in boating, races, and other sports.

The "Pienie" of the Frederick West Lodge—No. 2222.—Bro. R. T. Elsam, W.M., on the 21st instant, when the members and friends, with their wives, sisters, cousins and aunts, went tripping up the river from Kingston, was an extremely successful affair. The entire arrangements made for the comfort of the Brethren and their guests reflected the greatest credit upon the organisers of the festivity. Where so many enthusiastic Brethren afforded zealous service it would be invidious to particularise. It is sufficient for us to say that a spirit of kindly interest in the comfort and enjoyment of each and all of the pleasure-seeking party made the day a notable one in the annals of the Lodge, and we sincerely wish them many happy returns of their outing.

"How many lodges did you say your husband belonged to!" she suddenly asked. "Fifteen." "Merey on me! But think of a man being out fifteen nights a week! I am really glad that I'm a

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Original Correspondence.

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QUALIFICATION OF BOYS AND GIRLS.

To the Editor of THE MASONIC STAR.

Dear Sir and Brother,

I was glad to learn that Bro. C. Perceval had been successful in carrying his resolution,—"That no girl should be eligible for the benefits of our Institution, whose father had not been a subscribing member of a Lodge for at least three years." As there is no rule without an exception, I would venture to suggest the addition of the following words: "Unless he shall have previously made himself a Life Governor of the Institution," and I feel sure it will be readily adopted by the Quarterly Court. This matter is also before the Committee of the Boys' School, who, I hope, will follow Yours fraternally, in the same lines.

27th August, 1888.

FAIR PLAY.

To the Editor of THE MASONIC STAR.

Dear Sir and Brother,

I heartily wish every success to your undertaking.

Your first number touches on a subject of great interest. If properly considered, it should be found of great importance to the Craft. I allude to the note respecting the exercise of voting power by Brethren who are not Master Masons.

Fancy an E.A. sitting in a Lodge for the first time, when everything is dark and unknown to him, naturally excited by what he has just seen and heard, and quite ignorant of Masonic rules and procedure, called upon to vote on what may probably be a matter of vital importance to the welfare of the Lodge. What can such

Brethren possibly know how they should properly vote!

I am able to give you a point of fact which lately happened in a Lodge. There was a motion to exclude a Brother for using outside the Lodge unmasonic language. There were three E.A.'s and two F.C.'s and their respective proposers instructed them what to do.

F.C.'s and then respect fairly, and you will no doubt supported by the Craft, and reap ultimately great benefit.

Yours fraternally,

S. Consider the subject fairly, and you will no doubt be strongly

August 25th, 1888.

Answers to Correspondents.

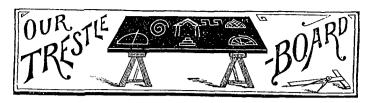
- A Visitor. We cannot possibly insert your letter; we have been "taught to be cautious," and so, we presume, have you. In our case we desire to carry out the injunction; in yours, we fear personal feeling engenders recklessness.

 ASHLAR. We are greatly obliged by the promise of that support which your Masonic position will render most valuable. We utilise your suggestion in
- Authorite position will retail, another part of this issue.

 LIVER. Keep your copies clean for a few weeks; probably by then we shall have arranged for the cases you suggest.

Addresses of the following Lodges wanted. Notices have been returned through post.

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Studholme		·		•••	., 1591
Strangeways				•••	,, 1219
Wharton			•••	•••	,, 2045
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" For the Master to lay lines and draw designs upon."

Our first duty this week is to acknowledge the support already accorded to us, and which we at once recognise by increasing the number of our pages. This we shall continue to do as circumstances may justify, and in order that preparation may be made for extension, we must impress upon our readers and friends the importance of an early intimation to us of their intention to swell our subscription list.

A suggestion has been offered us by a well-known Provincial Brother that we should open a column in this Journal as "A Masonic Exchange and Mart Column." restricted to matter solely Masonic, and avoiding trade advertisements. We shall consider the propriety of carrying out this suggestion in due course: and, meanwhile, should be glad to have opinions on the subject from our readers.

W. Bro. Thomas Fenn, P.G.D., President of the Board of General Purposes, on the occasion of the last Annual Festival of the Emulation Lodge of Improvement, London, remarked:—"At the Union of the two Grand Lodges, in 1813, it was found that the so-called Modern Masons had lost, or allowed to fell into disuses much of the engine ritual. The Lodge allowed to fall into disuse, much of the ancient ritual. The Lodge of Reconciliation was therefore formed under the authority of the United Grand Lodge to arrange a ritual which might be adopted by all the Lodges under the United Grand Lodge of England. Dr. Hemming was appointed the first Master of the lodge, and under him the work made considerable progress, but he was struck with mental incapacity, which made him incapable of continuing the work, which was then entrusted to Dr. Williams. Under him a great deal of the ritual which had been compiled under Dr. Hemming was simplified shorn of a redundance. under Dr. Hemming was simplified, shorn of a redundancy of words, completed, and afterwards adopted by the United Grand Lodge in 1816. In 1823 that Emulation Lodge of Improvement was formed by some expert Brethren who had learned their Masonry in the Lodge of Reconciliation under Dr. Williams. It was established for teaching the ritual as it was ordered to be adopted by the Grand Lodge a few years before, and as a means of preserving in its purity the authorized ritual, and transmitting it to all time by oral tradition from generation to generation. At the first meeting of that lodge there were present a large number of members of the Grand Stewards Lodge who considered themselves the custodians of the pure ritual, the then Grand Secretary, Bro. Harper, who had acted as Secretary to the Lodge of Reconciliation, and many other distinguished Masons who expressed their unanimous approval of the proceedings. Bro. Peter Gilkes was the first president. Bro. Stephen Barton Wilson (whose son he believed was present that night) succeeded Bro. Peter Giller He had the honest of passent instruction from Bro. Peter Gilkes. He had the benefit of personal instruction from Bro. Peter Gilkes and from Bro. Stephen Barton Wilson. The late Bro. John Hervey, Bro. Murton, and Bro. Richards and he (Bro. Fenn) learned the ritual by personal instruction. He thought, therefore, as this tradition had only passed through three generations after Bro. Dr. Williams, namely, Bros. Gilkes. Stephen Barton Wilson, and themselves, the Emulation Lodge could claim that their ritual was the actual ritual that was ordered to be adopted by the United Grand Lodge in 1816. He had had an opportunity of hearing many versions of the ceremonies in London and in the provinces; and he had no hesitation in saying that in terseness and correctness of diction, none of those versions would bear any comparison with the work that was taught in that lodge." We are in full agree-ment with our distinguished brother as to the undoubted perfect on of the ritual claimed by the Emulation Lcdge of Improvement as theirs, and the actual ritual ordered to be adopted in 1816," as a result of the labours of the Lodge of Reconciliation. We should like to be equally certified that that exact ritual has remained intact in regard to "terseness and correctness of diction" from the date of its adoption to the present time; and it would be most satisfactory to many members of the Craft, as well as to ourselves. if it could be ascertained what has become of the 1816 M.S., for such a document must surely have been prepared and submitted for consideration before adoption by United Grand Lodge. A reference to an original MS, would settle many moot points which have arisen of late years.

One of the appeal cases before Grand Lodge, at a recent meeting, touched the question of length of service as a Warden before installation as W.M. An objection had been made to the installation into the chair of K.S. of a lodge at Sydney, N.S.W., of a Junior Warden who had been elected as Master at the expiration of the first eleven months of his Wardenship, the regular installation meeting taking place one day earlier by the calendar than the date of his appointment as Junior Warden in the previous year. The grounds of objection were, that the brother elected had not been twelve months a Warden at the date of such election, and in the alternative that the full twelve menths of service had not absolutely expired. The appeal was dismissed, and it is declared by such decision that no election is practically made until confirmation of the former vote; and that twelve months' service means the period between one regular installation meeting and another, irrespective of difference in calendar dates. Whilst referring to appeal cases we would express our surprise that so great a majority are made from our foreign and colonial lodges, and those mostly in regard of most trivial matters.

Masonic Aotes and Memoranda.

"A chiel's amang ye takin' notes, and, faith, he'll prent it."—
BROTHER BURNS.

"The bearings of this observation lays in the application on it."—

Jack Bunsby—DICKENS.

E are not disposed to pass over in absolute silence a matter to which our contemporary The Freemason's Chronicle, called attention in its issue of 30th June last. For the sake of the reputation of the Craft for adhesion to the principles upon which the Order has been founded, and of which justice and fair dealing are not the least, we think that the whole truth should be known in relation to proceedings which, if taken as precedents and further followed, must, and that to no small extent, scandalise Freemasonry. It appears that on the 28th June there was consecrated a Metropolitan Lodge, numbered 2265, bearing the name of a gentleman, who was not then, to quote the words of our contemporary, "a Mason, and, so far as we know, has never done anything for Freemasonry, while he is equally unknown in the outside world, except as the fortunate possessor of a valuable property in the diamond fields of South Africa." It is further stated that on the date of the consecration of the Lodge bearing his name, the gentleman referred to was proposed for initiation at the ensuing meeting, was present at the Consecration Banquet, and presented each of the seven founders and the Consecrating officer with a "founders' jewel" variously estimated as valued from thirty to forty guineas each. Now if these are facts we agree with those who echo the statement that "there is an air of purchased glory surrounding the whole affair," and that those concerned in it are far from blameless.

In reply to the statements in the foregoing paragraph, we find in subsequent pages of our contemporary lame and impotent attempts at explanation. "The Lodge has not been named after a person, but after a diamond mine in Kimberley." Setting aside for the moment the question of the importance of this commercial underground property, we would ask what possible good could have been done by it to Freemasonry that it should merit such honourable recognition, always excepting that it may probably have had some use in providing the brilliant ornamentation of the "founders' jewels?" The correctness of the statement that the proposed candidate for initiation was present at the banquet is questioned"; but the writer of the article declares that he was there and saw for himself. "The value article declares that he was there and saw for himself. "The value of the presentation jewels is grossly exaggerated"; but the founders themselves referred to them as being worth fifty guineas each, and the material has been valued by a competent jeweller at £27 10s. each. But be the value large or small that is beside the question. What concerns us as Craftsmen is the principle involved in the purchase of honourable Masonic distinction by aught but merit. sympathise with our contemporary in the slur which was cast upon him by the suggestion that as he was not a recipient of one of the jewels his disappointment found vent in personal depreciation. That was not Masonic.

We consider that our contemporary did good service to the Craft by first calling attention to this perversion of Masonic principles. If the title of the new Lodge was intended to reflect honour on a person, then we say no sufficient cause can be shown for such distinction. If on a property, it would afford much satisfaction, if indeed any satisfaction under the circumstances can be given, if we could learn the exact whereabouts of the same. We gather that it may be one of several diamond mines known as the De Beers Consolidated Mines, at Kimberley, but we do not find the particular mine named in connection with a recent report of shareholders presided over by a gentleman bearing the name of the new Lodge. And with reference to "De Beers," the interesting letters of Moses Moss to Benjamin Boss (*Truth*, August 2nd and 9th), merit the consideration of those who would desire to know the financial prospects of the "Consolidated Mines." With these prospects we have no concern beyond the grave doubt which exists whether or not the expression "purchased glory" should be changed to FREEMASONRY sold.

It was scarcely to be expected that the discussion on the question propounded by the Daily Telegraph, "Is Marriage a Failure!" would be considered complete by the "young lions" who manage these 'booms' without a slap at Freemasonry, so we were not dismayed at finding in last Saturday's budget a terrible catalogue of vices attributed to a husband by a "Freemason's Wife." The letter is both illogical and untruthful. The "husband of the "Freemason type" we are told is distinguished by "unparelleled selfishness, &c.; cares not a straw for his children, but throws the responsibility of developing and training their characters upon the wife, whilst he drinks, smokes and gambles at his *clubs* (put clubs in italics please Master Printer), and eats and drinks to repletion And she adds (or is it a he? tne money man squanders on his own selfish indulgence is incredible."

* We are much afraid that if "Freemason's wife" really exists, she has mated herself to a man who never was and never could be a husband of the true Freemason "type," and that she has only herself to blame for her careless selection. Repenting at leisure, she now casts about for anything—clubs, lodges, or tavern bars—upon which to vent her anger and disappointment. No such character as she represents her husband to be is a typical Freemason, and, although we must admit that of late we have not been quite so particular in respect of our introductions into Masonry as we might have been, there is no reason to believe we have such "types," our Lodges. We think all are agreed in that respect, are we not RAN erection is estimated to cost £4,500.

Bro. Augustus Harris, P.M., Drury Lane Lodge, No. 2127, announces his intention to open an Exhibition of Arms, Pictures and other relics, relating to the Armada and its contemporary history, in the Grand Saloon of Drury Lane Theatre, on the 22nd October. Our worthy brother has been promised influential assistance, and will be grateful to any person who may be willing to assist him by loan of objects for exhibition or otherwise. We learn that the new Autumn Drury Lane Drama will be on the subject of the Spanish Armada, for which Mr. Leonard Boyne has been engaged for the part of the hero. The proposed Exhibition may therefore prove a means to an end which should be equally satisfactory to originator and contributors. We wish the affair every success.

We have been informed that a complaint was before the Board of General Purposes on Tuesday last, the 21st, against one of our oldest Lodges, in consequence of an infringement of the regulations relating to Lodges of Emergency. If we are correctly advised, ousiness was entertained in the Lodge which had not been announced in the Summons, and an attempt was made to confirm minutes passed at a previous regular meeting, both direct offences against Masonic law. The Board, we hear, decided against the Lodge.

The case above referred to exemplifies the necessity of a Worshipful Master being fully acquainted with what he may and what he must not do. When Secretaries insist upon W.M's doing as bidden by them, and pledge their Masonic reputation that they are right in their advice and direction. W.M's and their Lodges must expect to suffer if the former are weak enough to submit to dictation, and the terms of such dictation be found distinctly erroneous.

Bro. Lieut. Hall, of the Abbey Lodge, No. 1184, Battle, being en route for India, is to be raised to the 3rd degree at an emergency meeting of that Lodge on the 13th inst.

From some three and twenty columns of small type in the Glasgow Herald in relation to the Queen's visit to Glasgow last week, we gather the following as of interest to the Craft generally: Her Majesty having consented to receive addresses from the Grand Lodge of Freemasons in Scotland, and from the members of the Consular Corps in Glasgow, the gentlemen representing those bodies met under the dome in front of the Royal representing those bodies met under the dome in front of the Royal reception-room. The following is a copy of the address presented by Sir Archibald Campbell, M.P., Grand Master of Scotland, on behalf of the Freemasons: 'May it please your Majesty, we, the representatives of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, humbly avail ourselves of this opportunity, when your Majesty has been graciously pleased to specially honour our Grand Master, to offer to your Majesty the expression of our loyalty and devotion. By no community in your Majesty's wide dominions is this sentiment more deeply cherished than by the Freemasons hailing from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, who are most highly honoured by his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales being patron of their order. In the name and on behalf being patron of their order. In the name and on behalf of the whole fraternity we humbly solicit permission to express our deep conviction that in your Majesty we are privileged to possess a Sovereign who through a long and eventful reign has both in public and private life given the noblest illustrations of the principles which regulate our order. We conclude by imploring the Great Architect of the Universe to long preserve your Majesty and pour down upon you His eternal blessing." Her Majesty handed her reply to the address to Sir Archibald Campbell. It was I receive with great pleasure the dutiful address which you have presented to me on the occasion of my visit to Glasgow. I fully recognise and readily appreciate the value of the charitable works which it is the great object of your society to promote. I thank you cordially for the expression of your loyalty and devotion."

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Sussex, R.W. Bro. Lord Arthur Hill, M.P., P.G.W., Provincial Grand Mark Master, will be held at the Masonic Hall, Lewes, Wednesday, September 5th, at 2.45 p.m. The consecration of the Lewis Mark Lodge, No. 391, will take place at this special meeting W. Bro. C. J. Smith, the Deputy Provincial G.M.M. being the consecrating officer. The Provincial Grand Mark Secretary, Bro. W. Seymour Burrows, 62, Old Steine, Brighton, will be pleased to communicate other particulars if required.

Bro. the Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Polydore de Keyser, visited his native town, Termonde, Belgium, on the 26th inst., and received a most enthusiastic welcome from townspeople and visitors. His Lordship was accompanied by the Lady Mayoress and the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex. M. de Bruyn, the Burgomaster, on behalf of the Reception Committee delivered an address of welcome in Flemish. We congratulate our distinguished brother on the very great honour associated with his visit to his native town.

On Saturday afternoon the 25th inst., the north-east corner-stone of the new Church of St. Luke, Dukinfield, was laid with masonic rites by Lord Egerton, R.W.P.G.M. of Cheshire. There was a large gathering of Freemasons on the occasion and a still greater assemblage of members of the congregations of churches in the neighbourhood, and children from Church of England Schools. Three memorial stones were placed in the westeen wall of the building by the Rev. R. G. Bulkeley, Mrs. Boyd, and Mrs. Brereton. The church will accommodate 500 people, and its

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Reports of Lodge Meetings.

Our Reports and Intelligence Columns we purpose placing at the disposal of Secretaries and Members of Lodges who may be willing to assist our endeavours to spread information. increase the number of our pages as may be found necessary to meet their requirements, but must respectfully request them to condense, as much as they consistently can, the information they may be disposed to send us.—Address: Editor, The Masonic Star, 38, Bow Lane,

** The list of Annual Subscribers to The Masonic Star has been opened most satisfactorily, and we shall be pleased to hear from other Brethren willing to support us.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE MEETINGS.

CORNWALL.—23rd August, at Camborne, Bro. THE EARL OF MOUNT-EDGECUMBE Prov. G.M. presiding. This Province numbers thirty lodges, the whole of which were well represented, and several distinguished visitors from London and Devonshire also attended. The Prov. G. Treasurer shewed a balance in favour of the lodge of £152, compared with £127 on the previous year. He said the increase in the balance would have been much larger but for the sum of £46 which had been voted to the Truro Catbedral Fund. All the officers of the year had paid their fees and the lodges

The Prov. G. Secretary (W. Bro. T. Chirgwin) reported that during the year there had been 119 initiations, 40 joining members and an increase of 61 on the general roll of members. He also presented his report of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund. It announced that during 1887 the lodges had subscribed £176 17s. From the commencement of the fund in 1864, the receipts had amounted to £6,748, out of which there had been paid to male annuitants, £1,315; female annuitants, £193 10s.; grants for relief, £70; educational grants, £540; expenses of management, £280 15s.—Total, £2,399 16s.

W. Bro. G. B. Pearce, Secretary of the Cornwall Masonic Charity Association, reported that for the year the amount submitted to ballots was 235 guineas, subscriptions fully paid and remainders of subscriptions paid, £40.—Total, £275. The charities selected were the girls, 205 guineas: boys, 45 guineas: Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, 25 guineas.

W. Bro. C. TRUSCOTT submitted his annual statement as manager

of the votes for Masonic charities.

The whole of these reports having been adopted, the three trustees of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund—the P.G.M., the D.P.G.M., and W. Bro. E. T. Carlyon—were reelected, and to them were added W. Bros. Anderton, T. Chirgwin, and E. Milford Cock. The treasurer, secretary, assistant-secretary, auditors, and the Committee of Relief were all re-elected.

The P.G.M. announced that it had been arranged to place a brass

plate on the pier of Truro Cathedral, announcing that it was the gift of the Masons of Cornwall and others; also that he had received £5 towards the Cathedral from the Hon. and Rev. J. T. Boscawen, and a promise of another £5. £50 was voted to the Cornwall Mason Annuity and Benevolent Fund. £50 was voted to the three Masonic London Charities, in the following proportions:—£20 to the girls, £20 to the Benevolent, and £10 to the

W. Bro. BINCKES returned thanks on behalf of the London

charities for the money voted to them.

During the day the lodge proceeded to church in procession, and a sermon was preached by W. Bro. the Rev. W. Reed Erskine, P.G. The collection amounted to £9 11s., which was awarded two-fifths to the Miners' Hospital at Redruth, two-fifths to the Charity Association, and one-fifth to the vicar for parochial purposes.

purposes.

The following were the officers appointed for the year:—R. W. Bro. Sir C. B. Graves-Sawle, Bart., D.P.G.M.; W. Bros. G. P. N. Glencross, 510, P.G.S.W.; H. P. Vivian, 589, P.G.J.W.; Rev. W. R. Erskine, 589, and R. F. Frazer-Frizell, P.G. Chaps.; E. M. Cock, 589, P.G.T.; R. P. Edyvean, 330, P.G. Reg.; T. Chirgwin, 131, P.G. Sec.; W. Lidgey, and T. C. Polglase, 75, P.G.S. Deacons; J. W. Higman, 496, and J. Reynolds, 331, P.G.J. Deacons; W. Huthnance, 450, P.G.S. Wks.; P. Giles, 496, P.G.D.C.; H. B. Neame, 589, P.G.D.D.C.; G. M. Downing, 131, P.G.A.D.C.; Major J. J. Ross, 121, P.G.S.B.; W. A. Bennett, 699, H. C. Welch, 967, P.G. St. Bearers; — Howlett, P.G.Org.; T. Gill, 967, P. G. Assit. Sec.; H. Searle, 699, P.G. Purs.; J, Langdon, P.G.A. Purs.; J. T. Rodda, 1544, J. M. Richards, 318, W. Colenso, 121, J. A. Bersey, 893, P. H. Dawe, 967, H. Down, 2160, P.G. Stewards; Nicholls, 1544, P.G. Tyler; J. C. R. Crewes, Clerk to the Prov. G. Sec. At the close of the business of the lodge the brethren lunched

At the close of the business of the lodge the brethren lunched together at the Assembly Rooms. The Prov. G. MASTER presided.

Somerset.—22nd August, in the Town Hall, Chard, M.W. Bro THE RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF CARNARVON presiding. All lodges in the province were represented. The accounts for the past year showed a profit on the year of £62 13s. 3d. Bro. C. L. Fry Edwards was unanimously re-elected P.G.L. Treasurer.

The R.W.P.G.M. then appointed and invested the P.G. officers for the ensuing year as follows: -Bro. H. Culliford Hopkins, P.M., 379 (Bath), P.G.S.W.; Bro. Sumner Toms, P.M., 1,953 (Chard), P.G.J.W.; Bro. Rev. J. A. Lloyd, P.M., 379 (Bath), P.G. chaplain; Bro. Rev. F. L. Bryde, P.M., 1,296 (Brislington), P.G. chaplain; Bro. C. L. Fry Edwards, P.M., P.G. treasurer; Bro. T. G. Williams, P.M., 261 (Taunton), P.G. registrar; Bro. J. C. Hunt, P.M., 135 P.M., 261 (Taunton), P.G. registrar; Bro. J. C. Hunt, P.M., 135 (Bridgwater), P.G. secretary; Bro. A. Wade, P.M., 446 (Wells), P.G.S.D.; Bro. A. de Courrey Lyons, P.M., 1,199 (Congresbury), P.G.J.D.; Bro. W. H. Wooler, P.M., 1,222 (Weston-super-Mare), P.G.S. Wks.; Bro. W. Ransford, P.M., 1,750 (Clevedon), P.G.D, Cer.; Bro. A. J. Gay, P.M., 1,833 (Keynsham), Assistant P.G.D.C.; Bro. B. C. Board, P.M., 291 (Highbridge), P.G.S.B.; Bro. L. A.

Weatherly, P.M., 1.755 (Portishead), P.G. standard bearer; Bro. S. L. Lewis, P.M., 973 (Frome), P.G. standard bearer; Bro. A. Reynolds, P.M., 2.038 (Langport), P.G.O.; Bro. R. Knight, P.M., 1.966 (Wellington), P.G. Purst.; Bro. J. P. Green, P.M., 976 (Bruton), assistant P.G.P.; Bro. A. J. Salter, P.M., 33 (Bath), tyler; Bro. S. Bigwood, P.M., 41 (Bath), assistant tyler; Bro. T. E. Wilton, P.M., 41 (Bath), steward; Bro. T. C. Manning, W.M., 285 (Shepton Mallet), steward; Bro. H. B. Crouch, W.M., 772 (Glastonbury), steward; Bro. A. Hart, W.M., 814 (Crewkerne), steward; Bro. W. L. Dames, secretary, 52 (Bath), steward.

The report of the Charity Organisation Committee was read. The sum expended during the past year way 41, 202, of which 4045, were

sum expended during the past year was £1,292, of which £945 was given on the occasion of the Girls' Centenary Festival. On account of the Centenary Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls taking place this year, the sum of 15 guineas usually granted to the brother serving the office of P.G. Steward was increased to 100 guineas, the whole forming a contribution of this P.G. Lodge towards the funds of the institution in celebration of the special occasion. The Lodge was then closed. The banquet was held at

the George Hotel.

PRIVATE LODGE MEETINGS.

ALL Souls—No. 170.—WEYMOUTH, August 10th—Bro. Zillwood Milledge, P.M., P.P.G.D.C., Dorsetshire, W.M.—The alterations of the Masonic Hall belonging to this Lodge at Weymouth, and which have been carried out under the supervision and from the designs of Bro. W. Barlow Morgan, P.M., having been lately completed, the formal ceremony of re-opening took place on the above date. There was a very large gathering of Brethren of considerable local influence, as well as of distinguished visitors from the Metropolis, and the proceedings generally were of more than ordinary interest. A detailed report of greater length than we can, in our present infant state, afford space for, will be found in the pages of our contemporaries, The Freemason and The Freemasons' Chronicle, to either or both of which we refer the circle of Brethren more either or both of which we refer the circle of Brethren more immediately interested.

ETHELBERT LODGE-No. 2099.-14th Aug., at the Masonic Rooms, Herne Bay. Bro. C. E. Fenoulhet, W.M.-A large number of visitors honoured the lodge by their presence, and there was a very fair attendance of Members. Bro. Henry Corbet Jones, S.W. was installed by his predecessor in the chair of K.S. as W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony being most ably performed. The Officers for the year are Bro. J. S. White, S.W.; E. A. C. Larkin, J.W.; E. T. J. Adams, Treasurer; F. A. Pullen, Secretary; C. Salari, S.D.; C. W. Welby, J.D.; T. E. Dilnot, J.G.; and W. T. England, Steward. The installation banquet took place in the Town Hall, the newly installed Master presiding, and in the course of the evening presenting to Bro. Fenoulhet a handsome P.M. jewel.

ABBEY—No. 1184—16th August. at the Masonic Hall, Battle.

ABBEY—No. 1184—16th August, at the Masonic Hall, Battle, Sussex. Bro. W. T. Jordan, W.M.—A remanet from the previous meeting, in order to complete in a full and proper manner the introduction of Bros. Honisett and Hall, was first taken, the S.W., Bro. Davison, W.D., delivering the "Charge after Initiation." The second degree was then conferred upon the newly initiated Brethren

and the Lodge was closed.

LEBANON—No. 1326—18th August, at Feltham, Middlesex. Bro. Edwin Arthur Smith, W.M.—There was a very fair attendance of members and visitors. Bros. T. W. Kingston and T. Thompson passed in the second degree, and Bro. G. T. Bailey was raised as M.M. Several proposals in support of charitable gifts having been

discussed and approved of, the Lodge was closed and the meeting adjourned to the 15th inst.—Refreshment followed Labour.

Brownigg—No. 1638—15th August, at the Sun Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames. Bro. George Moorman, W.M.— Two important officers failed to put in an appearance, although their services were necessary to the perfect working of two ceremonials. Their substitutes, appointed by the W.M. for the occasion, performed their tasks with the utmost fidelity, and Bros. Woodhouse and Clay were passed and Bro. Mayhew raised in a very able and effective manner. With the like able assistance Mr. Thomas Bugler was initiated. As the present S.W. Bro. W. Drewitt is also the W.M. of the Dobie Lodge, No. 889, the choice of the Brethren fell upon Bro. Humphreys, the J.W. as Master for the ensuing year. A well-merited P.M.'s jewel was voted to the outgoing W.M. The Lodge was in mourning for the late Bro. Frayling, the former host, and a letter of thanks for condolences was received from Mrs. Frayling, Lodge was then closed, and the Brethren "refreshed."

KINGSLAND-No. 1693.—22nd August, at the "Cock" Tavern, Kingsland—Emergency—Bro. James Cooper, P.M. and Treasurer, as W.M. Bros. Moore, Strudwick, White, and Wood were raised to the third degree.—Ballots were taken for eight candidates, and proved favourable. Of these the three who attended, viz., Messrs. J. S. Sunderland, jun., F. Read, and W. Gilson, were duly initiated into the Order by Bro. H. Hall, P.M. Lodge was then closed. After dinner, which was presided over by Bro. T. Caseley, the W.M. elect, a very pleasant evening was spent in social converse and harmony.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

HYDE PARK-No. 1425-Monday, 27th August, 1888, at the Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Square, Paddington, W. Present—J. C. Conway, W.M.; P. J. Davies, S.W.; W. J. Hakim, S.W. 141, J.W.; H. Dehane, P.M. 1543 and P.G.S.D. Essex, Sec.; C. G. Weizler, S.D.; W. Death, J.D.; S. Stretch, Jun., I.G. P.M., Bro. E. F. Ferris and Bro. W. C. Edwards. Lodge opened, minutes read and confirmed. The Lodge was opened in the 2nd and 3rd degrees, closed down to the 1st degree, and the ceremonies of Installation and Passing were rehearsed, Bros. Ferris and Edwards being candidates respectively. Bro. Hakim was elected a member, and Bro. Davies was elected W.M. for September 3rd.

TREDEGAR-No. 1625—At this lodge, held at the Wellington Arms, Wellington Road, Bow, E., the ceremony of Installation will

be performed on Thursday next; Bro. Basil Stewart, W.M.

The following capital story is taken from the Voice of Masonry. It has been reproduced in one of our Masonic Journals, but, being too good to be lost, we present it to the readers of the "MASONIC STAR."

TOM'S MASONIC LESSON.

HOMAS BEAUCHAMP was a "good fellow," and, like many another such man, was a Mason, or supposed have been regularly proposed and elected, and had taken his degrees in due and ancient form. Nor had he stopped with the Lodge, but had had the pleasure of becoming a Royal Arch Mason, in name at least, and proudly wore on his watch chain the cross which is the commonly accepted emblem of a Knight Templar. Had anyone asserted in the hearing of Mr. Thomas Beauchamp, that he was not a Mason, that gentleman would have deeply resented the statement, and regarded it as a deliberate insult, yet there were some of the lessons of Fraternity which he had not learned, but which, fortunately for him and for the world, there was to be a way provided for him to learn.

Thomas Beauchamp was a lawyer; an excellently educated man, full of energy and vigour, and attentive to business. He had been so fortunate as to win in several cases of great importance; had given advice of much worth to two or three men who were rich, influential and appreciative, and by the harmonious actions of all these causes, had been rapidly winning his way to both fame and fortune. However pleasant and self-satisfying this had been to him, it was not to continue, so far as his supposition as to Masonry was

One afternoon, when Tom had been unusually busy, and was somewhat worried and annoyed, his friend James Jones entered the office. He was not a Mason, though he had a high and very just and accurate opinion of the Fraternity. He was a Member of the church where Tom attended, not as a Member, but merely as a hearer. "I want your subscription to help us purchase an organ for the church," said Mr. Jones, getting straight to the reason for his call, for he knew how busy Tom usually was, and how valuable his time must be.

"How much do you wish!" demanded Tom, equally as brief and

business-like as his friend.

"I think you should give fifty dollars, at least," replied Mr. Jones.
"I cannot afford it," said Tom, shortly and rather curtly.

"I'd like to know why not. You can afford a fine house, fine horses,

books, amusements, and—"
"Yes," interrupted Tom; "I know all that, but one must have those things in order to move in the circle in society to which I belong. Really, the bills I got last month would astound you. I'll give twenty-five dollars, and it is, as circumstances are, absolutely all I can afford."

"You used to be more liberal, Mr. Beauchamp," said Jones.

- "I know it, and I know, too, that in those days I had fewer ways in which to spend my money. Besides I go to church so seldom now
- that—"
 "I wish you came oftener, much oftener, as you would be
- Freemasonry is good enough religion for me," stoutly said Tom. "Is it? I do not think that Masonry is religion at all. Are you sure it is?" Jones replied.
 - "I am sure that any man who lives up to the teachings of Free-

masonry will be as nearly perfect as it is possible for a man to be." "I'll not dispute that. I am not a Mason, not because I am not heartily in accord with the principles I believe it inculcates, but simply because I have never yet found myself so situated financially that I thought I had the right to take the money for the purpose of joining. Not being a Mason, I am in no situation to warrant me in giving an opinion regarding what you have just said; but how many of you live up to the principles you mention?"
"I don't know. No one, I suppose, quite does, but that isn't the

question. I'm very busy to-day, and cannot devote time to such a iscussion. I'll subscribe the sum I mentioned, and, some time when I am not quite so busy, I'll consider the whole matter thoroughly and answer you fully." He put his name on the subscription list, wrote his cheque for twenty-five dollars, and handed it to Jones, who

then withdrew.

Tom tired himself over one legal document, worried over another, nodded over a third, and was just thinking to himself how close the room was, and how sleepy and stupid he was getting, when something strange happened. A gentleman entered his office noiselessly, crossed the floor silently, and had seated himself at the table, just opposite Tom, before the latter observed him. The new comer was one of the most remarkable men Tom had ever seen. His face was long and sallow. His eyes were black as coal, but seemed full of strange and shifting light, as though there were fire in them. He had a huge moustache, as dark as hair ever was, waxed fine to a couple of upturned points. A long tuft of hair, deepening from his pointed chin, lengthened out his face more than anything else could possibly have done. He wore a tall silk hat, which he did not remove during the entire interview, yet beneath its brim Tom could not fail to see that the luxuriant growth of hair was combed into two curious little hillocks just over the temples. He was dressed in sombre black, from head to foot, and wore a long ulster, which must have swept the floor when he walked He had on fine black kid gloves, which he retained on his hands during his call. Remarkkid gloves, which he retained on his hands during his call. Itemarkable looking in every respect, there was nothing which one could well have honestly criticised in his appearance unless it were his feet, which, judging by the size and shape of his boots, it seemed must be deformed. The stranger placed a small valies upon Tom's table, and looked at the lawyer as though waiting for him to speak. So Tom began: "To whom am I indebted for the honour of this call?"

"Call me D.," replied the visitor very gruffly.

"And may I ask Mr. D. what your business with me is! I am

"And may I ask, Mr. D., what your business with me is! I am very busy and have no time to spare just now."

"Are you a Mason!" asked the gentleman in black, in a very doubtful tone.

"I am," replied Tom, proudly, and he caught at his showy watch charm, and jingled it, though I suppose he did that unconsciously. Mr. D. drew back a little from the table, and seemed nervous and excited. "Please don't do that," he muttered; "that thing would

burn me if it touched me; don't you know that? I wonder that it don't burn you.

"I don't understand you, Mr. D." Tom replied, questioningly.
"Exactly, and I don't understand you either. I came in this afternoon to see if it was possible to do so. You say you are a Mason? I am going to see whether you have lied to me or-

"I don't believe I'm very well posted," interrupted Tom, anxiously, and a little shamefacedly. "The fact is, I have not attended Lodge very often, and--'



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Mr. D. laughed, and when he had recovered his breath, said, "You didn't take me for a Mason, did you?'

"Yes. I supposed you were, or else you would not have interested yourself in my Masonic associations and actions," said Tom.

"Oh, no indeed. I know nothing about Masonry, excepting what I've found in this little book," D. replied and he opened his valise and took out a copy of "The Freemason's Monitor," with a variety of tools, all of which he placed upon the table. He then continued: "I heard you were a Mason, but I doubted it. I had an idea that you were an eligible candidate for admission into an order to which I belong, but as no good Mason could belong to that, I thought I'd come and satisfy myself."

"But, Mr. D., why may not a man belong to Freemasonry and to your Order as well?"

"Because, my good fellow, it is the province of Masonry to build up, and it is the province of my Order to tear down, to destroy, to degrade, to ruin. What are the working tools of an Entered Apprentice?

"The twenty-four-inch gauge and the common gavel."
"How do you use them?" Mr. D. inquired, with emphasis and

I don't think I understand you, and I cannot really say," Tom

replied, not a little disconcerted.

Shall I make a suggestion?" Tom assented. "You use the twenty-four inch garge for ignoble and inglorious purposes. Emblematical of the day, you divide your day into two unequal parts. You find a half-dozen hours for the vocation by means of which you gain your living, and thrice that time for excess and luxurious living.

For God and a distressed brother you find nothing?"
"Sir," said Tom, indignantly, "I protest against all this."
Mr. D. smiled. "Will you kindly let me see that document lying Mr. D. smiled. "Will you kindly let me see that document lying by your elbow?" Tom shook his head and tried to keep it from his visitor; tried to put it out of sight, but all his efforts were in vain, and Mr. D. took the document and opened it. "A mortgage, isn't it!" he asked, and something in his tone made Tom's heart sink within him. He bowed his head in silence, and doubted if he could have said anything, even if his life had depended on it. "A mortgage," continued Tom's visitor, "and securing a note at a very high rate of interest. Five hundred dollars would satisfy the debt, while the property is worth at least four times that, and yet you are going to foreclose your claim, are you not?"

"Of course I am," said Tom sullenly, and rather against his will.
"What would you have a man do, if it were any of your business?"

"I may make it my business, my dear fellow, before I am done with you. This debt is one you could afford to lose, so far as that is concerned, but there is no danger of your having to lose it. The interest has always been paid promptly, and the principal will be paid eventually, if you will only wait patiently. What are the working tools of a Fellow Craft?"

"The plumb, the square, and the level," replied Tom, promptly

and unhesitatingly.

Please explain their symbolic meaning," said D. with a piercing

Tom opened his mouth and he heard the words spoken, but he could hardly believe that it was himself who was speaking. His heart protested, vainly, against the words he uttered, but he went relentlessly on. Never had he imagined the words could be so perverted and misused: "The plumb permits us to walk proudly, giving heed to neither God nor a humbler brother, squaring our accounts with the unfortunate by means of the pitiless square of the law, and-

Mr. D. laughed. "You're frank, my dear fellow, to a most praiseworthy degree, though little else about you is praiseworthy. There is no doubt that you live up to what you have said. I think this mortgage is against the estate of a deceased Freemason, and for his widow to pay it, at once, would be to take food from the mouths of his orphan children, and— But enough of that! What is the use

of the trowel?'

"I cannot say," stammered Tom, "and I think I never knew."
"I know you never did," said Mr. D. savagely, as he arose to his feet and leaned across the table until is hot breath fell upon Tom's "I know you never did. Who ever knew you to further friendship and accord when you could coin money out of men's contests? Who can think of brotherly love and of you in the same connection, you impudent, self-sufficient, time-serving fellow?" Mr. D. paused for a moment, as though to get breath. Then he reached over, caught Tom by the collar, and dragged him slowly up over the table, at the same time saying slowly and significantly, "You are no Mason, no matter how many degrees you have taken, and you never will be. The Order which pulls down and builds not up again—the Order which destroys and puts nothing in the place of that which it ruined—the Order which magnifies self, and which never heard of fraternity—that is the Order for you, and this very night you shall be initiated therein." Tom struggled violently, cried out in-Tom struggled violently, cried out incoherently—and awoke. Mr. D. and his visit had been only a dream?

The fire was out, the room was cold, and it was already twilight a twilight which was rapidly darkening into night. Tom put away the mortgage; wrote a letter to his debtor, generously giving her more time, and then burned, without opening and re-reading is a letter of a different tenour which he had written earlier in the day. "Thank God is was only a dream," he said, gratefully, as he hurried along the street, "but such a dream—such a dream!" he added, with a shudder. "Thank God it was only my other self, my better self, that attacked and humbled me, instead of being what it might have been! Thank God that I have not been a bad man, and that now I shall not be; thank Him that His heaven-sent vision found me at the parting of the ways—at the crisis of my life."

Tom called upon James Jones on his way home and handed him another twenty-five dollars. Mr. Jones seemed astonished. "I supposed you abided by your decisions?" said he. "What induced you

to change your mind?"

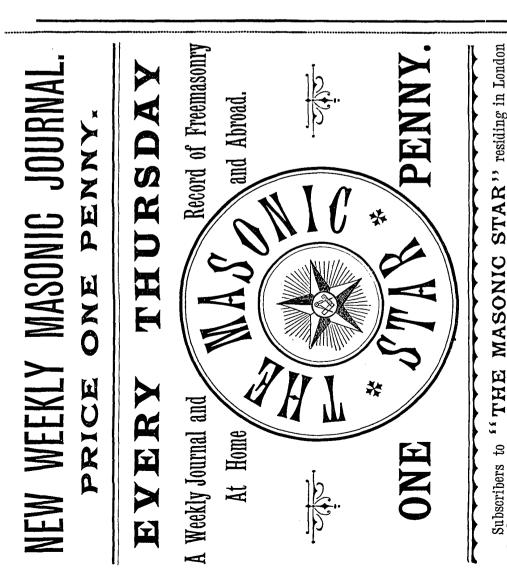
Tom laughed, which spoke well for the salutary effect of the lesson he had received, and he pleasantly replied, "A little thoughtful consideration of the principles of Freemasonry."

"I've been saving money for some time," said James Jones, sud-

denly, "with the intention of applying for admission to the Masonic Fraternity. I am going to try to be a Mason, and I hope I can gain

acceptance. Will you get me a petition and recommend me?"

"I will," said Tom, and then, as he walked slowly and thoughtfully homeward, he said to himself: "I have had an escape, to-day, which I will never forget. Jones is going to try to be a Mason, and so am I!"



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De Antiente Traternite of De Rabere Almoners, a Charitable Society in the City of Lendon, founded in 1881, and carrying out under its quaint title the practical work of benevolence and loving kindness towards the poor and distressed of the parish of St. Bartholomew the Great. held its annual meeting on St. Bartholomew's Day, the 25th inst., at the School Rooms in Cloth Fair, London. The Society is supported by a large number of Freemasons; indeed the whole plan and design of the "Almonry" has been founded on that of Freemasonry, and of all the societies we know devoted to the help of the poor, there is not one which, within the limits of its power, effects so much good. Past Prior Mr. John Hollinghurst occupied the chair: and amongst those present were: The Rev. B. Savory. M.A., Mr. T. Wildash, C.C., Mr. James Loring, F.C.O., Mr. T. Thompson, Mr. R. Griffiths, Mr. M. Green, Mr. A. Eve, and Mr. T. Sangster, C.C. (Recorder). The minutes of the last annual meeting having been

read and confirmed. Mr. B. Turner. C.C.. was unanimously elected Prior for the second time. The grand council was reappointed. the Rev. B. Savory and Mr. R. Peck being added. Mr. T. Thompson was elected Proctor. Mr. Sangster, C.C. (the Recorder) read the report, which was of a highly satisfactory character, and for which we should have been glad to have afforded space in these columns. As we shall take further opportunities to refer to the admirable work of this Society, we shall be content for the present to say that the funds which have been entrusted to it have been most faithfully applied, have relieved a very great deal of distress, and kept many from immediate dependence on the rates. There is not a large balance in hand, and in face of approaching winter we feel assured that neither of the gentlemen above named will object to receive any addition thereto, to enable them to still further pursue the good work they have in hand.

Metropolitan and Provincial Lodge and Chapter Meetings,

For the current week, compiled from the Cosmopolitan Masonic Calendar (G. Kenning, London). This table is correct as to days of meeting named in the respective Warrants or Charters. In some instances, however, the Lodges, &c., may be out of session, and further enquiry may be necessary to prevent disappointment.

ABBREVIATIONS.

Lo., Lodges; R.A.C., Chapters; Mk., Mark Lodges; R. Cr., Rose Croix Chapters; R. X., Red Cross Conclaves; F. M. H., Freemasons' Hall, London; F. M. T., Freemasons' Tavern, London; M. C., Masonic Club; M. H., Masonic Hall; M. R., Masonic Rooms; M.T., Masonic Temple; P.R., Private Rooms; Hot., Hotel; Tav., Tavern; C. H., Coffee House; To. Ha., Town Hall; Rt., Restaurant.

Metropolitan Todges and Chapters.

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	THIS DAY, (Last) THUI	RSDAY, AUGUST 30th.		(1st) MONDAY, 8	SLPTEMBER 3rd.
	GENERAL COMMITTEE,	GIRLS' SCHOOL, AT 4.	144 1625 1853	St. Luke's Tredegar Caxton	Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street. Royal Hotel, Mile End Road. F.M.H.
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$\frac{1563}{1658}$	City of Westminster	•		(1st) TUESDAY, S	SEPTEMBER 4th.
1816 2192	Victoria Park Highbury		1472 1662 141	Faith	Chequers, Walthamstow.
	(LAST) FRIDAY,	AUGUST 31st.	$\frac{186}{1158}$	Industry Southern Star	1 2 Will resume on 20th Sept.
	HOUSE COMMITTEE, BENEVO		1441 R.A.C.	i ivy)
	No Lodge meeting	ł	1629	United	F.M.H.
780	Royal Alfred	Will resume on 28th Sept.		(1st) WEDNESDAY. QUARTERLY COMMUNICAT	SEPTEMBER 5th.
	(1st) SATURDAY,	SEPTEMBER 1st.	753 754 1036	Prince Frederick William High Cross	Will resume on 26th Sept.
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1329 1679 2048 2037 R.A.C.	Sphinx Henry Muggeridge Henry Levander Electric	Will resume on 29th Sept.	1178 1445 1790	Prince Leopold	SEPTEMBBR 6th. Bridge House Hotel, S.E. Three Nun's Hotel, Aldgate. Mas. Hall, New Thornton Heath.
975 1326	Rose of Denmark Lebanon	Star and Garter, Kew. Red Lion Hotel, Hampton.	1950 2128	Southgate	Railway Hotel, New Southgate. 8a, Red Lion Square, W.C.

Provincial Lodges and Chapters (Largest Centres).

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43	St. Paul's 22nd Oct	M H Now Street	1018	Shakespeare 12th Sept	M. If Andrewstoner
74	Athol 5th Sept	M. H., New Street M. H., Severn Street	1648	Prince of Wales (?) 7th Sept	M. H., Darley Street
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473		M. H., New Street	302	Charity 22nd Oct	Ditto
587	Howe Sth Oct	Ditto	600	Sincerity 2nd Oct	F. M. H., Salem Street
739	Temperance 10th Sept	Ditto	(1
887	Leigh 22nd Oct	Ditto	BRIGH	TON-9 LODGES, 5 CHAPTE	RS.
925 938	Bedford 17th Sept Grosvenor 19th Sept	Ditto	271		
1016		Ditto Ditto	315	Royal Clarence 19th Oct Royal York 4th Sept	Royal Pavidon Ditto
1031	Fixington 25th Sept Fletcher 12th Sept	Ditto	732	Royal York 4th Sept Boyal Brunswick 13th Sept	Ditto
1163	Emulation 27th Sept	Ditto	811	Yarborough 20th Oct	Ditto
1180	Forward 1st Oct	Ditto	1466	Hova Ecclesia 6th Oct	Old Ship Hotel
1474	Israel Sth Oct	M. H., Severn Street	1636	St. Cecilia 25th Sept	Royal Pavilion
1551	Charity 18th Sept	M. H., New Street	1821	Attingworth 20th Sept	Ditto
1644 P. A. C.	Alma Mater 19th Oct	Ditto	1947	Stanford 10th Sept	Town Hall, Hove
R.A.C. 43	Doubles 1	Character Strands and Strands	2201 R.A.C.	Earl of Sussex 27th Oct	Royal Pavilion
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587	Athol 4th Nov Howe 1st Nov	M. H., Severn Street M. H., New Street	315	Royal Pavilion 16th Oct	Ditto
938	Grosvenor 6th Nov	Ditto	732	Royal Sussex 27th Sept	Ditto
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146	Anchor and Hope 10th Sept Antiquity 12th Sept	Ditto	68	Royal Clarence 10th Sept	F. M. H., Park Street
221	St. John 19th Sept	Ditto	103	Beaufort 4th Sent	Ditto
348	St. John's 27th Sept	Ditto	187	Royal Sussex Lo. 12th Sept	Ditto
1723	St. George 26th Sept	Ditto	; (of Hospitality)	
R.A.C.	· 1		326 610	Moira 20th Sept	Ditto
37	Concord 15th Oct	Ditto	686	Colston 19th Sept	Ditto Ditto
$\frac{221}{348}$	St. John 3rd Oct	Ditto	1388	Canynges 1st Sept	Ditto
	St. John's 11th Sept	Ditto	1404	St. Vincent 27th Sept	Ditto
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$\frac{731}{802}$	Arboretum 12th Sept Repose 20th Sept	Ditto Ditto	62 152	Social 10th Oc Virtue 28th Se Integrity 9th Oc	ot F. M. H., Cooper Street
1085 R.A.C. 253	Hartington 5th Sept Justice 11th Sept	Ditto Ditto	163 204 317	Integrity 9th Oc Calcdonian 20th Sep Affability 18th Oc	Ditto Ditto Ditto Ditto
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2197 R.A.C 1004	Spencer Walpole 8th Oct Athole 20th Sept	Ditto Ditto	481 541 685	St. Peter's 10th Se De Loraine 21st Sep Northumberland 4th Se	t Ditto
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57 250 1010	Minerva 10th Sept Kingston 3rd Sept	M. H., Worship Street	1626 1676 1712	Percy	ot Ditto
1605 2134 R.A.C.	De la Pole 28th Sept Wilberforce 7th Sept	58, Charlotte Street Ditto	2260 R.A.C. 24	Ridley ? De Swinburne 20th Se	? Ditto
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1010 1605		M. H., Worship Street 58, Charlotte Street	Norw	ICH-6 LODGES, 3 CHAPT	ERS.
LEEDS- 289 304	—8 Lodges, 4 Chapters. Fidelity 6th Sept Philanthropic 26th Sept	M. H., Carlton Hill M. H., Great George Street	Lo. 52 93 213	Union 4th Se Social 9th Oc Perseverance 18th Se	23, St. Giles Street
$\frac{306}{1042}$	Alfred 7th Sept Excelsior 20th Sept	M. H., Kelsall Street M. H., Great George Street	807 943	Cabbell TO-DAY, 30th AU Sincerity 25th Sep	G Ditto Ditto
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$216 \\ 241 \\ 249$	Merchants 13th Sept Mariners 6th Sept	Adelphi Hotel M. H., Hope Street Ditto	Lo. 70 105	16 LODGES, 12 CHAPTERS St. John's 4th Sep Fortitude 10th Sep	t - Huyshe Masonic Temple
$\frac{292}{594}$	Sincerity 10th Sept Downshire 27th Sept	Ditto Ditto	156 159	Harmony 3rd Sei Brunswick 5th Sei	t Ditto t M. H., Phœnix Place, Stonehouse
667 673 680	Alliance 18th Sept St. John 4th Sept Sefton 5th Oct	Ditto Ditto Ditto	$189 \\ 202 \\ 223$	Sincerity 10th Sel Friendship 25th Sel Charity 18th Sel	t St. George's Hall, Stonehouse t M. H., Granby Street, Devonport
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249 292	Mariners 20th Sept Liverpool 27th Sept	Ditto Ditto	257 342 487	Phonix 24th Oct Royal Sussex 17th Oct Portsmouth 13th Sep	F. M. H., Landport
594 673 680	Downshire 12th Sept St. John's 10th Oct Sefton 19th Oct	Ditto Ditto Ditto	1069 1428 1776	United Brothers 9th Oct United Service 14th Sep	Grosvenor House, Southsea M. H., Landport
823 1094 1350	Everton 23rd Oct Temple 25th Sept Fermor Hesketh 19th Sept	Ditto Ditto Ditto	1834 1903 {	Landport 20th Sep Duke of Connaught 25th Sep Prince Edw. Saxe (Woman 18th Sep	Ditto
1356 1393	De Grey and Ripon 3rd Oct Hamer Gth Sept	Ditto Ditto	1990	Weimar) 13th Sep Hampshire Lo. of (13th Oct	
MANCH	Israel 11th Sept ESTER—19 LODGES, 6 CHA	Ditto PTERS.	$2068 \begin{cases} 2074 \end{cases}$	Portsmouth Tem- perance 24th Sep St. Clair 17th Sep	, ,
44 62 64	Friendship 5th Oct Social 24th Sept Fortiude 12th Oct (Albion Hotel Queen's Hotel, Piccadilly Ditto	R.A.C 257	Friendship 12th Sep	110, High Street
152 163	Virtue 21st Sept Integrity 26th Sept	F. M. H., Cooper Street Ditto	342 487 1428	Portsmouth 11th Sep United Service 16th No	F. M. H., Landport M. H., Portsmouth V. F. M. H., Landport
204 317 633	Caledonian 12th Sept Affability 6th Sept Yarborough 19th Sept	Ditto Ditto Ditto		Landport 22nd No Portsmonth Fem- perance }	Ditto Soldier's Institute, High Street
645 999 1009	Humphrey Cheetham 3rd Oct Robert Burns 24th Sept	Ditto Albion Hotel F. M. H., Cooper Street	SHEFF	IELD-5 LODGES, 2 CHAI	TERS.
1052 1147	Callender 18th Sept - St. David 13th Sept -	Town Hall Buildings, King Street F. M. H., Cooper Street	$\frac{296}{1239}$	Britannia 13th Sep Royal Brunswick 10th Sep Wentworth 3rd Sep	Ditto
1170 1219 1253		(?) Queen's Hotel	$1779 \\ 2263 $	Ivanhoe 25th Sep St. Leonards (con-)	
1993 2109 2156	Wolseley 4th Sept Prince Edward 12th Sept Arthur Sullivan 12th Sept	74A, King Street Assembly Hall, Heaton Moor Old Boar's Head, Hyde's Cross	R.A.C. 139	Paradise 17th Sep	F. M. II., Surrey
-e i			296	Loyalty 15th Oct	Ditto

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359 Peace & Harmony 17th Sept Ditto 94 Phœnix 5th Sept F. M. H., Quœn Street 97 Palatine 13th Sept M. H., Park Terrace 1780 Albert Edward 4th Sept Ditto 2039 Londonderry 28th Sept Ditto R.A.C. 130 Royal Gloucester 6th Sept Ditto Ditto C. St. John's 18th Sept M. H., Forward Road St. John's	SOUTE	AMPTON—5 LODGES, 3 CHA	APTERS.	SUNDE	ERLAND-5 LODGES, 3 CHA	PTERS.
394 Concord 27th Sept Ditto 97 Striet Benevolence 15th Nov M. H., Forward Road	359 394 785 1780 R.A.C 130 359	Peace & Harmony 17th Sept Southampton 20th Sept Twelve Brothers 26th Oct Albert Edward 4th Sept Royal Gloucester 6th Sept Peace 7th Sept	Ditto Ditto Ditto Ditto Ditto Ditto	97 1389 2039 R.A.C. 80 94	Phoenix 5th Sept Palatine 13th Sept Fenwick 19th Oct Londonderry 28th Sept St. John's 18th Sept De Lambton 30th Oct	F. M. H., Queen Street M. H., Park Terrace Ditto Ditto M. H., Forward Road F. M. H.

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	This Day (Last) THUI	RSDAY, AUGUST 30th.		(1st) MONDAY, SE	PT. 3rd—continued.
3 13 27 87 144 147 435 754 871 879 901 907 1158 1259	Fidelity at 8	Yorkshire Grey, London Street, W.C. Earl of Chathun. Wm. St., Woolwich. Hercules Tav., Leadenhall Street. Hercules Tav., Leadenhall Street, E.C. White Hart Tav. King's Road, Chelsea. Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford. Union Tav., Air Street, W. Coach & Horses, Lower Tottenham. Lecture Hall, High Street, Deptford. Sir Garnet Wolseley, Roth. New Road. City Arms Rest., St. Mary Axe. White Hart, Abchurch Laue, E.C. Sir Syd. Smith, Chester St., Kenn. Rd., C. of G. Hope Tav., Limehouse Church.	1507 1536 1572 1585 1608 1623 1625 1662 1707 1804 1891 1901 2090 R.A.C.	Metropolitan	Moorgate Tav., Finsbury Pavement. Earl Chatham. Thomas St., Woolwich. Salutation. Newgate Street. Railway Hot., Putney Station. South Molton Hot., South Molton St., New Market Hot., King St., W. Smithfel. Wellington Arms, Borough Road. Chequers, Walthamstow. Seven Sisters Hot., Tottenham. Eagle Hot., Snaresbrook. Baron's Court Hot., West. Kensington. East Dulwich Hot., Dulwich. The Baths, Black's Rd., Hammersmith.
$1278 \\ 1287 \\ 1306$	Burdett Coutts , 8 Great Northern at 8 St. John , 8	Swan Tav., New Bethnal Green Road. Berwick Arms, Berners Street, W. Three Crowns, Mile End Road.	206	(1st) TUESDA	Globe Tav., Royal Hill, Greenwich. V SEPT 4th
1339 1348 1360 1366 1441 1571 1602 1614 1622 1625	Stockwell	Cock Tav., Kennington Road, Greyhound Hot., Streatham Common Prince of Wales Hot., Wimbledon Bull and Gate, Highgate Road, N. Railway Tav., Battersea Rise, S.W. Austin's Hot., London Street, E.C. White Horse, Liverpool Road, N. Criterion, Piccadilly. [well. Stirling Castle Hot., Church St., Camber-Wellington Arms, Bow Road, E.	55 140 141 177 188 238 554 704 706	Constitutional at 7 St. George , 8 Faith , 8 Domatic , 7,30 Joppa , 7 Pligrim (Work in German 1st & 3rd Tue.) , 7 Yarborough , 8 Camden , 8 Elorence Nightingale , 7,30	Bedford Hot., Sonthmpn, Bldgs, Holbn, Public Hall, New Cross, Vic. Mans. Rt., Victoria Street, S.W. Surrey M. H., Camberwell New Road, Champion Hot., Aldersgate Street. Guildhall Tav., Gresham Street, Green Dragon, Stepney. Northbrook Hotel, Lee. M. H., William Street, Woolwich.
1673 1677 1681 1685 1816 R.A.C.	Langton , 5.30 Crusaders , 8.30 Londesborough , 8 Guelph , 8 Victoria Park , 8	White Hart, Abchurch Lane. [well Old Jerm, Tay., St. John's Gate, Clerken- Berkeley Arms, John Street, Mayfair Town Hall Leytonstone Yorkshire Grey, High Street, Stratford.	753 820 858 860 861 1044	Prince Fredk. William "—— Lily 8	Eagle Tav., Clifton Road, Maida Vale, Greyhound Hot., Richmond. Beaufort Ho., Walham Green, Sister's Tav., Pownall Road, Dalston, King's Head Tav., Threadneedle Street, East Hill Hot., Alma Rd., Wandsworth
188 753 1471 1624	Joppa , , , , 7 Prince Frederick Wm. , , 7.30 North London , , 8 Eccleston , , 7.30	Whitby Tav., 57, Wapping Wall. Eagle Tav., Clifton Road, Maida Vale. Northampton Hot., St. Paul's Rd., Canon- bury, N. Crown & Anchor, 79, Ebury St., S.W.	1076 1155 1321 1349 1382	Capper , 8 Excelsior , 8 Emblematic , 8 Friars , 730 Corinthian , 7	Railway Hot., Augel Lane, Stratford, Com, Dk, Tav., Plough Rd.,Rotherhithe Red Lion, York Street, St. James Square Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, George Hot., Cubitt Town, Poplar,
	(Last) FRIDAY, A		$\begin{array}{c} 1446 \\ 1471 \\ 1472 \end{array}$	Mount Edgecumbe ,, 8 Islington ,, 7.30 Henley ,, 7.30	19, Jermyn Street, St. James's. Cock Tav., Highbury. Three Crowns, North Woolwich.
9 25 167 169 217 256 333 507 733 749 765 766	Robert Burns , 8	Crown Hot., Essex Street, Strand. Bedford Hd. Hot., Maiden La., Cov, Gar. York & Albany Hot., Albany St., N.W. Railway Tavern, New Gross Road. Mas. Ha. Tav., Basinghall Street. F. M. H. Stirling Castle, Church St., Camberwell. S. M. H., Camberwell New Road. Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood. Harp Tav., Jernyn Street, W. Princess Viet., Lower Rd., Rotherhithe St. Andrew's Tav., George Street, W.	1540 1558 1586 1598 1612 1695 1767 1839 1949 1950 R.A. C.	Chaucer ", 8 Duke of Connaught ", 8 Upper Norwood ", 8 Leyspring ", 7,30 West Middlesex ", 7,30 New Finsbury Park 8 Kensington ", 8 Duke of Cornwall ", 7 Brixton ", 8 Southgate ", 8	Old White Hart, High Street, Borough Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, S.E. White Hart, Church Rd., Up. Norwood, Red Lion, Leytonstone, Bell Hot., Ealing, Hornsey Wood Tay., N. Searsdale Arms, Edwardes Sq., Kensgtu, Queen's Arms, Queen Street, Cheapside, Prince Regent, Dulwich Road, S.E. Railway Hot., New Southgate,
780 834 933 1056 1228	Royal Alfred ,, 8 Ranelagh ,, 8 Dorie ,, 8 Victoria (Metro, L. of I.) , 7	Star and Garter Hot., Kew Bridge. Six Bells, Queen St., Hammersmith, W. Duke's Head, Whitechapel Road, E. Portugal Hot., 155, Fleet Street, E.C. Green Man, Leytonstone [Dury.	25 975 1642	Metropolitan , 6.30 Earl of Carnaryon , 8	Sussex Store, St. Martin's Lane, White Hart, Cannon Street, E.C. Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove Road,
1298 1365	Reacontree ,, 8 Royal Standard ,, 8 Chapton ,, 8	Builder's Arms, St. Paul's Road., Canon- Ld. Stanley, Sandringham Rd., Dalston	30 /	(1st) WEDNESD United Mariners at 7.30	A.1, SEPT. 5th. Lugard Hot., Lugard Road, Peckham.
1381 1607 1629 1642 1716 2030 R.A.C 65 800 946 355	Kennington ,7.30 Loyalty ,8 Henry Muggeridge ,6 Earl of Carnaryon ,8 All Saints ,7.30 Abbey ,7.30 Prosperity ,6 Hornsey ,8 Strawberry Hill ,8	Horns Tav., Kennington Park, S.E. Private Ro., 206, Mare Street, Hackney M.H., Mason's Avenue, E.C. Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove Road. Town Hall, Poplar. King's Arms, Buckingham Palace, Rd. Herenles Tav., Leadenhall Street, E.C. Porchester Hot., Leinster Pl., Paddingn. Greyhound Hot., Richmond, S.W. The Moorgate, 15, Finsbury Pavt., E.C.	73 79 87 186 193 228 538 720 781 813 862	Mount Lebanon, 8 Pythagorean, 8 Vitruvian, 8	George Inn, Boro' High Street, Portland Hot., Greenwich, Bdg. Ho. Hot., London Bridge, Raily, Hot., West Hampstead, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall Street, Hope Tav., Stanhope St., Regent's Pk. Portland Arms, Gt. Portland Street, Balham Hot., Balham, Silver Tav., Burdett Road, Limehouse, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Road, N.
•	(1st) SATURD.		898 902	Temperance in East ,, 7.30 Burgoyne ,, 7	Red Lion, Poppins Court, Fleet Street, Greenwich Pensr., Bow Lane, Poplar, Goose & Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard
179 198 1275 1364 1541 1624 2012 R.A.C.	Manchester at 8	Yorkshire Grey, Ldn. St., Fitzroy Sq. Jolly Farmers, Southgate Road, N. Five Bells, 155, New Cross Road. Royal Edward, Mare Street, Hackney. Station Hot., Camberwell New Road. King's Head, Ebury Bridge, Pimlico. Windsor Castle, King St., Hammersmith Union Tav., Air Street, Regent Street.	1288 1421 1475 1601 1604 1708 1791 1922 1963 R.A.C.	Finsbury Park at 8.30 Laugthorne 8 Peckhain 8 Ravensbourne (3rd Oct.) 8 Wanderers 7.30 Plucknett 7.45 Creaton 8 Earl of Lathom 8 Duke of Albany 7.30	Cock Tay, Highbury, N. Swan Hot., Stratford. Lord Wellington, Old Kent Road, S.E. George Inn., Catford. S.E. Vict. Mans. Rest., Vict. Street, S.W. Bald Faced Stag. East End, Finehley. Whtshf. Hot., Glidhwk Rd, Shephd's Bsh Station Hot., Camberwell New Road. Roch, Tay., Battersea Park Rd.
	(1st) MONDAY		177 180	Domatic , 7 St. James's Union , 8	Union Tav., Air Street, W. Swan Tav., Mount Street, W.
22 45 174 180	Loughborough at 8 Strong Man , 7 Sincerity , 7 St. James's Union , 8	Gauden Hot., Clapham, S.W. Bull and Bell, Ropemaker Street, E.C. Railway Tav., Fenchurch Street, E.C. Union Tav., Air Street, W.	704 933	Camden , 8.30 Dorie , 7.30	The Moorgate, Moorgate Street. Print. II. Wks., 202, Whitechapel Road
$\frac{511}{548}$	Zetland ,, 8 Wellington ,, 8	York and Albany, Regent's Pk., N.W. White Swan, High Street, Deptford.	Lod	• •	last Thursday in August
993 1178 1227 1425	Dorie , 8 Perfect Ashlar , 8 Upton , 8 Hyde Park , 8	Duke's Head, Whiteehapel, E. Jamaica Tav., Sthwk. Pk. Rd., Bermdsey. Three Nuns Hot., Aldgate. Porchester Hot., Leinster Pl., Paddingn.		(see a)	ıte).
1445 1489	Prince Leopold , 7 Marquess of Ripon , 8	Printing Ho. Wks.,202 Whitechapel Rd. Royal Edward Mare Street, Hackney.	*** The Secre	e Editor will be greatly o taries of the various Lodges	bliged for any information the may be pleased to send to him.

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