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THE RETURN OF THE PRINCE OF WALES.

THE Prince is home again with his wife and children, after an absence of close on seven months. To say he was affectionately greeted by them, by the Queen, and the other members of the Royal Family, were almost an insult—as though they were strangers to those feelings which Dame Nature has implanted in all of us. The Princess of Wales put out to meet him, and together they entered Portsmouth Harbour on board the *Serapis*, amid thundering salutes from all the ships of war and forts, and the deep hearty cheering of English sailors, and of the crowds assembled on every coigne of vantage to witness the imposing sight. It is not our intention to inflict upon our readers a long description of what they have already had told them in all the daily papers. Let it be sufficient if we say that on his first approach to Portsmouth, on landing, on his progress to the railway station, and again from Victoria Station to Buckingham Palace, and thence to his own residence, the thousands who were present—whether officially or of their own choice—cheered him to the echo. Indeed, as regards the heartiness exhibited, it almost equalled the display of thirteen years since, when, on a somewhat cheerless day, His Royal Highness led his betrothed, then Princess Alexandra of Denmark, from the east to the western limits of our huge metropolis. On the present occasion, as the route was shorter, there were only some thousands congregated by the way, but the heartiness of their greeting gave one the idea what the scene would have been had the Prince traversed London from end to end. But to specify the chief features of the journey. At Portsmouth the day was observed as a holiday. Of the two routes from the dockyard to the railway the longer and wider was selected, and this afforded the inhabitants a magnificent opportunity for displaying their loyalty. The military and naval authorities were also enabled to give greater *éclat*, by placing military and marines along the whole line. At the landing stage were congregated the Dukes of Connaught and Cambridge, the Lords of the Admiralty and the chief naval and military officers, and certain of these went on board the *Serapis* the moment it came alongside the landing stage. After a brief delay, for the purpose of taking some part of the luggage ashore, the Prince and Princess landed, and the Corporation of Portsmouth were presented, and tendered the inevitable address. A song of welcome having then been sung, the procession was formed, and moved along the prescribed direction amid the heartiest cheers imaginable, towards the Landport Railway Station. Here, on the platform, among others, was a deputation of brethren from the Province of Hants and the Isle of Wight, headed by R.W. Bro. W. W. Beach, M.P., P.G.M., their object being the presentation of an address, which was graciously received. The Royal party, which also included the Prince's children and the Duke of Edinburgh, then entered the train, and the journey to London commenced. At Victoria Station most extensive preparations were made, and the station, ordinarily so unattractive, had quite a gala appearance. The Royal train was timed to arrive at five o'clock; but it was nearly seven when it glided noiselessly in. Among those assembled to greet him on his arrival, were the Princess Louise and the Duchess of Teck. On descending to the platform, a deputation of the Burgesses of Westminster, headed by his Grace the Duke of Buccleugh, High Steward of the ancient City, presented an address. As to his reception, little need be said of that.

The cheering was loud and uninterrupted, and in a short time His Royal Highness, with the Princess, and two of their children drove out of the Station, attended by an escort of Life Guards, the foot Guards lining the route. On the cortege appearing in sight of the multitude assembled, the sound of cheering was again and again renewed, or rather it began and continued along the whole way to Buckingham Palace, where Her Majesty awaited his coming. After a stay of about half-an-hour at the Palace, the Prince and Princess re-entered their carriage, and drove to Marlborough House, amid the same enthusiastic demonstration. In the evening they paid a visit to the Royal Italian Opera, and there, it is needless to say, the House was far more intent on greeting them than on the performance of the Opera.

And thus ends a journey not the least eventful among those undertaken by royal personages. The Queen's eldest son and heir, and representing her Majesty, visited the chief cities of one of the grandest empires the world ever saw. First at Bombay, then at Madras, then at Calcutta, at Delhi, at Lucknow, and in other cities whose names are only a little less familiar, he was received most heartily and respectfully. No doubt his visit has done much to increase the loyalty of our fellow-subjects in India. No doubt the British empire will henceforth be more firmly united, for the visit of the Prince, attended as he was on all occasions by so much state, and the honoured guest of all the most important princes of India, cannot but have favourably impressed the native mind, not only with a sense of our irresistible power, but likewise with a certain feeling of loyalty and attachment to our rule. It is, indeed, impossible to doubt that the Prince's journey has been productive of an immense amount of good. But probably this view of his Indian journey never entered the minds of any of those who were gathered to witness his return home. Affectionate loyalty to the Queen, and a love for the Prince himself, were at the bottom of Thursday's enthusiasm. Right gloriously indeed was he greeted of all, and with equal heartiness and fraternal respect we tender him our congratulations.

MASONIC PORTRAITS (No. 27.)

THE ARTIST.

"The painter plays the spider, and hath woven
A golden mesh to entrap the hearts of men
Faster than gnats in cobwebs."

WE know not how far from nature we may have wandered in our laborious task of Masonic portraiture, but we have no doubt committed many sins against the unwritten laws of art. Here and there a touch perhaps has been too coarse, or too feeble. This feature has been sacrificed at the shrine of that. We have made the background of this sketch too prominent, or we have forgotten to give the proper breadth and vigour to the foreground. We have used just such colours as pleased our artistic fancy, and we have declined to daub with some of the gaudy tints which catch the uninstructed eye. After all, a word-picture, if it be truly artistic, does not differ materially from the work of the painter. The literary artist works with a different vehicle, that is all, but if he possess the true instinct for art, his painting will live and charm when the hand that traced the lines is forgotten. There

are passages in Tristram Shandy, for example, which are as truly pictures, and masterpieces too of their kind, as any of the great works which adorn our national collection. Corporal Trim, Captain Shandy, Yorick and Widow Wadman are as real and as vivid as any of the portraits from the pencil of Titian or Vandyke. They are from the pen of a genius, and the painter who attempts to transfer these wonderful word-pictures to the canvas finds that he can add no touch to complete their vivid reality. The veteran who whistled Lillabulleroo, and dug his mimic ramparts in the garden, is an old familiar friend. We might part with many of the heroes of modern fiction without a pang, but no one would consent to a life-long separation from "Uncle Toby" or the "Corporal." Genius has touched these creations with its magic finger, and they exist for all time.

If our own poor sketches live their little hour, we shall be quite satisfied; if they interest or instruct our readers, they will have fulfilled the purpose for which they were written. We claim for them no other merit than that of truthfulness, and hence we do not tremble while our brother of the pencil, who is now walking through our studio, passes his critical eye over our work. He indeed is engaged in a great work of a similar nature, and can make due allowance for the difficulties which have harassed us in our long and difficult task. He may possibly criticise adversely our colouring or our drawing; he may object to the obtrusion of this group of facts, or that stroke of satire. We shall listen to him respectfully, but he must, like others, pay the penalty of his rashness. He shall not leave our literary domain until we have transferred some imperfect outline of him to our canvas. Our features will not mar or adorn his great composition, but he shall grace our galaxy of Masonic celebrities.

Our visitor then hails from Ireland, a country which has given birth to many illustrious sons of genius. Our memory is stored with the names of a long list of poets, orators, actors, painters, and musicians, who claim the emerald isle as the land of their birth. An Irishman is an artist by nature; he tells a story excellently. He writes fluently and well, and the English press is sustained by many brilliant pens which have been imported from the other side of St. George's Channel. The leader in your favourite journal, reader, which you emphatically declare to be thoroughly English in sentiment, is perhaps from the pen of an Irish scribe. Your great speech was probably given to the world by an Irish reporter, and the very prints which hang in your library are possibly copied from the works of Mulready or Maclise! But we might go on writing in this strain until paper or space failed us, and to what purpose? No one needs to be told that Irishmen are clever. The fact is patent to all. The fact is likewise patent that the Irishman who has been so greatly gifted by providence with the higher faculties of the mind, has little of that faculty for getting money which is so characteristic of our English nature. But we are forgetting our visitor, of whose career we have to say something. He was born at Queenstown, in the year 1830, where his father was settled as a professional man, and boasts of being the descendant of a very old family. His attention was early directed to art, indeed he had a natural bent for it, and after some little coquetting with the fair goddess, he settled down steadily to the worship of the beautiful as his vocation in life. Circumstances however conspired to clip his wings for a time, and after all his high aspirations we find him an active partner in one of the largest artistic establishments in Ireland. Here his pencil was in constant and daily exercise, and he threw off many of those beautiful but perishable works which are a characteristic feature of the art workmanship of our time. He was the first to introduce chromo-lithography into his native country, and he is, we need scarcely add, skilled in all the art processes of this beautiful branch of printing. In addition to his numberless contributions to the artistic repertory of the establishment with which he was connected, he has worked as a book illustrator, and, like many men of genius who have gone before him, he has drawn some of his best designs on the wood. The public little know how much talent and even genius is concentrated upon this branch of art. Some of the greatest men of the day have not disdained to draw for the wood engraver, and our distinguished brother need not be ashamed of having worked with his sepia and pencil on material which has been ere now enriched by the talent of Leighton, Maclise, Rossetti, and Cruickshank. In the fraternity he is known as the artist who produced the admirable installation portrait of

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and it is universally known that he is now engaged upon a great historical picture of the Installation, that promises to be the most successful as well as the most gigantic effort of artistic portraiture which this generation has seen. This work, now rapidly approaching completion, will contain faithful portraits of more than a thousand of the brethren who were present at the ceremony. It is engraved on steel, and will be a permanent and magnificently vivid record of an event which will be for ever memorable in annals of the Craft. All the resources of our brother's art knowledge are lavished upon this great effort of genius, and while it will conform to the canons of artistic criticism, it will be as accurate as a state paper, and as faithful in its details as a photograph. We venture to predict that it will be highly and widely popular, and that it will carry the name and the fame of its author to every civilised country in the world.

Our brother was initiated in the Eclectic Lodge (1201) in the year 1863, and is now Senior Warden. He is Registrar of Marks of Bon Accord Lodge, Assistant Sojourner of Frederick of Unity Chapter, Honorary Organist of the United Strength (228). He is a member of St. George's Rose Croix Chapter, 18°. For the last sixteen years he has been an active member of our Volunteer forces. He was amongst the first to trail a rifle when the celebrated letter of the French Colonels set the patriotism and valour of Britain on fire, and he has since worked in the cause with steady zeal. He took the highest prize in the school of instruction, and was publicly complimented for his military acquirements. He now bears the rank of Captain, and can handle a battalion as cleverly as any of the professional soldiers of the regular army. Lastly, as some illustration of the versatility of his mind, we may add that he is a member of the London and Middlesex Archæological Society.

Farewell, honest soldier, go forth from our studio with thy fame as bright as the blade of thy sword. Farewell, brilliant artist and good brother! may thy pencil ever teach us to honour rectitude, to love the beautiful, to worship the true. Thou hast made a name in the world of art, which will not readily die. Thy graver shall testify to thy industry and talent when thou hast answered the last bugle call. Thy kind face shall live in our memory. We shall remember thy warm Irish heart, thy bright and cheerful talk, thy jollity at the festive board. There is yet a world of work before thee; go forth, conquering and to conquer!

SOVEREIGN GRAND COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES.

RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE AND APPENDANT ORDERS.

A COPY has reached us of the proceedings of the Convention of Delegates of the several Grand Councils in the United States, of the Red Cross of Constantine, summoned in June of last year, for the purpose of erecting a Sovereign Grand Council. This Convention was held in response to an invitation issued by Sir A. G. Goodall, M. Ill. G. S. of the Grand Council of New York, to the other Grand Councils in the United States, to send three representatives. On assembling in the Masonic Temple on 1st June, Sir A. G. Goodall called the Convention, and Sir Francis A. Blades, Michigan, on the motion of Sir James H. Willard, Indiana, was elected Chairman, Sir Robert Macoy, N.Y., being appointed Secretary. A committee of three to report on Credentials, and a similar committee to nominate Grand Officers having been chosen, Sir C. L. Stowell, of the former, reported that representatives were present from the Grand Councils of the following ten States: Pennsylvania, Illinois, New York, Massachusetts, Michigan, Kentucky, Indiana, Vermont, Maine, and New Jersey. Representatives, claiming to represent a Grand Council in Indiana, were likewise present, but after a full investigation, it was decided that the body they claimed to represent could not be recognised. A report was then submitted and adopted, that the following permanent officers be appointed, namely, Sir Albert G. Goodall, President; Sir Marquis F. King, Vice-President; Sir Robert Macoy, Secretary. A committee of ten was then nominated to draft a plan of organisation. A Con-

stitution was subsequently presented by this Committee, and adopted. The work of electing the officers of the Sovereign Grand Council was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows: Sir A. G. Goodall, *New York*, M. Ill. S.G.M.; Sir Calvin L. Stowell, *Penn.*, M.P.D.G.M., Sir D. Burnham Tracy, Michigan, M.E.S. Gr. Viceroy, &c., &c. These having been duly installed, the Sovereign Grand Council was opened in ample form, and was at once proclaimed to be duly organised. A discussion having arisen as to the propriety of conferring the order of Grand Cross on the Knights present who had not received it, the Grand Master was appointed a committee of one to correspond with the Grand Imperial Council of England in reference to conferring this order. The Grand Master was further requested to officially notify the organisation of the Grand Council to all other Imperial and Grand Councils. A committee on rituals having been chosen, and the next council having been fixed to be held in New York, on the first Wednesday in June of this year, the Grand Council was closed in solemn and Knightly form.

So much for the Report. The Appendix contains the Constitution as adopted at this Council, a Chronological Table of Memorabilia of the Order, a list of the several Grand Councils in England and United States, now organised, with illustrations of the Regalia, and the various official forms in use by the Order, the whole closing with "A Concise History of the Order of the Red Cross of Constantine." As regards this last, we have only one remark to make. The History virtually begins with the birth, and ends with the death, of Constantine. As to the links that connect the present Order with the Order of Red Cross Knights, said to have been founded, after the battle of Saxa Rubra, by the Emperor Constantine, we are left in utter darkness. Not a word is said to show the continuity of the Order from his day till now. We do not, of course, presume to assert that these links have no existence. We are simply pointing out that "the Concise History of the Order," furnished at end of the Report of Proceedings, is a concise history of Constantine's life and reign, not of the order which bears his name. That, it seems to us, has yet to be written.

SUPREME COUNCIL, A. AND A. RITE.

NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION, U.S.

WE have received copy of the proceedings of the above Council, held in August of last year, at Portland, State of Maine. The Council was opened in due form at 10 a.m., 17th August, by Ill. Bro. Josiah H. Drummond 33°, M.P.S. Grand Commander, and after prayer by the Rev. and Ill. Bro. Charles H. Titus 33°, Grand Prior, the roll of officers, active and emeriti members was called, and a goodly array were found to be present. In attendance also, were a considerable number of honorary members, as well as representatives from the Supreme Councils of Belgium, Scotland, Ireland, Mexico, Italy, New Grenada. Following these particulars, is the address of Ill. Bro. Drummond, a long and exhaustive sketch of the leading events of the previous year, which it would occupy too much space to transcribe, and of which a summary would convey only a very meagre account. Then follow the articles of "Confederation between the Supreme Councils of the Thirty-third Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, to be considered by the Congress of the same at Lausanne," as proposed by the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States. We learn, subsequently, that the whole number of bodies chartered and under dispensation was 191, while those making returns amounted to 173, thus distributed among the States comprising this Jurisdiction—Maine, 1 Consistory, 1 Chap. R.C., 1 Council P. of J., 1 L. of Perfection; New Hampshire—1 Consistory, Two each Chap. R.C., Councils P. of J. and L. of Perfection; Vermont—1 Consistory, 1 Chap. R.C., 1 Council P. of J., Three LL. of Perfection; Massachusetts—1 Consistory, three Chap. R.C., four Councils P. of J., and six LL. of Perfection; Rhode Island—Two Each, Consistories, Chap. R.C., Councils P. of J., and LL. of Perfection; Connecticut—Two Consistories, Three Chap. R.C., Three Councils P. of J., and Four LL. of Perfection; New York—Seven Consistories, Eight Chap. Rose Croix, Eight Councils P. of J., Twelve LL. of Perfection; New Jersey—One Consistory, Six each, Chapters R.C., Councils P. of J.,

LL. of Perfection; Pennsylvania—Four Consistories, four Chap. R.C., four Councils P. of J., and five LL. Perfection; Michigan—Consistory, Chap. R.C., Councils P. of J., L. of Perfection, one each; Ohio—1 Consistory, Two Chap. R.C., Three Councils P. of J., three LL. Perfection; Indiana—Consistories, Chap. R.C., Councils P. of J., LL. Perfection, three each; Illinois—Consistories, Chap. R.C., P. of J., LL. Perfection, five each, and Wisconsin with one Consistory, and two each of Chap. Rose Croix, Councils P. of J., and LL. of Perfection. The Supreme Councils of the Dominion of Canada and of Colon in Cuba, were recognised, and an interchange of representatives arranged in the former one, while as regards the latter, the S.G.C. was requested to take the necessary steps to that end. The Grand Orients of Hungary and Belgium were also recognised, and it was determined to interchange publications with them. The financial statements of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer General were reported to have been examined and were approved. Both these statements show a very satisfactory condition of the money market; but an unpleasant report follows of Bodies who had failed to remit their dues. A number of other Reports were submitted by the several Committees, and the standing Committee having been duly appointed, the Council was closed, after prayer, in due form, the next Annual Session of the Council being arranged to be held in New York, on the third Tuesday in August of this year, at 10 a.m. precisely.

The Report of Proceedings is succeeded by an Appendix, containing Reports of Deputies, Foreign Correspondence, Obituary Record, Amendments to Constitutions adopted this Session, together with Tableaux of the officers of the Council and of honorary members; and also a complete list of the officers and members of the several Consistories, S.P.R.S. 32°, and officers of other subordinate Bodies in this jurisdiction, with a roll of honorary members, residents of other jurisdictions, and of Grand Bodies of the A.A. Scottish Rite, recognised by and in relations of amity with this Supreme Council. Thus it will be seen that the Report contains an immense mass of information, much of which will be highly interesting to members of this Rite in the United Kingdom.

ODDS AND ENDS.

BY WALTER SPENCER, F.R.G.S., &c.

THE incident which is reported to have resulted so tragically at Salonica, had a parallel recorded in "Eothen," Chapter xxv., as occurring at Nablous, in Syria. "A beautiful Christian girl, between 15 and 16, had lately been married. At the time, she was accidentally seen by a Mussulman Sheik of wealth and influence, who became instantly enamoured of her. He saw no chance of gratifying his love unless by inducing the girl to embrace his own creed. Being a practical man, he quickly began the attack; he did not assail her with the eloquence of any Imaums or Mussulman saints . . . he sent her no tracts—not even a copy of the holy Koran. An old woman acted as missionary. She brought a whole basketful of arguments—jewels, shawls, scarfs, and all kinds of persuasive finery. Poor Mariam! she put on the jewels, and took a calm view of the Mahometan religion in a little hand-mirror—she could not be deaf to such eloquent ear-rings, and the great truths of Islam came home to her young bosom in the delicate folds of the Cashmere." It would seem that nothing less could operate the perversion of a female to a religion which denies in her the existence of a soul, and the hope of her individual immortality; the sentiment of religion, as we understand it, can obviously have little to do in such a case. For this, have two valuable lives been sacrificed and Europe brought into imminent danger of a sanguinary war?

The Spanish fleet, under Admiral Malcampo, is reported to have returned to Manila, after subjugating the pirates of Sulu. It is not generally known that over the country of these much abused pirates, Great Britain has a claim to sovereignty, which has not been disavowed. The islands lie to the north-east of Borneo, very near to our settlement of Labuan. Lord Palmerston declared his intention of preventing Spain from any attempt to annex them; the various wars have consequently had for pretext, the castigation of native piracy, and are, so far, justifiable. Spain,

however, has made no attempt to foster a trade with the Suluans, or to encourage among them those arts of peace which are the best safeguard against predatory instincts; in fact, her jealous Colonial monopolies and vexatious administration have indirectly tended to keep the hornets' nest in a perpetual buzz. The Suluans have the reputation of being the most daring and patriotic people of the East, like the Hydriots in the Levant of old. Their capital may have been bombarded and destroyed, and their fleets of prahus dispersed, but without a considerable force in permanent occupation of their coasts, their continued subjugation is impossible. They are moreover, fully alive to the advantages of British commerce, and were at one time, anxious for the civilising protectorate of our flag. Professions made to them formerly have not been redeemed by us, hence a desultory warfare single-handed against their ancient enemy, and for the present, an apparent collapse.

All have read of the peculiar shuffling gait of the Camel (said to have been the method of progression preferred by quadrupeds before the flood), caused by the simultaneous, instead of alternate, forward movement of the fore and hind limb. The resultant motion is awkward and dislocating to the rider. The Andalusian "paso" to which riding horses of Spanish descent are trained, is the antithesis of this and the motion as comfortable as in a gentle rocking chair, pleasanter than even the gentle canter, and a heavenly contrast to the English trot. The last is good exercise, well suited to our climate and promotive of perspiration, but on long journeys, fatiguing. It has been my lot to ride many hundred miles in the Colonies and the Americas, and I must give the palm to the Spanish "paso" over every pace a horse can be made to go at. I commend also, for ease and comfort, the Spanish American "pillon," an imitation or real sheepskin, of long wool, generally dyed blue, which is placed over the saddle and strapped tight round the animal with a surcingale, the stirrup-leathers just emerging below its fringe. This cases the seat immensely, and, filling out the sides, gives a firmer and safer grip to the knee; it is the reason assigned for the extra lengthiness of the spurs worn in Spanish America, the rider's heels being kept farther apart by it. The "poncho" is a useful riding cloak in a country of dust. Glad should I have been of one when journeying in Wellington, N.Z., in the teeth of a "southerly buster," where the sand clouds penetrate every crevice of the clothing, filling every pore of the skin, and where the fine pebbles dashed up from the ground, positively seam and pit the unprotected visage. The traveller anxious for a new sensation, who will make his way from the Wairarapa plains through the gorge of the Rimataka, will allow that I do not exaggerate.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED RITE.

ON Tuesday, the 9th inst., at 33 Golden-square, were held Councils of the 31st and 32nd Degrees, followed by a Chapter of the 30°, which was numerously attended, some ninety members being present. A glance at the list of candidates for advancement, and round the faces of those present, would have been sufficient to disabuse the minds of any who yet entertain a lingering impression that this body can be in any sense antagonistic to the principles of Craft Masonry. It is rather the legitimate complement of the latter, ruled by the same chiefs, by our Grand Master and Pro Grand Master, supported by brethren distinguished for their great ability and Masonic zeal. We will not parade a long roll of names as courting publicity, but prefer to point to the notable results to our charitable institutions which have accrued whenever the generous initiative of the Rite has been felt and honourably responded to. Without this, all the *prestige* imparted by statesmen and Princes of the House of England would weigh with us but lightly; with the spirit of independence inherited from our forefathers we would contentedly carry on the warfare of our Craft against the insidious attacks of Roman Catholic intolerance unpatronised and alone; but the spectacle of those noblest and most eminent amongst us taking the lead in our common aims, upon our common principles, cannot but tend to cement and endear to us those ties which bind the greatest and the least as Masons, Englishmen, and men.

The 6th Annual Ball of the Metropolitan and City Police Orphanage was held on Thursday, the 4th instant, at the

Cannon Street Hotel, and was numerously attended. The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, the Lady Mayoress, Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Knight and Mrs. Knight, Bro. Sheriff Breffit and Mrs. Breffit, Major Bowman, Bro. Lient. F. Kent C.C., Bro. Walford C.C., &c., honoured the company by their presence. A capital supper was provided, under the presidency of the Lord Mayor, who very genially gave several toasts. That of the evening, the Orphanage, met with a hearty reception, and we believe a goodly sum was realised. There were two ball rooms; in the large one the band of the A division, under the direction of Mr. W. Dickenson, performed, while Mr. A. Cohen's band was stationed in the other. Bros. T. Meekham and J. R. Foulger efficiently acted as M.C.'s. Bro. Butler was not able to be present, from indisposition. The entire arrangements were under the able supervision of Mr. Superintendent Foster, and gave great satisfaction. This excellent institution now provides for 160 girls and boys.

In Memoriam.

IT is with feelings of very deep regret we have to announce the somewhat sudden death of Bro. William Cutbush, of Barnet, the well-known nurseryman. A short time since, being somewhat out of health, Bro. Cutbush, accompanied by his wife, went to Brighton, and so much benefited did he find himself by the change, that it was his intention to have returned home on Thursday of last week. On rising that morning, he fancied he was somewhat bilious. As the symptoms did not abate, a medical man was summoned, who prescribed a draught. No improvement, however, followed; and, at last, shortly after one o'clock, groans having been heard proceeding from the closet, the door was opened, and Bro. Cutbush was found dead. The painful event has cast a gloom over the town of Barnet, where our excellent brother had been long a resident, and where he had won the respect and esteem of all his neighbours. He was one of the most genial and kind hearted of men, and ready at all times to assist others, especially if they were less fortunately circumstanced than himself. For close upon a quarter of a century he had held the post of Churchwarden at Christ Church, Barnet, and during the whole of that time had fulfilled his appointed duties with the greatest earnestness and zeal. As to his Masonic career, Bro. Cutbush was initiated in Faith Lodge, No. 141, on 25th October 1864. He was one of and the founders of the Gladsmuir Lodge, No. 1385, Barnet, occupied the chair of K.S. in 1874, and also of the Gladsmuir Chapter, in which he held the office of H. He was also a promoter of the Halsey Lodge, No. 1479, St. Albans, in which, as well as in the Gladsmuir, he held the office of Treasurer. He was, further, P.P.G.Supt.W. for Province of Herts, and a contributor to our Charities, having, moreover, served the office of Steward both to the Benevolent Institution and the Girls' School. Only very recently he had been elected to an honorary Life Governorship of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, an honour conferred upon him in recognition of his frequent presents of plants to that Institution. It was but two days before his death that Bro. Cutbush had written to Bro. Terry, notifying his acceptance of it. The funeral took place at Highgate Cemetery, on Thursday, at half-past one, and was very numerously attended by the brethren, not only of the Gladsmuir and other Lodges of the Province of Herts, but by representatives from several prominent Lodges of the metropolis. We, especially, shall feel his loss, for he was a Director of our Company, had done us good service, and was always ready with kindly word and act to promote the welfare of this journal. In fine, Bro. Cutbush, in his home, in his business, and in Masonry, was a good exemplar for others to follow. He was a most worthy man, whom all respected, whom his more immediate circle of friends esteemed and loved, who had faithfully done his allotted work in Masonry, and who neither thought nor felt unkindness for any. Peace be with him, and may the Great Architect of the Universe, before whom all bow with reverence, uphold his widow in this time of her sad bereavement.

REVIEWS.

All Books intended for Review should be addressed to the Editor of The Freemason's Chronicle, 67 Barbican, E.C.

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MAGAZINES OF THE MONTH.

THERE is a certain heaviness in *Blackwood* this month, which even the two or three admirable papers we have found in it are hardly capable of redeeming. The paper on "Swift," for example, is written with very great judgment. We feel the writer has managed to grasp his subject firmly, and that he enacts the part of historian with skill and fairness. But then follow two articles, of which the first is dreary albeit we recognise the truths which it enumerates; while the second—a continuation of "1895"—is a flimsy attempt to describe female candidature at a Parliamentary election. "A Wanderer's Letter," in which Leipzig, its fairs, its battles, its old historical buildings, and the manners and customs of its people are described, offers some very agreeable reading. "Whittlebridge," with the doings of the gallant "Chasers," Lieut.-Colonel Bottletop, C.B., so accomplished in blasphemy as to be honoured with the *soubriquet* of "the Cursing Cockatoo," Captain Brookes and his love-making, Lady Scorpy, and the rest of the company, is highly amusing, but the revels in Whittlebury are just a *lettle* too violent. The notice of "Macaulay," or, rather, of his nephew's biography of him, is well written; and the "Spring Songs" are pretty. "Politics before Easter" will please the Conservative reader no doubt, but politics in a Masonic journal have no proper place.

There is little to note in the serials which form the bulk of *Tinsleys'*. Mr. Farjeon's "Duchess," on whose christening the scene falls for the present, progresses admirably. Mr. Barrett's "Maggie" is somewhat confused, as though the author had hardly yet made up his mind about the details of his plot. In Mr. Grant's "Did she love him?" Stanley is in the doleful, and Tom Seymour gets into hot water with Mrs. Brooke, but Mabel and he have a plan in view, which, if successfully carried out, will sorely trouble the hospitable, if somewhat cantankerous, old lady. The supercargo of the ship in which Stanley sails to join his regiment in the Bermudas tells an effective, or, rather, as it is not complete, part of a very effective story, for no other object, apparently, than to fill up a chapter. However, we shall see in time. "La Festa delle Palme" is an agreeable bit of descriptive writing, and Mr. Vandam reappears with another of his "Famous Bohemians." The "Thespian Cartes" are continued, and the Gaiety Theatre, with its brave list of stars, the enterprise of its manager, and the successes it has achieved in its yet brief career, are there all faithfully and justly chronicled. Dr. Davies offers a more varied, and therefore a more acceptable programme in his "Social Status Quo;" while No. V. of his "Love Songs of all Nations" is equal in point of merit to its four predecessors. We should like to quote it in full, but we have space for the latter half only. The title, we may state, is "Love and Absence," and after an invocation to the former, and a pretty sentiment or two, we read thus:—

But, from his mistress banished far,
Si'ent is he,
E'en in whose soul the voices are
Of melody.

When from the withered garden-beds
The roses fail,
No longer there her sweet song sheds
The nightingale.

Thus while she lingers far away,
Silent I pine,
Because upon my lonely way
No love-lights shine.

He who sees not the one loved maid,
Nor hears her word,
Must in that silence droop and fade,
Like prisoned bird.

Belgravia includes the opening chapters of two new stories. One, entitled "Juliet," is by Mrs. H. Lovett-Cameron, with a not very striking illustration by Valentine Bromley; the other, by Mr. Mackenna, is called "Scotching a Snake." The theme, in each case, seems a familiar one, but no doubt as the plots proceed we shall find much to interest us. The career of "Joshua Haggard's Daughter"—we are speaking of the novel, not of its heroine—is still a pleasant one, nor see we indeed how it could well be otherwise under the conduct of so skilful a writer. "What has become of Lord Camel-ford's Body?" is the title of a contribution by Mr. Charles Reade. His narrative of that nobleman's strange eventful history is capitally put together. Lovers of the drama will read with pleasure Cutlbert Bede's Reminiscences of the late "Miss Cushman," an actress whose talents were generally appreciated, and deserve to be recorded, for the benefit of present and future playgoers. Mrs. Lynn Linton's article on "Woman's Place in Nature and Society" is excellent in tone and character, but would read better were it condensed more. Of the other contents, Mr. Escott's sketch of the late "Lord Macaulay" must be noticed; and a word of praise is due to Mr. J. Mahoney's illustration accompanying Mr. Mackenna's story.

The chief attractions in *Temple Bar* include an able sketch of the great French actor "Talma," some sensible advice, under the head of "T'other Side of the Water," to intending visitors to the United States during the forthcoming Centennial Exhibition, a paper on "the Gipsies and their Friends," and a biography containing some rare and interesting information of William Upcott, "The Father of a Fashion." A new tale is commenced, bearing the title of "The American Senator," but the progress made is too slight for us to form any judgment yet. "Red Indiana," with an account of "The

Chippeway and his Copper Mine," will serve capitally to while away an odd half-hour, and "Manneken" will amuse the youngsters. The following on "Glamour" merits to be quoted in full.

The breath of flowers was on the breeze,
And all the odours of the spring;—
Amid the gently-budding trees
We heard the throstle sing.
We watched the tender leaflets curl'd,
No green seemed half so gay before;—
A hundred springs may deck the world,
But those green leaves no more;
No, never, never more!

The sun drank up the tears of night,
The happy tears of early dew,
Each drop became a globe of light
With golden-green shot through.
We shook them off the primrose flowers,
No dew seemed half so bright before;
Now winter rain may fall in showers,
But those bright drops no more;
No, never, never more!

Within the blue, unblemish'd skies
The infant cloudlets cradled lay,
Like new-born souls in Paradise,
All clad in white array;
And in our happy eyes that met
There shone a light unknown before;
Now suns may rise, and suns may set,
But that love-light no more;
No, never, never more!

What may justly be called the practical part of *Cassell's Family Magazine* has by far the greatest attraction for us. The fiction is invariably good, and the two tales, one of which is concluded this month, which have graced its pages since Christmas, are no exceptions. The short stories, too, are excellently well-told. But we incline rather to such papers as Mr. Payne's, on "Wedding Breakfasts." Mr. Payne's advice is always worth having, even though some may think it too common-sensible to be followed. His suggestions, the nature of which our readers must discover for themselves, are in excellent taste, especially as regards wines in general, and champagne in particular. "What is the best education for Girls?" is, perhaps, a difficult question to answer. It ought not to be, but people's ideas about education are of the vaguest now-a-days, and a few showy accomplishments have usurped the place of systematic training. Hence the helpless things the present generation of young women are growing into. If the reader would know "How to preserve the Teeth," let him consult a Family Doctor in these pages. If, and the season has begun, he is at a loss what to do in respect of "Potting and Planting," let him gather a few wrinkles from "A Practical Man." If he is a family man, and his children are always ailing, let him, or his wife rather, inquire of Mistress Phil is Browne, who will forthwith satisfy her curiosity. Or perchance, if Paterfamilias has a limited purse, and his better half is somewhat vague in her ideas of millinery, let him search after the secrets how "Inexpensive Home Millinery" may be prepared. We might run, in like manner, through well nigh the whole list of contents, but our readers need no further exhortation from us. They will, doubtless, go and inquire for themselves.

In the *Leisure Hour*, "The Tale of the American War of Independence" includes some exciting episodes, not the least exciting among them being an account of the Battle of Bunker's Hill. Then follow two admirable articles, the first being No. V. of Canon Rawlinson's Series on "Early Civilization," the subject being "Asia Minor," and the second from the pen of Professor Owen; on the "Antiquity of Egyptian Civilization," in which the writer comments on certain differences of opinion between him and the Egyptologists as to the Chronology of Egypt: differences which Canon Rawlinson had made a subject of remark in one of his former papers. "Fiddles" is a most interesting article, and so is the Rev. W. W. Gills's, on "The Mummalia of the Pacific." The "Border Lands" of Islam, the lands under notice being the disturbed provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina, offers special attraction at this moment, and there is a short account of the Royal Academy, appropriately coinciding with the exhibition now open at Burlington House. The illustration of the Academy in 1787 is well engraved. "Antiquarian Gossip on the Mouths," and "Weather Proverbs," are both noteworthy. We hope the two following may be realised. The rain we are having; may the hay and the bread follow!

"A wet May
Will fill a byre full of hay."

"Water in May is bread all the year."

And yet a third proverb, we hope, will be realised:—

"A leaking May and a warm June
Bring on the Harvest very soon."

The following contributions to the *Sunday at Home* cannot be too highly spoken of—"Vanitas Vanitatum! Omnia Vanitas!" and "Nurses for the Needy." As to their character we need say nothing, the titles are a key to them. Nor must we omit to bestow just words of praise on the description of "The Albert Chapel at Windsor," or No. VI. of Dr. Stoughton's series of articles on "Westminster Abbey." The rest of the number contains the usual quantum of appropriate matter, and the illustrations, especially the illuminated frontispiece, are good.

CHINESE CARVING.—For Sale, an elaborately carved Set of Ivory Chessmen. The Kings stand 8½ inches high, the other pieces in proportion. Knights and Pawns on horseback, all mounted on stands, with concentric balls. Can be seen, and full particulars obtained, on application to W. W. Morgan, 67 Barbican.—*Advt.*

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

THE Annual Festival of the Girls' School was held on Wednesday, the 10th inst., at Freemasons' Hall, and was presided over by Lieut.-Col. Sir Henry Edwards, Bart., D.L., R.W. Provincial Grand Master for West Yorkshire.

This, the eighty-eighth festival of the institution, was very numerously attended, and as regards financial as well as general matters, was a great success. As will be seen from the list given below, the amount received up to the present time is £8,214 11s, with 11 lists to come in. The banquet being finished, and grace sung, the chairman proposed the health of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, referring to the relationship of Her Majesty to several members of the Craft, and the interest she took in our charitable institutions. This was followed by the National Anthem, after which the chairman proposed—His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales, and the rest of the Royal Family, drawing attention to the positions of their Royal Highnesses with respect to this institution. This toast was most heartily received, and the following song, written by Frederick Enoch, and set to music by Sir Julius Benedict, was sung, the solos being given by Bro. G. T. Carter, the performance calling forth great applause, and a not-to-be-denied call for its repetition :—

WELCOME TO OUR PRINCE.

Glad welcome comes the wide world o'er,
As free as sunlights beam,
From Canada's far Western shore
To Ganges sacred stream;
It comes from ev'ry distant land,
It comes across the sea,
Where'er the flag in England's hand
Proclaims a people free.

The words with earnest fervour spring,
From love that never fails,
And heart and voice a welcome bring,
To hail our Prince of Wales.

While myriad voi'd, with joyful cheer,
The loyal greetings come,
How sweet from wife and children dear
Must be his welcome home.
Oh! ever may the nation ring
With love that never fails,
And heart and voice a welcome bring
To hail our Prince of Wales.

The words with earnest fervour spring,
From love that never fails,
And heart and voice a welcome bring
To hail our Prince of Wales.

The toast of the Provincial Grand Master was next given, and then that of the Right Hon. Lord Skelmersdale, R.W. Deputy Grand Master, and the rest of the Grand Officers present and past. To this Col. Burdett, Prov. G.M. Middlesex, responded. Our worthy Brother remarked that it gave him great pleasure to reply to the toast, as all knew the able brethren we had at Grand Lodge, and at the same time he considered he would be very remiss if he did not refer to the way in which the chair had been filled this evening. He was delighted with what he had seen on the previous Monday at the Girls' School, where he had an opportunity of supporting their present chairman, and hoped the brethren would do honour to the toast he was about to propose, as he was sure no Mason was more ready to support the Charities than Bro. Sir H. Edwards. He then gave—"The Chairman of the day."

The toast having been duly honoured, the next one on the list, "Success to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls" was proposed. The Chairman gave a short review of the progress of the Institution, remarking that its scope was entirely dependent on the amounts subscribed, and hoped that the Craft would respond heartily to the call. He said he was very pleased at what he had seen on the previous Monday, and concluded by calling upon Bro. S. Tomkins, the Treas., to respond. The toast having been acknowledged, the various amounts (as below) contributed by the Craft were announced. Col. Adair proposed the other Masonic Charities, which was acknowledged by Bro. Terry. The Rev. C. J. Martyn proposed "the Stewards of the Day," and Bro. J. Smith P.G.P. responded. The musical part of the evening's programme was under the direction of Bro. Chaplin Henry

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We subjoin the several Stewards' Lists, together with the numbers of the Lodges and Chapters contributing, and the amount forwarded by each, to the above Institution :—

LONDON.				LONDON—(continued).				PROVINCES—(continued).			
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Grand Stewards—	Bro. Edwin March	30	9 0	Lod. 259	Bro. Herbert A. Rigg	39	7 0	Lod. 425	Bro. Horatio Lloyd	26	5 0
Lod. 2	Bro. W. Hope, M.D.	45	13 6	435	W. C. Phillips	25	4 0	287	Capt. H. A. Bennett	10	10 0
4	A. C. Veley	16	16 0	511	A. Barfield	42	0 0	237	John Hanson	10	10 0
5	Jno. Hampton Hale	50	8 0	534	W. G. Moore	24	3 0		Wm. S. Sutton	10	10 0
7	R. C. Mansfield	17	6 6	538	Jas. Kench	63	0 0		W. Marwood	15	15 0
8	W. H. Rice Cooke	13	13 0	Lod. & Chp. }							
10	O. H. Pearson	80	15 0	Lod. 554	John J. Berry	100	16 0		Devonshire.		
11	Henry Potter	50	0 0	657	John Johnsson	254	2 0	164	W. H. Haycock	5	15 6
12	Alfred H. Lilley	97	13 0	733	Robert Helsdon	126	0 0		Hants and Isle of Wight.		
Chp. 12	Joseph Clever	54	12 0	742	Wm. W. Baxter	25	14 6	319	T. J. D. Rawlins	21	0 0
12	D. Nichols	27	6 0	749	J. Painter	35	7 0		Kent.		
Lod. 18	Herbert G. Huggins	39	18 0	820	Wm. H. Myers	73	10 0	829	W. Hamilton	29	8 0
19	E. B. Grabham	70	7 0	822	H. Northcott	32	0 6	1206	H. J. Emmerson	10	10 0
21	Griffiths Smith	81	18 0	862	Thos. Kingston	29	8 0	1208	H. M. Baker	26	5 0
22	F. Fairweather	49	7 0	902	R. N. Field	47	5 0	1464	J. A. Farnfield	44	2 0
23	E. C. Mather	15	15 0	905	Alexander Peebles	12	12 0	1531	G. F. Guest	24	17 6
28	J. G. Shearman	42	0 0	907	J. Smith	21	0 0		East Lancashire.		
29	J. E. Middleton	14	14 0	Ch. 1056	Charles Atkins	63	15 6	221	Egerton C. Gilbert	6	6 0
33	W. Clouston	43	1 0	Ld. 1118	Geo. B. Brodie	26	15 0	221	J. H. Greenhalgh	5	5 0
34	Jno. Butler	45	3 0	1150 & 197	T. G. Bullen	69	6 0		West Lancashire.		
46	A. Richards	66	3 0	1155	Henry Moore	79	16 0	1086	J. C. Lunt	6	11 0
49	W. Bailey	36	15 0	1178	Geo. F. Grace	45	3 0		Lincolnshire.		
49	Jno. S. Mercer	86	2 0	1216	George Waterall	51	9 0	1224	John Sutcliffe		
55	G. M. E. Snow	175	0 0	1257	John C. Cox	31	10 0	1264	Jack Sutcliffe		
58	Thos. Reynolds, jun.	64	1 0	1260	J. H. Southwood	87	3 0	Province	R. J. Boyall,		
60	Capt J. Wordsworth	10	10 0	1261	Walter Emden	21	10 6	1232	Charity Steward		
73	Wm. Klingenstein	38	17 0	1288	Robt. V. Davies	26	5 0	792	Rev. Dr. Ace, D.D.	543	14 0
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92	Josiah Houle	23	2 0	1348	A. J. Ireton	100	0 0	1294	Jas. Fergusson		
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174	Jno. Appleby	89	14 0	1537	R. G. Clutton	102	7 6	Ld. 778	Major C. Harding	13	13 0
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197 & 195	Henry D. Wood	31	10 0	1558	Walter Mitchell	14	1 6	1293	David W. Pearse	73	10 0
205	Charles F. Hogard	36	15 0	1563	B. H. Swallow	65	0 0	1309	C. G. Rushworth	11	11 0
206	E. Gamman	57	15 0					1423	John Faulkner	21	10 6
227	A. J. Thomas	30	0 0					1567	John Mason	42	0 0
228	Robt. Griggs	70	7 0					1579	Ed. Letchworth	16	4 6
235	E. H. Hewett	50	0 0					1597	J. Mansurave Levick	10	10 0
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Total amount announced, £8,214, with twelve Lists to come in.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES AT THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

The annual visit of the Stewards to the school of this Charity, at Battersea Rise, took place on Monday last. The opportunity thus afforded of inspecting the school and its occupants was taken advantage of by numerous brethren and their ladies, who universally expressed their pleasure at the entertainment provided. Previous to the distribution of prizes the pupils gave the following selections, which were performed in a way which gives the greatest credit to the teachers:—

- Anthem—"Thine, O Lord, is the Greatness"—*Kent*.
 "Hallelujah Chorus"—*Handel*—20 hands on 5 pianos.
 "Theme Favori"—*Haydn*—10 hands on 5 pianos.
 Recitation—"The Traveller"—*Mrs. Alexander*—Colina Sharp.
 "My Mother bids me bind my hair"—*Haydn*—10 hands on 5 pianos.
 "Air de Chasse"—*Czerny*—30 hands on 5 pianos.
 Recitation—"The Inchcape Bell"—*Southey*—Edith A. Wilson.
 "I. Lombardi"—*Vieuxtemps*—20 hands on 5 pianos.
 Part Song—"Laura"—*Barrington*.
 Recitation—"The Children's Hour"—*Longfellow*—Alice M. Thornbury.
 "Adante in F"—*Beethoven*—10 hands on 5 pianos.
 "Selections from Oberon"—*Weber*—30 hands on 5 pianos.
 Recitation—"Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme," Acte II., Scène VI.—*Molière*—Louisa Hole and Mary E. Barnes.
 Chorus—"With a laugh as we go round"—*Sterndale Bennett*.
 Recitation—"Lucy"—*Wordsworth*—Agnes Barron.
 Solo—"La Cenerentola"—*Rossini*—Louisa Hole.
 Recitation—"Der Ring des Polycrates"—*Schiller*—Lilian M. Nelson.
 "Overture to Midsummer Night's Dream"—*Mendelssohn*—20 hands on 5 pianos.

This was followed by the event of the evening—viz., the distribution of prizes, which were presented by the chairman, Lieut.-Col. Sir Henry Edwards, Bart., R.W. Provincial Grand Master West Yorkshire, assisted by Lady Edwards. In presenting the prizes a few words were addressed to each recipient, and the chairman afterwards expressed his great satisfaction at the progress of the children, praising their behaviour, excellent playing, and general improvement, and concluded by complimenting Miss Davis, the head governess, on the result of her labours. Bro. J. W. White afterwards proposed a vote of thanks to the R.W. chairman, who suitably responded.

The following is a list of pupils who received prizes:—

- Lilian Mary Nelson, the Gold Medal for Proficiency, given annually by Bro. William Paas, with £5 given annually by Bro. William Winn (Leila Lucy Caparn having gained them last year).
 Lucy Kate Clemence, the Silver Medal for Good Conduct, given annually by the Institution, with £5 given annually by Bro. William Winn.
 Jane P. Pattison, £5 for General Proficiency, given annually by Bro. William Winn.

Prizes given annually by the Institution:—

- Leila Lucy Caparn (since left) for Taking Honors Cambridge Examination, with distinction in Religious knowledge.
 Lilian Mary Nelson „ Passing Cambridge Examination.
 Jane P. Pattison „ Passing Cambridge Examination.
 Lily O. Hiron „ General Improvement, 1st Class.
 Mary Emma Barnes „ French.
 Louisa Hole „ Music.
 Melora F. Goodridge „ Music.
 Dora C. Bowles „ Music.
 Jane R. Upton „ Music.
 Josephine B. Mackay „ Vocal Music.
 Fanny J. Lawrence „ Vocal Music.
 Eliza Beveridge „ Music among the Little Girls.
 Kate Hulme „ Drawing.
 Henrietta J. Featherstone „ Drawing.
 Blanche E. Morris „ Drawing.
 Ada Gertrude Chapman „ General Usefulness.
 Amy Emma Mills „ General Usefulness.
 Janet S. Davidson „ Needlework.
 Caroline K. Holland „ Needlework.

- Annie Gertrude Earle „ Machine Work.
 Mary H. Davies „ Machine Work.
 Henrietta J. Featherstone „ Good Conduct.
 Blanche E. Morris „ General Proficiency, 2nd Class.
 Edith A. Wilson „ General Proficiency, 3rd Class.
 Catherine J. Scurr „ General Proficiency, 4th Class.
 Frances E. Gardner „ Perseverance, 2nd Class.
 Grace A. Colvill „ Perseverance, 3rd Class.
 Mand A. Jay „ Perseverance, 4th Class.

By Brother Joshua Nunn, for Fancy Work:—
 Lucy Kate Clemence and Leila Pulman.

By Brother Raynham Stewart, for Dictation:—
 Frances Harryman 1st Class.
 Ellen A. Cates 2nd Class.
 Fanny Ashby 3rd Class.
 Mary Emma Barsby 4th Class.
 Mary Louisa Bowler 5th Class.

- By Brother Rev. P. H. E. Brette, D.D., for French:—Louisa Hole.
 By Mrs. Crick, for Elocution:—Agnes Barron, Alice Maud Thornbury, and Colina Sharp.
 By Brother John M. Clabon, for Good Conduct:—Annie S. Dawson and Matilda M. Sherry.
 By Brother Joseph Starkey, for Drawing:—Florence S. Groves and Leila Pulman.
 By Brother Colard Montrie, for Music:—Florence S. Groves.
 By Brother Louis Hirsch, for German:—Lilian Mary Nelson.
 By Brother H. W. Hemsworth, for Amiability, as voted by their Schoolfellows:—Caroline Hart and Matilda M. Sherry.

ADDITIONAL PRIZE.

"The St. James's Yates Memorial Prize," given annually by the St. James's Lodge, No. 482, Handsworth, £2 10s, for Proficiency in Domestic Duties:—Ada Gertrude Chapman.

After refreshments, a short pause gave those present an opportunity of inspecting the building and grounds, and we were pleased to notice Bros. E. Cox and J. Constable among those who had not forgotten that it was a holiday for our young friends as well as for those of more mature growth. The Calisthenic exercise and marching was then gone through with great precision, after which those of the visitors who so wished danced with the scholars, and here again Bro. Cox displayed the great interest he takes in the comfort and amusement of the children. Orders for bed brought this pleasant visit to a close, at no very early hour. The thanks of the Craft are certainly due to those who have the management of the house and school departments for the way in which everything is conducted, and we hope on many future occasions to have an opportunity of visiting our little friends.

THE THEATRES, &c.

- ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA.—This day, LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR. On Monday, IL FLAUTO MAGICO. On Tuesday, DINORAH. On Wednesday, TAN HAU-ER. On Thursday, IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA. On Friday, MARTHA. On Saturday, RIGOLETTO. Each evening at 8.30. FLORAL HALL CONCERT on Saturday 20th.
 HER MAJESTY'S OPERA, DRURY LANE.—This evening, LA TRAVIATA. On Monday, LUCREZIA BORGIA. On Tuesday, LA SONNAMBULA. On Monday morning, and Wednesday and Friday evenings, SIGNOR ROSSI in ITALIAN PLAYS.
 LYCEUM.—At 7.30, NATURE AND PHILOSOPHY. At 8.30, QUEEN MARY. On Monday, RICHELIEU.
 ADELPHI.—POOR PILLICODDY, STRUCK OIL, and FOOL OF THE FAMILY.
 PRINCESS'S.—At 7.30, REAL AND IDEAL. At 8.30, ALL FOR HER.
 HAYMARKET.—At 7.30, THE HUNCHBACK, &c.
 STRAND.—HIS LAST LEGS, &c.
 GAILETY.—At 7.15, BLUE DEVILS. At 8.30, MY AWFUL DAD. At 10.30 COOL AS A CUCUMBER.
 CHARGING CROSS.—At 8.0, PAMPERED MENIALS. At 8.45, THE GUILTY GOVERNESS. At 9.45, YOUNG RIP VAN WINKLE.
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 GLOBE.—At 7.30, SQUARING THE CIRCLE. At 8.0, MISS GWILT, &c.
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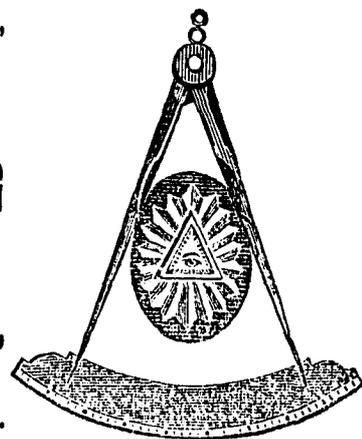
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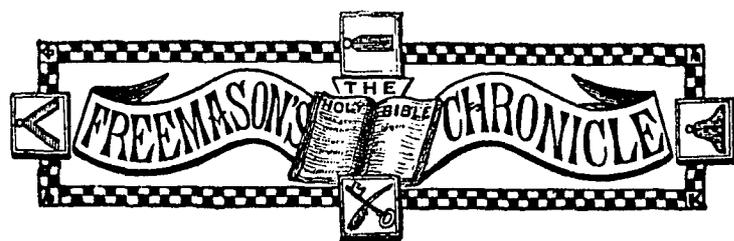
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OUR WEEKLY BUDGET.

IN the House of Lords, on Friday, a return of the School Boards in existence on the 1st January of this year was moved for by the Earl of Delawarr, and acceded to, with an addition specifying those in which no provision is made for religious instruction, by the Duke of Richmond and Gordon. Earl Granville then gave notice of motion for Monday, the 15th inst., for amending the law relating to the burial of the dead. The Oxford University Bill having been read a third time, and passed, the House adjourned. On Monday the Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Bill passed through the committee. On the report of amendments to the Irish Peerage Bill being brought up, Lord Inchiquin moved a new clause to increase the number of Irish representative peers from 28 to 30, and introducing the principle of cumulative voting, but he was opposed by the Government, and defeated by 66 to 54. The report was then agreed to. The House sat five-and-twenty minutes on Tuesday. On Thursday the position of Irish

National School Teachers was under discussion for the greater part of the sitting.

On Friday, in the Commons, the sitting was passed in discussing a motion by Mr. B. Cochrane on the Khanate of Khokand, the state of Barbadoes, and the Suez Canal. On Monday the Committee on the Merchant Shipping Bill was resumed, and the bill having passed this stage was ordered, amid cheers, to be reported. Mr. T. Brassey then made a motion on the subject of ship building for the navy. In the discussion that followed both Mr. Goschen and Mr. Ward Hunt took part. After a few words from Mr. Childers the motion was, by leave, withdrawn, and the House went into Committee of Supply on the Navy Estimates. On Tuesday, Sir C. Dilke raised a discussion on the question of Art education in England, and the constitution of the Royal Academy. After some other business the House rose, at a comparatively early hour, a little after eight o'clock. On Wednesday, the second reading of the Barristers' and Advocates' Fees Bill was defeated by 237 to 130. On Thursday the evening was passed in debate on Sir Henry James's motion of censure on the Government in connection with the Proclamation rendered necessary by the Royal Titles Bill. The Opposition were defeated by 334 to 226—majority 108.

On Wednesday the Queen held a drawing-room at Buckingham Palace, having, with the Princess Beatrice, left Windsor Castle early the same morning. There were present the Princesses Louise and Beatrice, and the Dukes of Connaught and Cambridge. The Gentlemen-at-Arms, under their captain, the Earl of Shrewsbury and Talbot, and the Yeomen of the Guard, under the command of Lord Skelmersdale, were in attendance on duty. The general and diplomatic circles were well attended, and a number of ladies were presented, the names having been previously submitted for the approval of her Majesty. Her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales was not present, as her Royal Highness had left for Portsmouth, there with her children to await the return home of her husband. The Prince's reception at Portsmouth and in London we describe elsewhere.

Two events of annual recurrence and of paramount importance in the Masonic world have, to use a sporting "phrase," come off this week, or perhaps we should more accurately describe them as the two acts of a very successful drama. On Monday, Sir Henry Edwards, Bart., and a considerable number of members and their friends were present at the regular examination of the Girls' School, and on Wednesday the same R.W. brother presided, at Freemasons' Hall, at the banquet of the same institution. As we give full details of these interesting events in another part of our columns we confine ourselves to a general expression of satisfaction that everything passed off so successfully, and that Bro. Little has such excellent reasons for congratulating himself and his co-labourers on behalf of the school at the continued support it has received this year from the Craft generally, and from West Yorkshire in particular.

Extensive preparations are being made in Philadelphia for the Grand Templar Parade in that city on the 1st June, in connection with the Centennial Exhibition and Anniversary. We have already announced that some ten thou-

sand Sir Knights will be gathered together in the City of Brotherly love on that occasion, among those present being, according to the *Masonic Review* for March, the following Templar Bodies from the other side of the Irish Channel, Preceptories, Nos. 13 and 333, Limerick. Canada will be represented by the Odo de St. Armand Preceptory, Toronto, and New Brunswick by the encampment of St. John. As yet we have heard of five grand and six subordinate Commanderies having accepted the invitation to be present. The five Grand are those of Pennsylvania, Illinois, Nebraska, New York, and Arkansas. The sixty subordinate, with the exception of the four already mentioned, are all from different parts of the United States, of which eighteen, besides Pennsylvania, will be thus represented. The 1st June is selected as being the closing day of the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, which will be held from the 30th May to 1st June, both inclusive. A copy of the provisions and regulations made by the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania has been sent to those Commanderies which have responded favourably to the invitation. Our readers will find them at length in the columns of the *Masonic Review* already quoted.

The opera season, with both houses now open, goes on prosperously. At Her Majesty's, Drury Lane, the performances during the week have been—Monday, *Faust*, with Madame Christine Nilsson; *Semiramide*, and on Thursday *Norma*, with Mdlle. Titiens, while to-night will be played *La Traviata*, with Madame Nilsson as the heroine. At the Royal Italian, two evenings, namely those of Monday and Wednesday, have been devoted to Wagner, his *Tannhauser* having been played on the former, and *Lohengrin* on the latter, with Mdlles, Albani and D'Angéri in the leading rôles. On Tuesday, Mdlle. Zaré Thalberg took the part of Adina in Donizetti's opera of *L'Elisir d'Amore*. On Thursday their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales were present at a congratulatory entertainment in honour of the Prince's return from India. When the Royal party entered, the audience greeted the Prince and his wife with the greatest enthusiasm, the progress of the opera, which was *Un Ballo in Maschera* being further interrupted, while the popular "God Bless the Prince of Wales," followed by the National Anthem, were sung—as sung they were, most effectively. Yesterday evening, Madame Adelina Patti made her first appearance this season as Rosina in *Il Barbiere de Siviglia*, and to-night will be played *Lucia di Lammermoor*, with Mdlle. Albani as "Lucia."

On Tuesday, Chatham witnessed the addition to our Navy of another of those huge monsters, which modern naval science demands should be built for the protection of our interests. The *Téméraire*, for so the vessel was christened by Mrs. Ward Hunt, is the name of the new iron-clad, which was floated out of dock, not launched in the ordinary fashion. She is designed to carry only eight guns, but they will be of very heavy calibre. Her tonnage will be 8,412 tons, and her engines of 7,000 horse-power. When complete she will have cost the country £340,000, of which over £250,000 has already been expended. The Lords of the Admiralty, all the Dock-yard officials, and a number of distinguished visitors honoured the "float out" with their presence. The Lords of the Admiralty were subsequently entertained at luncheon by Captain Fellowes, Captain Superintendent of the Dockyard.

Two or three events have signalled the sporting world. The Chester Cup was run on Wednesday, and resulted in the victory of Mr. Johnstone's Tam o' Shanter, after a close and exciting struggle with Mr. Heneage's Freeman, who was beaten by a neck only, Grey Palmer being third, and Pageant fourth. On Monday and two following days one of the great matches of the season—Cambridge University v. all England—was played at Cambridge, and resulted in a draw in favour of the latter, who wanted only seventy runs and had eight wickets yet to fall. There was some fall scoring on both sides, Mr. A. P. Lucas making 105 in his first and 53 in his second innings, and the Hon. A. Lytleton 78 and 9, while Mr. W. R. Gilbert went in first for England and carried his bat out for 205, Mr. C. I. Thornton contributing 54 and 30. The totals were Cambridge Univ. 293 and 239, All England 383 and 80 with two wickets down. The Agricultural Hall has again been the scene of a feat of pedestrianism which quite throws Weston's performance into the shade. At nine o'clock on Monday evening fourteen competitors started to walk against time, the object being to out-do Weston's walk of between 109 and 110 miles in the twenty-four hours. Of these fourteen, three were successful, a young,

tall, slim fellow of the name of Vaughan, 29 years of age and hailing from Chester, walking the extraordinary distance of 120 miles in the prescribed time. Halse, who came in second, covered close on 117 miles, and Crossland, who was third, 113 and nearly six-sevenths of a mile. Newman was fourth, having walked over 101½ miles. Thus Vaughan takes the first prize of £100, Halse the second of £10, and Crossland the third of £7 10s. Weston was invited to compete, and in that case the value of the prizes would have been doubled, but he did not appear. Vaughan had done all but two-sevenths of his 120th mile by eight minutes past eight, that is in a few minutes over twenty-three hours, when he fainted, and was carried to his room. He returned, however, and completed the mile, having it is said, backed himself heavily to accomplish the distance. This is the greatest pedestrian feat, taking time and distance into consideration, on record. On Saturday, at Lillie Bridge, there was another walking match, under the auspices of the Thames Hare and Hounds Club. The Club offered a silver medal to all who walked twenty-five miles in five hours, and the London Athletic Club also offered a valuable claret jug to him who did the distance in the shortest time. Forty out of forty-three entries appeared at the post, all of whom completed the walk within the stipulated time, but the first to pass the winning post was J. Berry, who was a mile ahead of the next man, W. M. Green. Thus Berry proved the winner of the claret jug.

The opening *fête* at the Alexandra Palace was held on Saturday last, and, as the weather was fine, there was a very large attendance. One of the attractions offered was the flower show, opened the previous day, in which Mr. Williams, of Upper Holloway, Mr. Charles Turner, of Slough, and Messrs. William Cutbush and Son, of Highgate, among nurserymen, and Mr. George Wheeler, of St. John's Lodge, Regent's-park, were among the principal prize-winners. There was also a ballad concert, at which Madame Lemmens-Sherrington, Mdlle. Enriquez, Mr. E. Lloyd, and Signor Foli were the vocalists, while Mdlle. Krebs gained immense applause for her fine playing on the piano. The band of the Grenadier Guards was also present. In the evening there was the first grand display of fireworks this season, and far superior were they to any of those we witnessed last year. To-day and yesterday were appointed for the race-meeting, and on Thursday there was a Grand Venetian *Fête* and Illumination of the Lake, &c. Next Thursday will be given the first morning performance of the *artistes* of the Royal Italian Opera, the opera selected being *La Traviata*, Mdlle. Rosavella playing Violetta.

At the Crystal Palace the second annual Goat Show was held on Friday, Saturday, and Monday. The entries were far more numerous and far superior as to quality to last year's display. Among the exhibits were one with two kids, shown by the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, a long-haired he-goat, belonging to a Mr. J. G. Hay, and "Ida," said to be of Persian breed, and having a magnificent fleece. To-day will take place the grand distribution of prizes to the pupils and pupil-teachers of the London School Boards. Addresses will be delivered by the Right Hon. W. E. Forster, M.P., ex Vice-President of the Council for Education, and Mr. Francis Peek, the donor of the prizes. To give greater *éclat* to the occasion there will be a grand Choral Concert, in which certificated scholars, pupil-teachers, masters, and mistresses will take part.

Our foreign budget of news is, in one respect, a sad one. The French and German Consuls at Salonica have been murdered during an outbreak of Massulman fanaticism, the origin of which is said in some way to be due to the action of the American Consul who attempted to carry off forcibly a Greek girl who had recently turned Massulman. This exasperated the Turks to that degree that they forced their way into the mosque where the Consuls were known to be, and then and there did them to death violently, in spite of some gallant efforts to prevent them. The Turkish Government has offered to make any reparation in its power, and is said already to have seized a number of the offenders, but the outrage will have a damaging influence on Turkish interests in the present aspect of the Eastern question. From France we learn that the two Chambers re-assembled on Wednesday, and the discussion of the Amnesty question is fixed for Monday. The question of religious toleration in Spain is still being discussed in the Cortes, and Senor Castelar is reported to have delivered a very powerful speech in favour of it. From the United

DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

We shall be obliged if the Secretaries of the various Lodges throughout the Kingdom will favour us with a list of their Days of Meeting, &c. as we have decided to insert only those that are verified by the Officers of the several Lodges.

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SATURDAY, 13th MAY.

199—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Instruction.)
1391—Commercial, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester.
1558—Addiscombe, Alma Tavern, Addiscombe.
R. A.—Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, at 8.

MONDAY, 15th MAY.

45—Strong Man, Old Jerusalem, St. John's-square, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction.)
1159—Marquess of Dalhousie, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street.

238—York, Masonic Hall, York.
331—Phoenix of Honour and Prudence, Public Rooms, Truro.
359—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton.
382—Royal Union, Chequer's Hotel, Uxbridge.
466—Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron, Northampton.
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.
725—Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth.
1037—Portland, Royal Breakwater Hotel, Portland.
1073—Greta, Court-buildings, Keswick, Cumberland.
1141—Mid Sussex, Assembly Rooms, Horsham.
1502—Israel, 22 Hope-street, Liverpool.
R. A.—1051—Rowley, Masonic Room, Atholæum, Lancaster.

TUESDAY, 16th MAY.

55—Constitutional, Wheatsheaf, Hand-court, W.C., at 7.0. (Instruction.)
194—St. Paul's, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street, E.C.
860—Dalhousie, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.30. (Instruction.)
Metropolitan Chapter of Instruction, Jamaica Coffee House, St. Michaels'-alley, Cornhill, at 6.30.

213—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich.
452—Frederick of Unity, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon.
1006—Tregullov, Masonic Rooms, St. Day, Scorrier, Cornwall.
1223—Beacontree, Red Lion, Leytonstone, at 8.0. (Instruction.)
1325—Stanley, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool.
1470—Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable.
R. A. 41—Royal Cumberland, Old Orchard-street, Bath.
R. A.—340—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Alfred-street, Oxford.

WEDNESDAY, 17th MAY.

174—Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street.
190—Oak, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street.
193—Confidence, Masons' Hall, Masons'-avenue, at 7. (Instruction.)
212—Euphrates, Masons' Hall, Basinghall-street, E.C.
1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion-road, Dalston, at 8.0. (Instruction.)

121—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzance.
137—Amity, Masonic Hall, Thames-street, Poole.
175—East Medina, Masonic Hall, John-street, Ryde, I.W.
199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover. (Instruction.)
200—Old Globe, Private Rooms, Globe-street, Scarborough.
221—St. John's, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall Square, Bolton.
591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury.
592—Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirencester.
633—Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Monmouthshire.
839—Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames.
969—Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Workington.
1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Great Driffield.
1086—Walton, St. Lawrence Boys' School, Kirkdale.
1114—Joppa, Corn Hall, Fakenham.
1129—St. Chad's, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale.
1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. Germans, Cornwall.
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich.
1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Durham House, Northallerton.
1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenæum, Lancaster.
1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon.
1501—Wycombe, Town Hall, High Wycombe.
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea.
R. A.—141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
R. A.—214—Shakespeare, Masonic Room, High-street, Warwick.
R. A.—632—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Trowbridge.
R. A.—1044—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham.

THURSDAY, 18th MAY.

House Committee, Girls' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Fitzroy-sq., at 7.0. (Instruction.)
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C. (Instruction.)
55—Constitutional, London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street.
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W. at 8. (Instruction.)
813—New Concord, Rosemary Branch Tavern, Hoxton.
1260—Hervey, 152 Fulham-road, at 8. (Instruction.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Victoria Park, at 8. (Instruction.)
1459—Marquess of Ripon, Albion, Albion-road, Dalston, at 7.30. (Instruction.)
1607—Loyalty, Alexandra Palace, Wood Green. (Consecration.)

56—Howard, High-street, Arundel.
343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston.
523—John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester.
1184—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Battle, Sussex.
1332—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon.
R. A. 339—Regularity, Crown Hotel, King-street, Penrith.
R. A. 602—Marwood, Masonic Hall, Mid-lesborough.

FRIDAY, 19th MAY.

Election Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution.
House Committee, Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
933—Doric, Earl Grey Tavern, Mile End-road, at 8. (Instruction.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Victoria Park, at 8. (Instruction.)
1365—Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 7.30. (Instruction.)
1507—Metropolitan, 269 Pentonville-road. (Instruction.)

347—Noah's Ark, Wagon and Horses Hotel, Tipton.
516—Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket.

SATURDAY, 20th MAY.

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Instruction.)
R. A.—Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, at 8.

WEST YORKSHIRE.

MONDAY.

827—St. John's, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury.
R. A. 139—Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
R. A. 302—Charity, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford.

WEDNESDAY.

1019—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield.
1391—Brighouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-road, Brighouse.
R. A. 253—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike.
R. A. 337—Moravian, Masonic Hall, Westgate, Shipley.

THURSDAY.

600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.
R. A. 275—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, South-parade, Huddersfield.
R. A. 1214—Scarborough, Wilton Arms Hotel, Batley.

FRIDAY.

1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.
R. A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.
R. A. 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon.

SATURDAY.

R. A. 308—Affability, Station House, Bottoms, Eastwood.

DURHAM AND NORTHUMBERLAND.

MONDAY.

424—Borough, Freemasons' Hall, West-street, Gateshead.

TUESDAY.

1427—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
R. A. 764—Fawcett, Freemasons' Hall, Upper Church-street, West Hartlepool.

WEDNESDAY.

1334—Norman, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham.
1339—Fenwick, Masonic Hall, Park-terrace, Sunderland.
R. A. 431—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

THURSDAY.

531—St. Helen's, Masonic Hall, Regent's-square, Hartlepool.
940—Philanthropy, Freemasons' Hall, Wellington-road, Stockton-on-Tees.
R. A. 97—Strict Benevolence, Masonic Hall, Park-terrace, Sunderland.

FRIDAY.

541—De Lorraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street-west, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

IRELAND.

MONDAY—Ashfield Private Rooms, Church-street, Cootehill, Co. Cavan.
WEDNESDAY—161—Excelsior, Bishop-street, Tuam.
THURSDAY—129—Industry, Dundoran, Donegal.

EDINBURGH DISTRICT.

MONDAY—44—St. Luke, Freemasons' Hall.
TUESDAY—36—St. David, Ship Hotel, East Register-street.
405—Rifle, Freemasons' Hall.
WEDNESDAY—160—Roman Eagle, Iona Hotel, 62 Nicolson-street.
THURSDAY—18—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall.
226—Portobello, Royal Hotel, Bath-street.
R. A. 152—Perseverance, Lodge Room, 86 Constitution-street.
FRIDAY—R. A. 83—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall.

GLASGOW DISTRICT.

MONDAY—170—Union, Buchanan-street.
531—Plantation, McLean-street.
TUESDAY—170—Thistle and Rose, 170 Buchanan-street.
87—Thistle, 30 Hope-street.
556—Clydesdale, 106 Rose-street.
WEDNESDAY—4—Kilwinning, 170 Buchanan-street.
117—St. Mary, Douglas-street, Partick.
571—Dramatic, 213 Buchanan-street, at 3 p.m.
THURSDAY—27—St. Mungo, 213 Buchanan-street.
465—St. Andrew, 62 Garngad-road.
FRIDAY—12—Kilwinning, Town Hall, Greenock.
360—Commercial, 30 Hope-street.
403—Clyde, 170 Buchanan-street.
381—St. Andrew's, Public Hall, Alexandria.
SATURDAY—23—St. John's, Black Bull, Kirkintilloch.
512—Thornetree, School-room, Thornliebank.
524—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, East Kilbride.

Bro. the Rev. Dr. Salts, P.G. Chaplain of Lancashire, will preach to the brethren in St. Luke's Church, Grafton-street on the 21st, at 7 p.m., and in Hyde Park Hall, Springburne, on Monday, 22nd, at 7.30.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

Egyptian Lodge, No. 27.—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held on Thursday, the 4th instant, at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street. Present—Bros. J. Green W.M., Hales S.W., J. Walker J.W., H. G. Buss P.M. Treasurer, J. B. Poole Secretary, S. M. Atkins as S.D., Salmonese as J.D., Grammer as I.G., Lambie I.P.M., and P.M.'s C. B. Payne, Harrison, D. H. Jacobs, and Bros. May, Kemp, Hamsell, &c. The Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. Bros. G. L. B. Walker and F. Lake were passed to the 2nd degree. Bro. Chick was raised to the 3rd degree. Bro. A. Ellis, No. 933, was elected a joining member, and Mr. S. Rogers was initiated into the Order, the ceremony being ably worked by the W.M. Bro. Buss P.M. and Treasurer then announced to the brethren the sad calamity that had befallen the wife of Bro. T. Maidwell I.G., she having met her death from concussion of the brain, caused by a carriage accident in Wales. Every brother felt the greatest commiseration for Bro. Maidwell and his family in their sad bereavement. The amiable and worthy lady was well known to them all. She was the daughter of their late Bro. Todd, who was Treasurer to the Lodge for over twenty-five years. He proposed a vote of condolence be entered on the minutes, and a copy be engrossed on vellum, and forwarded to Br.,

Maidwell. Bro. D. H. Jacobs, in feeling and eloquent terms, seconded the proposition, and it was carried unanimously. The Lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to refreshment, where the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given. That of the W.M. was duly honoured. Bro. Lamb returned thanks for the P.M.'s. The Officers' toast was responded to by Bros. Walker, Atkins, Salmonese and Grammer; and the Tyler's toast was given in due course. Bros. G. T. Townshend J.W. 1086, J. B. Sorrell W.M. 176, T. P. Purdy P.M. 861, E. B. Grabham W.M. 19, M. G. Rudderforth W.M. 12 and G. E. Turner 902 were present as visitors.

Egyptian Lodge of Instruction, No. 27.—This Lodge held its usual weekly meeting on Thursday evening last, at Bro. Maidwell's, the Hercules, Leadenhall-street, E.C. Present—Bros. Horsley W.M., Blackhall S.W., Biddle J.W., Ellis S.D., Salmonese J.D., Batie I.G., Grammer Hon. Sec., Austin P.M. Preceptor, and many other brethren. Bro. Barney having answered the usual questions was entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. The whole of the sections of the second lecture were worked by the W.M. Bro. Horsley, assisted by the brethren. Bros. Barney, Lamb and Pitt were elected joining members. All Masonic business being ended the Lodge was closed in ancient form.

Strong Man Lodge of Instruction, No. 45.—This Lodge held its regular weekly meeting on Monday, the 8th instant, at Bro. Gay's, Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's-square, Clerkenwell. Present—Bros. Gardiner W.M., Pearcy S.W., Crawley J.W., Killick Secretary, Dickinson S.D., Wright J.D., Saul I.G., Christopher Tyler; P.M. Bro. Beckett Preceptor; Visitors—Bros. Dickson 1298, Wright 1298, Nunn 77, and Samuels 188. Business—The Lodge having been opened, and the minutes confirmed, the W.M. worked the ceremony of passing, Bro. A. W. Cook being the candidate. Several sections were worked by the Preceptor, assisted by the brethren and visitors. Bros. Dickson 1298, Wright 1298, Nunn 77 and Samuels 188 were elected joining members. Bro. Pearcy was appointed W.M. for the ensuing week.

St. Andrew Royal Arch Chapter, No. 69.—This Chapter held its regular meeting on Tuesday, 9th May. In the absence of Comp. T. M. Campbell Z., it was presided over by Comp. T. O. Park, who conferred the degrees of Excellent Master and Royal Arch on two brethren, in his well known style.

Sincerity Chapter, No. 174.—The regular Convocation of this Chapter was held on Thursday, the 4th inst., at the Cheshire Cheese Tavern, Crutched Friars. Comp. C. E. Lacey Z., S. H. Rawley H., J. L. Mather J.; and P.Z.'s James Terry, Barlow, J. Wright, Newton, Bulmer, J. Bellerby and Cook; and Comps. Halford, Bowyer, Linzell, G. Huggett, Dunster, Cox, La Room, A. L. Leins, E. C. Mather, Davy, Wells, J. Thomas, and Steedman. The Chapter was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. Bros. Knight 1327, G. T. Brown 65, T. Hallett 781, J. T. Hillier 1580, and W. Bonsor 1580, were duly exalted into R.A. Masonry. The Audit Committee were appointed. The elections for the three Principals and officers resulted as follow: Comps. S. H. Rawley Z., J. L. Mather H., R. W. Goddard J., G. Huggett S.E., E. C. Mather S.N., L. A. Leins P.S., W. C. Burrow P.Z. Treasurer, and Very Janitor. A P.Z.'s Jewel was voted to the retiring P.Z., Comp. C. E. Lacey, for the able manner he had discharged the duties during his year of office. The Chapter was then closed, and the Companions partook of a very excellent banquet. The M.E.Z. proposed the usual Loyal and R.A. toasts, which were duly responded to. Comp. E. P. Albert P.Z. 188 returned thanks for the Visitors. The toast of the newly elected Z., H. and J., followed. Comp. Rawley responded. Comps. J. Terry P.Z. and Cook returned thanks for the toast of the P.Z.'s, and Comp. C. E. Mather for the Junior Officers. The Janitor's toast concluded a very agreeable evening.

Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement.—The weekly convocation of this Chapter was held on Tuesday, the 9th inst., at the Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, E.C. Present—Comps. Newman Z., Miles H., Norris J., Constable N., White E., Stephens P.S., also Comps. Major Finney, Drew, Green, Gluckstein, Rumsey, &c. The business consisted of the confirmation of the minutes of the previous convocation, and the rehearsal of the ceremony of exaltation, which was ably rendered by the M.E., Comp. Drew being candidate. We congratulate Comp. Newman upon the progress he has made in the ritual, for we have not heard him so perfect upon any previous occasion. The usual fortnightly election of officers will take place on Tuesday next. Time of Meeting, 6.30.

Confidence Lodge of Instruction, No. 193.—The weekly meeting of this Lodge was held on Wednesday, the 10th inst., at Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons'-avenue, Basinghall-street, E.C. Present—Bros. Walker W.M., Holland S.W., Croaker J.W., J. K. Pitt Secretary, J. Constable P.M. Treasurer, E. Gottheil P.M. Preceptor, Sayer S.D., Saddler J.D., Bnsk I.G., Christopher Tyler; Bloomfield P.M., and a number of other brethren. The Lodge opened in due form; the usual preliminaries disposed of, the Lodge was opened in the 2nd degree, and the ceremony rehearsed, Bro. Bone acting as candidate. The first three sections of the lecture were worked by Bro. Gottheil, assisted by the brethren. The Lodge having been lowered to the 1st degree in due course, Bro. Rutherford was elected W.M. for the ensuing week.

Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198.—Held at Bro.

Fysh's, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, Corner of Church-road, Islington, on 6th May. The chair was taken by Bro. James Terry, for the purpose of rehearsing the ceremony of installation, and Bros. Mather and J. Constable occupied the Wardens' chairs. Bro. Massey having been presented by Bro. Halford, the Treasurer, was duly installed and invested. The officers were as follow—Bros. Powell S.W., Stock J.W., Reed S.D., Cambridge J.D., Isaac I.G., Halford Treasurer, and Killick Hon. Sec. The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Hall being the candidate. Some sections were worked by Bro. J. Constable. Bros. Mather P.M. 65 and Goldman 188 were elected young members, and Bro. Powell W.M. for the ensuing week. A cordial vote of thanks to Bro. James Terry, which was duly acknowledged, brought a very pleasant evening to a close. This Lodge meets every Saturday at 8 o'clock.

Hope and Unity Chapter, No. 214.—A convocation of this excellent working Chapter was held on Friday, the 5th May, at the White Hart, Romford. Comps. Major Finney Z., Dr. Self P.Z., H. Tuck J., E. J. Barron P.Z. P.G.S.B. Treasurer, G. Cooper P.Z. S.E., Rev. T. Cochran S.N., F. Keily P.S., and P.Z.'s Comps. F. Adlard, Col. Goddard, J. Banning, Jeffries, &c. The Chapter was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. The election of Principals then took place, and the installation followed. Comp. T. W. White was installed Z., E. Tuck H., and F. Keily J. Comps. Barron P.G.S.B. was invested Treasurer, Cooper S.E., Rev. T. Cochran S.N., and Speight Janitor. The Chapter was then closed, and the Companions sat down to an excellent banquet. The usual loyal and R.A. toasts were given. Comp. Major Finney I.P.Z. proposed the toast of the M.E.Z., whose connection with the Craft and R.A. Masonry was well known—he was one they were proud of. The Z. appropriately returned thanks. A special toast was given to Comps. Dr. Self P.Z. and Jeffries P.Z., for the admirable manner they had performed the ceremonies of installation. The P.Z., Officers' and Janitor's toasts were given, and the brethren separated. Comps. Rev. Spencer Wigram G. 1st Asst. Sej., and Pythian were present as visitors.

Pomfret Lodge, No. 360.—This Lodge held its usual monthly meeting on Thursday, the 4th May, at the George Hotel, Northampton. Present—Bros. M. A. Boémé P.M. W.M., B. Wilkins D.P.G.M. Norths. and Hunts, Treasurer, R. Winter S.W., T. White-house J.W., Geo. Robinson P.M. Secretary, F. Gadsby S.D., H. W. Parker J.D., J. T. Green P.M. D.C., J. U. Stanton P.M. Steward, J. S. Norman I.G., Dean and Kirby Tylers; and Bros. G. Cotton, A. Dorrell, T. Green, S. L. Seckham, Gordon, Atkins, Aldridge, Ellard, Ashford, Barnes, Bingley, Brown, Richardson, Hill, &c. Visitors—Bros. Wykes and Ewins 279, &c. Business—Bro. W. Kirby was raised to the sublime degree of M.M., the D.P.G.M. performing the ceremony. Bros. Rev. R. H. Cox, P. Allen, Rev. S. J. W. Sanders and J. J. Hart, were examined as to their proficiency, and duly passed to the second degree, the W.M. performing the ceremony. Mr. Henry Shoor (the son of an old member of this Lodge) was then duly initiated, the W.M. performing the ceremony. The brethren then adjourned from labour to refreshment, when the W.M. took the opportunity of thanking all present, not only for their punctual attendance, but also for the great attention paid to the various ceremonies, and complimented the Officers on the admirable manner in which their duties had been performed. This Lodge is now in a very flourishing state.

St. Martin's Lodge, No. 510.—This Lodge held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, the 9th of May, at the Masonic Hall, Liskeard. Present—Bros. William Thorne W.M., John F. Childs S.W., John Reaglehole J.W., R. S. Courtney Secretary, Thomas White Treasurer, William Nettle S.D., John Harris J.D., Harry Hooper D.C., J. Browning Steward, Colmer I.G., Richard Penwarden Tyler. P.M.'s Bros. J. W. Chegwidan, James Gerry, Thomas White, R. Courtney. Business—The Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. Mr. William Goldsworthy was duly initiated into the order, and several other gentlemen were proposed and seconded as candidates.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—This Lodge held its regular weekly meeting on Tuesday, the 9th instant, at Bro. Allen's, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney. Present—Bros. Cambridge W.M., Allen S.W., Smith J.W., Wiege S.D., Johnson I.G., Wallington Preceptor, Worsley Secretary; and Bros. Barker, Horsley, Huggins, Brown, Follitt, Turquand, &c. The Lodge was opened in the 1st degree, and Bro. Barker having answered the usual questions was passed to the 2nd degree. Bro. Horsley worked the 1st section of the lecture. The Lodge was then resumed to the 1st degree, and Bro. Horsley worked the 1st, 2nd and 3rd sections of the lecture. The Secretary, Bro. Worsley, was unanimously elected an honorary member, and Bro. Allen, the S.W., was elected W.M. for the ensuing Tuesday evening.

St. Barnabas Lodge, No. 948.—The annual meeting of this flourishing Lodge was held at the Masonic Rooms, Elephant and Castle Hotel, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard, on Tuesday, 2nd May, at 3.20 in the afternoon. Owing to the well-deserved popularity of the W.M. elect, Bro. Henry Poynter P.M., P.P.G.P. Berks and Bucks, there was an unusually large attendance of members; and neighbouring Lodges, for miles around, manifested their respect and good wishes by sending some of their more distinguished members to represent them at the meeting. The Chair was taken punctually by the W.M., Bro. W. King, who was supported by Bros. Thos. Cook S.W., J. McCubbin P.M., E. Proctor, Joseph Rafferty, Mark Rest J.W., Bernard T. Fontaine P.M., P. Prov. G. Treasurer, Treasurer, H. Poynter Hon. Secretary, Robt. S. Collet, C. W. Scriven P.M., P. Prov. G.J.W., Henry Green, N. T. Welam, J. Nelson, G. M.

Maskell, Joseph Holland, Fred. D. Latham, Ed. Lawson, Geo. Holdom, W. Raudall, Geo. Whitman, James Bishop, Chas. J. Morgan, J. Sloane Tyler. Among the visitors were Bros. J. Reeve W.M. 840, Rev. E. H. Crate P.P.G. Chaplain Essex, W.M. 697, Thos. W. Hazlegrave W.M. 475, Joseph Payne W.M. 591, Fred. Gotto W.M. 1287, Walter Fitch W.M. 1410, John Bowes P.M., &c., 118, John Dennis P.M. 907, Henry Lewis P.M. 907, H. W. Darvel 697, Fred. Edginton 1321, Maunering W. Bolton 127, Margate, and E. Bate 95. The Lodge was opened in due form, when the minutes were read and confirmed. The ballot was then taken for Mr. John Stewart, which proved unanimous in his favour, and he being present was initiated by Bro. McCubbin P.M. On the invitation of the W.M., P.M.'s, and the Lodge generally, Bro. John Bowes P.M. P.Z., P. Prov. G. Rec. Cumberland and Westmoreland, assumed the chair of K.S., as installing Master. The Lodge was opened in the 2nd degree, when Bro. Henry Poynter P.M. P.P.G.P. was duly presented for the benefit of installation. The presentation receiving attention, the ceremony proceeded. The Lodge was opened in the 3rd degree, and a Board of Installed Masters was duly opened in ample form, Bro. J. McCubbin acting as J.W. The W.M. elect was then placed in the chair of K.S. with the usual ceremonies, and after the Board had been closed, the M.M.'s, F.C.'s, and E.A.P.'s were severally admitted, and the W.M. was greeted, saluted and proclaimed in the several degrees. The W.M. then nominated and invested his officers for the ensuing year, and the installing Master completed the day's labour by delivering the charges to the W.M., wardens and brethren. After some routine business and a proposition, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to a splendid banquet provided by Bro. C. J. Morgan, in his very best style, and which gave unqualified satisfaction to all present. The W.M. presided, and was supported on the right and left respectively by the Installing Master and the I.P.M.; other brethren according to rank. After the cloth was withdrawn, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured in the well-known St. Barnabas style. The W.M.'s health was received in a most enthusiastic manner, and his many and great services to the Lodge were gratefully referred to. In proposing the health of the Installing Master, the thanks of the Lodge were conveyed to him for the complete and impressive manner in which he had worked the degree. The visitors generally joined in this compliment. Bro. Bowes, in reply, gave expression to the great pleasure it afforded him to instal his brother-in-law, and said that if his rendering of their beautiful ritual met with the approbation of the brethren, he was amply repaid for any trouble he had taken to be present on the occasion. An interesting feature of the meeting was the presentation of a P.M. jewel to the I.P.M., Bro. King. Several songs were excellently sung during the evening, by Bros. Poynter, Bolton, McCubbin, and E. Proctor.

Grosvenor Lodge, No. 1257.—The installation banquet of this perfect working Lodge was held on Tuesday, the 2nd inst., at the Westminster Palace Hotel. Bro. J. C. Cox W.M., E. Thurkle S.W., Meredith P.M. Treasurer, C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P. Secretary, and a numerous assemblage of the brethren and visitors. The Lodge was opened and the minutes were confirmed. A Board of Installed Masters was formed, and Bro. E. Thurkle W.M. elect was presented to the Lodge, and was duly installed into the chair by the retiring W.M., in a perfect manner. The W.M. having been saluted, invested his officers—Bros. Hughes S.W., Elliott J.W., Meredith P.M. Treasurer, C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P. Secretary, Cantle S.D., Murley J.D., T. Bull P.M. 145 D.C., Baker Steward, Pilditch I.G., Woodstock P.M. Tyler. The Lodge was then closed, and the brethren partook of a very sumptuous banquet. The W.M. proposed the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts. Bros. John Boyd P.G.P. Grand Steward, and C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P. responding for the Grand Officers. Bro. Cox I.P.M. in a very eloquent speech proposed the toast of the W.M., he was one fully capable of fulfilling the duties of the chair. This was cordially received, and suitably replied to. Bro. Wyon returned thanks for the toast of the newly initiated, that ceremony having taken place at a Lodge of emergency. In proposing the toast of the Past Masters, the W.M., in the name of the Lodge, presented Bro. J. C. Cox I.P.M. with a very elegant P.M.'s jewel, with suitable inscription, in recognition of the valuable services rendered by him during his year of office, and the regard and esteem he is held in by every brother. Bro. Cox in reply thanked the brethren for their kind expressions and the valuable jewel presented to him, he felt the greatest interest in the welfare of the Lodge; and he thanked the officers and brethren for their kind support and the cordial co-operation extended to him during his year of office. Bros. H. Dickets P.G.S., Roe W.M. 1604, B. Swallow W.M. 1563, and Kempster W.M. 1416, returned thanks for the visitors, who, in addition, were Bros. John Boyd P.G.P. Grand Steward, G. S. States P.G.S., J. L. Thomas P.M. 142, C. Moody P.M. 1125, Scott P.M. Sec. 1563, Venn P.M. 49, Bourne P.M. 1318, Jolly P.M. 87, Bond P.M. Leggott 145, Ireton 1318, Allman 101, Jekyll 1318, Southam, Knight, Smith, Willoughby, Knight, Cummings, Francis, Townshend and Gibson. The toasts of the Wardens, Officers, and Tyler were given, and a very agreeable evening was passed.

Truth Lodge, No. 1458.—This Lodge held its regular monthly meeting on Saturday, the 6th of May, at Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, near Manchester. Present—Bros. R. Caldwell sen. P.M. acting as W.M., James Batchelder S.W., John W. Turner P.M. acting as J.W., William J. Kinder Secretary, Thomas Tyers P.M. Treasurer, Cox J.D., Robert Caldwell P.M. D.C., Taylor I.G., Beswick Tyler; P.M.'s Bros. John W. Turner, Caldwell, Kinder, and Tyers. Visitor—Bro. Montatofsky Kleinman. Business—The Lodge was opened at 4 o'clock, the minutes of last regular meeting were read and confirmed. Several brethren were excluded, in accordance with bye-law 15. Bro. Samuel Cooper having answered the necessary questions retired, and the Lodge was opened in the 2nd degree; on re-admittance, he was passed, in a very able manner, by Bro. Tyers

P.M. The W.M. having been suddenly called away, the business was under charge of Bro. R. Caldwell sen. P.M. Two propositions, one as joining member, the other for initiation, stood over, in consequence of the proposers being absent. Business was concluded at an early hour, and after paying due honour to the Masonic toasts the brethren separated.

New Cross Lodge, No. 1559.—The regular meeting of this young Lodge was held on Saturday, the 6th inst., at the New Cross Hall, Lewisham High-road, New Cross. Bro. F. Walters P.M. P.G.P. Middlesex, occupied the chair in the absence of the W.M., Bro. W. B. Woodman. Bros. E. H. Thiellay A.G.P. Middlesex S.W., W. A. Simmons J.W., F. Walters P.M. Treasurer, H. Koble P.M. Secretary, L. Beck S.D., H. J. Green J.D., W. Hardman I.G. The Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. Bros. H. Henton, W. Smarthwaite and S. H. Beecle were raised to the 3rd degree by Bro. F. Walters P.M. Bros. E. Smith, R. J. Steers, D. Malpas, R. Buck and H. Metham were passed to the 2nd degree by Bro. H. Koble P.M. The W.M. having by this time arrived, he initiated Messrs. T. Grammant, W. Cowley and Captain T. Cnud, the working being excellently rendered. The Lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to slight refreshments. Bros. E. W. Deveronx 1243, M'Donald 1153, and several others were present as visitors.

HUMBER LODGE, No. 57.

From the HULL PACKET AND EAST RIDING TIMES.

THE 49th anniversary of laying the foundation stone of the Freemasons' Hall, in Osborne-street, was celebrated on Monday evening last, when there was a large and influential assemblage of the brethren, including many officers of rank from other Lodges in the Province. The Lodge was opened in due form at 7 o'clock, the W.M., Bro. Alfred W. Ansell, presiding, and being supported on the dais by the W. Deputy Prov. Grand Master of North and East Yorkshire, and a brilliant array of Past Masters and Prov. Grand Officers. After the transaction of the ordinary business, the W.M. called upon P.M. Bro. Tesseyman (who officiated as Secretary, in the absence of Bro. W. H. Wellstead) to read the minutes taken at the meeting when the foundation stone was laid, in May 1827. From these it appeared that the Humber Lodge had hitherto assembled at the Neptune Inn, Osborne-street, and that, on the "auspicious occasion" recorded, the brethren went in procession to the site of the proposed new structure, where the ceremony was gone through, in accordance with ancient rites, and in the presence of a very large and distinguished assemblage of the Craft. The curiously worded record was listened to with every attention by the brethren present, and afterwards the W.M. said the officers and brethren of the Humber Lodge had taken advantage of this anniversary to present to their Past Master Bro. Alderman John Love Seaton some slight testimonial in recognition of his services as Treasurer of the Benevolent and Pension Fund, which office he had so well and ably filled during the last ten years (applause). During the whole of that period they had not heard a single word of complaint of the manner in which he had discharged the responsible functions of that office; on the contrary, they had heard on all sides that he had been a faithful guardian of the fund over which he had control (applause). He (the W.M.) had heard Brother Seaton's conduct in that office spoken of in such terms as must have given confidence to all the brethren who were connected with the Lodge: and he simply alluded to this to testify their appreciation of the services Brother Seaton had rendered. But, seeing he had resigned the trust he had so long and faithfully discharged, the officers and brethren felt they could not allow an occasion like the present to pass over without expressing their appreciation of his worth in some tangible form. When they looked back over the last half a century, when Masonry was in its infancy, so to speak—at all events in connection with this lodge—they called to mind the honoured names of those who assisted in laying the foundation of that structure upon which they had continued to build, until the Humber Lodge had now attained a position second to none in the United Kingdom. Wherever the name of the Humber Lodge was mentioned it was received with respect; and this was to be attributed to those who had laboured so zealously and well in the past to establish the prestige and reputation of the Lodge. The speaker went on to allude to the services rendered by Bro. Seaton during the last 30 years, referring, in complimentary terms, to the manner in which he had discharged the various offices he had held, and the respect and esteem he had earned from the brethren by his exemplary conduct and efficiency. In 1874, during which year Bro. Seaton filled the exalted position of Chief Magistrate of this borough, the brethren, under the Mastership of Bro. Vivian, had the honour of entertaining him at a complimentary banquet. He (the speaker) was privileged to sit under that gentleman during and since his mayoralty; and it afforded him sincere gratification to testify to the ability and zeal with which Bro. Seaton discharged his duties in the Corporation as well as within the walls of the Masonic Lodge. He referred at some length to the excellencies of Ald. Seaton's public career, and concluded by asking that gentleman's acceptance of the following address, which had been beautifully engrossed on vellum by Bro. M. C. Peck jun., and enclosed in a massive gilt frame:—

"The Master, Past Masters, Wardens, Officers, and Brethren of the Humber Lodge of Freemasons, No. 57, Hull, beg to tender their hearty and fraternal thanks to Bro. John Love Seaton, P.M., P.P.G.W., on the occasion of his resignation (after ten years' tenure) of the office of Treasurer of the Humber Lodge Benevolent and Pension Fund, and for his valuable and efficient services.

"They desire at the same time to express their high appreciation of the admirable manner in which he has discharged the duties of various offices in the Lodge, and testify to his earnest and able efforts

to advance the best and highest interests of the Craft: also to the zeal displayed by him during the long period of thirty years in promoting the prosperity of the Lodge. As some acknowledgment of these, his great services, further than the complimentary banquet to which, when occupying the exalted position of Mayor and Chief Magistrate of this borough, he was entertained by the Lodge on Thursday, the 23rd of April 1874, the Master, Past Masters, Wardens, Officers, and Brethren hereby resolve to place this record on the minute books of the Lodge, and to have this resolution suitably inscribed on vellum and presented to him."

Bro. Alderman J. L. Seaton, who was received with loud and prolonged applause, referred to the minutes which had been read by the Secretary, and observed that of all the names therein recorded, he recognised but one who could possibly be amongst them this evening. Of that long roll of names all had passed away, and it struck him as a somewhat remarkable coincidence that nearly all of them had passed away at the age which the Lodge numbered before the foundation stone of the new structure was laid—65. This seemed to identify some of the oldest and most ardent workers in the cause with the number of the old Lodge (hear, hear). The ceremony of this evening awakened feelings of the deepest gratitude, as it associated the past with the present; and, though to many of the present members of the Lodge his face might not be very familiar, yet when he turned back to the records of the years 1850 to 1852, he found that he had then been not only a constant attendant, but when working through all the various offices he had the honour of performing his duties with assiduity, and he hoped with satisfaction (applause). The subject more particularly alluded to this evening had been his poor, though certainly earnest, services on behalf of the Benevolent and Pension Fund; and, turning to the period when he became Treasurer of that fund, he found it then amounted to £3,676 19s 6d. When he resigned the office it was exactly £4,676, which showed that in the ten years the fund had increased, within a few shillings, by £1,000 (applause). As to what steps should be taken in connection with the fund, this was not perhaps the time to open out all the *pros* and *cons*. But he might say there was a widespread feeling that it might be made more generally useful than it seemed to be at the present moment (hear, hear). In the year 1864 Mr. Tidd Pratt, the then Registrar of Friendly Societies, took into consideration some resolutions which had been passed as to the law in connection with this fund; and in 1867 Bro. Hay P.M. (who had acted as his colleague in the Treasurership) brought up a complete analysis of that fund and of the funds of the Lodge. In 1869 some further steps were taken, and a full report was sent up to Mr. Tidd Pratt, which reports had been forwarded regularly ever since up to the present time (hear, hear). They had this evening done him the great honour of notifying the little services he had been enabled to render, and it called to his mind that in 1852, during the year of his Mastership, they did him all the honour which it was possible for them to bestow. The W.M. had also adverted to the year when he filled the civic chair, and when he was also hospitably received by the brethren of the Humber Lodge. Looking round upon all these marks of their regard, he felt that this evening he stood before them with all his "blushing honours" thick upon him (laughter). Referring to Masonry in eloquent terms, the speaker reminded the brethren that it took its origin at a period when there was a very slight, if any, difference with regard to religious beliefs; and it might, therefore, be regarded as typical in a very great measure of the "one fold having one shepherd"—the universal religion of those who acknowledged the Supreme Being. Further than that, it had the opportunity of taking all within its extended fold, as the centre of unity, men of all creeds and of all nations (applause). Standing there amidst such an array of Past Masters, he saw all who had passed the chair were recognised by jewels denoting the services they had rendered. Without wearing a jewel, he should ever gaze upon the beautiful testimonial they had just presented to him as a jewel indeed—one which would gladden his heart as he turned to it and felt that it reminded him of some of the most pleasurable associations in connection with this Lodge. It would be invidious were he to allude to any of his former friends particularly; but he saw present his old associates, Past Masters Hewson, John Hudson, John Wilson, and Dr. Hay—many of whom were much older Masons than himself. These brethren were all distinguished, by the symbols they wore, for the services they had rendered; and in conclusion he thanked the officers and members of the Lodge for the handsome gift with which they had presented him, and also for the kindly and affectionate manner in which the W.M. alluded to his past services. He assured them that the 8th of May 1876 would never be effaced from his mind as long as memory retained its seat (applause).

The remainder of the business having been conducted in accordance with the established usages of the Craft, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren assembled in the lower room, where a sumptuous banquet had been provided by Bro. William Shepherdson, of the George Hotel. The tables were elaborately adorned with flowers and ornamental foliage plants, and the arrangements were such as to elicit universal commendation. The chair was occupied by Bro. A. W. Ansell W.M., who was supported by the W. Deputy Prov. Grand Master of North and East Yorkshire, Bros. T. Sissons P.M. Prov. Grand Registrar; Jno. Thompson P.M., P. Grand Steward of Charities, Jonathan West I.P.M., John Wilson, P.M., Dr. W. Banks Hay P.M., Thomas Hewson, P.M., Alderman J. L. Seaton, P.M., W. D. Keyworth, P.M., Martin Kemp, P.M., W. Needler, P.M., John Hudson, P.M., R. T. Vivian, P. M., W. Tesseyman, P.M., Henry Preston, P.M., Tom Turner, W.M. of the Constitutional Lodge (Beverley), J. Brooke, W.M. of the Minerva, and E. W. Garforth, I.P.M. of the Kingston Lodge (Hull), Benjamin L. Wells, W.M. of Alexandra Lodge (Hornsea), &c. The vice-chairs were filled by the Wardens, Bros. Henry Toozes and Edward Kidd, and the company numbered altogether between 60 and 70. At the conclusion of a very excellent repast, the customary Craft and other toasts were proposed from the chair and duly honoured.

The W. Deputy Prov. Grand Master, in acknowledging the toast of the Provincial Officers, expressed the pleasure it afforded him to

meet with so hearty a reception as was invariably accorded to him in this Lodge. He felt much honoured in having his name associated with so noble and distinguished a member of the Craft as was the Earl of Zetland; and he might say that during the ten years he had held the position of Deputy Prov. Grand Master, he had been received by the various Lodges in the Province with the utmost respect, kindness and courtesy. He had made many friendships during that period, which he should cherish to his latest moment (applause). He was happy to say that everything in the Province was going on in a satisfactory and harmonious manner, and he knew of two new warrants that had been granted—one for York and another for Saltburn-on-the-Sea (applause). As a Past Master of the Humber Lodge, he was aware it had been customary on these occasions to make some reference to what had taken place in former times. And with regard to himself, he might say that during the 38 years he had been a member of this Lodge he had filled many offices and had made many valuable acquaintanceships (applause). Masonry, now-a-days, was very different to what it was when this Lodge was founded: then it was an exception in the town, whereas it was now almost the exception not to be a Mason. Moreover, the Craft had taken a much higher position in the estimation of the public than that which it formerly held. No doubt, at the commencement of this century it was much more patronised by Royalty—i.e., there were more members of the Royal Family in the Craft than at present; and it was exceedingly popular. But he was sorry to say the social element at that time vastly preponderated over the intellectual; and for a time Freemasonry sank in the esteem of the outside world. Now, however, it was again in the ascendant, the Grand Officers of England having determined that the intellectual element, and not the social, should be especially cultivated (applause). As an instance of this, he noted that the Masons at Sheffield had resolved to found a library in connection with the Craft there, and he trusted that the same principle might animate all other Lodges throughout the country (applause).

Bro. Alderman Seaton, in giving "The Founders of the Humber Lodge," observed that, on an occasion like the present, when they had met together to commemorate the laying of the foundation stone of the Lodge, this might justly be considered the "toast of the evening." Had it not been for those founders, and the principles they had adhered to—principles which had been successfully maintained and adhered to by Masters down to the present time—they never would have had the honour of assembling in a Lodge, so remarkable in all respects for its numerical strength, its opulence, and the fraternal good feeling amongst its members, which the Humber Lodge enjoyed (hear, hear). When he gazed around that room and saw adorning the walls the portraits of such men as Feetham, Stark, Eglin, John Ward, and others, he might make use of the expression which, he believed, was on the monument of Sir Christopher Wren, in St. Paul's Cathedral, "*Circumspice*." The founders of this Lodge who originated the system, and adhered to those principles they all so much admired, rendered the Lodge what it was. Since then they had the names of Gordon Smith, Bethel Jacobs, and others, whom he would not take up their time to enumerate. But he would say that the mantle of each Master had descended upon his successor, like the ermine of the Venetian doges; and now they found the Humber Lodge more prosperous and popular than ever (applause). Adherence to sound practical principles had been the secret why the Lodge had continued to flourish. It had been by the Masters, assisted by their officers, in their practical efforts, that had contributed, no doubt, to the well-being and success of this Lodge. And if they continued to adhere to the noble Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth, he could conceive of nothing which would be a greater mark of respect to the founders, or tend more to the preservation of that brightest of all their gems—charity—in a rim of honour, untarnished (applause). The toast was, as usual, received in solemn silence, and

Bro. Dr. Hay P.M. in briefly responding, said he rose with mingled feelings of pain and pleasure to discharge that duty—of pain because they had none of the original founders amongst them to respond to the toast, and of pleasure that they were enabled to see the fruit of the good works begun in former days, which had been continued by others, and which they trusted would be perpetuated as long as Time would run (applause).

The W. Deputy Prov. Grand Master then rose to propose a toast which he felt sure would be received with pleasure and enthusiasm—"The Worshipful Master and Officers of the Humber Lodge" (applause). On no shoulders had the mantle of the founders fallen with greater popularity than on those of their present Worshipful Master. He had always been received by Bro. Ansell with the utmost courtesy, and he had never heard anything fall from his lips but what was graced with the greatest propriety. The manner in which he presented the testimonial to Past Master Seaton was exceedingly interesting and pleasing, and he had witnessed that ceremonial with the utmost satisfaction. All who knew Bro. Seaton knew also that what the Worshipful Master had spoken of him was perfectly true, for the thanks of the Lodge were eminently due to that gentleman for the exemplary way in which he had discharged his responsible and arduous duties as treasurer of the Benevolent and Pension Fund (applause). Bro. Ansell had to-night invited them to a most pleasing entertainment, and they would all agree that the way he had acquitted himself on the occasion was highly satisfactory and commendable (renewed applause). Under his excellent rule the Lodge must prosper, and it was with peculiar pleasure he proposed the toast for acceptance by the brethren (applause).

Bro. A. W. Ansell W.M., who was received with enthusiasm, said he rose with diffidence to respond to the toast, which had been so kindly proposed, inasmuch as a duty of that kind always involved a certain amount of personal reference. But taking it as a compliment due to the Humber Lodge, he returned his heartiest thanks for the honour conferred upon himself and those officers who were associated with him in conducting the affairs of this Lodge. He felt himself but a poor representative in comparison with many who had preceded him, still he would yield to no man in his hearty good will and sincere

desire to further the cause of Masonry. When he saw the portrait of Bro. Feetham, surrounded by the great emblems of the Craft, it gave to him the assurance that those great principles he espoused would be carried out in the future for the welfare of this Lodge (applause). In assisting to carry out that aim he felt he should be supported by the brethren collectively. He had been most fortunate in the selection of his officers, and it afforded him the utmost encouragement to think he was placed firmly in that chair, and that he enjoyed the confidence and respect of the brethren. He was reminded that six months ago he made a promise which was yet unfulfilled, namely, the restoration of this Lodge, but he felt it to be his duty to redeem that pledge before he retired from the position it was his honour to fill (applause). He had a scheme before him by which he hoped to be able to raise sufficient funds to place the Lodge in a thorough state of repairs, worthy of Masonry; and he trusted that when he retired from the chair he should do so in the consciousness of having done his duty (applause). At all events he should know he delivered up the insignia of his office in the state he received it, pure and unsullied. Having "Faith, Hope and Charity" to build upon, he was certain they must progress, in spite of any little difficulties which they might expect to encounter. The speaker then went on to trace the origin of the Benevolent and Pension Fund, observing that it was proposed in 1830, by Bro. Feetham, that as soon as 20 members signed the requisition such a fund should be formed. He asked were there 20 members now in a Lodge who did not subscribe to that fund? (hear, hear). He believed there were not ten (applause). The money now amounted to nearly £5,000, and he trusted as in the past, so in the future, it would be devoted to the purpose which the founders intended, namely, the relief of the aged and distressed. If they decided thoughtfully to enlarge the basis of their operations, they might, he thought, do a much greater amount of good with the capital which had accumulated to so large a sum (applause). In conclusion, he paid a high tribute of praise to the officers who had worked with him during the past year, and thanked the company for the compliment which they had paid them.

Bros. H. Toozes and E. Kidd also returned thanks in suitable terms.

Bro. Martin Kemp, P.M., next proposed "the Worshipful Masters, Officers, and brethren of the Sister Lodges—the Minerva and the Kingston," the toast being cordially received and responded to by Bro. J. Brooke, Prov. Grand Senior Deacon, and W.M. of the Minerva Lodge, and by Bro. E. W. Garforth, I.P.M. of the Kingston Lodge, in the absence of the W.M., Bro. Hunt.

Bro. T. Sissons, P.M., then gave the "Trustees, Treasurers, and Past Masters of the Humber Lodge," Bro. Alderman Seaton, P.M., responding.

Bro. R. T. Vivian, P.M., proposed the "Masonic Charities," in whose behalf an earnest appeal was made by Bro. John Thompson, P.M., the Provincial Grand Steward.

The Senior Warden in felicitous terms proposed "The Visiting Brethren," for whom Bro. A. Jones replied in a few happily chosen sentences.

Bro. H. Preston, P.M., then gave "The Absent Members of the Humber Lodge, especially the seafaring brethren." The Senior Warden briefly replied.

Bro. Dr. Hay, P.M., proposed "Prosperity, Unanimity, and Perpetuity to the Humber Lodge," in response to which the W.M. spoke in suitable terms.

This concluded the official list, and the remainder of the evening was spent in harmony, some excellent songs being rendered, and accompanied on the pianoforte by Bros. J. W. Stephenson and C. H. Hunt. The whole of the proceedings were characterised by the utmost harmony and good feeling.

PRESENTATIONS TO SIR W. W. WYNN, M.P., BY THE MASONS OF SHREWSBURY.

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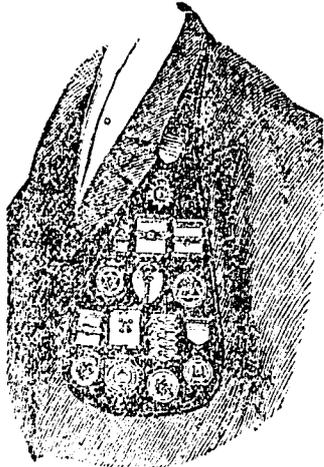
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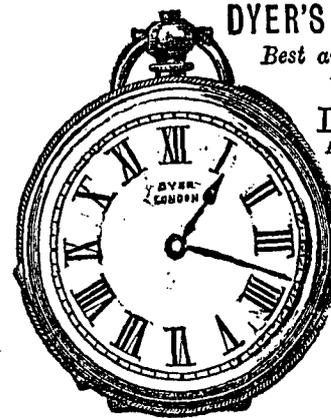
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