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## ZEAL AND ITS REWARD.

WE are always pleased when we hear of meritorious service being recognised and rewarded. The most recent cases in which this has happened are those of the Secretaries of our three Charitable Institutions. Considering the nature and extent of the duties which these gentlemen have to perform, the very handsome additions which have been made this year to their respective salaries must be set down as a perfectly just reward for their zeal and the signal ability they have shown. It is no child's play, as our readers are aware, to be Secretary to either of our Charities. There are, in the first place, the secretarial duties, pure and simple. These by themselves are a good day's work all the year round for even a Zealous Officer. They may, to a certain extent, be said to tax the strength even of Our Hercules, and no reasonable man will deny that their accomplishment within the stated official hours must, at sundry seasons of the year, puzzle even the metaphysical ingenuity of The Mystic. Then there are the still more onerous responsibilities connected with the annual provision of the funds necessary to the effective maintenance of the Charities. The Stewards who annually undertake the somewhat unenviable task of raising subscriptions are, in the main, a zealous and energetic body of brethren, but it is the Secretary of the Institution for which they labour, on whom rests the responsibility of directing and encouraging them in their efforts. Just as an army of trained and willing soldiers, well officered though it may be, both regimentally and divisionally, is of little use for active warfare without a general; so individual craftsmen may be charitably disposed, Lodges may be ruled by efficient officers, provinces may be well organised and directed, and there may be a well-trained and zealous staff of Stewards, but without a Secretary to advise, encourage, and occasionally, it may be, restrain, the efforts of these divisions, regiments, and individuals will fall short of our just expectations. The result in each case will, of course, be, that the funds of this or that institution must suffer very materially. There is a falling off in the contributions. Provinces lie fallow which would be only too glad to render help, while others are over-taxed. We look to the Stewards for an active canvass, zealously and ably conducted; but their efforts are necessarily confined to their respective districts. We expect the Secretaries to establish a sort of co-operative movement among the Stewards, so that their work may be conducted hand in hand, in honourable emulation instead of in disorganized rivalry. This duty our Secretaries fulfil, by traversing the Provinces far and near, visiting the different Lodges in each, and pleading—we all know how earnestly—the cause of Charity. They gather fresh experience at each visit; they know exactly how the pulses, even of individual Craftsmen beat, whether slowly and faintly, or rapidly and feverishly. And their advice, whether a district should be canvassed or left fallow, so as to put forth increased strength another season, is necessary, or the annual festivals bring forth less instead of more fruit. But all this hurrying to and fro, week by week, and oftentimes every day of the week, must be very trying even to the hardest constitution. All this pleading and speech-making, the iteration of the same ideas, not unfrequently in the very same words, involves a tremendous wear and tear of the mental energy, so that these worthy labourers in a worthy field, have very little time left them for the enjoyment of rest and comfort in the bosom of their families. As we said in a former article, they have once a week

a day of rest, and are then mostly too worn out to enjoy it. And in addition to all this official work, and the work of travelling, each has to take a leading part in the conduct of the Institution to which he is attached. He is, in fact, the executive body—as well as the official and locomotive body—which keeps all the elaborate machinery in perfect working order. The Committees meet and suggest, take counsel among themselves and issue orders, but it is the Secretary with whom rests the responsibility of advising the Committees, and seeing their instructions carried out. Thus is there, as it were, in the case of the Secretary of each of our charities, a Triple Alliance of duty—the official, the locomotive, and the executive—either of which is enough to occupy one ordinary man's time and strength. Happily, however, our Institutions are blessed with Secretaries of the toughest and truest material of which man is composed. Happily, too, the Committees of these Institutions are wise enough to recognise that this zeal and this ability are worthy of being handsomely remunerated. Hence the additional salaries recently granted to these officers, additions which no true Craftsman will grudge them, and on which we take this opportunity of offering them our very hearty congratulations.

## MASONIC PORTRAITS. (No. 36.)

### THE TREASURER.

"He that is thy friend indeed,  
He will help thee in thy need;  
If thou sorrow, he will weep;  
If thou wake, he cannot sleep;  
Thus, of every grief in heart,  
He with thee doth bear a part.  
These are certain signs to know  
Faithful friend from flattering foe."

THE simple record of a man's achievements speaks more eloquently in his favour than the most elaborately-finished biography. Englishmen, especially, are averse from anything like fulsome adulation. Indeed, to overpraise one who has earned for himself some distinction, or has merely fulfilled his appointed duty admirably is, to return evil for good. The flattery too often brings with it an endless amount of ridicule. Therefore is it that, in all these various Masonic Portraits, we have let the plain unvarnished tale of each one's service speak for itself. We feel certain our readers will appreciate them all the more, the more accurately they reproduce the originals.

It is long since the subject of our present sketch became a Mason. The year, indeed, in which that auspicious event took place is memorable in the annals of the United Kingdom as the year of the first Reform Bill. It may well be that one of so kindly a temperament, having daily evidence of the bitterness which signalled the political contention of that epoch, wished to seek admission into Freemasonry, where all such discussion is absolutely forbidden. This, of course, is only a conjecture of ours, and must be taken for what it is worth. At all events, our esteemed friend was initiated in the Honour and Generosity Lodge, then No. 274, now No. 165, on the 16th February 1832. Having, in the meantime, served the offices of Deacon and Warden, he was elected to fill the Master's chair in 1834. In this year likewise he joined the Royal York Lodge of Perseverance, No. 7, has continued ever since an

active member of that body, and is, in fact, at the present time the Father of the Lodge. Here, again, he quickly ingratiated himself with his fellow-members, and was chosen Master in 1853. For nearly twenty years he held the important office of Director of Ceremonies, and since his resignation of that post he has held the even more responsible trust of Treasurer, a trust he still continues to fulfil with the same zeal and firmness as at his first appointment. As evidence of the thorough esteem in which our brother is, and always has been, held by the members of his Lodge, we announce with pleasure that on two different occasions have they recognised the value of his services. On the 17th January 1855, a testimonial was presented to him in open Lodge, in the presence not only of a large gathering of the Lodge members, but likewise before a strong muster of visitors, among whom was present more than one member of Grand Lodge. This testimonial took the form of a resolution, written ornamentally on vellum, signed by every member of the Lodge, and elegantly bound by the late Bro. R. Spencer, and was presented by the officers and members "as a mark of our appreciation of, and gratitude for, the able and zealous manner in which he has at all times promoted the interest and sustained the character of the Lodge, for the period of twenty years during which he has been a member, and in token of our esteem and regard for him as a man and brother, accompanied by our sincere wishes for the prosperity and happiness of himself and family." Again, in 1868, he was for a second time the recipient of a testimonial, which in this instance, however, took the form of a handsome drawing-room clock and a gold Treasurer's jewel, with gold keys and padlock. Our present Grand Secretary was W.M. of the Lodge, and presided on the occasion. In the course of his remarks that distinguished brother mentioned that the Past Master and Treasurer, to whom these *grata munera* were about to be offered, had been a member of the Lodge for thirty-four years, had served the offices of W.M. and D.C., the latter of which he had filled for over seventeen years; that he was then, and for the nine preceding years had been, its Treasurer; that he had served the office of Steward to each of the Charities. He further enumerated other positions of trust or honour to which he had been appointed, either in recognition of the able services he had shown himself capable of rendering to Freemasonry, or as a mark of the respect in which he was universally held. The Master concluded his speech by handing our friend the testimonial, and proposing his health, a proposal which was greeted on all sides with the greatest enthusiasm.

Nor are these the only Lodges with which our brother has been connected, or No. 7 the only one which has duly appreciated his many good qualities. In 1855 he joined the Romford Lodge, No. 214, and here, too, served the office of Treasurer for many years. On surrendering the trust, he was presented by the members with a handsome silver teapot. He filled the office of Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies in the Province of Essex, in the year 1857, and is a member of the Lodge of Good Fellowship, No. 276, at Chelmsford. For over twenty years he has belonged to St. John's Lodge, Hampstead, No. 167, and during the whole of that period has been Director of Ceremonies, with the duties of which post he is, perhaps, as familiar as any Craftsman. So highly, indeed, have his services in this capacity been regarded, that when the foundation stone of the New Buildings in Great Queen-street was laid, we find him appointed, at the special request of Bro. Jennings, G.D.C., to be one of the Assistant Directors of Ceremonies, or Special Stewards, for the occasion. And, again, at the Festival held to commemorate the opening of the new premises, our respected brother was one of the very limited number of brethren selected to fill the office of Steward; and for his services at this festival he wears the only silver jewel worn in Craft Masonry, designed and executed by Wyon of Regent-street. In completing the list of the different Masonic bodies of which he has been, or still is, a member, it remains for us to add that he was exalted in the Fidelity Chapter, No. 3, in 1834. He joined the Romford Chapter, No. 214, on the register of whose members he stands third in order of seniority, in 1856, was M.E.Z. in 1858, and is, for the current year, its Director of Ceremonies.

Thus much for his services in Lodge and Chapter. As regards the Craft generally, we may mention that he has been several times appointed to serve on the Board of General Purposes, has been a member of the Colonial Board, and for many years was one of the twelve Past

Masters elected by Grand Lodge to serve on the Board of Benevolence.

His zeal in the cause of our Charities has been equally conspicuous. As far back as the year 1839 he served the office of Steward to the Freemasons' Asylum. In 1861 he filled the same office to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution—as it had then become. He aided the cause of the Girls' School in a like capacity in 1859, while for the Boys' School he has served no less than six Stewardships, namely, in the years 1853, 1868, 1870, 1872, 1875 and 1876. On the last occasion his subscription list realised over fifty guineas, in addition to his own personal contribution, and he was appointed honorary Treasurer of the Board of Stewards. He has been on the Committee of the Royal Benevolent, and is a Life Governor of the Girls', as well as a Vice-President to the Boys', having also made each of his sons a Life Governor of the last mentioned Charity.

Such is the history of our worthy brother's career during a connection with the Craft extending over very little short of five and forty years, and we venture to say that very few members of equal standing can point to a worthier Masonic record. It must be to him a subject of perfectly legitimate pride when he traces back the doings of his past career, and finds that while during the whole of that lengthened period of time he has earned for himself the love and respect of all those fellow-craftsmen with whom he has been directly associated, as well as of very many more to whom he is known only by reputation, he has not made to himself a single enemy. Few men, perhaps, are better calculated to shine in a Lodge of Freemasons. He is genial and chatty, can recal many a pleasant anecdote of worthy men who were bright ornaments of the Craft in the days that are gone by. In the fulfilment of his duties he is the personification of zeal itself. During the forty-three years he has been a member of the Royal York Lodge of Perseverance, he has not been absent three times from its meetings. He has regularly attended Grand Lodge since the year 1833, and Grand Chapter—of the Committee of which he is, and has been for many years past, an active member—ever since his position in Royal Arch Masonry entitled him to a seat in that body. That such long and valuable services should not have won for him the crowning distinction of "the purple" is a mystery we shall not attempt to solve. It is probable that in his heart of hearts our worthy brother feels he is fairly entitled to such distinction; and possibly he regrets—he must be more than human, indeed, if he does not regret—that Grand Lodge has not thought fit to confer upon him one of those coveted honours, which many a younger man has long since enjoyed. His feelings, however, in a matter of this kind are sacred, and we have only ventured on the foregoing surmise because it seems to us that, in the distribution of its honours, Grand Lodge is not as attentive to the claims of unpretentious merit as it should be. We are wandering, however, from the main purpose of our article, which has been to picture to our readers the career of a meritorious Craftsman, who has been again and again tried in this and that position of honour and responsibility, and has never once been found wanting. We have described his career almost step by step, and have chronicled the several positions he has filled with so much credit to himself and so great advantage to Freemasonry. Others there are like him, we rejoice to say, who have fought the good fight as manfully as he has done, though it must be admitted that few indeed, if any, have more highly or honourably distinguished themselves. Our hope is that, in the ages to come, all Freemasons may work with the same earnest zeal, the same kindly consideration for others, and the same high tone of thought and action as one whom, with every sentiment of respect, we venture to designate an Ancient Craftsman.

Miss Emily Mott's fourth Annual Concert will take place on the 24th inst., when this talented lady will have the services of Madame Blanche Cole, Mr. W. H. Cummings, and other well known artistes.

**HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.**—The seeds of disease are often unconsciously sown by some neglect of those precautions which are so necessary in this changeable climate of ours; the earlier symptoms of deranged health are often neglected, and hence another great source of after consequences of a serious character arises. Amongst the precautions most necessary at the change of the seasons is that of attention to the clothing, and to the advent of any cold or throat disorder, which should at once be treated by these remedies, which will quickly remove all chance of their taking hold of the system and producing consumptive symptoms. A few doses of these Pills are the best remedy for all hepatic and dyspeptic symptoms.

## THE PRETENDED DORMANCY OF THE AFRICAN LODGE.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—As your article on Coloured Masonry, of 21st August, attracted attention, and a desire for more light upon the subject, I am pleased therefore at having anticipated the desire of your correspondent "Q." (see page 196), and shall now proceed to furnish full evidence of the continued activity of the African Lodge between 1807 and 1824, the period of its alleged dormancy.

But I must first state that this alleged dormancy was deduced in 1870 by Bro. W. S. Gardner from a document issued by the African Lodge in 1827, signed by John T. Hilton W.M., Thomas Dalton S.W., Lewis York J.W., and J. H. Purron Sec., and the deduction was made from the following words:—

"In consequence of the decease of the above-named Bro. [Prince Hall] the institution was for years unable to proceed, for the want of one to conduct its affairs agreeably to what is required in every regular and well-educated Lodge."

"Unable to proceed," Bro. Gardner construed into dormancy. In reality, however, Hilton simply meant to say that the institution could not progress, or go onward, or "go ahead," as we say in America. That is all that Hilton and the other signers meant to convey by "unable to proceed." Had Bro. Gardner, in his address in 1870, given his authority for his dormancy theory, I would probably have noticed it, and disproved it in my review of the said address; but Bro. G. referred to it merely as follows:—"Under the direction of Prince Hall the Lodge prospered; but after his death, which occurred 4th Dec. 1807, it became dormant, and ceased to have any actual existence." This was all that Bro. Gardner said, and it somehow escaped my attention in 1871, when I reviewed the said address.

When my attention was called to the subject of dormancy last winter, by "The Voice of Masonry," I called upon Bro. Hayden P.G.M. of Prince Hall G.L.; and he reasoned with me thus: First, said he, "In 1869 we possessed original records of the first quarter of this century, which records Bro. John T. Heard P.G.M. of the G.L. of Massachusetts then examined; and if the Lodge had been dormant, he would have noticed it." And, second, he, Bro. Hayden, belonged to the African Lodge over thirty years, but never heard about its dormancy. Unfortunately, the records were burnt with the Prince Hall Temple in 1869, and this mishap deprived us of the testimony which the records would have supplied. I next requested Hayden to obtain, if possible, some documents of the period, such as certificates of deceased members, or other scraps written during the period of the alleged dormancy of the Lodge. Bro. Hayden then showed me "The Massachusetts Register," an annual, containing the names of various societies in Boston, among which it gave all the Boston Masonic Lodges, Chapters, &c. The African Lodge appeared regularly in the said publication from 1797 to 1813. It is highly probable that the omission of the African Lodge from the said Register, after the above year, was due to the influence of a white brother who may have been connected with the said publication. The white Masonic institutions were dropped from the Register after 1819. As the white Masons continued to meet after 1819, the coloured brethren doubtless also continued their meetings after 1813.

I next questioned Bro. Gardner about his authority for the alleged dormancy of the coloured Lodge. He told me that he got the information "from somewhere," and that he would hunt it up in about a week. I had no doubt that Bro. Gardner got it somewhere, but I assured him that he made a mistake, and gave him my reasons for my belief. I did call next week, and next, upon Bro. Gardner, and on my fourth call Bro. Gardner said, "I have searched everywhere but could not find it;" but he was sure, he said, that he got it from some of the Proceedings of the Coloured Grand Lodges. In the meantime, I learned, from a member of the African Lodge, that an old member of his Lodge, who lived in New Hampshire was in possession of an old Record, that the possessor would not part with it, and that I would have to go to New Hampshire to see it. I, however, urged my informant to do his best and get the Record brought to Boston. A few days afterwards I once more called upon Bro. Gardner, and informed him that I had at last discovered his authority about the dormancy theory, in Bro. MacCalla's article in the "Voice of Masonry," and when I explained to him, the true definition of the word "proceed," my friend seemed to enjoy a hearty laugh at his own blunder. Soon after this conversation I visited England.

About two or three weeks after my return from Europe the aforesaid Record was handed to me. But before I proceed to describe it, I will state, though at the risk of being considered egotistical and tedious, that I examined the earliest Record of the G.L. of England in 1869; but as Bro. John T. Heard saw the same Record in 1870, and reported here that it was not an original one, I subsequently re-examined it, and satisfied myself that he was mistaken. In 1869 I examined the Colonial Record of the G.L. in Boston, extending from 1733 to 1792, and within a quarter of an hour, I pronounced that, from 1733 to 1750, the said Provincial Grand Lodge Record was manufactured by Charles Pelham. Indeed, the document was not written before 1751 or 1752. The Record of St. John's Lodge, Boston, extending from 1733 to 1754, I demonstrated to have been compiled by the said Bro. Pelham from pre-existing memoranda and from hearsay in 1754. I also examined our Boston St. Andrew's Lodge Record from 1760, and am satisfied that it is original from its beginning. The earliest African Lodge Record, still in existence, which begins with the initiation of Prince Hall and others in 1775, I demonstrated to Bro. Lewis Hayden papers was not written before 1784. These, and other documents which I have examined, make me sceptical about the genuineness of early Masonic Records. When, therefore, such a document is submitted to my examination I subject it to every possible test; first, in order to ascertain whether it is original. If I find it not to be so, I endeavour to ascertain whether it is a true transcript of a pre-existing Record,

whether it is a compilation, or whether it is a mere manufacture from hearsay.

The African Lodge Record before me indicates age and hard usage; it is a folio, half bound, with paper covers. The pasteboard of the covers peeps through its leather corners, and the colour of its covers is almost effaced by friction; the paper is very coarse, and the lines or rulings are nearly faded away. The Record embraces the period between 1807 and 1846, but I saw at a glance that up to 1826 it is a mere transcript. After which, I am satisfied that its minutes are all original. Up to 1827, the minutes are preceded with "The African Lodge No. 459." In the latter year the Lodge declared its independence, when the minutes began to be headed with "The African Grand Lodge." On the page next to the cover is written, "The Book of Record of the Grand African Lodge, No. 459. Boston, Nov. 25th, A.L. 5825." This itself implies that the book was not obtained before the above date; but I am inclined to think that the above inscription was not written before 1827, or after the independence of the Lodge was declared. The minutes of 1st May 1810 state, that "it was agreed that the Secretary shall receive three dollars to purchase books for the Lodge." This probably refers to one of the two Records which Bro. Heard examined in 1869. The minutes of January 28th, 1822, say, "They found also the books much out of order, and Brothers Lew, Moody and Hay were chosen as a committee to revise the Books, and to purchase a Book of Records to keep the proceedings of the Lodge." The committee evidently did not attend to it, for under date of 21st November 1825 (that is, three days previous to the date mentioned on the first page), I find that Bro. John T. Hilton received three dollars to buy a book with, and "to revise the original Records." And under date of 7th July 1826, it is stated that Hilton was paid for revising the Record. After the above date, the original Record begins.

The second paragraph in the Record merely states, "October 7th 1807, Bro. Prince Hall, to whom the charter was granted, Anno Domini 1783, is the presiding officer." After a blank of a few inches, we have as follows:—"November 7th 1807. This day deceased W. Master Prince Hall, and is no more with us." December 28th 1807, the names of the newly-elected officers are recorded, Nero Prince W.M., &c. The remainder of the page was left blank. As the next minutes are dated 14th June 1808, I am inclined to believe that the minutes between the above dates were torn out of the original Record, and hence the blank was left for the purpose of filling it up should the lost sheet be recovered; this supposition was suggested by the fact that the Record of 1784, before referred to, is very much mutilated. The sheets are loose, some of them torn out, and some more or less destroyed. Between the 14th June and the 22nd October we have another blank. At the last named meeting George Middleton was elected W.M., James Nickson and Peter Lew Wardens, &c. After this the minutes continue regular. The first work mentioned is 22nd October 1808, when Eri Lew, Walter Martin, and John Shorters, were ordered to attend the next meeting, to be raised, and during the period embraced by the transcript about 80 initiations took place in the African Lodge, including three clergymen. In some places the reviser crowded two or three successive meetings into one paragraph. Under date of 5th August 1817 is recorded the death of the W.M. Peter Lew; his funeral cost the Lodge 36 dollars 98 cents. My friend, the city registrar of deaths, births, and marriages, at my request, searched his City Records, which he found to corroborate the date in the African Lodge Record, about the demise of Peter Lew. And I may here add that the said city registrar, who is a P.M., and is Secretary of a Chapter, has carefully examined the African Lodge Record now in my possession, and he fully concurs with my conclusions as above stated.

Again, the brother who procured the Record for my inspection, and who has been a member of the African Lodge over thirty years, assured me of having, some years ago, sorted out a trunkfull of Lodge documents, such as letters, receipts, &c., and bundled and labelled each package, viz., from such to such date; that a large number of those documents were written during the period between 1807 and 1824. And since my second article on the Coloured Question was mailed, Bro. J. T. Heard admitted to me that he saw, in 1869, the African Lodge Records, and that he was sorry to learn about their destruction. He also added, that they were very badly written, and in great confusion, and that Hayden furnished him with a synopsis of the Records, and as the Records were burned, he regretted having returned, afterwards, the synopsis to Hayden.

But I have still other important evidence to disprove the alleged dormancy of the African Lodge. A fortnight ago I heard that Thomas Dalton, who, as S.W., signed the Declaration of the African Lodge Independence in 1827, which document gave rise to the misconception of the dormancy theory, was residing in Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown, now part of the City of Boston, and I took the liberty to interview him. Bro. Dalton was born near Boston, but he did not settle here before 1809. Three brothers of the name of Lew, all Masons, were Dalton's consins. Bro. Dalton was intimate with Moody, Howard, and many other names I found in the Record, that were initiated during the alleged dormancy period, many years before his own initiation, which, according to my Record, took place 11th April 1825. The earliest recollection Bro. Dalton has of the African Lodge was the Masonic funeral of one of its members, within three or four years after his settling in Boston. The minutes of my Record, under date 14th June 1813, mentions the death of Bro. John Wilson, and the funeral cost the Lodge 19 dollars and 92 cents. This is probably the very funeral he referred to. He related other reminiscences of conversations about the Lodge among his Masonic friends before his own initiation, and as he had never heard about the dormancy of the Lodge, either before or after he joined it, he naturally declared his utter disbelief in the dormancy theory. At my request, Bro. Dalton visited Bro. David Pulsifer, a white brother, a gentleman well known and highly esteemed in Boston. Bro. Pulsifer also interrogated Bro. Dalton, the result of all which the following affidavit will make more clear:—

"Whereas, I was recently informed, that in the Proceedings of



Masonic American Grand Lodges, and in Masonic journals in this country, a statement is circulated that the African Lodge in Boston, originally No. 459 on the Register of the Grand Lodge of England, had been dormant between the years 1807 and 1824.

"Therefore I, Thomas Dalton, residing in that part of Boston called Charlestown, being eighty-three years of age, and having been initiated in the said African Lodge in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-five, do hereby declare, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the aforesaid statement about the dormancy of the African Lodge is without foundation and false, for the following reasons:—

"First, I was intimately acquainted with all the old members of the said Lodge, and often heard them converse about the then existing African Lodge years before I joined it. Subsequent to my initiation, I took an interest in the affairs of the Lodge, and frequently associated and conversed with the said brethren, and often heard them relate some of their old Masonic reminiscences, but I never heard that the Lodge had ever ceased holding its meetings regularly, until I was informed, the other day, about the reports circulated to that effect in the Proceedings of Grand Lodges of White Masons.

"And, second, I was keeper of the archives of the African Lodge, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, I had in my possession the African Lodge Records covering the period of its alleged dormancy. I therefore once more repeat my conscientious belief that the statement about the dormancy of the African Lodge is totally false.

"Thos. Dalton."

"Suffolk s.s., October 10th. Then personally appeared Thomas Dalton, and made oath that the above statements, made and signed by him, are true, according to his best knowledge and belief.

"Edward S. Davis, Jus. Pac. Essex."

I must add that Bro. Dalton bears an unexceptionable character for uprightness: that Mr. Davis, who certified Dalton's affidavit, is an ex-mayor of the thriving town of Lynn, Massachusetts; and that the newly-recovered African Lodge Record exploded the notion hitherto prevailing among the coloured brethren—viz., that their Lodge declared its independence in 1808, and that it chartered at the same time two Lodges in other States. The Record before me does not furnish the slightest evidence in support of that notion, but, on the contrary, the proof is overwhelming that no charter was granted by the said Lodge before its declaration of independence; and then, 1827, it chartered only "Harmony Lodge," in Providence, Rhode Island, and no other Lodge was chartered by the African Lodge during the period covered by my Record. As I believe that further proof in support of the fact of the continued activity of the African Lodge between 1807 and 1824 to be at present unnecessary, I conclude, with fraternal greetings,

Yours respectfully,

JACOB NORTON.

Boston, 21st October 1876.

Office of the City Registrar, Boston,  
18th October 1876.

DEAR BRO. NORTON,—I have examined, with considerable interest, what purports to be a Record of the Proceedings of the African Lodge in Boston, from the year 1807 to 1846. That that portion of the minutes, from the first named year to 1826, is a genuine transcript of the original Record there is no reason, I think, to doubt, and I feel equally certain that the subsequent portion, from 1826 to 1846, is the original Record itself. Indeed, the evidences of the authenticity of this Record are so obvious, it seems to me that one would have to shut his eyes in order not to see them.

That you may be successful in exposing error, by diffusing light and knowledge on the genuine principles of Masonry, is the sincerest wish of,

Yours fraternally,

N. A. APOLLONIO,

P.M. of St. Paul's and Adelphi Lodges.

## NEWS FROM THE ORIENT.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Your journal being regarded as the faithful exponent of true Masonic principles,—containing literary articles of no ordinary standard, as well as most interesting news concerning the operations of the Ancient Fraternity in all parts of the globe,—has, I believe, found a highly appreciative circle of readers on this side of India, and also, no doubt, in other parts of the East. I am, therefore, induced to send you some scraps of intelligence from this active centre of Freemasonry, and, should they prove acceptable, you may hear from me again.

Brethren at home can at best but form a very imperfect idea of the great and good influence which Freemasonry is exercising in this land. The progress it has made for some years past is undoubtedly to be chiefly attributed to the noble and untiring energies of two of the most highly esteemed members of society in Bombay, in their respective spheres of life, who at present preside over the destinies of the Provincial Craft.

For many years Scottish Freemasonry, under the regis of the late Sir James Burnes, K.H., Physician-General of Bombay, monopolized the post of honour in the Western Presidency, and, with one exception, until recently, the whole of the Lodges were working under charters obtained from the Grand Lodge of Scotland. The exception to which I refer was Lodge "Orion in the West," established in Poona many years ago (I forget the exact date), but I know that in 1845 it had collapsed. I am glad, however, to note that it has for some time been resuscitated, and is now in a prosperous condition, being worked with undoubted ability. I may, in passing, refer to the establishment

of another Lodge, which had but an evanescent existence, called "Olive Branch in the East," which faded away without leaving its mark behind, owing to its exclusive, and, consequently, un-Masonic character.

Lodge "St. George" was the first English Craft Lodge that established itself during the last half-century in Bombay, and amidst all the fluctuations and vicissitudes to which all mundane institutions are subject, it is now doing well.\*

As the restrictions of the old East India Company were removed, its prestige supplanted, and the guardianship of India assumed by the Imperial Government, so the beneficent influence of the Craft extended, and Lodges, Chapters, and Encampments, as well as those of the "Hautes Grades," under warrants from the English and Scottish Grand Lodges and Councils alike, have gradually increased in number and influence, and the "Good Cause," at the present time, is now in so flourishing a condition that it augurs well for the future of Freemasonry in this vast Eastern Empire.

As I have already remarked, this most satisfactory result is almost entirely owing to the ability and vigour which characterise the chiefs of the Craft in Western India. The present M.W. Grand Master of all Scottish Freemasonry in India, Bro. Captain Henry Morland, is indefatigable in his exertions to promote, extend, and keep pure the Craft. He is foremost in every good work, unceasing in his attention to the duties of his exalted office, and untiring in his efforts to strengthen and maintain the Ancient Landmarks. His constant visitations to the "Daughter" Lodges under his control, and the vigilant supervision exercised by him, have a most healthy and invigorating influence, which is felt by all. He is, fortunately, most ably supported by his Depute and Substitute Grand Masters, R.W. Bros. Macintosh Balfour and K. R. Cama. The former gentleman, possessed of the best qualities which ornament the genuine Craftsman, blending the genial graces of the "scion of a worthy sire" with a thorough practical knowledge of the working of the Craft, from the installation to the first degree, one and all of which he works admirably.

R.W. K. R. Cama, Substitute Grand Master, an honoured member of our learned societies, and a most erudite Oriental scholar, deservedly holds the next distinguished position in the Scottish Grand Lodge of India. Belonging to one of the most ancient families of the Zoroastrian community, he is held in the highest respect and esteem, not only by his fellow countrymen, but by all those savans of European and Oriental fame, who, like himself, have devoted their time and talents to the education of the lore and languages of Eastern nations. Regarded as a "Model Mentor," he has earned for himself an enviable and enduring name throughout the Fraternity.

As I must confine my remarks in this brief notice within certain limits, I must defer allusion to other distinguished "Masters in Israel" until another opportunity; it is, therefore, to be hoped that no offence will be caused by the prominence given to those connected with the Scottish branch of the parent-tree.

On Saturday last, the 7th Oct., the regular monthly meeting of the Rising Star of Western India Lodge was held in the Masonic Hall, Cumballa Hill, pleasantly situated on the outskirts of the city. The R.W. Master, Darashah D. Reporter, occupied the Chair of K.S., and was supported on the dais by R.W. Bro. K. R. Cama, R. W. Bro. Chichgur, a most promising and enthusiastic Mason, W. B. Murzban, one of the staunchest, oldest and best members of the Craft in India, and who has visited and been honoured in many of the Lodges at home. W. Bros. McClumpha, J. Gostadjee, A. J. Bhajnavallah, Pheroshah M. Mehta, and though "last, not least," Bro. Hormusji Dadabbai.

After the usual preliminary business of reading, confirming and recording the minutes of the previous meeting, and the proceedings of the Standing Committee had been transacted, one of the most pleasing incidents connected with the objects for which the Lodge had assembled, took place, namely, the recognition of the valuable services for many, many years past, rendered to the Fraternity by W. Bro. Manockjee Cursetjee, a retired Judge of the Court of Small Causes in Bombay. A confrere and confidante of the late Dr. Burnes, the late Honourable Phillip Le Geyt, and Dr. Barton, formerly Senior Magistrate of this City, all of whom held the position of Provincial Grand Master, W. Bro. Manockjee Cursetjee has proved himself a staunch Mason, and has thoroughly earned the gratitude of his brethren in this instance, by the high compliment paid him, of being elected an honorary member of the Lodge Rising Star of Western India.

In the course of the evening the sublime degree was conferred upon a member of the Mahomedan community, who promises to fulfil the expectations of his best friends. The able and impressive manner in which the R.W. Master conferred it left a most lasting impression on the minds of all those who were privileged to listen to his eloquent perorations. His descriptive powers in delivering that revered "Legend of Old" drew from the oldest Past Masters present a candid and well-earned acknowledgment of his genuine worth and talents. The Lodge is likewise to be complimented on the really judicious selection of the Wardens and Deacons. In fact all the officers of the Lodge ably supported the W. Master, and it was the concurrent opinion of the Past Masters on the dais that one and all had done their work well.

At the conclusion of the labours of the Lodge, the brethren retired to refreshment, and partook of the good things of this life so amply provided for them. Whilst the "cup of kindness" was passed round, and many fraternal expressions exchanged, toasts were proposed and responded to. The visiting brethren received their due mead of compliment, responding to which W. Bro. McClumpha gracefully acknowledged the cordial welcome the visitors had received, and paid a deserved encomium on the excel-

\* Lodge "Perseverance," now No. 351, G.L.S., was originally an English Lodge, but now holds its charter from Scotland.

lent working of the Lodge so ably presided over by W. Bro. Darashah.

The Brethren, after receiving the "Tyler's Toast," parted in peace and harmony, with a vivid conviction of the undoubted talents of the R.W. Master and the ability of his officers.

The Freemasons do not seem to have suffered much from the fulminations of the "Old Man of the Vatican," or from the feebleness showered on them by the smaller fry of the Romish hierarchy in imitation of the doings of Pio Nono. Neither the adjurations of the Pope himself, nor the wordy exordiums of his followers in Calcutta, seem to have reached the ears of the "Fraternity" in Rangoon, if so they appear to be considered as not possessing the slightest claim either to respect or regard. A crowded meeting of the members of the Craft took place on Friday, 28th July, in the building known as "Freemasons' Hall," a somewhat sombre looking erection, near the railway. This meeting was called by the jovial Master of Lodge Star, not to consider the desirability of closing the said Lodge, in obedience to the howl from Rome, but to do honour to one who had done all he could, and that well and successfully, to keep the Lodge from sinking under a press of difficulties which it is unnecessary here to detail. The brethren met at about 6 o'clock, and after some delay the mysteries of opening the Lodge were proceeded with, which we were not permitted to behold, but, about seven, these said proceedings being concluded, the "brethren" came forth, the breast of our worthy and well known townsman, Bro. Douglas De Wet, garnished with a "jewel" of the most exquisite taste and workmanship, to present which, together with an address on parchment, bound with "blue" riband, appears to have been the main object of the meeting. The next part of the evening's programme, understood alike by Masons and non-Masons, was a splendid banquet, to which about fifty sat down, and to which it is almost superfluous to say ample justice was done. Several non-Masons were present, among whom we noticed the Rev. Welbore McCarthy, Captain Arnot, and Mr. Darlington, while, with only one or two exceptions, every leading Mason in Rangoon was present. The usual Loyal toasts and speeches were made. Mr. or Brother De Wet received a splendid ovation when he rose to respond to the toast of his own health, proposed by the Master of the Lodge, who was chairman. The speeches were good, but we will not detail them, as we are very decidedly of opinion that any one who particularly wishes to know what Masons find to talk about should go and join them. He will thus know far more than we can tell him, suffice it to say, that they were what post-prandial speeches always should be, terse and to the point. We wish the Lodge, with its belongings, every success, and venture to hope that the example set by Lodge "Star of Burmah" will be faithfully copied by the Sister Lodges of Rangoon, and that we shall at no very distant date find our feet again under "Masonic mahogany."—*Rangoon Times*.

## CONSECRATION OF THE EARL OF CARNARVON LODGE, No. 1642.

A NUMBER of the brethren assembled on Saturday, the 4th inst. at Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill. The V.W. Bro. John Hervey G.S. was the Consecrating Officer delegated by the M.W. the Grand Master to perform the ceremony. Bros. J. Smith P.G.P. and John Boyd P.G.P. and Grand Steward occupied the Wardens' chairs. The W.M. was assisted by Bros. Jas. Terry P.G.D.C. Herts. Rev. A. F. A. Woodford P.G. Chaplain, Rev. P. M. Holden G.C. Middlesex, and Stephens P.M. 1365 and 1489. On the brethren being conducted to the Lodge-room, under the able direction of Bro. Terry, the Consecrating Officer opened the Lodge, and addressed those present, his remarks being listened to with great attention. The Rev. Bro. Woodford P.G.C. delivered a beautiful oration on the Nature and Principles of the Institution, when the Rev. P. M. Holden, G.C. Middlesex, offered the consecrating prayers. A board of Installed Masters was then formed, and Bro. J. Marliss, W.M. designate, was installed into the chair, in the presence of 27 W.M.'s and P.M.'s, by Bro. Hervey, in a faultless manner. On the readmission of the brethren, the W.M. invested his officers.

Bros. G. Penn S.W., S. H. Parkhouse J.W., W. H. Stephens P.M. 1365 Treasurer, Rev. C. D. Reade Chaplain, J. Pushman Secretary, W. Gordon (M.P. for Chelsea) S.D., F. Clench J.D., Landor I.G., S. Smout D.C., S. Smout jun. A.D.C., F. Delevante Organist, and T. Scholfield Tyler. Bro. Marliss addressed appropriate remarks to each officer he appointed.

The W.M. proposed, and Bro. Penn S.W. seconded, that a vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes, and honorary membership be accorded to Bro. John Hervey G.S., for the able and efficient manner he had performed the ceremonies of consecration and installation. This was carried unanimously. Votes of thanks and honorary membership were unanimously given to Bros. J. Smith, John Boyd, Rev. A. F. A. Woodford, and the Rev. P. M. Holden, for their services. After these brethren had severally responded, the W.M. read the following letter:—

"DEAR SIR,—Lord Carnarvon regrets very much that your letter of the 30th of October should have remained so long unanswered, and he wishes me to add an expression of his regret at being unable to be present at the Consecration of the Earl of Carnarvon Lodge, No. 1642, which his engagements render quite impossible. His Lordship wishes me, however, to say, that he readily consents to his coat of arms being used for the new Lodge.

(Signed) A. A. PEARSON."

"To Bro. Marliss."

Numerous propositions for joining and initiation were handed in. The Lodge was then closed, and the brethren sat down to a very

recherché banquet and dessert, in the splendid new hall, which was divided from the Lodge-room by crimson curtains. Great credit is due to the worthy host, Mr. Linscott, for his admirable arrangements, and the courtesy of the D.C. and Stewards. Grace having been said, the W.M., who very genially presided, proposed the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts. In giving that of "The Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Carnarvon," he hoped, on a future occasion, they might have the honour of his Lordship's presence. The toast was drunk with great enthusiasm.

Bro. Woodford, in eloquent and appropriate terms, responded for the Deputy Grand Master and the rest of the Grand Officers.

The W.M. then proposed the toast of "Bro. John Hervey G.S., the Consecrating Officer," to whom he paid a deserved compliment for the manner he had performed those duties; he hoped to see him frequently amongst them, it was indeed an honour to have had the eminent services of Bro. Hervey, and he would ask the brethren to drink "Health and long life to him" with all the enthusiasm the toast so well merited.

Bro. John Hervey, who, on rising, was received with loud cheers, said, He thanked them for the high compliment they had paid him. He was pleased to know the ceremony of Consecration had gone off well. As it had done so, he had nothing more to desire. He must, however, express to the W.M. his thanks for the compliment paid him, and the kind reception he had met with. He wished the Lodge every success, and he hoped when he visited them he would see as goodly a congregation as were assembled that evening.

Bro. W. Stephens, acting as I.P.M., then proposed the toast of the "W.M." All who knew him respected him; his own acquaintance had lasted 25 years; he was sure they would drink the toast heartily, and also "Prosperity to the New Lodge."

The W.M. thanked the brethren for their response to the toast. His being elected the W.M. of the New Lodge had caused him some serious thoughts, and to ensure its prosperity he would carefully inquire into the character of every candidate proposed. If any should be found unworthy to enter our Order, they would not be accepted. He thanked Bro. W. Stephens for his kind expressions; that brother had initiated him. During his year of office, indeed, as long as he was connected with them, he would do all they required of him. The W.M. then proposed a special toast. He coupled with it the name of a distinguished Mason, Bro. F. Moore, Deputy Grand Master for the Argentine Republic.

This brother, in responding, said he fully appreciated and highly valued what he had seen, but he did not think he could do anything equal to what had been done that day in the working of Bro. John Hervey. He begged to thank the W.M. for his hospitality. If any brother present should visit the Argentine Republic, he would be sure to have a hearty reception. Bro. Savage responded for the Visitors, he thanked the W.M. for the pleasure they had felt in witnessing the excellent manner in which every detail had been carried out, the beautiful and solemn words uttered by the Rev. brethren would never be effaced from their memory. Bro. Locock Webb P.G.D. followed, it was a great pleasure to him to respond to the toast, and to be at the Consecration. Many present were old and valued friends; to-day they had founded a bond of union; he hoped it would long continue, without distinction of religion or politics (cheers); he heartily joined in the hope that the W.M. might be spared for many years to do all that might be required of him; he was sure he would give them satisfaction. The W.M. then proposed the Masonic Charities, they had a brother present who was connected with one of their institutions; a brother who had conducted the arduous duties of the day satisfactorily to all present; he then dwelt on the merits of the Institution, and the duties so ably performed by Bro. Terry. Those duties entailed on him a vast amount of labour, but to him it was a labour of love. All are grateful to him for his services. He (the W.M.) would act as a Steward at the next Festival, and he would try and get £300 on his list, he might tell them he had already over £70 promised him. (Cheers.) Bro. James Terry, in a very eloquent speech, returned thanks. He referred to the excellent manner in which the other Institutions were conducted. Bro. H. M. Levy P.M. informed the W.M. that the excellent speech of Bro. Terry had made such an impression on him that, although he had served the office of Steward, he would do so again; also that Bros. J. J. Michael, P.M. 1507, and T. Kingston, W.M. 862, would serve. The toast of the Wardens was responded to, and Bros. Gordon, M.P. for Chelsea, and Clench, responded for the Officers. The Tyler's toast concluded one of the most agreeable and harmonious gatherings in Freemasonry. Bros. Delevante Organist, Pushman Secretary, Thomas Musgrave, and Perry sang some excellent songs. The Visitors were:—Bros. J. Hervey G.S., Gordon M.P. Chelsea 511, E. P. Albert A.G.P., F. Moore D.D.G.M. Argentine Republic, J. Boyd P.G.P., J. Smith P.G.P., Rev. P. M. Holden P.G.P. Middlesex, T. Brown 1611, Dr. Locock Webb P.G.D., G. A. Williams 511, Hayes 1459, W. C. Glen P.G.S. 193, J. J. Michael P.M. 1507, Thompson P.M. 834, J. Coutts P.G.P., Hambleton 1319, Davis 167, W. H. Lee P.M. 1524, W. J. Russell P.M. 511, J. Biemann P.M. 55 and W.M. 1569, Squares 789, 1410 723, E. W. Thompson 55, Dr. Carpenter P.M. 1196, J. D. Woodstock P.M. 749, W. Morris P.M. 704, Craig 1125, C. B. Payne P.M. 27, T. Kingston W.M. 862, G. T. Cherer 145, Savage P.M. 1425, F. Delevante 1319, Webb 834, P. Kirke P.M. 144, F. Fisher, W. Stephens P.M. 1365, H. M. Levy P.M. 188, S. Pardoe P.M. 511, &c.

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## WHICH IS CORRECT?

To the Editor of THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I am sorry I was too busy to reply—in time at least for publication in your last issue—to “P.M., P.Z.’s” latest series of questions. As regards the first of the two, I incline to Preceptor No. 1, who speaks of the sun as “the centre of our solar system,” rather than to Preceptor No. 2, who calls it “a fixed body.” It may be, perhaps, merely a matter of taste, or it may be a little hypercriticism on my part, but the former certainly appears to me to fit in better with the other parts of the sentence than the latter, besides being, in very truth, more accurate. As regards the planetary bodies of our solar system, the sun, in relation to these, may be described as a “fixed body;” but it is not “fixed” in the sense of being wholly immovable, for it revolves on its axis within a stated interval of time. Again, if we speak of the sun as being a fixed body, the earth revolving on its—*that is, its own—axis*, and Freemasonry being spread over its surface—*that is, over the surface of the latter—it follows, &c. &c.*—we have a sentence containing four propositions, the concatenation of which is not apparent. Perhaps I should say we have three propositions absolute—that is, standing independently of each other—and a deduction which is not logically just, under the circumstances. Or, to explain the matter more fully, the answer stands really thus. Three propositions absolute: (1). The sun is a fixed body; (2). the earth revolves on its axis; (3). Freemasonry is spread over the earth’s surface. Therefore, (4) the sun is always, &c. &c. On the other hand, if we phrase it somewhat thus: the sun being the centre of the solar system—this is preferable, I think, to *our*—the earth—a part of that system—revolving on its own axis, and Freemasonry being spread over the earth’s surface, it follows, &c. &c.—we establish a connection between the several parts of the sentence, and the true force of the deduction is at once apparent.

Next, as between No. 1, who speaks of the “distinguishing badge of a Mason,” and No. 2, who says, “of an E. A. Freemason,” I am for No. 1’s version. ALL Masons alike wear the apron, which, therefore, as between Masons and all other men, is the distinguishing badge of the former. The aprons of the three degrees are distinguished one from the other. The E.A.P. wears a plain white lambskin apron of certain dimensions, the F.C. the same, with two sky-blue rosettes, the M.M. the same, with lining and edging, an additional rosette on the fall or flap, and silver tassels. These several kinds of apron serve to distinguish the brethren of the different degrees one from another, but that which is the badge of distinction as between us and other men is the apron, which, we are told, is more honourable than the badge of any other order in existence. E.A. Freemason would destroy the universality of this distinction. It is quite legitimate, however, to speak of an E.A.P.’s apron in contradistinction to a F.C.’s or M.M.’s, and for this reason it is necessary to particularise the respective badges of those degrees.

I confess, as regards the third difference, that I like neither of the rival versions. I prefer, however, “remembrance” to “remains;” “No trace”—that is, no visible sign of what itself no longer exists; or “remembrance”—that is, no token by which we might be reminded of him. “Remains” would apply to a material relic, or something left behind, which hardly fits so well with “trace.”

Fraternally yours,

“Q.”

To the Editor of THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—The correspondence which from time to time has appeared in your valuable journal, upon the above subject, has, I am sure, awakened much interest amongst numbers of the brethren who, like myself, are young in the craft, but, at the same time, who are very desirous of becoming something more than Masons merely in name.

In carrying out our beautiful ceremonies, the great aim most decidedly should be to adopt as nearly as possible a pure and simple uniformity in working, and so far as I can see (as Grand Lodge seems very indifferent in the matter), the only way to arrive at this end is by freely ventilating and interchanging views and ideas upon the subject; and that through the Masonic press, the columns of which—so far as your journal is concerned—are always open to those who really have the cause at heart, and who will fairly and dispassionately discuss the various items which may turn up during such correspondence.

It is to be regretted that, of late, things have been viewed in a light they were never intended to be seen in, but I trust after what we have read in your last issue, all is made clear, and that we shall see the correspondence go on and flourish, until some definite and tangible good is derived therefrom.

In his last letter, our esteemed Bro. Dr. Bedolfe states that he withdraws from the “contest,” and, further, that he has “nothing to withdraw.” At this point I must differ from him, and say I think he has much to withdraw, that is if he considers the interests of Freemasonry; and this is,—the former sentence I have quoted from his letter, in order that, together with our Bros. Q., Gottheil and Stevens, he will continue this most interesting argument, for the benefit of those whose Masonic experience has yet to be gained.

I also sincerely hope that the three Brethren named will be

induced *not* to give in, but fight until the great end is reached, and then to them shall every praise and thanks be given, for having undertaken what is at present a fearfully heavy task.

Yours fraternally (in working),

TOUJOURS LE MEME.

## INDISCRIMINATE ADMISSION OF MASONS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

SIR,—Your late admirable comments on the Indiscriminate Admission of Freemasons emboldens me to offer a few lines on a branch of the subject that, so far as I am aware, has not been hitherto touched on, and which I fear, in these days of easy travelling, is becoming more rife than is either desirable or expedient. I allude to the practice of parties passing from the Masonic jurisdiction of either kingdom to the other, and getting initiated into the mysteries of our Craft without any inquiry as to their fitness for the Order.

A rule of our Irish Constitution enacts that no Lodge shall ballot for, or initiate into Freemasonry, any person who is not a resident in the town, village, or neighbourhood in which the Lodge into which he seeks admission holds its meetings until due enquiry shall have been made of such Lodge or Lodges as may exist in the neighbourhood of his residence respecting the character of the applicant, and a satisfactory reply shall have been received, under a penalty of having its Warrant suspended.

Can it be true that between the Constitutions of England and Scotland there is no reciprocity with their Irish sister? or, may any one who passes over for a night, and works upon the good nature of an English brother to propose him, be forthwith admitted? or, as has been told me of a Scotch Lodge, get Craft and Royal Arch degrees all in same night? Hoping, for the benefit of your readers, you will clear up this matter, and, by inviting attention to the subject, that a communion may be established such as will give to Masonry additional strength, by removing such a rent in her armour,

I remain, yours fraternally,

RICHARD HARVEY P.M., P.Z., H.K.T.

Drogheda, 1st Nov. 1876.

## ROYAL ARCH MASONRY.

SUN, SQUARE AND COMPASSES CHAPTER, No. 119.

THE annual Convocation of this Chapter was held on Friday, 29th October, at the Freemasons' Hall, College-street, Whitehaven. The Companions assembled at two o'clock, and the officers and members present were as follow:—Comps. J. Barr Z., Whitehaven; E. Fearon H., and Z. elect, Whitehaven; W. Sandwith J., and H. elect, Whitehaven; Major Spencer P.Z., Whitehaven; W. B. Gibson P.Z., Whitehaven; G. W. Kenworthy P.Z., Whitehaven; J. R. Tickle Scribe E., and J. elect, Maryport; W. Armstrong Scribe N., Maryport; E. Tyson P. Sojourner, and Scribe E. elect, Whitehaven; J. Rothery Assistant Sojourner, Whitehaven; W. F. Lamonby Assistant Sojourner, and P. Sojourner elect, Cockermouth; J. McKelvie Treasurer, Whitehaven; James Cooper Organist, Whitehaven; G. Fitzgerald Janitor, Whitehaven; W. F. Hunter, T. B. Roxby, F. Hodgson, A. Hardie, D. Grencock, J. W. Bell, T. Atkinson, J. S. Braithwaite, J. W. Mills, J. D. Thompson (Scribe N. elect), and Joseph Fears, Whitehaven; G. M. Tickle, T. Mandle, and J. R. Banks, Maryport; G. T. Archibald, J. R. Smith, W. B. Bowman, and J. S. Smith, Workington; J. W. Young, Harrington; and J. Eilbeck, Egremont. The Visitors present were:—Comps. J. Bowes P.Z., P.P.G. Standard Learner West Lancashire, and Installing Officer of the day; J. Lemon P.Z. St. John's Chapter, 327, Wigton; H. Bewes H., Wigton; J. Gardiner J., Wigton; J. H. Banks, Wigton; W. Kirkbride P.Z. Unanimity Chapter, 339, Penrith; and J. Armstrong, Sefton Chapter, 60, of Warrington. The newly decorated hall, aided by the magnificent furniture of Furness Chapter, 995, Ulverston, kindly lent for the occasion, and the gas illuminations, presented a brilliant appearance when all the Companions were robed and seated in their respective situations. After the Chapter had been opened in form, the minutes of the previous Convocation were read and confirmed, followed by the reading and adoption of the Treasurer's statement of accounts, which showed the satisfactory balance of £43 odd in hand. Nine new candidates for exaltation were then balloted for, and duly accepted. Seven of the candidates being present, were duly exalted by M.E.Z. Comp. J. Barr, in his usual masterly style, assisted by the other officers. The M.E.Z. Comp. Bowes, then ascended the throne as Installing Officer, and proceeded to instal the three Principals, followed by the investiture of the other officers. The lengthy and impressive ceremony was performed by Comp. Bowes in that unsurpassable manner for which he has for so many years been noted in the North, and the appreciation of his talents and kindness in coming so far, was recorded by the Companions present in a special and hearty vote of thanks. He was also elected an honorary member of the Chapter. The list of the installed and invested officers is as follows:—Comp. E. Fearon Z., W. Sandwith H., J. R. Tickle J., E. Tyson E., J. D. Thompson N., J. McKelvie Treas., W. F. Lamonby P.S., J. Rothery Assist. S., J. W. Young 2nd Assist. S., James Cooper Organist, G. Fitzgerald Janitor. Before the Chapter was closed five new candidates were proposed for exaltation at next quarterly convocation. On the motion of Companion W. B. Gibson, seconded by Companion Kenworthy, the Chapter voted the sum of £5 to the Royal Benevolent Society for aged Freemasons and their Widows. Companion Barr also moved, and Companion Gibson seconded, that the sum of £5 be voted to the widow of a deceased Companion of Sun, Square, and Compasses Chapter, which was agreed to unanimously. A special vote of thanks was accorded to Furness Chapter, Ulverston, for the kind loan of their furniture, and the Chapter was duly and finally



closed. Subsequently the Companions adjourned to the banqueting hall, where a substantial refection was provided by Bro. Smith, of the Albion Hotel, Whitehaven. Companion Fearon presided, supported right and left by Companions Sandwith, Gibson, Bowes, Tickle, M'Kelvie, Kenworthy, Lemon, Kirkbride, &c., and faced by Companions Tyson and Thompson. The Chairman proposed the healths of the Queen and the other members of the Royal Family; and next gave the Prince of Wales, M.E.Z. of England, the Earl of Carnarvon, and Lord Skelmersdale, Second and Third Principals, and the Grand Chapter of England, which was drunk with all the honours. Companion Barr proposed, in a neat speech, the Newly-Installed Principals, to which the Chairman and Companions Sandwith and Tickle replied. Companion Barr gave the healths of the other officers, and Companions Tyson, Thompson, M'Kelvie, Lamouby, and Rothery severally returned thanks. Other complimentary toasts followed, including, of course, the health of the Installing Principal E. Comp. Bowes, and the company broke up, about nine o'clock, having had a most harmonious and highly successful meeting. We may add that Sun, Square, and Compasses Chapter has nearly 150 members on the roll, and the number is steadily increasing at each convocation. Without fear of contradiction, we may affirm that it is one of the most flourishing and best worked Chapters in the Province.

### GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.

THE quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland was held on Monday afternoon, in the Freemasons' Hall, George-street, Edinburgh. The throne was occupied by Sir Michael Shaw-Stewart, Bart., the Most Worshipful Grand Master Mason of Scotland, who was supported by Bro. William Mann, P.G.W., Acting R. W. Senior Grand Warden; William Hay, V.W. Senior G.D., Acting R.W. Senior G.W. On the dais were Bros. Henry Inglis of Torsonce, P.S.G.M.; Colonel Campbell, of Blythswood, Prov. G.M. of Renfrewshire East; Lauderdale Maitland of Eccles, P.G.M. Dumfriesshire; Captain Harriott, of Killiemore, P.G.M. of Wigtownshire; J. H. Neilson, P.P.G.M. Venezuela; John Laurie, Grand Secretary; Dr. J. T. Loth, representative of the Grand Orient of France; Rev. A. Thomson Grant, V.W. Grand Chaplain; Alexander Hay, Grand Jeweller; John Coghill, Grand Director of Ceremonies; C. W. Müller, Grand Director of Music; Daniel Robertson, Grand Bible Bearer; Robert Davidson, Grand Organist; W. Officer, Grand Deacon. The Grand Lodge having been opened and raised to the sublime degree, the Grand Master read a letter from the Lord Provost of Glasgow in regard to the visit of the Prince of Wales, dated 28th October 1876. The Lord Provost wrote:—

"Dear Sir Michael,—On behalf of my brother magistrates and myself, I beg respectfully to convey to the several Masonic bodies who took part in the proceedings connected with the laying of the foundation stone of the new Post Office by the Prince and Princess of Wales on the 17th inst. our hearty sense of the value of your and their services. That, notwithstanding the unpropitious nature of the weather, the several lodges should have carried out with so much steadiness and good temper the various arrangements in which they had to take part was most gratifying, and we only regret that after coming—some of them from great distances—to show their loyalty, at much cost and sacrifice of personal comfort, they were not favoured with better weather."

Sir Michael also stated that he had been highly pleased with the turn-out on the occasion referred to; and Bro. Inglis then proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Grand Master. (Cheers.) He was sure the great craft had lost nothing of its dignity that day. (Applause.)

The Grand Master, in returning thanks, said that the proceedings had given him great anxiety beforehand. He had had no fear but that the Masons would do their work well, but great difficulties had to be overcome. The Grand Secretary and the office-bearers in Glasgow, however, took considerable trouble with the arrangements. They were made as complete as possible; and, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, he considered it had been a most successful day. (Cheers.) He was sure the Masonic part of the ceremony would never be forgotten by those who had taken part in it. (Applause.)

The Grand Master afterwards intimated the death of the Most Hon. the Marquis of Tweeddale, K.S., R.W.P.G.M., and an expression of regret was ordered to be recorded on the minutes for the loss sustained by the Grand Lodge.

Brother Henry Inglis said he had not the slightest fear but that the motion he had to submit would be adopted unanimously. It was that Sir Michael Shaw-Stewart be elected for another year. (Cheers.)

The Grand Master said he was very much obliged for the kind manner in which his nomination had been submitted and received. He could only say that his best services were at the disposal of the Grand Lodge for another year. (Cheers.) He only hoped he would have the same kind support which he had had hitherto. (Renewed cheers.)

The following office bearers were then elected unanimously:—R. W. Past Grand Master, the Right Hon. the Earl of Rosslyn; R.W. Depute Grand Master, Henry Inglis, of Torsonce; R.W. Substituted Grand Master, Colonel A. C. Campbell of Blythswood; R. W. Senior Grand Warden, the Right Hon. Lord Rosehill; R. W. Junior Grand Warden, the Right Hon. Lord Ramsay.

The Grand Committee proposed that Brother D. Kinnear should be appointed Senior Grand Deacon.

Brother Hepburn S.W. Scotia Lodge, moved as an amendment that Brother D. M. Neilson, R.W.M. 3 bis, should be appointed to the office.

Brother Wm. Phillips R.W.M. Clydesdale Lodge, said it was but right that such an important province as Glasgow should have some representation in the Grand Lodge. (Cheers.) He was quite sure that Brother Neilson would not only do his duty, but reflect credit on the office. (Cheers.)

A vote was afterwards taken, when it was seen that 84 were in

favour of Brother Neilson, and 57 for Brother Kinnear. The announcement was received with cheers by the brethren from the western province.

Brother Samuel Hay (Union Bank) and Brother John Laurie were proposed for the offices of Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary respectively.

Brother Adam Thomson, R.W.M., Dumfries, objected to the re-appointment of those office-bearers, on the ground that it might be of great advantage to infuse some new blood into these departments. The Grand Treasurer he contended annually violated the rules, and the Secretary had neglected his duties by not replying to a great number of communications from daughter Lodges.

Brother D. M. Neilson stated that at a meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Glasgow several statements had been made concerning Brother Laurie, and a letter had been handed to him which had been prepared by a committee appointed to bring the matter before the Grand Lodge. He suggested that this letter should be read.

The Grand Master had no hesitation in saying that matters in the Secretary's department were not in a satisfactory state, and he would use every endeavour to get them remedied.

Bro. George Macdonald, R.W.M. Thistle and Rose Lodge, asked whether Bro. Laurie was not being made the scapegoat for the Grand Lodge. As far as complaints from Glasgow were concerned, he believed it was not so much Bro. Laurie who was to blame as the Grand Lodge.

Bro. Laurie, Grand Secretary, said he had listened with considerable pain to the statements which had been made, but he would not take up time rebutting them, as he might do. In going over these matters, whilst condemning what had not been done, they had overlooked what he really did do. (Hear, hear, and applause.) Any one in his position was entitled to at least some consideration, or at any rate fair play. A number of the brethren present were in a position to prove from their own knowledge of the facts that the labours of the Grand Lodge were immensely more than any single individual could possibly superintend and discharge correctly. (Cheers.) From early on Monday morning till late on Sunday night following he was scarcely ever absent from the office, and the whole of his time was taken up in attending to the interests of the Grand Lodge; and even then it was utterly impossible to overtake the labours imposed upon him. Very few were aware of the enormous amount of work required to be discharged in his department, and the consequence was that many communications could not be replied to. He would prepare a statement in his own justification, which would be submitted to the Grand Lodge.

It was ultimately agreed to appoint Brother D. Kinnear as interim cashier.

The appointments were otherwise agreed to, and the other office bearers elected were:—V.W. Joint Grand Chaplains, the Rev. W. H. Gray, D.D., and the Rev. A. Thomson Grant, V.W. Junior Grand Deacon, Colonel Wilson of Bannockburn, V.W. Architect, W. Hay, Worshipful Grand Jeweller, A. Hay, Worshipful Grand Bible-Bearer, D. Robertson, Worshipful Grand Director of Ceremonies, J. Coghill, Worshipful Grand Bard, J. Ballantine, Worshipful Grand Sword Bearer, Captain G. F. R. Coit of Gartsherrie, Worshipful Grand Director of Music, C. W. M. Müller, Worshipful Grand Organist, R. Davidson, Worshipful Grand Marshal, Captain W. Ellis, Edinburgh Rifle Volunteers, Worshipful Grand Tyler, W. M. Bryce, Worshipful Outer Guard, J. Baikie. Board of Grand Stewards: President, F. S. Melville, Vice-President, John Haig.

On the recommendation of the Grand Lodge, charters, on petition, were granted to the following Lodges:—"Bruce," Frickheim, "Athole," Kimberley, Griquaand, "Albert Edward," Poinadie, "Kindred Hope," Nussersabad, Rajpootana.

The Right Hon. Earl of Mar and Kellie was nominated as representative of the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands; Bro. W. Officer P.G.D. for Egypt, D. Murray Lyon for West Virginia, D. Kinnear P.J.D., the Right Hon. Lord Inverurie for Missouri, and Daniel Robertson for South Carolina.

A motion by Bro. John Macrae R.W.M. No. 360, Commercial, in regard to the raising of fees, was continued till next quarterly communication, in consequence of his unavoidable absence. The Grand Lodge was afterwards closed in ample form.

The members of the "Old Scholars' Re-union," to the number of twenty-six, dined together on Tuesday evening last, at Anderton's Hotel. The Rev. Dr. Morris was in the chair, and among the guests was the Rev. Mr. Woodward, a former Head Master and Chaplain of the Boys' School.

The chief toasts of the evening were the "Success and Prosperity of the Royal Masonic Institution," and the "Old Scholars' Re-union."

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We congratulate Bro. Terry on the addition of £100 to his salary, sanctioned by the General Committee of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, on Wednesday. This recognition of his zeal was deserved, but this in no way detracts from the pleasure he must experience. We may mention that the addition dates, retrospectively, from the 1st January of this year.

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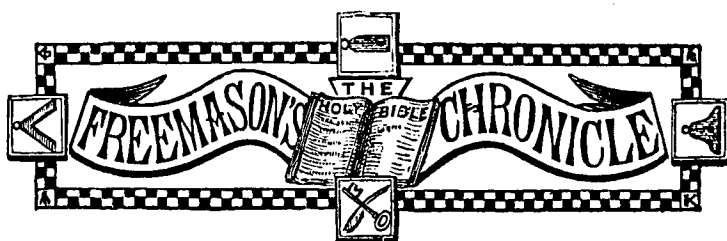
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**OUR WEEKLY BUDGET.**

THE Queen is still at her Highland residence, but her return southwards to Windsor Castle may be expected very shortly. With her usual gracious kindness, her Majesty has lost no time in expressing, through the medium of the First Lord of the Admiralty, her thanks to Captain Nares and the gallant officers and men under his command for their valuable services in the late Arctic Expedition. At the same time, she sympathises with them deeply in the hardships they endured, and laments the unfortunate loss of life that occurred. The ships only reached Portsmouth towards the end of last week, and the Admiralty Minute giving effect to this message is dated Monday, the 6th instant. Captain Nares and his men will certainly appreciate this act of kindness on the part of the Queen all the more for the promptness with which it has been done. The Prince and Princess of Wales are at Sandringham, where they are entertaining a large circle of guests, among them Captain Nares, of Arctic fame. The shooting season commenced on Monday, and has been prosecuted vigorously ever since. Thursday being the birthday of His Royal Highness, the day was celebrated with great heartiness. The visitors were very numerous, and the congratulations offered to the Prince were genuinely loyal.

Lord Mayor's Show was a great success, and offered more than the usual attractions, the consequence being that the streets were thronged with sight-seers from a very early hour, our country cousins mustering in considerable numbers. The route travelled was of unusual length, as the wards to which the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs belong were at the opposite extremes of the city boundary. The procession left Guildhall precisely at twelve o'clock, the city dignitaries having previously fortified themselves against the cold and the long drive by partaking of a substantial lunch. Heading the long array was the band of the Grenadier Guards, under Bro. Dan Godfrey, and the Royal London Militia. After the Loriners' Company, came the Watermen, bearing banners innumerable, then the Royal Standard and the banner of the City of London, followed by those of distinguished men who have filled the office of Lord Mayor. Then followed sundry of the City Companies, with military bands between, and the Vintners' Company being among them, there was a compact array of "swan uppers," each bearing a banner more or less appropriate. After the band of the 3rd City of London Rifles, were the Indian elephants, with their howdahs, and trappings, and driven by mahouts—these being commemorative of the Prince of Wales's visit to India—and half-a dozen Knights



in armour, attended by their esquires. The Under Sheriffs and Sheriffs, in their state carriages, appeared a little later in the procession, and then, headed by the band of the Honourable Artillery Company, the Aldermen who have and have not passed the chair. The retiring Lord Mayor (Alderman Cotton) followed; after him the mounted band of one of the regiments of Household Cavalry; and, preceded by the City Marshal, the City Trumpeters and his servants, in their gorgeous state liveries, came the great man himself, Lord Mayor Sir Thomas White, in his state coach, with his chaplain and sword-bearer, and escorted by a troop of the 21st Hussars. On reaching Westminster, his Lordship went through the customary formalities; having invited the Judges of the various divisions of the High Court of Justice to honour the banquet with their presence, the procession started on its return to Guildhall, *via* the Thames Embankment, being joined by the Lady Mayoress, attended by her maids of honour. At the banquet which followed, the whole of the Cabinet were present, the Duke of Richmond and Gordon having returned to town from Balmoral. The usual speeches followed, that of the Prime Minister being listened to with eagerness, and greeted with enthusiasm. The usual crowd of roughs appeared in force, but the police effectually restrained their blackguardism whenever it became too effusive to be pleasant to the inoffensive spectators of the show.

Meetings about the Eastern Question still continue to be held throughout the country, though at less frequent intervals. Among the more important speeches that have recently been delivered, the most noticeable is that of the Marquis of Hartington who spoke at considerable length at the comparatively small town of Kighley, remarkable chiefly for the anti-vaccination views of its poor law guardians. The speech was that of a statesman who has a full sense of the responsibility that attaches to all his utterances, not that of a violent partisan. Among other recent speeches may be mentioned Messrs. Selater-Booth and Baillie-Cochrane, both of them Conservative M.P.'s. We may add here, that the Marquis of Salisbury has been appointed to be Her Majesty's special Ambassador at the approaching conference on the Eastern Question.

It seems that latterly the roughs of Dublin have been exhibiting the greatest violence to the detriment of all peaceful citizens, not only on ordinary week-days, but likewise on Sundays. Certain of them, however, have met condign punishment at the hands of Judge Lawson. These ruffians brutally assaulted one or more constables, in the execution of their duty, and on being found guilty were severally sentenced to five years' penal servitude, to the no small consternation of their companion blackguards. A third rough had a similar punishment meted out to him on Monday, for a similar offence. Attempts are being made at intimidation, but the just severity of this upright and fearless judge will, we trust, have the desired effect of repressing this too-prevalent lawlessness in the Irish Capital.

A special exhibition of chrysanthemums, fruit and vegetables, was offered, on Tuesday, at the Royal Horticultural Gardens, South Kensington. Among the principal exhibitors of chrysanthemums were Messrs. Charles Turner, of Slough, and Messrs. Veitch and Son, of Chelsea. Mr. Williams, of Upper Holloway, contributed a fine collection of plants of various kinds. Messrs. James Carter and Co., of Holborn, and Messrs. Sutton and Son, of Reading, offered prizes for vegetables. Among the fruit were some magnificent grapes, contributed by Mr. Wild Smith, gardener to Viscount Eversley, and some fine pine apples, exhibited by Mr. Eyre, of Newbury.

A series of gunnery experiments has been proceeding at Eastbourne for a considerable time past, the object being to ascertain the battering power of certain guns, and the merits of different kinds of shells. One of the old Martello Towers in the immediate neighbourhood has been the target, and the results are considered by the artillerists who conducted the experiments to have been in every way satisfactory. This is, doubtless the case, for very little of the tower remains standing, the brickwork, which in some places was seven feet thick, having been battered to smithereens. The gun employed was a 64-pounder, weighing 95 cwt.

Except in a few places, Guy Fawkes' Day is no longer celebrated with the same *éclat* as formerly—at least, in the Metropolis. Moreover, the memorable day fell this year on a Sunday, and people celebrated the event, some on Satur-

day, but the majority on Monday. On the former of these days we saw a miserable abortion of a guy in the neighbourhood of Aldersgate Station, and not far removed, therefore, from our offices. It was intended, or we imagined it, to bear some resemblance to, Emperor William of Germany. But though that monarch has had a good deal to do with gunpowder in his day, he is the sworn enemy of ragtag and bobtail, and would never have permitted any such indecent liberties to be taken with him as his effigy was submitted to in Aldersgate-street. At Lewes, Hitchin, Exeter, and other provincial towns and cities where the day is still remembered in the good old fashion, the authorities appear, very wisely, to have acquiesced in the proceedings. Consequently, no disturbances occurred. The guys were paraded during the day with becoming solemnity, and, when the shades of evening came on, were duly consigned to the flames of the numerous bonfires specially piled up for their destruction. While the effigies of Fawkes, the Pope, and other public personages, past or present, were being thus destroyed, some excellent displays of fireworks were given. At Croydon there seems to have been some little disturbance. The local authorities had not the same common sense as the authorities at Exeter and elsewhere. The consequence then was a considerable amount of disturbance, and but for the strength of the police, the rough element would have had opportunity for earning further distinction in ruffianism. At Oxford and Cambridge, precautions were taken against the usual town and gown rows. There were a few scimmages, however, in spite of the efforts of the proctors, and these resulted in sundry broken heads. But nothing more serious happened.

We hear by telegrams from America, that the Election of Mr. Tilden the Democratic candidate for the Presidency is considered certain, but by only the narrowest of majorities. This of course, may be taken as a vote of the United States on the policy pursued by the Executive during the last sixteen years, during which the Republican party has been supreme. We trust the government of Mr. Tilden—assuming him to have been elected—will serve to promote the welfare of the United States.

Cardinal Antonelli is dead, he who, for a quarter of a century, has been the faithful minister of Pope Pius IX., the kindly old scold who occasionally excommunicates a score or two of Freemasons. The Cardinal is said to have amassed enormous wealth which goes to his nearest relations, a brace or more of nephews. Who his successor will be is not yet determined. Death has also claimed another victim in the person of the youthful Duchess d'Aosta, wife of the King of Italy's second son, Prince Amadeo, sometime King of Spain, till the Spanish Grandeess, who had invited him to their country behaved so shamefully, that the fine young fellow, as he is, shook off the dust from his feet and returned home. His young wife, however, never, it is said, recovered from the anxiety and indignities to which her husband was exposed during his short kingship, and hence her death, at the early age of twenty-five.

Warlike operations have ceased for the present, and we hope there is no chance of their being renewed when the period of the armistice is concluded. The proposal of a Conference appears to meet with general approval, so it is reported, at least; but Russia, as is her custom, has been creating difficulties about the boundary line to be drawn between the contending armies. Austria, however, is opposed to the latest rumoured demand of the Czar, which is to the effect that the Turks shall retire to the positions they held on the 17th ult. Austria proposes the line be drawn as it would have been on the 31st ult., which seems far more reasonable. Meanwhile General Tcherniaeff has returned to Belgrade, and is about to enjoy a few weeks' rest in Russia. According to the adventurer, war will be resumed, but five of the Great Powers of Europe may happen to think differently from the General, who has not yet achieved the position of a Napoleon I., so as to dictate the alternative of peace or war to Europe. He may be right; for there is no marking the limits of Russian intrigue. The more we dwell upon the recent agitation in this country, and the conduct of Russia now and during her whole career, the more amazed are we that Englishmen should have wished so brutal a power to act as champion of Christendom. The indignation of the people at the cruelties committed was righteous, but the foul deeds of Russia have been as atrocious, if not more so; in testimony whereof we need but mention the names of Earl Russell and the late Lord Palmerston, statesmen

whom Englishmen, of all shades of politics, delight to honour.

The General Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution met on Wednesday the 8th inst. at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, and was numerously attended. Bro. Colonel Creaton, V.P., took the chair. The Secretary, Bro. Jas. Terry, read the minutes of the former meeting, which were confirmed. A letter was read from Lord Skelmersdale, M.W. Deputy Grand Master, stating that in all probability H.R.H. Prince Leopold, P.G.M. Oxford, would take the chair at the annual Festival in February next. The widow of a former annuitant was granted half her late husband's annuity for three years. Eight candidates were placed on the list. The following notices of motion were given by Col. Creaton (V. Patron), P.G.D.:—

"That in consideration of the large sums collected (mainly by the great exertions of the Secretary), and consequent additional amount of work in the office, his Salary be increased £100 per annum, commencing on the 1st January 1876."

Notice of Motion pursuant to recommendation of Finance Committee:—

"That the Clerk's Salary be increased £20 per annum, to commence on the 1st December next."

These were carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman.

There were present—Bros. S. Rawson, R. H. Giraud, T. Fenn, J. Hogg, A. J. Filer, Hyde Pullen, James Brett, C. A. Cottebrune, A. H. Tattershall, J. G. Stevens, W. Hall, J. A. Farnfield, J. Newton, J. Constable, W. Hilton, J. White, J. Hurst jun. J.P., F. Adlard, R. W. Little, C. Lacey, L. Stean, W. Stephens, J. M. Stedwell, G. Bolton, and J. R. Gallant.

### In Memoriam.

WE are sorry to announce the death, on Sunday last, of a most excellent Mason, one who, during his connection with the Craft, had always shown himself to be a most zealous, painstaking, and efficient member, and who to these invaluable qualifications added, in a very conspicuous degree, the still more important recommendation of being a steadfast supporter of our Charitable Institutions. We allude, of course, to our late brother, Samuel May, who, in private life, was as esteemed and loved, as in public life he was admired and respected. So long as his health permitted, he was a regular attendant at Grand Lodge, and he bore on his breast a brilliant array of evidence to his Masonic worth. It is, doubtless, within the knowledge of many of our readers that the course of the late Bro. May's business life did not run as smoothly as his friends could have wished. When, some nine years since, Her Majesty's Theatre was burnt down, Bro. May sustained a loss amounting to many thousands of pounds. The whole of the costumes, the result of years and years of labour, and representing, as we have stated, a large capital, were destroyed likewise. Bro. May, however, whose efforts in three different Stewardships had procured for our several Charities a sum amounting in the aggregate to eight hundred pounds, more or less, had the sympathy of his Masonic friends and admirers, not in words only, but likewise in deeds. A Committee was formed, of which Bro. Ledger, of the *Era*, was honorary Treasurer, and Bro. Thomas Beard, of 10 Basinghall-street, the honorary Secretary, Bro. John Udall, P.G.D., being, usually, the presiding genius. A subscription list was opened, to which the theatrical friends of Bro. May contributed very handsomely. The Christy Minstrels gave an entertainment, the proceeds of which, amounting to £65, were handed over to the May Testimonial Fund. Bro. Chatterton placed Drury Lane at the disposal of the Committee for one night, the proceeds of the entertainment being eminently satisfactory, Bro. Chatterton himself contributing the handsome sum of £50. Bro. Sam. Adams the then lessee of the Philharmonic, Ishington, likewise placed his establishment at the disposal of the Fund, with a beneficial result. The end of all these praiseworthy efforts was, that a festive gathering was held at the Freemasons' Tavern, on the 11th May 1868, and, after an excellent supper, provided by Bro. Charles Gosden, and the usual loyal toasts, Bro. Binckes, who had been previously appointed by the Committee, rose and presented to Bro. Samuel May a testimonial, consisting of an elegant silver salver, weighing sixty ounces, manufactured by Bro.

Lamb, masonic jeweller, of St. John's Square, Clerkenwell, and a purse of £700. Bro. Binckes's speech was, as might have been expected, a very felicitous one, and Bro. May's acknowledgment brief but appropriate. The salver bore the following inscription:—

"Presented, with a purse of £700, to Samuel May, by his Masonic and theatrical friends, in evidence of their sincere sympathy towards him, on the severe loss he has sustained by the calamitous fire at Her Majesty's Theatre, and as a slight mark of their esteem. May 11th 1868."

We need add little to this brief record of our late brother's career. They who knew him loved him; they who knew him not, or by reputation only, respected him. The memory of his virtues alone remains, and these doubtless will incite our younger brethren to follow in his footsteps.

### NEW ZEALAND.

THE usual monthly meeting of the Mount Ida Lodge, E.C., No. 1262, was held in the Masonic Hall, Naseby, on Wednesday, the 6th September. During the evening, a handsome jewel was presented to W. Bro. Past Master Henry Wirgman Robinson, who held the office of W.M. for a period of two years. This jewel was a hearty offering from the brethren of the Lodge, in recognition of the valuable services rendered by Bro. Robinson in connection therewith. The jewel was a chaste and elegant piece of workmanship. The presentation was made by P.P.G.D. Senior P.M. Bro. Grumitt, in highly complimentary terms, expressing a hope that Bro. Robinson's services might be long continued to the Lodge, and that he might be long spared to wear the jewel which was about to be presented to him. Bro. Grumitt then called upon the Secretary, Bro. Rowlatt, to read the following address:—

Naseby, 6th September 1876.

To P.M. Bro. Henry Wirgman Robinson,  
Mount Ida Lodge, E.C., 1262.

Dear Sir and Brother,—The brethren of the Lodge, as mentioned below, desiring to show their heartfelt appreciation of your Masonic abilities as Master of this Lodge for the past two years, have much pleasure in asking you to accept the P.M. jewel which will this evening be presented to you.

It was our intention to have presented this to you on the termination of your last year's Mastership, but, as the jewel had to be obtained from London, about five months delay has necessarily occurred.

We, together with the visiting brethren who have assembled this evening, hope that you may long continue to cement our Lodge, and that your labours in the cause of the Craft may meet that acceptance at the hands of our Great Master to which every member of our Order has the right to aspire.

We are, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally.

(Here follow the signatures.)

The Secretary, having read the address, Bro. Grumitt then presented it, together with the jewel, to Bro. Robinson, who, in accepting them, expressed the pleasure which he felt at the receipt of so substantial a mark of esteem from the brethren, and also for the kind sentiments conveyed in the address.

### PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF GLASGOW.

THE quarterly communication of this Lodge was held on 2nd November, in St. Mark's Hall, by Bros. F. A. Barrow D.P.G.M., J. Barrow S.P.G.M., D. M. Neilson R.W.M. 3 bis as S.W., G. McDonald R.W.M. 73 as J.W., J. Morgan R.W.M. 219, interim Secretary, J. Balfour D.C., A. Bain B.B., A. Allison J., G. Sinclair Treas. of Benevolent Fund, D. Reid P.G.I.G., J. B. Hardie P.G.O.G., and a large attendance of the Masters and Wardens of the Province.

The acting Past Grand Master said he was extremely sorry that the health of their P.G.M. was still such as to prevent him being present, but he sent him commissions in favour of Bro. Easton of St. John 3½ as P.G.S.W., and Bro. Dr. A. Morton I.P.M. of Commercial Lodge 360 as P.G.J.W. Bro. Easton was not present, but as Dr. Morton was, he had great pleasure in installing him as their Junior Warden. (Cheers.) The bye-laws of 465, 510, and 571 were then passed, and the committee on the bye-laws and other disputed points in reference to Lodge St. Vincent, No. 553, were directed to call a meeting of the Lodge, and hear both parties in open Lodge before giving their decision in the matters referred to them. The meeting to be called at the earliest date possible. The consideration of the bill of business to be brought before the Grand Lodge on Monday was then taken up, and the motions to come before it discussed. Considerable dissatisfaction was expressed at the state of financial matters, and also at the want of punctuality in some of the Grand Lodge officials, also at the ignoring of the claims of Glasgow, and the West of Scotland in general, in the distribution of Grand Lodge honours. Ultimately a committee, consisting of the R.W.M.'s of Lodges 3½, 360, 404, and 413, along with the I.P.M. of 102, was unanimously appointed to draw up a memorial, to be presented to Grand Lodge on Monday, first showing their alleged grievances, and drawing attention to the fact that although one-fifth of the total income of Grand Lodge comes from this province, and one-seventh from Ayrshire, yet both provinces have been for some time past systematically ignored by what should be termed the Grand Lodge of Edinburgh rather than the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

Arrangements having been made for the consecration of Plantation Lodge, No. 553, on Monday, the 13th, the Lodge was closed in due form.

## 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.

## SATURDAY, 11th NOVEMBER.

- 193—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Instruction.)  
1426—Great City, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.  
R. A.—Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, at 8.  
1391—Commercial, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester.  
1556—Addiscombe, Alma Tavern, Addiscombe.

## MONDAY, 13th NOVEMBER.

- 45—Strong Man, Old Jerusalem, St. John's-sq., Clerkenwell, at 8. (Instruction.)  
90—St. John's, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street, E.C.  
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7.0. (Instruction.)  
68—Royal Clarence, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.  
104—St. John's, Ashton House, Greek-street, Stockport.  
411—Commercial, Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham.  
589—Druids' Love and Liberality, Masonic Hall, Redruth.  
650—Star in the East, Pier Hotel, Harwich.  
665—Montague, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis.  
1021—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Custom House Buildings, Hindport-road, Barrow-in-Furness.  
1069—United Brothers, Castle Hotel, Southsea.  
1253—Traveller, Queen's Hotel, Manchester.  
1350—Fermor Hesketh, Masonic Temple, Hope-street, Liverpool.  
1393—Baldwin, The Castle, Dalton-in-Furness.  
1611—Eboracum, Micklegate, York. (Emergency.)  
R. A. 720—Panmure, Horns Tavern, Kennington.

## TUESDAY, 14th NOVEMBER.

- 55—Constitutional, Wheatsheaf, Hand-court, W.C., at 7.0. (Instruction.)  
863—Dalhousie, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.30. (Instruction.)  
1306—St. John of Wapping, Gun Hotel, High-st., Wapping, at 8. (Instruction.)  
1507—Metropolitan, 269 Pentonville-road. (Instruction.)  
1604—Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
R. A.—Metropolitan Chapter of Instruction, Jamaica Coffee House, St. Michael's alley, Cornhill, at 6.30.  
93—Social, Freemasons' Hall, Norwich.  
284—Shakespeare, Masonic Room, High-street, Warwick.  
592—Royal Edward, Royal Oak, Leominster.  
903—Gosport, India Arms Hotel, High-street, Gosport.  
1250—Gilbert Greenhall, Masonic Rooms, Sankey-street, Warrington.  
1465—Ockenden, Talbot Hotel, Cuckfield, Sussex.  
1593—Royal Naval College, Ship Hotel, Greenwich.  
M. M.—York, Masonic Hall, York.

## WEDNESDAY, 15th NOVEMBER.

- Grand Stewards, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
174—Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street.  
190—Oak, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
193—Confidence, Masons' Hall, Masons'-avenue, at 7.0. (Instruction.)  
212—Euphrates, Masons' Hall, Masons'-avenue, E.C.  
863—Whittington, Black Bull, Holborn, at 8. (Instruction.)  
1185—Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7. (Instruction.)  
1288—Finsbury Park, Finsbury Park Tav., Seven Sisters'-rd., at 8.0. (Instruction.)  
1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion-road, Dalston, at 8.0. (Instruction.)  
R. A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8. (Instruction.)  
R. A. 1365—Clifton, White Hart Tavern, Clifton, at 7.30. (Instruction.)  
121—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzance.  
137—Amity, Masonic Hall, Thames-street, Poole.  
175—East Med., 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.  
663—Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Monmouthshire.  
839—Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames.  
969—Sun and sector, Assembly Rooms, Worthington.  
1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Great Driffield.  
1086—Walton, St. Lawrence Boys' School, Kirkdale.  
1114—Joppa, Corn Hall, Fakenham.  
1120—St. Chad's, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale.  
1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. Germain's, Cornwall.  
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich.  
1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Darham House, Northallerton.  
1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenaeum, Lancaster.  
1443—Saem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon.  
1511—Alexandria, Masonic Hall, Hornsea.  
R. A. 284—Shakespeare, Masonic Room, High-street, Warwick.  
R. A. 417—Faith and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Dorchester.  
R. A. 632—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Trowbridge.  
R. A. 1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham.

## THURSDAY, 16th NOVEMBER.

- 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.  
169—Temperance, White Swan, High-street, Deptford.  
181—Universal, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8. (Instruction.)  
813—New Concord, Rosemary Branch Tavern, Hoxton.  
1139—South Norwood, Public Hall, South Norwood.  
1260—Hervey, 152 Fulham-road, at 8. (Instruction.)  
1278—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Approach-road, Victoria Park.  
1426—Great City, 111 Cheapside, E.C., at 6.30. (Instruction.)  
1459—Marquess of Ripon, Albion, Albion-road, Dalston, at 7.30. (Instruction.)  
1507—Metropolitan, 269 Pentonville-road.  
56—Howard, High-street, Arundel.  
280—Worcester, Bell Hotel, Worcester.  
343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston.  
623—Jann of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester.  
663—Wiltshire of Fidelity, Town Hall, Devizes.  
1184—Aubey, Masonic Hall, Battle, Sussex.  
1332—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon.  
1612—West Mid. Essex, Railway Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction.)  
R. A. 339—Regularity, Crown Hotel, King-street, Penrith.  
R. A. 602—Marwood, Masonic Hall, Middlesbrough.

## FRIDAY, 17th NOVEMBER.

- House Committee, Boy's School, Freemasons' Hall, at 8.  
933—Doric, Earl Grey Tavern, Mile End-road, at 8. (Instruction.)  
1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)  
1273—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Victoria Park, at 8. (Instruction.)  
1365—Clifton, White Hart, Clifton, 7.30. (Instruction.)  
347—North's Ark, Wagon and Horses Hotel, Tipton.  
516—Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Sowermarket.  
R. A. 586—Elias de Dereham, Masonic Hall, Salisbury.

## SATURDAY, 18th NOVEMBER.

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

## IRELAND.

- WEDNESDAY—161—Excelsior, Bishop-street, Tuam.  
THURSDAY—129—Industry, Dundoran, Donegal.

## WEST YORKSHIRE.

## MONDAY.

- 296—Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.  
1231—Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds.  
R. A. 302—Charity, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford.  
R. A. 306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds.

## TUESDAY.

- 495—Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield.  
603—Zetland, Royal Hotel, Cleckheaton.  
1522—Olicana, Crescent Hotel, Ilkley.  
1545—Baildon, Angel Inn, Baildon.  
R. A. 299—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds.

## WEDNESDAY.

- 1019—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield.  
1311—Brighouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-road, Brighouse.  
R. A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike.  
R. A. 290—Prosperity, Masonic Hall, South-parade, Huddersfield.

## THURSDAY.

- 600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.  
1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.

## FRIDAY.

- 1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds.  
R. A. 61—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax.  
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.

- 240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields.  
949—Williamson, Royal Hotel, Monkwearmouth.

## TUESDAY.

- 80—St. John, Masonic Hall, Park-terrace, Sunderland.  
764—Harbour of Refuge, Freemasons' Hall, Upper Church-street, West Hartlepool.

## WEDNESDAY.

- 1334—Norman, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham.  
1389—Fenwick, Masonic Hall, Park-terrace, Sunderland.  
R. A. 431—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-upon-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.

## EDINBURGH DISTRICT.

- MONDAY—145—St. Stephen, St. James's Hall, Writer's-court.  
TUESDAY—1—Mary's Chapel, Waterloo Hotel, Waterloo-place.  
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, 38 Constitution-street.  
FRIDAY—R. A. 83—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall.

## GLASGOW AND THE WEST OF SCOTLAND.

All the Meetings are at 8.0 p.m., unless otherwise stated.

- MONDAY—102—St. Mark's, St. Mark's Hall, Buchanan-street, Glasgow.  
" 219—Scar, 12 Trongate, Glasgow.  
" 302—St. Clair, 25 Robertson-street, Glasgow.  
" 553—Plantation, MacLean-street, Govan-road, Glasgow. Consecration of Hall and Lodge at 4 p.m.  
" 541—Marie Stewart, Freemasons' Hall, Crosshill, Glasgow.  
TUESDAY—413—Athol, 213 Buchanan-street, Glasgow.  
" 419—Neptune, 35 St. James's-street, Glasgow.  
" 426—Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, High-street, Renfrew.  
" 556—Clydesdale, 106 Rose-street, Glasgow.  
" R. A. 69—St. Andrew's, 25 Robertson-street, Glasgow, 4 o'clock.  
WEDNESDAY—117—St. Mary, Freemasons' Hall, Douglas-street, Partick.  
" 354—Caledonian Railway, 30 Hope-street, Glasgow.  
" 571—Dramatic, 213 Buchanan-street, Glasgow, at 3 p.m.  
" R. A. 150—St. John's, Freemasons' Hall, Shettleston.  
THURSDAY—27—St. Mungo, 213 Buchanan-street, Glasgow.  
" 465—St. Andrew's, Freemasons' Hall, Garngad-road, Glasgow.  
FRIDAY—360—Commercial, 30 Hope-street, Glasgow.  
" 408—Clyde, 213 Buchanan-street, Glasgow.  
" 321—St. Andrew, Public Hall, Alexandria.  
SATURDAY—305—St. John's, Woodhall, Freemasons' Hall, Holytown. 7 p.m.  
" 512—Thornetree, School Room, Thornetreebank.  
" 524—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, East Kilbride, at 6 p.m.

## NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

**London Masonic Club Lodge of Instruction.**—The committee appointed, as previously announced, have now completed the arrangements for the first meeting, which will take place on Monday next, 13th inst., at 6 o'clock p.m. precisely. Of the committee, Bros. J. O. Hogg P.M. No. 53 will be Hon. Treasurer, J. E. Shand 1363 Hon. Secretary, and it is expected that James Mander P.M. 1201 will be appointed Preceptor. Only members of the London Masonic Club are eligible to be members of the Lodge, but they have the privilege of introducing visitors to instruction without any fees. The subscription for members is 5s annually, and is entrance. The meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays in each month.

**Strong Man Lodge of Instruction, No. 45.**—Held its usual weekly meeting on Monday, the 6th of November, at St. John's-gate, St. John's-square, Clerkenwell, E.C. Present—Bros. Beckett Preceptor W.M., Tolmie S.W., Saul J.W., Killick Secretary, Halford Treasurer, Powell I.G., Christopher Tyler. Visitors—Bros. T. Cowten



860, C. Cowten 860, C. Walters 860, Murbuth 1366, Parker 1366, Smallpeice, Shipley, T. Cull, &c. Business—The Fifteen Sections were worked as follows:—First lecture—By Bros. J. Hill, Trewinnard, Powell, Killick, Tolmie, T. Cull, and Smallpeice. The second lecture by Bros. Hewlett, Percy, Saul, Sadler, and Smallpeice. And the third lecture by Bros. Crawley, Morrison, and Stock. Bros. T. Cull and Shipley were elected members. Votes of thanks to the W.M. and brethren who had assisted were unanimously carried. This Lodge meets every Monday, at 8 p.m.

**St. John, No. 3 bis,** held its regular meeting on Tuesday, the 7th instant, in their own Hall. There was upwards of 60 of the members and a number of visitors present. The Lodge was opened by the R.W.M. Bro. D. M. Neilson, who on the preceding day had been elected to the office of G.S.D. at Edinburgh. Bro. J. Sellers S.W., P. Brownlie J.W., J. Dick Sec., and a large attendance of P.M.'s. The I.P.M., Bro. Wm. Bell, at the request of the Master, initiated four gentlemen into the mysteries of the Order, in excellent style. Three brethren were affiliated as joining members. The case of a distressed widow was brought before the Lodge by the R.W.M., and arrangements made for her relief. Bro. Dr. Robertson then, at the request of the Lodge, delivered an eloquent and instructive lecture on Freemasonry. We hope to give an outline in our next.

**Metropolitan Royal Arch Chapter of Improvement.**—At the meeting on Tuesday, 7th inst., the following were present:—Comps. Jas. Stevens M.E.Z., E. S. Norris H., J. Constable J., J. Boyd Treasurer, Thos. W. White S.E., E. H. Finney S.N., J. W. Berrie P.S., R. W. Little, G. K. Lemann, J. D. Taylor, G. P. Gillard, A. A. Drew, G. Darcy, A. L. Annett, G. J. Row, H. Venn, J. Seex. The minutes of last meeting having been read, the ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, after which Comp. Boyd worked two clauses of the lecture, assisted by the Companions.

**Egyptian Lodge of Instruction, No. 27.**—This Lodge held its weekly meeting at Bro. Maidwell's, the Hercules, Leadenhall-street, on Thursday evening last, 9th Nov. Present—Bros. Hewlett W.M., Parker S.W., Hogarth J.W., Maidwell S.D., Powell J.D., W. H. Hogarth I.G., Grammer Hon. Sec., and other brethren. The ceremony of the second degree was rehearsed, Bro. Powell acting as candidate. The first, second, and third sections of the lecture were worked by the W.M., assisted by the brethren. The fourth and fifth sections by Bro. Webb, Bro. Horsley dictating the answers. Lodge was then resumed to the first, and the fourth section of the lecture was worked by Bro. Webb, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Peacock, of No. 590, was elected a member of this Lodge of Instruction.

**Panmure Mark Master Masons Lodge, No. 139.**—This Lodge held its regular meeting on Monday, the 6th of November, at the Balham Hotel, Balham. Present:—Bros. Thomas Poore P.M. as W.M., James Stevens P.M. P.G.O. as S.W., George Lilley P.M. as J.W., J. J. Joseph M.O., C. P. McKay Secretary as S.O., J. Gibson J.O., W. B. Miller D.C., J. Hardcastle I.G., W. Grant Tyler; also Bros. J. Barney, J. Wegg, J. G. Hersey, &c. Apologies from principal officers and members for non-attendance, occasioned by absence from town in some cases, and in others, we regret to say, by sickness, were read and received with much regret. So small an attendance as above recorded is most unusual in the Panmure. There were five candidates for advancement, of whom but one, Bro. Larchin of No. 1531, was able to attend. That brother was, however, inducted into the degree of Mark Master with full ceremony, and in the usual efficient manner for which this Lodge is celebrated. A notice of motion for increase of advancement fee, to take effect from March next, and which is rendered absolutely necessary by the great increase of members, was given by Bro. Gibson. Two new candidates were proposed for advancement, with four other approved brethren, at the ensuing meeting. Lodge was then closed, and refreshment followed labour.

**Joppa Lodge, No. 168.**—The regular meeting was held on Monday, the 6th inst., at the Albion Hotel, Aldergate-street, Bro. E. Hickman I.P.M. in the chair, in the absence of the W.M., Bro. G. A. Dedson. Bros. L. Lazarus S.W., Miller J.W., L. Auerhaan Treasurer, E. P. Allert G.P. Secretary, M. Spiegel S.D., M. Hyman I.G., Campion D.C., Baker and H. P. Isaac Stewards, and Past Masters Bros. L. Alexander, I. Abrahams, H. M. Levy, M. Alexander, and Bros. Srausky, Barnes, J. S. Lyon, Benjamin, A. Auerhaan, Bottenheim, Botbol, Genese, Hyman, Walters, Rogers and Verdun. The Lodge was opened and the minutes were confirmed. Bro. J. L. Shuter C.C., late a member of this Lodge, was unanimously elected a joining member. There being no other business, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to slight refreshment. The acting W.M. proposed the usual toasts. Bro. L. P. Albert responded for the "Grand Officers," and Bro. Alexander P.M. for the "Joppa Benevolent Fund." Bro. Hickman then proposed "The Joining Member," who they were proud to see among them, he had been initiated in that Lodge 27 years since. The fact of his returning was evidence that the Lodge of Joppa maintained its high character. Bro. Shuter replied. Bro. L. Alexander then proposed the health of Bro. S. Hickman I.P.M. Although they regretted the absence of the W.M., they were presided over by one in every way qualified to fill his position. Bro. Hickman replied, and proposed the toast of "The Visitors." They had one among them whose name was a household word in Masonry and Masonic charities. This brother had stated that it was his intention to get £1,000 for the Boys' School, and he was sure that, by his indomitable perseverance, he would accomplish what he had undertaken. Bro. Constable replied, and said how pleased he was to visit one of the sister Lodges; but he might say the Tranquillity was its parent Lodge. He then gave a very interesting account of the

history of the two Lodges, and, in conclusion, stated that he sincerely hoped to be able to hand the sum mentioned to the Boys' School. There were many candidates for the other two institutions, and the brethren would see the necessity of supporting them all. Bro. H. Young 279 also replied. Bro. Israel Abrahams, in a few trite remarks, returned thanks for the Past Masters. He felt pleasure in responding, inasmuch as one of their number had been selected for a Grand Officer. He would feel it an honour to represent this Lodge at the next Boys' School Festival. Bro. H. M. Levy would again represent the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and Bro. S. Davis the Girls' School. All had the interests of the Lodge at heart, and all felt a pleasure in representing those noble institutions. The toast of the Wardens was given, the acting W.M. saying how excellently they had discharged their duties; he hoped they would eventually occupy the Master's chair. The toast of the Secretary and Treasurer followed, the latter Bro. responding. Bros. Spiegel, Hyman, Isaac and Baker returned thanks for the Junior Officers, and the Tyler's toast was given. Bros. J. Constable and Benjamin contributed to the harmony.

**Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198.**—The members met on Saturday, the 4th of November, at the Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, corner of Church-road, Islington. Present—Bros. Main W.M., G. E. Cook S.W., Macarthy J.W., Killick Secretary, Halford Treasurer, Defries S.D., Cohen J.D., Powell I.G. Past Masters—Bros. Moss, Mather, &c. Business—The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Staley acting as candidate, and showing that he had already made considerable progress in Masonic knowledge. Bro. Moss took the chair, for the purpose of rehearsing the ceremony of installation. Bro. Main, as W.M. elect, was presented by Bro. Percy. The ceremony being rendered with marked eloquence, the investment of officers followed. Bro. J. L. Mather P.M. 65, 1227, 1471, who was prevented from occupying the chair on this occasion by indisposition, at the request of several members, has consented to rehearse the ceremony of installation at an early date, due notice of which will be given.

**Sincerity Lodge, No. 174.**—In our report of the proceedings of this Lodge, in issue of 21st ult., we omitted the name of Bro. F. Brown, S.W. 1607, who acted as Hon. Secretary to the Testimonial Committee. We must apologise to our good brother Brown for the oversight, as the success of the presentation was mainly owing to his indefatigable exertions. He enters upon any good work with profound pleasure, and is most energetic in all he undertakes for the benefit of the order at large, or individual brethren in particular, and we wish him health and strength to continue his labours of love. There is not a more sincere brother in the Lodge of Sincerity.

**Rutherglen.**—At a special meeting of this lodge, held on Friday evening—Bro. J. Cunningham, P.M., presiding—the following gentlemen were nominated for election for the various offices:—D. Smart R.W.M., J. Cunningham P.M., M. Abbott D.M., G. McCall S.M., John Murdoch J.M., Thomas Alston S.W., John Whyte J.W., William Young J.R., W. Gardiner Treasurer, Alexander Warneck Secretary, A. Robertson S.D., P. M. Ross J.D., Thomas Simpson J.D., A. Brown P.G.S., H. Aitken S.S., M. Sparkis J.S., A. Pearson Chaplain, John Terrie B.B., J. Kennedy B.B., J. Shields S. Bearer, W. Carlin I.G., J. Cairns Tyler.

**United Strength Lodge of Instruction, No. 228.**—This Lodge held its weekly meeting on Wednesday, the 1st November, at the Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales-road, Kentish-town. Present—Bros. J. N. Frost P.M. and P.Z. W.M., Wuest P.M. S.W., Limebeer P.M. J.W., C. Koester P.M. 435 Secretary, Peever P.M. Treasurer, Binnie S.D., Carter J.D., Keil I.G. Past Masters—Bros. Symann, Ash, Sedgwick, Kew, Halsey, H. Slyman, and Scott. Visitors—Bros. E. J. Everdell 1579, O. S. Brown S.W. 1237, J. H. Thompson P.M. 1237, P.P.G.S.B. Middlesex. Business—The Lodge was opened in the three degrees. Minutes read. Resumed to the first degree, and, according to announcement, the Fifteen Sections were worked, the following brethren assisting the W.M.:—First Lecture—Bros. Wuest, Limebeer, Carter, Peever, Koester, Frost, Ash. Second Lecture—Bros. Halsey, Kew, Symann P.M., Ash, Sedgwick. Third Lecture—Bros. Peever, Sedgwick, Koester. Bros. Past Masters Kew and Sedgwick were unanimously elected honorary members. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to Bro. Frost. All Masonic business being ended, the Lodge was closed in harmony at 10 o'clock. Our brethren in the north of London, who may have an hour to spare on the Wednesday evening, should drop in at this Lodge of Instruction; we are sure they will be pleased with the way in which the business is conducted.

**Lily of Richmond Lodge of Instruction.**—The annual banquet was held on Saturday, the 4th instant, at the Greyhound Hotel. Present:—Bros. Kyegoras W.M., Dugby S.W., Harris J.W., Hopgood S.D., Hurst J.D., Fisher I.G., Phillips Secretary and Preceptor, and several brethren. The Lodge was opened and closed in usual form. The brethren then sat down to an excellent banquet, provided by Bro. Palmer, whose catering is well known and appreciated. The usual toasts, both Loyal and Masonic, were briefly given. The event of the meeting was the presentation to Bro. Phillips, by the W.M., in the name of the Lodge, of twelve silver tea spoons and a pair of sugar tongs, in recognition of his valuable services. Bro. Phillips returned thanks for the valuable present. He referred to the increasing numbers of those who had joined. There were some others who were about to do so. Several other toasts were given, and excellent harmony was rendered by Bro. Hurst, Phillips, Digby, and Harris. The "Tyler's" toast was given, and the brethren separated. A subscription in connection with the above Lodge of Instruction was made by about forty brethren, to enable them to become life governors of the three Masonic institutions.

**Commercial Lodge, No. 340.**—The Installation meeting of this highly influential Lodge was held in their own hall, 30 Hone-street, Glasgow, on Friday, 3rd Nov. Present—J. Munro R.W.M., J. M. Oliver S.W., Thomas Graham J.W., P.M.'s J. Davison and W.W. Smith, with a very large attendance of brethren. The Lodge having been opened to the Fellow Craft Degree, the R.W.M. requested Bro. Oliver S.W. to work the second degree, which he did in a very able manner. The election of officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—J. Munro R.W.M. (re-elected), J. M. Oliver D.M., J. Colquhoun S.M., G. Scott Treasurer, J. Smith Sec., Wm. Finlay S.W., R. Reid J.W., Wm. Kell S.D., Alex. Patterson J.D., G. Macpherson Jeweller, J. Clark B.B., J. M. Duncan D.C., R. Brodie D.M., Wm. Muir President of Stewards, Alex. Park I.G., and James Minnock Tyler. Bro. J. Davison, one of the founders, and an old P.M., then initiated Bro. Munro, for the second time, also his Deputy and Substitute Masters, Bro. J. Munro installing the rest of his officers, Bro. G. W. Wheeler delivering the concluding charges to the Master and Wardens. The thanks of the Lodge were given to Bros. Wheeler and Davison. The former, in replying, said he considered it an honour to assist in the Installation of the Officers of the Commercial Lodge, which stood second to none in the city of Glasgow. It was always a source of gratification to any good Mason to assist at installations, but in this instance it was an additional pleasure, as, from the personal knowledge he had of the R.W.M., whom they had very wisely re-elected, there was not a more efficient worker in the Province. Their D.M., while S.W., had also shown his ability to work all the degrees. The S.M. was a brother whom any Lodge might be glad to enrol amongst its members, and both the Wardens had shown, by previous work, that they were worthy of preferment. In fact, the same remark would apply to the other officers; no doubt this made the thanks rather due from him, for the honour conferred, rather than to him for his slight services. Bro. J. Davidson said, as one of the founders of the Lodge, and an old Past Master, he had assisted at many such ceremonies but at none with greater pleasure. If he had never done anything else for the Lodge, he should still think he was entitled to their thanks for having introduced their present R.W.M. to the Lodge and to the Order. Bro. Munro acknowledged the compliment that had been paid him, his conduct in the past was the best guarantee for what he would do during the ensuing year; and, first, they would have an emergency meeting, that night week, to confer the third degree on those entitled, as it was too late to do so that evening. He also expected two or three candidates for initiation on that night. Arrangements were then made for celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Lodge on the 23rd inst. The Lodge was then closed in peace.

**Cornubian Lodge, No. 450, Hayle.**—The regular monthly meeting of this Lodge took place on Thursday, 2nd inst. The Lodge was opened in due form by Bro. George Stevens W.M., assisted by his full staff of officers. The business of the evening—To initiate Mr. Paull, to raise Bro. Boase, to elect W.M. for the ensuing year &c., &c. After the ordinary business was transacted, Mr. Paull not being present, the Lodge was opened in the 2nd degree, when Bro. Boase was examined as to his proficiency; after giving satisfactory proofs, he retired. The Lodge was then opened to the 3rd degree, when the candidate was re-admitted and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. The ceremony was worked to perfection by the W.M., the working tools, lecture, &c., were given impressively by Bro. Bigglestone Spray J.D. The Lodge was then closed down, when the voting papers were issued to elect the W.M. for the ensuing year. The votes were in favor of Bro. Gilbert B. Pearce, S.W. The Brethren, ("55") retired to a supper provided by the Stewards, on the premises, and a most comfortable evening was spent, several Visiting Brethren were present. The annual meeting will take place 27th Dec., when the W.M. elect will be installed in the chair by the retiring W.M.

**Thistle and Rose, No. 173.**—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held on the 7th instant, at 213 Buchanan-street. Bros. G. McDonald R.W.M., A. McLeod S.W., A. Wright as J.W., Wm. Kay S.D., J. Kay J.D., G. McDonald jun. I.G., R. Richards Secretary. Upon the dais were Bros. Dr. J. McInnis, R.W.M. elect of No. 27, and G. Wilson, Chaplain of No. 27, who applied to have a candidate of their Lodge, Mr. Alexander Keller, initiated. This request was granted, and the candidate duly initiated by Bro. McDonald. Bro. G. W. Wheeler then passed two brethren to the Fellow Craft Degree, one for the Thistle and Rose, the other for St. Mango, No. 27. The Lodge was again raised, and Bro. McDonald, in his usual careful manner, raised two brethren to the Sublime Degree.

**Manchester Lodge of Instruction, No. 179.**—The Fifteen Sections were worked at the Yorkshire Grey Tavern, Charlotte-street, Fitzroy-square, on Saturday, 4th November. Bros. Koester P.M. 435 as W.M., Frost P.M. 704 S.W., Belfrage 179 J.W. The Lodge of Instruction was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. The Sections were worked as follows:—1st Lecture—Bros. Buscall, Koester, Busch, Cooke, Belfrage, Frost, Sedgwick. 2nd Lecture—Carter, Kew, Koester, Ash, Sedgwick. 3rd Lecture—Kew, Hurden, Frost. The working was perfect, and the W.M., Bro. Koester, received a vote of thanks, which was recorded on the minutes. The brethren were informed that the ceremony of Installation would be rehearsed on Saturday evening, 11th Nov., at eight o'clock. Bro. Frost would occupy the chair. He hoped the attendance of the brethren would equal that of the present occasion.

**Lodge Union, No. 332.**—At the regular meeting, held at 213 Buchanan-street, Glasgow, on Monday, 6th Nov., which was very fully attended, Bro. D. McKirdy was unanimously nominated again for the office of Master. Bros. James Balfour, Wm. Murray and John McInnis were also unanimously chosen as the D.M., S.M., and S.W. Bros. J. H. Gill and J. Laird were nominated Secretary and Treasurer.

Bros. Wm. Hoy and J. Findley were nominated for the post of J.W. There was also competition for most of the other offices.

**Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.**—The weekly meeting of the above Lodge took place at Bro. Allen's, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, on Tuesday, 7th November. Present—Bros. Weige W.M., Cambridge S.W., W. J. Smith J.W., Barker S.D., Williams J.D., Defries I.G., Worsley Secretary, Wallington P.M. Preceptor; also Bros. Dallas, Watkins, Bilbee, Parrin, Hewlett, Foliot, Hogarth, Perry, Knowles, &c. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Dallas acting as candidate. Bro. W. J. Smith worked the first four sections of the lecture in a masterly manner, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Cambridge was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and appointed his officers in rotation. We would remind our readers that this comfortable and capital Lodge of Instruction commences punctually at 7.30, and finishes by 9.30. Brothers who wish to work themselves up should attend early, the Preceptor desiring to give each one a chance of taking office, and thus enable him to take a position in his Lodge with credit to himself and satisfaction to the members.

**Salisbury Lodge of Instruction.**—This Lodge met on Thursday, 9th Nov., at Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, at eight o'clock. Present—Bros. Stewart W.M., G. Davis S.W., Shand J.W., Wray S.D., Lamb J.D., Docker I.G., T. Cull Sec., Mander Preceptor; also Bros. Farwig, Watts, Neighbour, Blundell, Filby, Moore, Bower, E. Dutton, S. Lloyd, Collins, G. Lewis, J. W. Lewis, &c. Lodge opened, and minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge opened in 2nd degree, and ceremony of passing rehearsed, Bro. Filby candidate. The 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th sections were worked by the brethren. Bros. Moore and Filby answered the questions preparatory to raising. The Lodge resumed to 1st degree, and Bros. Lamb 1567, Lewis 833, Dutton 765, Moore 1201, Bower 765, and Filby 1201 were elected joining members. Bro. G. Davis was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Lodge closed. The Fifteen Sections will be worked in this Lodge on Thursday, 30th inst., at 7 p.m. Bro. T. Cull will preside.

**Prosperity Lodge of Instruction.**—At Bro. Maidwell's, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, 7th November. Present—Bros. Maidwell W.M., Ellis S.W., Hill J.W., Pennell S.D., Richards J.D., Brown I.G., Rudderforth Preceptor, Hollands Secretary, Baxter, Holt-ham, and Watkins. In the absence of Bro. Daniels, Bro. Maidwell took the chair. The Lodge was opened in due form. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Baxter offered himself as candidate for initiation, which ceremony was duly and efficiently worked by the W.M. Bro. Maidwell vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Hollands, and Bro. Maidwell having answered the usual questions leading to the 2nd degree, the Lodge was opened in the 2nd degree, and Bro. Maidwell duly passed. Bro. Maidwell then resumed the chair, and closed the Lodge in the 2nd degree. Bro. Ellis worked the 1st and 2nd sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Pennell was made a member of the Lodge. Bro. Daniel was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Bro. Rudderforth put a motion, seconded by Bro. Hill, that the Lodge meet at 7, instead of 7.30.

**Upton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1227.**—The weekly meeting of this Lodge was held at Bro. Bolton's, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, Shoreditch, on Friday last, 3rd instant, at 8 p.m. Present—Bros. Hirsch W.M., Hallows S.W., Groener J.W., Cloverley S.D., Lane J.D., Franklin I.G., Gross Preceptor, Townshend Sec., Lupinsky, A. W. Fenner, Percy, M. Barnett, Oldroyd, and Bolton. Lodge was opened in due form, with prayer, minutes were read and confirmed, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. A. W. Fenner candidate, after which Bro. Fenner worked the first section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Groener worked the second section, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Franklin, of Sir Hugh Myddelton Lodge, 1602, was elected a member. A vote of thanks was unanimously accorded to the W.M. for the manner in which he had fulfilled the duties. All business being ended, the Lodge was closed in due form, and adjourned.

**The Marquis of Lorne Lodge, No. 1354.**—The annual meeting of this Lodge was held at the Masonic Rooms, on Wednesday, 1st Nov. The Lodge was opened by the W.M. Brother Smith, assisted by his officers and an unusually large number of brethren, including nine P.M.'s, when the minutes of the last meeting were read and unanimously confirmed. The Lodge was opened in the second degree, when Bro. John Bowes, P.G.J.W. Cumberland and Westmoreland, was invited to take the chair as Installing Master. Bro. Dr. Hull was presented to the W.M., who was assisted by Bro. James Jackson P.M., for the benefit of installation. The first part of the ceremony being concluded, the Lodge was opened in the third degree. All brethren below the degree of an Installed Master now retired, except the W.M. elect, Dr. Hull, who was entrusted before he withdrew. A Board of Installed Masters was opened in ample form, Bro. P. J. Edelsten P.M. 1134 acting as J.W. The W.M. elect was then admitted, and duly installed into the chair of K.S., according to ancient custom. The Board of Installed Masters being closed, the brethren were admitted in the several degrees, and the W.M. greeted, saluted, and proclaimed. The W.M. then invested the officers for the ensuing year, and they were placed in their respective positions by Bro. Past Master Edelsten. The Installing Master, Bro. Bowes, concluded the ceremony by delivering, in a most impressive manner, the addresses to the W.M., Wardens, and brethren. The auditors having made their report, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren retired to the banqueting room, where a sumptuous repast was served in an excellent manner, and the brethren spent a most enjoyable evening, under the presidency of the W.M. The musical arrangements were under the direction of Bro. Kerfoot, Organist.

**Elliot Lodge, No. 1567.**—This Lodge held its first anniversary meeting on Saturday last, the 4th inst., at the Railway Hotel, Feltham, Middlesex. Present—Bros. John Mason W.M., Frank Green S.W., W. Dunham J.W., John Elliott Secretary, J. R. Nichols S.D., A. J. Ireton J.D., S. L. Green D.C., J. H. Pearson I.G., Potter Tyler; P.M.'s Bros. Hyde Pullen, C. Cottebrune, Buss, W. T. Howe, Col. Peters, &c., &c. Amongst the visitors were:—Bros. Scott, Swallow, W. Monckton, Knight, Bethell, Cox, Atkins, Burford, Hartley, Myers, Townsend, Legg, Hackford, Pullen, Henslowe, J. Nicholls, J. Green, E. Massey, Henman, Yeoman, Roberts, Rev. Dr. Finch, Forscutt, G. States, J. Nunn, G. Dore, J. N. Pimm, Morgan, &c. The Lodge room, though adequate to accommodate the members at their ordinary meetings, was not equal to the demands made upon it by the numerous assemblage of brethren who wished to be present at the installation of Bro. Frank Green. However, punctually at the hour appointed, the Lodge business commenced, with the customary preliminaries. Beyond the installation of the new W.M., and the investiture of the officers for the ensuing year, there was no business on the paper. Bro. P.M. Howe acted as Installing Master, while Bro. Cottebrune ably fulfilled the duties of Director of the Ceremonies. Bro. Howe invariably does any work he undertakes in an eminently satisfactory manner, and on this occasion he gave those present good reason to be pleased with his efforts. The appointment of officers resulted in each brother who had served during the past year being raised a step. Bro. Mason was appointed Treas., while Bro. Elliott was re-appointed Secretary. Bro. Howe then delivered the addresses. The first duty the W.M. had to perform was an exceedingly pleasant one, it was that of having to present his predecessor, in the name of the Lodge, with a recognition of the services he had rendered. He then placed on Bro. Mason's breast an elegant P.M.'s jewel, and said that he was sure it would not be viewed in a materialistic manner, but as a memento of the appreciation by the brethren of his services. He also said that this gift was to have been accompanied with the presentation of an illuminated vellum, which, however, at this stage of the proceedings had not arrived. He had been told by Bro. Howe that it was possible it might reach them later in the evening, meanwhile he would hand over an elegant goblet which he had been deputed to offer for his acceptance. Bro. Mason said he was sure the Worshipful Master and brethren would pardon him if he did not make a speech. When he took the chair it was with the determination to do his duty, and these tokens of their regard proved to him that, whatever his shortcomings might have been, he had endeavoured to do his best. This concluded the business, and the Lodge was closed. It had been arranged that the banquet should be held in the room occupied by the School Board, but, at the eleventh hour, a spirit of opposition was raised, by one of the local magnates, against this being used for any such unworthy purpose as a Masonic banquet, and resulted in new arrangements having to be made. Bro. Harris, however, was equal to the emergency, and to work he went, the result of his exertions meeting with unqualified approval. The room was elegantly decorated, with flags and emblematical devices, while the banner of the Lodge held a conspicuous place. The dinner, admirably served, passed off most pleasantly. After grace had been sung, the W.M. rose to propose the toasts. That of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen was followed by the National Anthem, the solos being given by Madame Ashton, who was in capital voice. Bro. Green, in speaking to the toast of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales said, their Most Worshipful Grand Master was not a Mason only in name, he was quite competent to fulfil all the duties of the chair. He then referred to the Prince's recent visit to Glasgow, and spoke of his expressed intention to instal Lord Suffield as Prov. Grand Master of Norfolk, which event is fixed for the 20th of the present month. The toasts that followed next in order were those of the Pro Grand Master the Earl of Carnarvon; the Deputy Grand Master Lord Skelmersdale; the rest of the Grand Officers present and past, gracefully acknowledged by Bro. Hyde Pullen; the Provincial Grand Master the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, and the rest of the Provincial Grand Officers present and past. The toast of the "Visitors" was greeted with applause, and suitably acknowledged by Bro. Joshua Nunn, on their behalf. Bro. Mason, the Immediate P.M., proposed the health of the W.M., remarking that he was highly esteemed by the brethren of the Lodge; that he had creditably fulfilled the duties of Senior Warden, and he (Bro. Mason) felt that before his year of office was over the Lodge would find their choice of Master had been an admirable one. Bro. Green acknowledged the toast, expressing his thanks for the kind manner in which his health had been proposed and received, and his hope that he should be found equal to the discharge of his onerous yet honourable duties. Next came the toast of the Installing Master, Bro. W. T. Howe P.P.G.P., felicitously proposed, and as felicitously acknowledged. The health of the I.P.M., Bro. John Mason, was then duly given, the handsome testimonial on vellum, signed by all the members of the Lodge, being at the same time handed to him. The inscription was as follows:—"Presented by the members of the Elliot Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of England, No. 1567, held at the Railway Hotel, Feltham, Middlesex, to Bro. John Mason, the first Worshipful Master, as a token of their high esteem and brotherly regard, and as a slight recognition of the great services rendered by him to the Lodge during his year of office. November 1876." Bro. Mason very feelingly acknowledged the honour of which he had just been made the recipient, and expressed his determination to fulfil his duty under all circumstances and at all sacrifices. The other toasts were those of the Masonic Charities, the Officers of the Lodge, the Masonic Press, responded to by Bros. Morgan and Massey; and the Tyler's toast. In the intervals between the toasts, a selection of vocal music was given, the artistes being Bro. H. Ashton, assisted by Madame Ashton, and Bro. Theodore Distin; Bro. Meen presiding at the piano. Bro. Distin gave his favourite songs, "Jack's Yarn" and "Nancy o' Bristol" with his usual spirit, and was rewarded with the heartiest applause.

**Mount Edgumbe Lodge, No. 1544, Camborne.**—The first anniversary festival of this Lodge was held on Wednesday, the 1st inst. There was a good attendance of brethren to witness the installation of Bro. E. S. Angore M.R.C.S. (P.M. Druids Lodge Redruth); the ceremony was very ably performed by Bro. J. F. Penrose P.M. P.G.S.D., Phoenix Lodge, Truro. The Treasurer's accounts were very satisfactory, showing that, notwithstanding the expenses of the fitting up and furnishing the Lodge, all the liabilities were not more than £120. The newly elected W.M. invested the following brethren as his officers for the ensuing year, viz., Bros. John Rosewarne P.M. P.P.G.S. 450 I.P.M., W. H. Thomas S.W., W. Rowe jun. J.W., E. Lakey Treasurer, J. T. Rodda Secretary, W. H. Trevithick S.D., Wm. Vincent J.D., J. W. Millyard I.G., Rev. W. Vine Chaplain, G. H. Cottam Organist, T. Bartle D.C., J. Terrill and R. Bate Stewards, J. Nicholas Tyler. The brethren then adjourned to Bro. E. Roger's, Commercial Hotel, where a splendid banquet was provided. Visitors present were—Bros. E. T. Carlyon P.G. Secretary, J. F. Penrose P.M. P.G.S.D., J. Nunn P.M., H. P. Grant, J. Sims, Jas. Roberts, W. Michell, Rodda, Daw, and others.

**New Cross Lodge, No. 1559.**—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held on Saturday, 4th Nov., at the New Cross Hall, Upper Lewisham-road, New Cross, Bro. H. Keeble P.M. 1275, and Secretary of the Lodge, in the chair, in the unavoidable absence of the W.M., Bro. W. B. Woodman. He was supported by the Wardens and Officers. The minutes of the former meeting were read and confirmed. One brother was passed to the second degree, and three brethren were raised. The election for W.M. resulted in favour of Bro. H. Keeble P.M. and Secretary, owing to the S.W., Bro. E. H. Thiellay, not being eligible, being W.M. of Lodge 145. Bro. F. Walters was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Church Tyler. The sum of ten guineas was voted to the retiring W.M., Bro. W. B. Woodman, for the purpose of presenting him with a P.M. jewel. The Lodge was then closed. Several visitors were present.

#### P. G. LODGE OF RENFREWSHIRE (EAST).

THE Quarterly meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge (Renfrewshire East) was held on Saturday last, the 4th inst., in the hall of Renfrew County Kilwinning Lodge, No. 370, Paisley. There was a large attendance. Bro. Colonel Campbell, of Blythswood, P.G.M. presided, and was supported by Bro. James Caldwell S.M. Bro. James Gilmonr occupied the Senior Warden's chair, and Bro. J. Peters the Junior Warden's. The Provincial Grand Master then said that it must have been to the brethren, as it had been to him and every one else, a sad disappointment that the weather had been so unfavourable on the occasion of the recent visit of their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales to Glasgow. He did not think that the West of Scotland had ever seen a grander turn-out of the brethren. He could assure them that both their Royal Highnesses, the Prince and Princess of Wales, had expressed to him their great regret that the weather should be so unfortunately bad. Her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales had written to his wife, to tell her how much gratified she had been with everything done for the reception of their Royal Highnesses in Glasgow, Renfrew, and at Blythswood, and with the manner in which the Freemasons had conducted themselves in Glasgow. Brother James Gilmonr S.W. said that it must be a matter of gratification to the Masonic body to learn that their services had been so highly appreciated. To their Provincial Grand Master, Col. Campbell, they were exceedingly indebted for the noble manner in which he had entertained the Right Worshipful the Grand Master of Freemasons, the Prince of Wales, at Blythswood, and he moved that a minute to that effect be recorded on the minutes of the Provincial Grand Lodge. Bro. Jas. Caldwell, S.M., seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed to. It was also agreed that Brother Colonel Campbell should send an excerpt of the letter written by the Princess of Wales to the Hon. Mrs. Campbell, to be engrossed on the minutes of the Lodge. Several motions which were to be submitted to the Grand Lodge were then considered, but were received unfavourably.

#### THE DRAMA.

##### "Brothers" at the Court.—The Haymarket.

THE pretty little COURT THEATRE was re-opened on Saturday last, with a new three act comedy by Mr. C. F. Coghlan, entitled *Brothers*, and a company which, if not as strong as that of last season, will nevertheless bear favourable comparison with the companies of most London theatres. It need hardly be stated that the change from Miss Madge Robertson to Miss Ellen Terry is not a change for the better, and Mr. H. B. Conway but poorly supplies the place of Mr. Kendal. As to the comedy with which Mr. Hare has chosen to commence his season, we fear we must pronounce it weak in plot, defective in incident, pretentious in style, and commonplace in matter. The impression which the author appears desirous to convey, that such and such of his characters are gentlemen of the very first water, is strikingly at variance with the extremely ungentlemanly—to put it mildly—conduct which he attributes to them. We have, for instance, the character of an artist, not a mere gutter genius, but a man of aristocratic connections, who, having allowed an inexperienced girl to place herself in a compromising situation out of a foolish attachment for him, does not scruple, afterwards, to taunt her with having done so, and to threaten to publish the circumstance. Is it possible to conceive a more despicable act, or a more detestable character? Yet the author appears to class him amongst gentlemen. Altogether, the play is unsatisfactory, and the impression left on the mind by it—if any—is unpleasant.

At the HAYMARKET we hear of forthcoming changes, notwithstanding that the attraction of *Dan'l Druce* continues unimpaired. A new comedietta is in process of preparation, entitled *Birds in their Nests Agree*, and we hear it whispered that, at the close of the run of Mr. Gilbert's comedy, Mr. and Mrs. Chippendale will return to the theatre.



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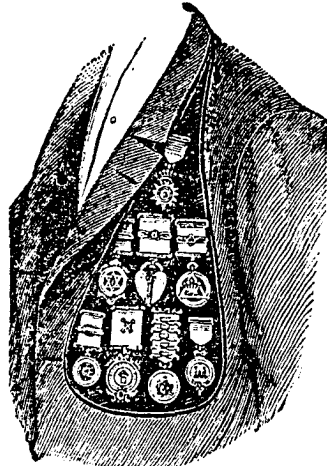
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